

ASG serves student body

With more than just hotdogs, hamburgers

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While a common acronym on campus, few people have any detailed knowledge of what the Associated Student Government does beyond providing cheap soda and barbecues.

As ASG President Teresa Robertson puts it, "We are students first, working together for the betterment of CCC students."

The different positions within ASG cater both to students who wish to have a large time commitment and to those who don't.

First and foremost, there are the student body-elected president and vice-president. Chosen by the Selections Committee within ASG are the officers and senators who work on and organize activities that relate to each of the five sub-groups within the organization: Childcare, Campus Activities, Legislative and Fundraising, Community Relations and Clubs.

The power of ASG lies largely in their involvement as students in student activities and at the same time being present on many college committees.

These committees range from food service to grounds to textbooks. Almost every college committee has representation by ASG, allowing students to take their concerns to the Student Government, who can in turn take them to the college committee that deals with those concerns. Most of these committees are open-door, so the stu-

dents themselves may attend, says Robertson.

The most important of these committees is attended in part by Robertson herself, called the President's Council Committee. This weekly committee is headed by Clackamas President Joe Johnson, and is attended by the deans, representatives from faculty and staff, as well as student representation.

This provides a direct line of communication from students to the top hierarchy of the college, allowing Robertson to "give input when discussion involves student issues," she said.

"We coordinate a variety of events during the year," said Robertson. "This includes campus activities like blood drives, club fairs, barbecues and various 'awareness' days. We host a book exchange each term for students and oversee text-

book and childcare grants on campus."

Some upcoming ASG events are the Community Fair on May 18 and Alcohol Awareness Day on May 25. They are working on putting together something like the Battle of the Bands, and a clothes closet on campus for those in need.

Another large part of what the Student Government does for the campus is helping clubs promote their meetings and activities. ASG provides a club room, club mailboxes, poster and flyer-making supplies and access to a computer on campus.

ASG is also willing to help those clubs who wish to have an on-cam-

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ASG meets to discuss upcoming events designed to enrich the college community and serve the CCC student body.

pus event, and aren't sure exactly how to run it or promote it. A recent example of this is when the Black Student Union held their Soul Food Day. The Student Government helped them get started with pointers on how to run it and with the loaning of supplies.

In short, the purpose of ASG is to be a liaison between the student

body at large and the governmental systems of Clackamas.

"[ASG influences] decisions in a variety of ways," said Robertson. "Student leaders at Clackamas Community College are full partners in the decision making process ... We are a group of students trying to work in the best interest of students on our campus."

Faculty showcases Latin music at recital

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Clackamas music instructor and pianist Naomi LaViolette and soprano Allison Weiss showcased the works of Latin artist Carlos Lopez Buchardo in a faculty recital in efforts to promote Latin music and enhance the culture of the college.

The event took place Saturday, April 9. Weiss began the evening with an introduction to Latin music and explanation of some of the dynamics of it, and then fielded questions from the audience. She sang a total of 15 songs from Buchardo, with titles such as "Desdichas de Mi Passion (My Bad Luck With Love)," "Cancion Del Carretero (Song of the Cart Driver),"

and "Querendona (Half Crazy)."

LaViolette provided the accompaniment to Weiss' voice on the piano and felt the night was a success.

"[The recital] was great; it was wonderful" said LaViolette. "Playing in an ensemble is one of my favorite things to do."

Weiss and LaViolette met at the University of Puget Sound where they met in choir and collaborated for Weiss' Junior recital. "I was always so glad to be able to work with [LaViolette]. She is such an outstanding accompanist," said Weiss.

The performance of Latin music was part of Weiss' efforts to promote and publish Latin-American music. Weiss' interest in Latin music led her to develop the non-profit organization, Latin-American Art Song

Alliance, which seeks to publish, perform, record and promote solo vocal music by Latin-American composers.

She will study next year to at the University of Chicago to receive a graduate degree in Latin-American studies. Weiss and LaViolette decided to perform at Clackamas in January after Weiss performed her Latin music recital for her graduate degree in music at the University of Portland.

The faculty recital was the first this term in what LaViolette foresees as an ongoing practice to showcase the talents of Clackamas teachers as an encouraging and educational enhancement for students.

"It is a good thing for students, and encouraging for them to get to

see their teachers perform on a professional level," she said. "It gives them a chance to see what it is like to perform on a professional level and what they should aspire to."

LaViolette also recognizes the recitals as a cultural enhancement and its growth as an exciting benefit to the college and community.

"[Faculty performances] enhance the community as well, through the performance of music from different cultures," she said. "We are really excited about that, so all in all it is a really good thing."

Musician, musician-scholars, and music appreciators are all encouraged to become a member of LAASA and join in their efforts to promote Latin music. For more information, visit <http://www.laasa.org>.

Big Box o' Briefs

Campus news: 75% leaner, 25% meaner, and 100% unprofessional

"Los Desaparecidos"

John Lujan, who was involved in the production of the film "Los Desaparecidos (The Disappeared Ones)" about the resistance against the fascist regime of Argentina, will be at CCC April 20 to discuss the film and the situation currently happening in the country. It will be held in CC 127 from noon-1 p.m., and is open to anybody. Come see it before it too disappears.



Casting Call

There will be a casting call for actors interested in starring in a short production entitled "Constant Reader: Beware!" this Friday at 5 p.m. in the CCC Literary Arts Center. Both male and female roles are open, and no previous acting experience is required. Email evillincolnproductions@gmail.com to receive a copy of the script. Also keep your eyes open for more casting calls for other productions.

Tax Day

The only two things we can be sure of in life are death and taxes, so on April 15 you have your choice of one or the other. Make sure to have your taxes in by April 15 ... or kill yourself.



Randel Remodel: Chapter II

Remodel (read: destruction) of lower level Randal Hall has begun ... on the plus side, the construction of the upstairs is finished.

campus SAFETY logs

All reports are taken from CCC's campus safety incident logs. Summaries are edited for clarity, not content.

4-10-05
11:31 a.m.
Ask three white male juveniles not to ride their bicycles in the flower bed.

4-7-05
4:33 p.m.
SUV with left rear window panel broken. Unknown if anything stolen.

4:59 p.m.
Contact by staff at welding department regarding possible theft call. No crime committed, staff still want contact with student.

6:10 p.m.
Contacted staff and student and welding department. Advised student not to come on campus during early morning hours.

4-6-05
1:20 p.m.
Staff reported finding a threatening note on vehicle in Community Center lot. Contacted number on note, advised counseling.

2:45 p.m.
Staff reported white male adult pointing butane lighter at passersby in McLoughlin lot.

4:20 p.m.
Was contacted by Marion County juvenile probation officer regarding vandalism case.

9:15 p.m.
Contacted driver of blue Datsun, advised him not to do cookies in parking lot as he did earlier in the day.

4-5-05
6:30 p.m.
Reported intoxicated student at unknown location on campus.

6:45 p.m.
Patrolled main campus looking for a vehicle connected with intoxicated student call.

7:00 p.m.
Oregon City Police Department and I located student in Communication Arts Building. Did welfare check and OCPD transported student to hospital for detox.