

WIRETAP: Law raises questions, concerns

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"I would be adamantly opposed to any routine monitoring of e-mail or phones" College President Joe Johnson said. "Law enforcement currently has the capability, and I don't think it should be expanded."

Other members of the faculty share Johnson's sentiment.

"There is always a possibility for abuse," Political Science Instructor Dean Darris says. "[That] is why we should view such measures with a dose of healthy skepticism." He also points to the "abuses" that took place under former FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover as an example.

"All of our privacy rights seem to be in question," Austin said. "The [USA Patriot Act] says it wouldn't be published [when a tap occurs], so who knows when it's happened."

The bottom line

If the college were pre-

sented with this situation it would be discussed among the College Board, to decide what is best for the college community.

"My job here is to do what's best for the college, and that sometimes involves discussion." Leach said. "Wiretaps to accommodate some sort of federal desire would be a point of discussion, especially if the feds don't give us any cash for it."

The expansions are currently being appealed by many groups, including American Council on Education - America's largest associated of colleges and universities - and the Center for Democracy and Technology, a civil liberties special interest group.

"I think that there are adequate safeguards already in place," Johnson said. "I don't want to see any further monitoring of peoples lives."

PSU comes to Clackamas

Katie Wilson

News Editor

"It's one of my favorite classes [to teach]," said Portland State University English instructor Lorraine Mercer to a group of students at yesterday's PSU "Meet and Greet."

She was talking about a new class being offered at Clackamas Winter Term. ENG 313: The American Short Story is a PSU course that Clackamas students can take without leaving the Oregon City campus.

"[This class] is such a great way to look at American art and literature," said Mercer. "We'll really look at how the genre of the short story developed in the U.S. and how it influenced other European countries."

The class will focus not just on the literature and its various elements but also how it shaped the American story.

"[The class] is a special arrangement between PSU and Clackamas," said Sydney Thompson, the PSU liaison for Clackamas, who has arranged for the classes to be provided. "It provides a unique opportunity to pursue PSU coursework and not leave the [Clackamas] campus."

A film theory class provided a bridge between the two English departments in Spring Term 2005. This coming spring the class will be ENG 360, an American Literature Class which will be taught by PSU's Elizabeth Ceppi.

Even though the classes are being taught on the Clackamas campus, students interested in signing up will have to register through PSU. Questions about how to register should be directed to Sydney Thompson at 503-657-6958, ext. 5077, or e-mail at sydneyt@clackamas.edu or sydneyt@pdx.edu.

Not an English class

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The Clackamas Print

Good book discussions don't always equal essay questions as Clackamas' first campus-wide book club is setting out to prove.

The book club was conceived by English Instructor Amanda Coffey.

"I started the book club this term, this year because I want students to have the opportunity to talk about good books outside of a traditional classroom environment," Coffey said. "In a book club, people read a book because they want to talk about it with others who have also read it. It's fun, and it's NOT an English class."

The book chosen for this term is "Waiting for Snow in Havana," by Carlos Eire, which, according to Coffey, "is about a boy growing up in Cuba during Castro's rise to power." The boy eventually flees Cuba and becomes one of thousands of child refugees to make his way to the United States.

"The book is centrally about all the complex forces in our lives we first encounter as children and continue to grapple with as we grow: family, politics, economics,

justice, faith, envy, forgiveness, love," Coffey said. "I chose the book because of its narrative power, because it explores such valuable themes and because it raises such important political concerns."

Coffey plans on having

open discussion of the current book."

"I don't intend to run discussions like I would in an official class," Coffey said. "I will prepare a few questions to get the discussion going but anyone who attends should bring their own questions (and answers)."

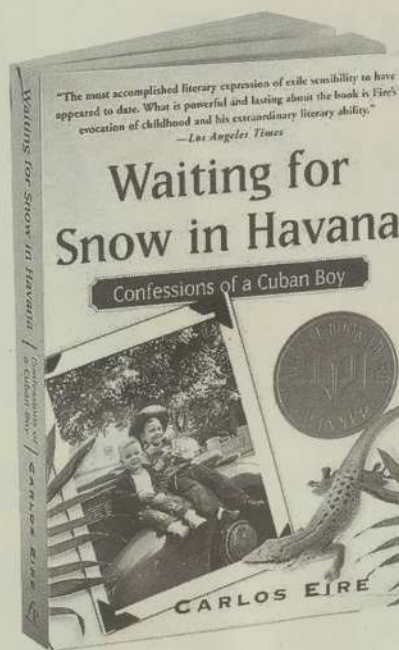
Coffey already has the book chosen for the Winter Term as well as "The Kite Runner" by Khaled Hosseini is about a man "alienated from his country of birth after a revolution."

"It seems like a theme for the year is emerging: 'the disenfranchised immigrant,'" Coffey said.

Coffey is planning for a lively group and above all, good discussion, even if she can offer some of the perspective of certain other book clubs.

"I'm not as glamorous as [Oprah] is, but I can't promise you under the chairs in the LAC, but I can assure you the book club will be a good time for the who come!"

Free cars excluded. The book club will meet in the LAC to discuss their current selection on Monday, Nov. 21, 4 - 5 p.m.; Wednesday, November 23, 4 - 4 p.m.; and Friday, Dec. 2 - 3 p.m.



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the book club read one book per term, and then meeting a few times near the end of the semester to discuss it. She said the meetings "will be an

CAMPUS EVENTS & NEWS

Tonight at 7 p.m. is **Author's Night with Carmen Bernier-Grand and Margaret Bechard**. The authors will be reading selections from their respective works. To find out more call Allen Widerburg, ext. 2359. (See preview on page 1)

Smoke? Want to quit? "Quit Cold Turkey," or what is more commonly known as the **Great American Smoke-Out**, is being hosted by ASG (sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa and Student Leadership) this Thursday outside the Community Center from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. For more information call 503-657-6958, ext. 2245

The **Theater Department's fall play, "All My Sons,"** enters its final run week this week. Call Michelle Meyers at 503-657-6958, ext. 2356 to get tickets or to sign up as an usher.

ASG is collecting **clothes for a clothes closet**. They want clean, lightly used, interview-type clothes. The clothes drive will be from Nov. 14 - 18. Call ASG at 503-657-6958, ext. 5345 for more information.

This Friday is the **Alumni Vocal Jazz Night** in the Leroy Anderson band room in the Niemeyer Center. Tickets are \$5. For more information call Lonnie Cline, 503-657-6958, ext. 2342, or the Music Department office at ext. 2434.

Thanksgiving holiday, Nov. 24 - 25! That means no school on Thursday (since it's Thanksgiving) and no school on Friday. Also, you lucky people who have classes beginning after 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 23, get out of those as well.

First-ever, campus-wide Book Club has its first meeting this month. Read "Waiting for Snow in Havana" by Carlos Eire and show up for the informal discussions on Nov. 21, 4 - 5 p.m., Nov. 23, 3 - 4 p.m., and Dec. 2, 2 - 3 p.m. All discussions will be held in the Literary Arts Center. For more information call Amanda Coffey, 503-657-6958, ext. 2829.

Need to get started on holiday shopping? **The Holiday Craft Fair** will be held Nov. 29 - 30 in the Community Center.

campus SAFETY

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

11-11-05 1:00 p.m.

Flagged down by staff member saying that a door in Niemeyer won't lock. Officer verified this and called maintenance.

11-10-05 1:36 p.m.

Contact white female juvenile, minor in possession of tobacco.

4:26 p.m.

Found toyota with trunk opened. Secured trunk and left notice.

11-8-05 3:37 p.m.

Call from student reporting white males possibly smoking marijuana.

6:45 p.m.

Located owner of BMW parked in "No Parking" zone. Told him to move vehicle.

11-7-05 10:50 p.m.

Contacted driver of black truck that had been parked for a couple of hours in CCC parking lot. Driver pulled over and was on cell phone.

Chartwells and The Cougar Café are ready for the season with a new holiday schedule!

Wed., Nov. 23
7 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Open for regular business
Mon., Nov. 28
7 a.m. - 7 p.m.

Last day of the term is **Fri, Dec. 16** and we'll be back on **Tues., Jan. 3**