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Caudle prepares for next round of elections

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After an unopposed sweep in the primaries, Clackamas Mayor Mike Caudle is gearing up for the battle for Salem. Caudle, of Advising and Student Outreach, is running as a Democrat for representative of Oregon's 39th district against incumbent Wayne Scott, House Majority Leader. Scott - another Clackamas alumnus - is a businessman seeking his second term as representative. According to a biography he is the first African American legislator in Oregon history to be elected major leader, and was re-elected unanimously by his party in November 2004.

When asked what he believed the biggest issue plaguing the state - which includes Oregon and Canby - Caudle was quick with a response.

"Payday loan operations," Caudle said. "The problem is that people take out payday loans to pay medical bills and food on the table, and are being taken advantage of by corporations."

This is a point on which Caudle and Scott differ. Scott argued against the regulations restricting payday loan operations that were voted in during a special session last month. In 2005 Scott voted to end unemployment benefits, establish new requirements and regulations for voters registering to vote, ending tax breaks for corporations (including a 30-year exemption for taxation from the City of Beaverton for Nike, Columbia Sportswear and others) and requiring employers to provide mental health coverage for their employees.

Among Scott's goals for his second term, according to his website, is to "reduce tax burdens, stabilize education funding and eliminate government waste."

Scott could not be reached for comment at time of publication.

Thus far Caudle has been running a grassroots campaign. No formal debate is currently planned, although Caudle said he would "love for that to happen."

In spite of the hurdles he faces, Caudle remains optimistic about his future, saying he had good reactions so far, noting that people share his frustrations.

People turned out to vote in large numbers for an unknown reason from Oregon City," Caudle said. "I think everyone is so excited with Salem that they're willing to listen to anybody who's interested in what interests them."

Softballers bank second

Frank Jordan
The Clackamas Print

The up-and-down Clackamas softball season ended on Sunday with a 9-1 loss in the NWAACC tournament championship game to Lower Columbia College at Delta Park in North Portland, ending a memorable tournament run for the Cougars.

"I am as proud of this group of girls as I ever have been about a softball team in my 19 years of coaching this program. Head Coach Paul Fiskum said. "They battled and battled and never said die. They have done themselves and Clackamas Community College proud."

Clackamas sought to defend the championship it won last season with a final match-up against Lower Columbia, but the Red Devils ended the dream with a 9-1 win over Clackamas. This year's NWAACC championship is the seventh for the dominant Lower Columbia squad in eight years.

Clackamas opened tournament play on Friday against Edmonds CC and made quick work of their opponent, scoring 11 runs in the top of the first inning enroute to a 25-1 pasting of the Lady Tritons.

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Anna Alcalá slides in safe at home plate before Holly Rossman of Mt. Hood can tag her out. After being considered the underdogs for most of the season, the Cougars placed second at NWAACCs.

Fashion show raises awareness, donations

Megan Koler
The Clackamas Print

Raising awareness of the ASG Clothes Closet was the purpose of last Wednesday's fashion show.

"Last term the [Clothes Closet] was really popular," said ASG Community Relations Senator Hillary Fletcher. "This term we needed some way to get the word out."

They erected a catwalk in the midst of the club fair last Wednesday, where for ten minutes various student volunteers showed off the variety of clothing the closet had acquired.

"I think it went really well... we were ready for more," said Fletcher about the amount of activities publicizing the Clothes Closet.

When at the end of the show a male volunteer walked on the catwalk in a girl's top, the majority of the organizers felt the show had run its course.

"We were only planning on running it for 10 to 15 minutes, even though it was advertised as being an hour long," said Fletcher.

The clubs were challenged that day to donate the most clothes in honor of the fashion show. The clubs that donated the most clothing received prizes of \$40 for first place, \$30 for second and \$20 for third.

"The placing for the contest was: first place the Criminal Justice club, second the Rainbow Club and third Phi Theta Kappa," said Fletcher.

Normally, most of the day-to-day donations are from staff members and not from students. The students seem to be the ones receiving instead of giving.



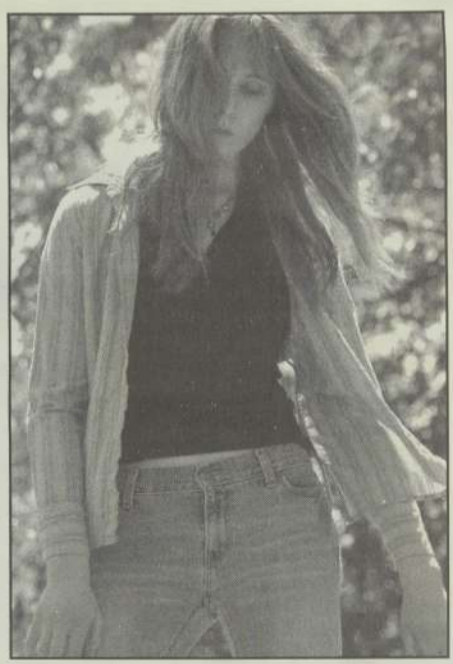
"There are three students that come in frequently that live in tents on the river in Portland," explained Fletcher.

Donations to the Clothes Closet can be made in room 152 in the Community Center. The hours are Monday and Fridays 9-10 a.m. and 1-3 p.m.

"At this point, there haven't been any discussions about keeping the Clothes Closet open during the summer," said Fletcher, "but it will be open next year."

LEFT: Student volunteer Lucas Adams helps out during the ASG Clothes Closet fashion show. ASG hopes to continue the closet next year.

BELOW: ASG Senator Tiffany Kimmel models clothes from the ASG Clothes Closet.



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College celebrates retirees, goes to 'jail'

Sam Krause
The Clackamas Print

College President Joe Johnson danced and hopped and skipped to a faculty band that serenaded the large group gathered in Gregory Forum last Wednesday to celebrate the college's 2006 retirees.

"It's a happy occasion.

There's over 250 years of experience in this room," said Johnson. "But it's sad to see so much history leave."

The theme for the celebration was the Wild West, but since few to no faculty members wore western attire, retirees were easily noticeable in their mismatched cowboy hats and daily attire.

Before anything could start,

the "jail" was opened. The jail was a corner of the room blocked off by black paper tape.

Only administrators could be put in jail, and only if another faculty member paid to put them there for one dollar per minute. Once imprisoned an inmate could pay their way out or sit in there until their time ran out.

All the money went to the

Classified Memorial Scholarship Endowment. The scholarship helps classified employees (non-faculty or administration) who are continuing their education pay for their classes.

The celebration started with a video presentation recognizing each retiree individually.

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