

# Singles club needed at CCC

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Colleges across the states have singles clubs, so why not Clackamas Community College?

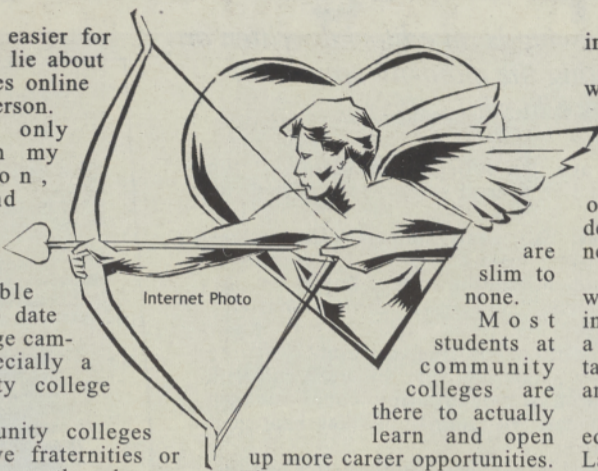
I've been single for a while now, and finding a good mate is getting increasingly more difficult. There are very few singles bars around the Portland area, and the ones that do exist are filled with poseur guys and fake women.

Online dating sites are another option for finding romance, but most of the people looking are middle-aged and recently divorced. Plus,

it's even easier for people to lie about themselves online than in person.

The only place, in my opinion, to find decent, honest and respectable people to date is a college campus, especially a community college campus.

Community colleges don't have fraternities or sororities, so the chances of meeting moronic, snobby, arrogant and superficial people



ing skirts and binge drinking. A singles club at Clackamas would offer a healthy alternative to lame singles bars and loud, obnoxious dance halls. I'm really hoping there are students with me on this, because I just may decide to start a singles club next term.

This possible singles club wouldn't be just about finding a date either. It would be a place for people to come and talk about relationships, past and present.

If anyone cares, I've decided to print my personal ad. Ladies, if you're interested, my e-mail is Tayo81@gmail.com. Sorry, I'm not printing my phone number.

Would you go out on a date with Tayo Stalnakar?

"Probably not."



Jillian Hill

"Actually, we have something planned."



David Fawver

Yes, depending on his personality."



Lisa Potter

"No. Well, it depends on the guy."



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"If I was paid or drunk."



Matthew Spencer

## Lonely, literate bachelor seeks fly breezy

Name: Tayo Stalnakar

Age: 25

Current Residence: Clackamas

**About Me:** I enjoy going to dive bars and loading up the jukebox with really bad 80s music. I'm also kind of nerdy. I like eating Cheetos and playing *Dungeons and Dragons*. Not really, but I do play video games, read science fiction, and I love to write. My favorite television shows are *Aqua Teen Hunger Force* and *The Golden Girls*. Actually, I recently started writing *Golden Girls* fem-slash. It's pretty hot.

**Future Plans:** I plan on being some of sort journalist, probably a movie critic or entertainment news reporter. If not, then I'll end up being a high school English teacher. On the side, I'll write short-fiction and hopefully gain an underground following of pretentious lit-geeks.

**What I'm Looking For:** I'm looking for a woman who has a great sense of humor and isn't easily offended. I would prefer a woman who isn't religious or, at the very least, isn't a fundamentalist. I really like nerdy, alternative women who enjoy reading, learning, watching good films, like going to plays and listen to music played by talented musicians who are in it for the art, not the fame. Above all, I'm looking for a woman who is not superficial, materialistic or into Ayn Rand.



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## Leadership classes available to anyone (with a title)

**Rev. Sam Krause**  
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My friend came to me with a question, thinking I had an answer: What happened to the Leadership class? She took it and loved it. They volunteered for the underprivileged, read historical texts by Lincoln. They did all sorts of stuff together. She made it sound like a fairy tale filled with candy and bubble-gum, but I was unaware of any Leadership class, so I guess it was a good question.

There are at least three Leadership classes on campus that have classroom or volunteer requirements. Latino Leadership is a prime example of a good Leadership class.

Each week, students who enroll in the class organize and run Saturday work sessions for Latinos who attend one of 10 high schools in the area. There are eight sessions a year, and have themes like cultural roots, heritage, and, of course, leadership.

Miguel Cardenas, Oregon Leadership Institute coordinator and adviser, said the class is meant to connect high school stu-

dents, who may not go to college, with others already in college and succeeding.

Sounds great, connecting students to students ... but exclusive, or at least directed at Latino students.

Also, there is ASG.

ASG provides a Leadership training curriculum. But, it's only available to ASG officers and student ambassadors.

According to Mindy Brown, ASG adviser and former leadership instructor, it's more of a "working classroom," she noted that students involved have very busy schedules. During the week, however, they meet for two hours to discuss campus-wide meetings (Board meetings, Executive Council, College Council, President's Council, etc).

Again, sounds great - students learning about democracy

and representation, but exclusive to those who are selected as an ambassador or officer.

All the Leadership classes or curriculum have been developed by the International Honor Society (PTK). In fact, any Instructor that wants to teach the curriculum has to become certified by PTK.

However, even PTK members can't enroll in any of these classes unless they are Latino, an ASG officer, or a Student Ambassador.

When a general Leadership class has been offered, there was a diverse enrollment, said Tim Pantages, Instructor in the Extended Learning Services Department.

"We got a good mix," Pantages said. He credited the "good mix" to the number of athletes and education majors that enrolled.

The class also had a history of well-qualified instructors: John Keyser - President Emeritus;

Dian Connett - Retired V.P. of Instructional Services; Patricia McIlveen Ph.D in Education Leadership, now V.P. at Chemeketa CC, and Tara Sprehe - Registrar.

Enrollment varied from term to term. Starting in fall, there were 25 students, but by spring there were only a few left, Pantages noted, having taught the class for its remaining five years.

Sometimes the class was canceled for a term altogether, so regular students didn't have access to these invaluable educational and leadership tools that my friend described in her fairy bubble gum land.

Pantages said it best: "Everyone is a leader whether they have a title or not."

Hell yes! That's great, especially the part about everyone. People don't have time for ASG, or the effort that goes into being an Ambassador. Latino Leadership is just as time-consuming.

Besides, some people don't have an interest in ASG or Latino Leadership.

Leadership theories can be learned in a classroom atmosphere and just as easily be applied to the real world. It shouldn't just be for those with a title.

**"Everyone is a leader whether they have a title or not"**

**Tim Pantages**  
Extended Learning Services Instructor

Student poll compiled by David Stark and Juno Dean