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'I don't say I'm no better than anybody else, But I'll be damned if I ain't jist as good!'

- Lyrics from Rodgers and Hammerstein's 'Oklahoma!'
The play will continue through this weekend

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Who will be the first man to
end up for his rights and get
shot?
It's hard to be a man in
Oklahoma! Every farmer's daugh-
ter has a father with a gun.
Twenty minutes ago, life wasn't
bad. One was as free as a gypsy,
ready to kiss the farmers' daughters

as one pleased – but then in came
their fathers – and now it's get
married or get a bullet through the
skull. It's a scandal. It's an outrage.

Perhaps it's my own violent ten-
dencies, but moments like these
held my interest the most during
the Theatre Department's Spring
Term production of *Oklahoma!* ...
that nagging question: Who, for
whatever reason, will be the first
man to get shot?

I feel I'm at a slight disadvan-

tage, having never seen any other
version of the play with which to
compare the college's offering.

But, then, maybe that's not such
a bad thing; I entered the theater
with my mind free of bias.

So, this is what I found ...

Warning: It is a musical, which
means there will be singing and
dancing – lovely dancing, I might
add. Don't worry. It won't hurt.

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ABOVE LEFT: Laury – in the middle – played by Emily Jackson, gets a little more attention from peddler Ali Hakim (played by James Sharinghausen) than she'd like. Ado Annie (Brianna Shewbert) looks on gleefully. ABOVE RIGHT: From bottom to top, Shewbert, Jackson, Alayna Lawson and Emily Jones dance on the stage. Lawson plays Armina, and Jones takes on the role of Kate.



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David Wu to meet CCC, students

Megan Koler

News Editor

Congressman David Wu
will visit the campus today
to discuss the financial con-
cerns of community college
students.

He and his staff will
meet Clackamas' president,
Joanne Truesdell, at the
main entrance of the Bill
Brod Community Center at
1:30 p.m.

Truesdell will give Wu a
tour of the campus, includ-
ing an excursion to the
Environmental Learning
Center, highlighting various
sustainability projects. At
2:30 p.m., they will recon-
vene in the Fireside Lounge,
where everyone is welcome
to ask the congressman
questions.

"We're very pleased that
he is taking an interest and
is willing to talk to students
about what their concerns

are," said Truesdell.

"The goal of the visit is to
make sure that community
colleges have [a voice] any
time we talk about funding,"
said Jillian Schoene, spokes-
woman for Wu.

Wu, who represents
Oregon's First Congressional
District, serves on the
Education and Labor
Committee (the only com-
mittee that has jurisdiction
over education policy) and
in the past has testified in
support of greater funding
for student financial aid at
the state level.

Wu has even introduced
a resolution calling for full
funding of Pell Grants at
the maximum authorized
amount: \$5,800. Today's
maximum amount of \$4,050
is worth almost \$800 less
than the maximum scholar-
ship nearly 30 years ago.

"He's been a real advoca-
te for community colleg-
es," Truesdell said.

Secretary of state pays campus a visit

Fufkin Vollmayer

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To really grasp the probable effects
of global warming is to revisit the Old
Testament. It's the 10 plagues and then
some.

The smog is so dense in coastal China
that drivers use headlights to drive
during the day, while a drought scorches
the inland. A continent away, the drought
has wiped Lake Chad (bordering Darfur)
off the map, killing off the fish – and
food supply – for thousands of Africans.
The torrential downpour in Mumbai
(Bombay) on July 26, 2005, when 37
inches of rain fell in just 24 hours, killed
one thousand people.

During his visit on May 23 to
Clackamas, Secretary of State Bill
Bradbury spoke of these disasters as
all related to global warming. Speaking
in conjunction with Al Gore's Climate
Project for CCC's Sustainability Series,
he presented a slideshow illustrating the
catastrophes, as well as examples closer
to home.

The thousands of crabs that died
last year off the coast of Lincoln City
weren't poisoned; the lack of oxygen on
the ocean floor killed them. Bradbury's
photos depicted a mile-long swath of a
flotilla of dead crabs, undulating in the
currents, an oceanic dead zone.

How could global warming, which
affects the surface temperature of the
ocean and the Earth, cause crabs on the
ocean floor to die? Bradbury said it's not
as far-fetched as it seems.

"Scientists, such as Oregon State
University's Dr. Jane Lubchenco,
believe there's a connection between
this hypoxic event and
a change in wind pat-
terns," he said.

The change from
occasional to constant
wind near Newport
caused the ocean water
to churn. This constant
upwelling took all the
oxygen out of the very
bottom of the ocean.
Fish escaped; crabs
were trapped.

Bradbury also
showed slide after slide
of retreating ice packs:
Mt. Kilimanjaro, Greenland, the arctic
circle and the phenomena of "drunken
trees," which are trees tilting and falling
over, owing to melting permafrost in
Alaska.

In Oregon, he had equally dramatic
time-lapse photos of the vanishing snow
pack on the Cascades and Mt. Hood's
evaporating glaciers.

He depicted several grim scenarios
for the Northwest.

"The projected rise in sea level would
put Tillamook, parts of Portland and the
Portland airport underwater," he said.

More intense heat waves and sum-
mers would potentially limit agriculture
in the Willamette Valley. Expect less
snow and skiing.

But Bradbury reminded the audi-
ence of the current effects
of climate change on the
region.

"From the Southwest
upto the Pacific Northwest,
there were 85 forest fires
last summer, the largest
number on record ... and
then there's the fact of
huge amounts of airborne
mercury from China that
blows across to Oregon
and Idaho," he said.

Bradbury gives this
slideshow based on *An
Inconvenient Truth* to
Oregon congregations, corporations and
organizations. He says it was the stu-
dents at a Hillsboro middle school who
were the most engaged.

"These guys really got it. They kept
asking me, 'If we do reduce our carbon
footprint by the targeted goals, will this
stop all these horrible things from hap-
pening?' and I could only answer that
we, the scientists, don't know, but that
we have to try."



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