

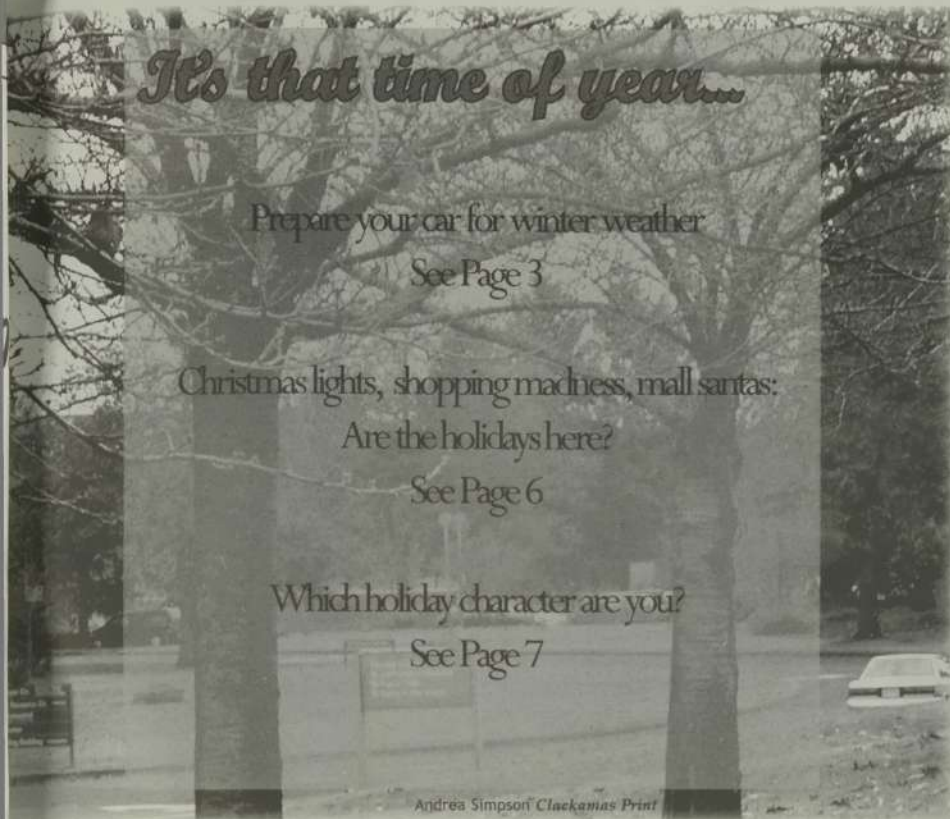
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ABOVE: Student Peter Bauer's fingers get a little sticky as he builds a gingerbread house for the clubs fair Nov. 27.

LEFT: Leafless trees grace the entrance to Clackamas Community College.

Scholarship season begins

Money deadlines approach for students, Clackamas gears up to offer help in many forms

Matthew Garrison
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Clackamas and the Oregon Student Assistance Commission (OSAC) offer solutions to students in need of financial aid. "OSAC is one application for 400 different scholarships," said OSAC Willamette Region Supervisor Steve Coxon. "Their goal is to help pay for post-high-school education."

Deadlines and Tips for 08-09

FAFSA and scholarship applications may be turned in Jan. 1 and are due by March 1.

See the Counseling Center for help completing yours.

For faster results, file your FAFSA online at fafsa.ed.gov.

"It's a scholarship program, so everyone can apply. It's for Oregon residents, and it's for any post-high-school education," he added.

The deadline is March 1, 2008.

Students should apply for OSAC "because it helps make college affordable," Coxon said.

In a breakout session, Clackamas Scholarship Coordinator Darcie Iven discussed scholarships that are offered through Clackamas.

The college has \$500,000 in scholarships a year, and ones for engineers are still available.

Students can submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) starting Jan. 1, 2008 for the next school year.

In addition, there are three scholarships offered to individuals transferring to a four-year university.

Student loans are another option.

Theodore Collins, vice president of the Educational Credit Management Corporation, said, "ECMC is a student loan guarantor. When students take out loans, we work with the lenders to assure them that the loans will be paid; that is one part of what we do.

"The other thing we do is to provide financial aid information to students and parents, so they know what financial aid is available to help the students pay for college."

"The student borrows money for school, and that money has to be repaid," he added. "Part of what we do is work with that student to be sure they understand they're responsible. We help them plan how they repay their loan, and we encourage them to pay their loans on time."



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Darcie Iven, scholarship coordinator, explains aid opportunities to students at College Night Oregon.

PT contract still in debate

Matt Olson
The Clackamas Print

It's nearing the end of Fall Term, and the part-time faculty contract is still unfinished.

State-run mediation took place Nov. 1 and 2, concluding with only six of 11 issues resolved. A follow-up session is scheduled for Dec. 6.

Bargaining teams representing the school administration and part-time faculty exchanged versions of the contract, negotiating language and changes.

Issues resolved include the Part-Time Faculty Association President's salary, the accepted full-time to part-time faculty pay ratio, paid professional improvement, compensation for canceled courses, biannual part-time faculty pay raise evaluation and tuition waivers for part-time faculty and immediate family.

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