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## New information on fatal CCC student accident

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Christina Harmon, 19, a Clackamas Community College student passed away last Thursday night after being struck by a car.

As the college reeled from the news of Christina Harmon's death last week, Clackamas County Sheriff's Office said Tuesday this is not the first time the Clackamas student came into contact with a moving vehicle.

During a phone interview yesterday, Sgt. Adam Phillips, public information officer for the department, answered questions concerning a police report filed in December of 2009 by the CCSO. He said a driver reported that Harmon fell into his lane as he was traveling northbound on Oatfield Road near the intersection of SE McNary Road. He swerved to avoid her, but ran over her feet according to Phillips. Phillips said the driver's passenger corroborated the events.

The police report also stated that Harmon could not remember why she had

entered the roadway, or having her feet ran over by the vehicle. Harmon was transported to OHSU after the accident, said Phillips.

Harmon, 19 was hit by a vehicle about a mile from the college on April 25. She was

found on Beavercreek Road last Wednesday night around 10:15 p.m. in an accident that was originally reported as a hit and run. She died at OHSU the next evening.

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### Opinion

## Freedom VS Prohibition

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The Oregon Cannabis Tax Act Initiative (OCTA) is here again in 2012 with more support than ever. According to gallup.com, half, yes, HALF of all Americans they polled last year are in favor of the legalization of marijuana. Proponents of OCTA, Initiative 9, are busy gathering the 82,213 signatures needed to place the decision in the hands of Oregon voters this November and set a precedent for the legalization of marijuana for states across the country. With enough signatures, citizens of Oregon will once again have their chance to reap the potential statewide benefits of legal cannabis and hemp this November.

Some would say this state doesn't need OCTA. Oregon law already has soft laws against and for marijuana use. On top of that, this act would increase use of a drug that can have negative long term side effects on the users, a complaint people use against tobacco.

Oregon already has legalized medical marijuana statewide. If you have a disease, ailment, or anything a doctor feels like issuing a medical marijuana card for, from that point on, you can legally obtain it. For people who don't have any illnesses and desire to smoke a joint, Oregon laws aren't that harsh against it. Possessing an ounce or less of marijuana is only a violation, you don't get arrested. Possessing marijuana within 1,000 yards of a school is a misdemeanor, and most misdemeanors are pushed out of courts with only a fine attached.

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By Chris Taylor  
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Chinese New Year, Native American tribal dances, Italian opera. All of these things bring one word to mind: International. This week Clackamas Community College is hosting its annual International Week in the Bill Brod Community Center,

with many performances from many different cultures, representing the diversity of the college and the melting pot that is the USA.

Throughout this week, many international acts will come together and share their cultures and their artistic side. This week is full of great opportunities to share, enjoy and get involved with other peoples' cultures. "It's a celebration of many cultures," said Spanish

instructor Irma Bjerre.

Students from many cultures and backgrounds attend CCC, and International Week will be a celebration of those from various cultures and creeds. "We have a very diverse student body," said Amy Larkin, administrative assistant for arts and sciences at CCC.

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