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## Track star throws all the way to Wyoming

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If you do your best to imagine a hammer thrower, you probably picture a big guy with huge muscles. The thing is, you don't have to have giant muscles, and you definitely don't have to be a guy. One of the stand outs for the Clackamas Community College track and field team is Katie Higgins, who has made her mark throwing the hammer. She's been involved in track for three years and has done amazingly well, and already has an NWAACC championship in the hammer throw.

"People outside of the track family are shocked to hear that I am a hammer thrower since it is such an intense sport," said Higgins. "But inside the track family, they understand that I am capable of doing the best I can."

Next year she will be leaving Clackamas and heading to the University of Wyoming on a 75 percent scholarship for hammer throwing. Her hard work and determination to be the best she can be has gotten her very far in the last three years.

"The best part of being a thrower is that you do not have as strict of a diet," said Higgins, comparing her training regimen to that of her fellow athletes. "You still have a diet but you can still eat good food. Another

thing is that I love watching the progress throughout the year and it is fun to see how much I improve."

When she graduates from the University of Wyoming, she plans on coming back to Oregon for post collegiate training at the University of Oregon. She said it all depends on how she does at Wyoming, where she will be taking a red shirt next year to train with the team but not compete.

One of Higgins fellow throwers, Shaun Lemafa, had a lot to say about her and the track community. When they

had first met, Lemafa asked if he could teach her how to throw the hammer. What he did not know was that she

already knew how, and simply didn't let on. "She played a prank of me," said Lemafa.

"She always tries her hardest. Working with her has been great," said Lemafa. "She teaches me new things all the time. She even gives me advice. She is the most passionate person on the team. She does not just want to do well independently she wants the whole team to do well."

Overall, Higgins is a great athlete and coach to her teammates. She is competitive and she does what she loves. Clackamas will lose a great hammer thrower next year, but you can be sure that Higgins will continue in the sport.



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## Board member remembered



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New sculpture featured outside of the Art Center building as part of the Clemans Memorial Garden.

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The legend of Charles "Chuck" Clemans lives on at Clackamas Community College. Clemans a true connoisseur of life is remembered and celebrated in a new feature of the college landscape. The art department's big sculpture project honors the way he lived his life and affected those in it by presenting visually stunning pieces of art, and supporting the

arts and education at CCC.

"Charles has been a long-time supporter of CCC and the arts. He collected sculptures, and was a very influential member of our local community. We are doing a Chuck Clemans Memorial garden, which will feature sculptures donated or temporarily displayed. The project will be ongoing," said Bill Briare, dean of arts and sciences.

Visitors, students and faculty can get a taste of bliss and insight at Chuck Clemans Memorial Sculpture Garden conveniently

located in front of the art department building and the surrounding wooded area near Randall Hall. Nestled in a grove of evergreens, with beautiful shrubbery adorning the area, one can stroll through the paths admiring and examining different pieces of art, or stop and sit at one of the picnic benches and take a moment to let it all soak in.

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## College starts staggered registration

By Joshua Dillen  
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No longer will a student have to set his or her alarm just to assure enrollment in much needed classes. Priority registration has made it to Clackamas Community College and on May 22 will replace the current early registration process that leads to insomnia, stress and frustration for some students. The increased load of users on the system has caused long waits that only exacerbate the late night process.

Returning students will have the opportunity to take advantage of a new process beginning this month depending on their total credits completed. Not just returning students, but the ones with the most completed credits, will be the beneficiaries of a streamlined new process accessible through a student's account at my.clackamas.edu. It will also make things easier for staff at the college to deal with a computer system that can overload at a time when potential support is not available.

Convenience and ease of registration for this type of student is what the new process of priority

registration is aimed at creating, according to Tara Sprehe, director of enrollment services/registrar for the college. Sprehe has worked here for 11 years. From the implementation of online registration to increased enrollment in a sluggish economy, she has seen firsthand how the system can be affected by large midnight user loads. The new system that is coming to the college will hopefully alleviate these problems and give students who, the opportunity to truly have priority when registering.



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Jeremiah Griffith searches for summer classes in Roger Rook, while his girlfriend, Danielle Coleman observes.

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