



Basketball team pushes forward

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 Sports Editor

In a fast paced game filled with massive runs, great shooting and an ejection for a double technical foul, the Clackamas Community College Cougars won their first game of the season, 115-105 against the Northwest Indian College Eagles of Bellingham, Wash. Friday night in Randall Gym. The game was closer than the final score indicated.

"It's good for us to play in a close game like that where we have to make plays under pressure," said head coach Clif Wegner. "That helps us early in the season to get some confidence."

Clackamas led by as many as 20 points in the opening half as the Cougars made seven of 13 three-point shots to jump on the visiting Eagles.

"It starts and ends on defense," said NW Indian head coach Greg Mahle. "If you don't play defense, you get down by 20."

Wegner was impressed with how his team was humming along early in the game.

"We were running well, shooting real well and getting good shots," said Wegner. "I guess we couldn't stand prosperity, because we gave it away in pretty quick fashion."

The lead was short lived because the Eagles had a lot of fight in them, almost literally.



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Music Department Chair Professor Tom Wakeling slaps the bass

Music dept. loses valuable professors

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After the 2012-2013 school year, the music department will never be the same. With one semi-retired professor and two more on their way to bigger and less stressful things, the Niemeyer Center will be seeing new faces sooner, rather than later.

To start off, Music Department Chair Tom Wakeling will be leaving his full time position at the end of this term.

Some of his most notable achievements since the 1980s spent teaching at Clackamas

Community College include being a huge proponent of getting Niemeyer built. By being so involved, he has ensured that the entire building was created to the specifications that best suited the arts programs, rather than being just another building.

"I was involved totally, both feet in, for four and a half years; fall-winter-spring-summer, days-nights-weekends," said Wakeling in an email.

With the full time faculty position here being Wakeling's first and only "real job," he has shown what true dedication looks like.

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CCC gets Purple Award for supporting veterans

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Veterans Day this month was a time to appreciate U.S. soldiers for their service to their country and fighting for freedom of the American people. Just in time for the holiday, the college's Veterans program was thanked with an award from the National Guard.

The school was awarded the 2012 Family Program Community Purple Award by General Mike Caldwell of the Oregon Military Department for its outstanding work in supporting military families and veter-

ans during a ceremony held in Salem Nov. 10.

Ross Johnston, a veteran attending the program here at CCC, agrees that Clackamas has been a helpful resource for him to succeed.

"I've been to three different colleges in my career, and Clackamas Community College has one of the best veterans' programs by far," said Johnston. "For instance I tried to get into Linn-Benton's program and I called them four times, and they never called back."

Over the last year Clackamas has been recognized multiple times for its exceptional hard work to support veterans and their families. The

school has also been awarded the Employer Support for the Guard and Reserve's "My Boss is a Patriot" award as well as the "Pro-Patria" award from the National Guard.

The college was a finalist for the Freedom Award in 2011 and for the last three years in a row the school has been named a GI-Jobs Military Friendly School.

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Clackamas Community College proudly receives the 2012 Family Program Community Purple Award for its outstanding work in supporting military families and veterans.



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