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Aspiring Teachers Program Celebrates Subscribe Sold States Fill Out & Send To:

Students honored at PCC Cascade

of people who have chosen alumni. teaching as a career to benefit the Cascade Campus of Port- in the campus' new Moriarty

north Portland.

The Portland Teachers Program holds the annual celebration for aspiring teaches, from college freshmen to graduate A culturally diverse group students as well as program

A reception will be held at ment. their communities and society 4:30 p.m. in the PCC Cascade at a whole will be honored Student Center dining room with Friday, May 19 during a "Cel- the celebration program follow- among Portland Public Schools, also become principals and vice ebration of Students" event at ing from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

land Community College in Arts and Humanities Building. and the University of Portland

participants and their families, tural competent teachers for leaders from the African American, native American, Latino and Asian American communi- response to the critical shortage ties and representatives from of culturally and ethnically dieducation, business and govern-

The Portland Teachers Pro- of whom continue to teach in gram is a partnership effort Portland schools. Several have PCC, Portland State University principals.

Attending will be program to increase the number of cul-Portland schools.

> Implemented in 1989 as a verse teachers, the program has graduated 100 teachers, most

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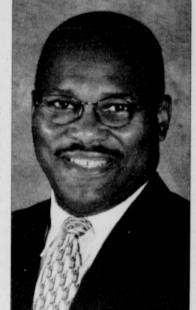
Advocating for Community Colleges

Clark College President leads in national post

R. Wayne Branch, president of Clark College in Vancouver. has been elected to the American Association of Community Colleges Board of Directors for a three-year term following a year of service on the panel.

AACC is the primary advocacy organization for the nation's community colleges and represents more than 1,200 associate degree-granting institutions or 95 percent of all accredited two-year community colleges, junior and technical colleges in the United States.

Branch said he is enthusiastic about the opportunity to serve the national organization while validating his Clark College Board's vision - and the come." community's aspirations - for Clark College.



R. Wayne Branch

of the community. This kind of thinking serves our students and our community well, and this position with AACC will assist him in continuing to serve this community for many years to

Community colleges are the largest and fastest growing sec-Hal Dengerink, chancellor and tor of higher education, serving senior administrative officer for over 11 million students each Washington State University year. Advocacy by AACC and Vancouver, knows the advan- by presidents and boards tages Branch's national-level throughout the nation has reposition could provide to South- sulted in the preservation of several programs and funding "Dr. Branch's election to the sources that are critical to community colleges and the students they serve.

Ingredients for life. SAFEWAY



west Washington.

AACC board is very much deserved," said Dengerink. "He has established himself as one nity and who works tirelessly to implement long-term systemic changes to improve its educational infrastructure. He has demonstrated an unusual ability to work cooperatively with other institutions to address the complex and comprehensive needs

"This recognition is a reflecwho cares about this commu- tion of Dr. Branch's status as a national community college leader. His continued work on the AACC board will bring national attention to Southwest Washington in the higher education arena. It's a compliment for Dr. Branch, Clark College and the community we serve."

Quality Care Drives Nursing Professional Administrator leads staff of 1,500

A 14-year nurse leader at Providence Portland Medical Center was named recently to lead the medical facility's nursing staff of 1,500.

Karen Logsdon, the assistant administrator of Nursing and Patient Care Services at Providence Portland Medical Center, is credited with helping the medical provider earn a "Magnet" status, signifying the very best nursing care. Only about 100 hospitals in the United States - just 2 percent - have received this national designation.

Logsdon has served in a number of positions at Providence, including as a nurse manager, co-director for the Robert Wood redesign patient care, and manager of patient safety and quality improvement.

the medical center receiving the has increased the number of Gold Seal of Approval for stroke graduates and helped to insure care and certification as a Pri- the community a ready supply mary Stroke Center, a designa- of nurses.



Karen Logsdon tion from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Health Care Organizations.

In addition, Logsdon began, Johnson grant to improve and in partnership with the University of Portland, a dedicated nursing education unit at Providence. This approach to clinical She also was instrumental in education for registered nurses

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