



OREGON COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE

February 2017
President's Report
Birgitte Ryslinge

Dear OCCC and Community,

February's President's Report is fairly brief, given only three weeks since the combined December-January Report. Here are a few of the things we've been working on since then.



*When the moon hits your eye like a big pizza pie
That's amore*

*When the world seems to shine like you've had too much wine
That's amore*

Mary Lee Scoville leads the OCCC Winter Choir today in their public performance and midterm.

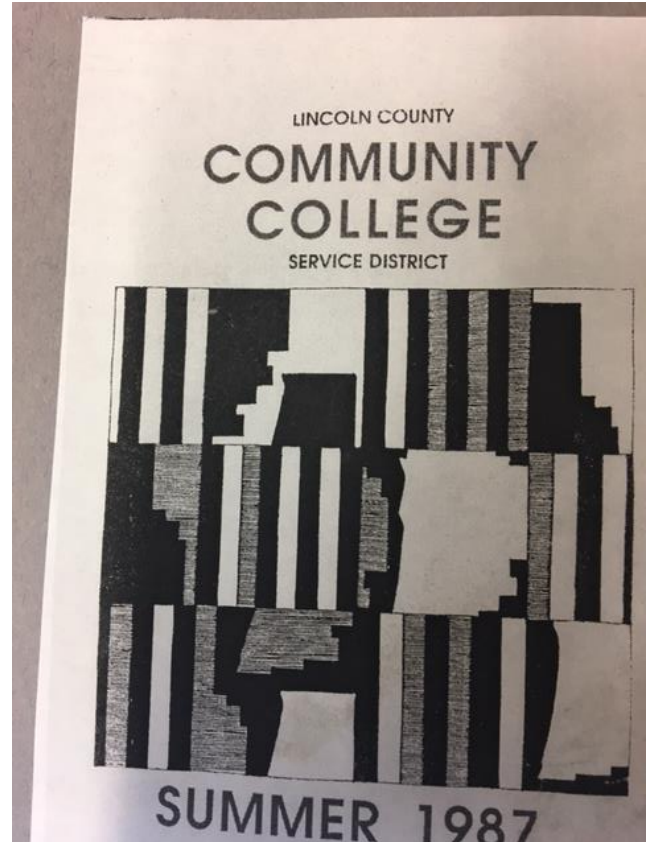
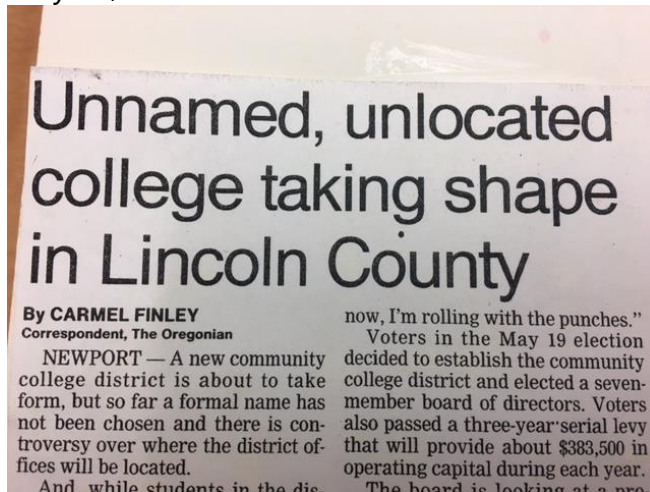
Commencement planning underway: Kimberly Jones is again chairing the Commencement Planning group and chaired the first 2017 meeting last week. Topics discussed included feedback from 2016 Commencement, and how to approach the happy challenge of overflow

crowds and capacity limits of the Newport Performing Arts Center where we hold commencement (see you there June 16th!)

Happy 30th Birthday Year to Oregon Coast Community College!



May 19, 1987



We will save our major public celebration for 2018 when we hope to celebrate reaching Candidacy status with NWCCU. We will have modest recognition of our 30th birthday all of 2017. In May (exact dates TBD) we will have Happy Birthday OCCC events at Newport and Lincoln City (Waldport under consideration) with cake and some small-scale fun. Catch the Wave, beginning with the Spring edition, will highlight our signature birthday, and include some congratulatory notes we are collecting. We will also use social media and Waverly to focus on this anniversary year. If you have other ideas about how to celebrate our 30th, please contact Lucinda Taylor or Dave Price.

Tigers (Taft High) Earn Stripes in Business (at OCCC)

There was considerable local coverage on this new partnership between OCCC and Taft High that enabled 20+ Taft students to start BA101, Introduction to Business, at our North County Center on February 7. Dr. Alberto Flores (Business faculty) and Dean Dan Lara worked with Principal Majalisse Tolan to make this happen within just a few days. This course is fully

aligned with the Taft schedule, and meets 5 days a week for 50 minutes, rather than our typical two to three meetings per week with a longer meeting time. When students complete BA 101, they will move on as a cohort to BA 111, Introduction to Accounting, similarly scheduled. With these two courses under their belts, Taft students considering pursuing business degrees at the community college or university level after high school will have six business credits, comprising two fundamental courses, already on their transcripts.

Accreditation Steering Committee Forming

At last Friday's College Council, sign-up sheets for the Accreditation Steering Committee (ASC) went around. The ASC will meet monthly, and if you wish to be involved (we hope you do!), please contact Dean Lara or President Ryslinge.

President Ryslinge appointed to Northwest Oregon Works Board of Directors

Northwest Oregon Works (NOW) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that invests federal and state funds into the workforce system in Lincoln, Columbia, Clatsop, Tillamook and Benton counties. NOW coordinates workforce programs and services through a network of local partners. Heather DeSart is the NOW Executive Director, and she and her staff are located in our North County Center. Effective April 29, President Ryslinge will be appointed to the NOW Board, replacing retiring Tillamook Bay Community College president, Connie Green (there is only one community college seat on the NOW Board). Both the housing of the NOW offices, and Birgitte's appointment to the NOW Board, support our strategic intention to increase our connections and efforts in workforce development for Lincoln County and beyond.

New (or newly revitalized) Club at OCCC: STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math):

Matt Fischer is the faculty advisor for the STEM club which meets Tuesdays at noon. This is a high energy group of students looking for ways to positively impact their community, and also to advance their own studies and potentially careers in STEM fields. They are planning eclipse activities, university STEM lab tours, and more. They have a very active Facebook page, which they use to promote activities, opportunities, and causes.

OCCC STEM Club
1 hr · 🌐

Join NASA on Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2017, at 3 p.m. EST for a live webinar event. Learn all you need to know about NASA internships, including the deadlines for summer and fall Internship applications and how to apply. The team also will share tips on how to market yourself and stand out among hundreds of applicants.

To join the webinar, visit <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0XcGBWitxWA>.

Webinar participants also will be able to submit questions during the event. Email your questions to dlinfchannel@gmail.com.



LaRC NIFS event

TBD

YOUTUBE.COM

OCCC STEM Club shared WIRED's post.
Yesterday at 12:20pm · 🌐

WIRED
Yesterday at 12:55am · 🌐

👍 Like Page

A joint effort to rescue climate data being purged from government websites was a success.



Diehard Coders Just Saved All of NASA's Earth Science Data

Hackers are building up robust systems to monitor changes to government websites. And they're keeping track of data that's already been removed.

Job Fair Coming

JOB FAIR

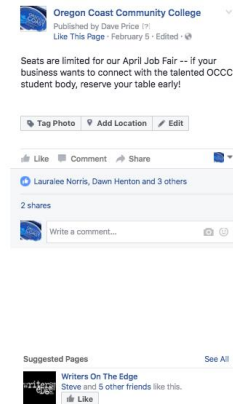
Oregon Coast Community College

Central Campus Commons
400 SE College Way
Newport, Oregon

April 10, 2017
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Employer Registration: <http://bit.ly/2keopRC>

Questions: jody.becker@oregoncoastcc.org or (541) 867 - 8502



Nursing Update

Eleven second year nursing students attended the Oregon Nurses Association **"2017 Nurse Lobby Day" on 2/14/2017** at the state capital, Salem, Oregon. This daylong adventure included the following:

- Meeting state legislators
- Learning more about 2017 legislative issues that affect nurses and our patients
- Learning how to effectively lobby decision makers
- Advocating for priority legislation and issues like patient health care access and nurse provider and instructor incentive programs





Hearts for Horses ~ January 2017: The Student Nurse Organization (SNO) provided volunteers to assist the Therapeutic Riding Center of Siletz with their annual fund raising event "Hearts for Horses." Students assisted with set up / take down and being general runners for the event.

Family Promise of Lincoln County ~ February 27th 5:30pm Center for Health Education. The Student Nurse Organization working in concert with Family Promise of Lincoln County and Homeless Education Literacy Program (HELP) of Lincoln County are hosting an event to provide public information regarding the needs of our homeless population. The students secured the location and refreshments for the event, and will be onsite to assist as general hosts.

OCCC Nursing Assistant Classes in the spring term. One is a collaborative effort with Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital (SNLH)/OCCC and Taft High school. It will include three participants from SNLH and three high school students from Taft. It will take place at SNLH and OCCC North Center. This is the first time that we will be offering a nursing assistant class in the north county. The second class will be offered at OCCC Central Campus and will be open to Newport, Waldport, Eddyville, Siletz and Toledo high school students. Newport High school is taking the lead on securing the funding for six students to attend this program.

Ways and Means Road Show

The state is facing a \$1.8 billion shortfall as they develop the budget for the next biennium and this has important implications for higher education funding. The Joint Ways and Means Committee is holding a series of public hearings for Oregonians to provide input into the

2017-19 biennial state budget. The closest town hall will be in Tillamook on March 3 and we want OCCC to be well represented, as we were in 2015 with a showing of 30+ supporters. We are organizing car-pooling, please let Dave Price know if you would be able to join us. We are also asking students, industry, and Board members to be prepared to testify as to the critical role of community colleges to individual and community success.

March 3 (Friday), 6 to 8 p.m.
 Officer’s Mess
 Port of Tillamook Bay
 6825 Officers Row, Tillamook

President’s External Engagement Since Last Report

Lincoln County	Regional & State (& beyond)
Newport Rotary Newport Chamber Economic Development Alliance Lincoln County Lincoln County School District and Western Oregon University, re Teacher Education Pathway	Regional Solutions Advisory Committee meeting Weekly OCCA Legislative Update call Costal Maritime Workforce Task Force Exec Team Meetings, ERP Colleges

OCCC Media Report
January 25-February 14, 2017

[Learn to build a greenhouse at roundtable discussion](#)

Newport Newstimes

http://www.newportnewstimes.com/v2_news_articles.php?heading=0&story_id=54374&page=91

Feb 2, 2017 - The free greenhouse roundtable will take place on Thursday, Feb. 16, from 10 a.m. until noon at the **Oregon Coast Community College** Central County Campus, ..

[Affection meets confection - Coast Culture - Oregon Coast Today](#)

Oregon Coast Today

www.oregoncoasttoday.com/oct/coast-culture/20170207/affection-meets-confection

Feb 7, 2017 - The lobby of **Oregon Coast Community College's** Newport campus will be transformed into a romantic Hearts and Flowers setting this Saturday, Feb. 11th, as PFLAG hosts its annual 'Love is Love' Valentines party.

[Taft Students begin business courses](#)

Newport Newstimes

http://www.newportnewstimes.com/v2_news_articles.php?heading=0&story_id=54371&page=92

Feb 10, 2017 - This winter, students at Taft 7-12 in Lincoln City are getting down to business, with a little help from **Oregon Coast Community College**.

[Beached Bird Survey Training | Oregon Shores](#)

Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition

<https://oregonshores.org/events/beached-bird-survey-training-2>

Feb 11, 2017 - **Oregon Coast Community College**. 3120 Crestline Dr. Waldport, OR. Training for prospective volunteers scheduled March 5th, Cost is Free! CoastWatch is the Oregon partner of the Oregon partner of the coastal Observation and Seabird Survey Team (COASST)

[Preparing for the worst: Take an emergency prep course with Capt. Kusz](#)

Newport Newstimes

http://www.thenewsguard.com/news/preparing-for-the-worst-take-an-emergency-prep-course-with/article_fb288558-ee2c-11e6-8fae-2f8195046852.html

Feb 14, 2017 - A packed classroom at **Oregon Coast Community College** greeted North Lincoln Fire and Rescue Captain Jim Kusz