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THANKS TO ALL WHO ATTENDED THE LUNCH AT THE
JOSIE PEPPER CENTER ON NOVEMBER 10, 2009.

NORMA TALKED ABOUT HER WORK AT THE
HISPANIC COUNCIL AND GAVE SUGGESTIONS FOR
TUTORS WORKING WITH STUDENTS WHO HAVE
YOUNG CHILDREN. JERI PROVIDED INSIGHTS INTO
HOW SPANISH-SPEAKERS PRONOUNCE THE

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NEWS FROM CANNON BEACH

*New literacy group meets Tuesday evenings at Elk Creek
Terrace Apartments.*

WITH THE HEARTY SUPPORT OF VOLEEN TOTEN,
MANAGER AT ELK CREEK, THE VOLUNTEER
LITERACY TUTOR PROGRAM INITIATED A NEW CLASS
FOR SPANISH-SPEAKERS AT ELK CREEK.
VOLUNTEERS NANCY, JEANIE, MAXINE AND DEBRA
ARE WORKING TOGETHER TO CREATE LEARNING
OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE 10-12 STUDENTS WHO
HAVE BEEN ATTENDING REGULARLY. THE
VOLUNTEERS ARE USING REAL-LIFE MATERIALS TO
TEACH THE ENGLISH OF NUTRITION LABELS AND
PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES. THE
VOLUNTEERS ARRANGED FOR GENE HALLIBURTON,
CB CHIEF OF POLICE, TO VISIT THE CLASS TO
REINFORCE LESSONS IN MAKING EMERGENCY
CALLS. LOOK FOR MORE NEWS TO COME FROM
ELK CREEK.

!PAPERWORK DUE!

THE END OF FALL TERM IS UPON US.

*PLEASE SEND PERCY ALL STUDENT SIGN-IN SHEETS
BY THE END OF THE FIRST WEEK IN DECEMBER.*



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PAPER WORK.

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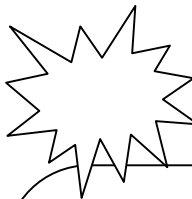
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2557

ENGLISH ALPHABET. TOM INTERRUPTED HIS BUSY SCHEDULE TO ATTEND AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE IDEA THAT WE REGULARLY INVITE OUR VOLUNTEERS TO LUNCH. TUTORS SHARED EXPERIENCES AND A BIT OF INFORMATION ABOUT THEIR STUDENTS' PROGRESS. LOOK FOR ANOTHER INVITATION TO LUNCH NEXT FEBRUARY. WE'LL PROBABLY BE MEETING IN THE CAMPUS'S NEWEST BUILDING- COLUMBIA HALL.

LINDEN: PROFILE OF A LITERACY TUTOR

LINDEN HAS BEEN VOLUNTEERING WITH CLATSOP COMMUNITY COLLEGE'S VLT PROGRAM FOR OVER A YEAR. ANSWERING A CALL FOR TUTORS PUBLISHED IN *THE DAILY ASTORIAN*, LINDEN SIGNED UP BECAUSE SHE "WAS LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO DO THAT WOULD GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY." HER FIRST STUDENT, ERI, AND SHE WORKED ON WRITING IN ENGLISH. THEIR LESSONS GREW TO INCLUDE TRIPS TO RESTAURANTS, COFFEE SHOPS AND MOVIES WHERE ERI MET LINDEN'S FRIENDS AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE LARGER COMMUNITY. THESE TRIPS BECAME AN AGENT OF CULTURAL EXCHANGE WHEN ERI BEGAN INVITING LINDEN TO ATTEND HER FAMILY'S PARTIES AND GATHERINGS. ERI CONTINUES HER QUEST FOR EDUCATION AND VERY SOON WILL BE ENTERING A JOB CORPS NURSING PROGRAM.

NOW LINDEN IS WORKING WITH JUAN AND THEIR FOCUS IS READING ENGLISH. SHE SAYS HE, LIKE ERI, IS A "DRIVEN AND VERY INTELLIGENT" STUDENT. LINDEN DIDN'T EXPECT TO LOVE TUTORING AS MUCH AS SHE DOES. SHE ALSO ENJOYS "REVISITING" ENGLISH GRAMMAR, WHICH SHE LAST ENGAGED WITH IN HIGH SCHOOL. LINDEN CONTINUES TO ENJOY LEARNING ABOUT HER STUDENTS' CULTURE AND EXPERIENCES. MOST RECENTLY, SHE AND JUAN DISCUSSED HOW TO DO A PROPER HANDSHAKE IN THE UNITED STATES. LINDEN IS OFF TO MEXICO FOR A VACATION WHERE WE'RE SURE SHE'LL PICK UP SOME MORE CULTURAL CLUES TO EXCHANGE WITH HER "TUTEE."



DEPARTMENTAL NEWS:

THE TUTOR COORDINATOR HAS APPLIED FOR A GRANT WITH THE AUTZEN FOUNDATION TO PURCHASE LICENSES FOR ROSETTA STONE ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNER SOFTWARE. THE LONG-RANGE PLAN IS TO PURCHASE MORE LAPTOP COMPUTERS TO LEND TO LITERACY PROGRAM STUDENTS SO THAT THEY CAN PRACTICE ON ENGLISH LANGUAGE SOFTWARE AT HOME WHEN IT IS CONVENIENT. KEEP YOUR FINGERS CROSSED!

TIP OF THE MONTH

IN PREPARATION FOR THE LITERACY PROGRAM'S BIG MOVE TO CCC'S NEW BUILDING, PERCY HAS UNCOVERED A TROVE OF BILINGUAL CHILDREN'S BOOKS (ENGLISH/SPANISH) THAT TUTORS MAY WANT TO BORROW FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE YOUNG CHILDREN. CALL 338-2557 OR COME BY THE BASEMENT OF THE LIBRARY TO VIEW/CHECK OUT A FEW FOR YOUR STUDENT.

CALL PERCY WITH IDEAS TO DISCUSS AT THE NEXT TUTOR TRAINING. IT'S TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR JANUARY 2010.

