

# CCCC Offers New 'Open Forum'

There's a new program on the Fall schedule for Clark County Community College which not only offers students an educational challenge, but will save the student time and lower energy costs as well.

Registration is now open for the new Friday Forum, an interdisciplinary program by which a student earns nine credits for a course which meets only once a week for four hours and combines three classes into one session.

"The course is aimed to teach students to think and like history," said Larry Tomlinson, Liberal Arts and Sciences at CCCC who will direct the forum.

Tomlinson and two other CCCC instructors, Candace Kant of the Social Science Department, & Phyllis Nelson of the Communications & Fine Arts Department, have designed and American Literature and American History.

Tomlinson said the multi-credit course is not an entirely new concept in education but, "we are being different by using

specific and controversial episodes — both fiction and argumentative history books — to reveal to the students the process of history.

"There are no absolutes in history, it's a matter of interpretation of the historian," Tomlinson said.

Basic textbooks will be used by forum students in addition to novels, history books, and movies dealing with such themes as "Social Control and Conformity," "Justice and Injustice," and "Violence."

The class, designed to intergrate ideas with the reading of history and literature will be taught in four modules.

Movies will play an important role as study material in the course and Tomlinson plans to use the 1936 version of "The

Maid Of Salem" starring Claudette Colbert and a futuristic science fiction movie "THX 1138," combined with the reading of history books and fiction to confront this controversial episode of American history.

The Nat Turner Slave Revolt will be the subject in module three, which deals with the issue of justice and injustices, and finally the 1st module will have students involved in the subject of war and the issue of violence. Again through the use of books, like the "Red Badge Of Courage" and movies, in this case "Dr. Strangelove," students will have an opportunity to view both the impersonal and the very personal sides of violence in war.

An expert on interdisciplinary programs,

Dr. Jody Hoy, is serving as consultant for the course through a grant from the National Endowment of Humanities.

The course & the nine credits are all university transfer level and is designed for any student major. Those interested in

the Friday Forum should plan to register on campus. For more information call CCCC at 643-6060 ext. 459.

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Tomorrow, Saturday at 9 p.m., is the deadline to register to vote in the September primary.

The primary is a very important election. It serves as a weeding out process. While no one is elected in the primary, it does serve to reduce, in many cases, the number of candidates. Voters have the opportunity to make crucial picks on who they want to send to the general election.

In several races, where there are a number of candidates of a party, the primary is the real election, the general sets up the final selection.

The justice of peace race has 15 aspirants for the one seat. It needs to be clarified and the only way possible is through the primary election process. This is one example to show the importance of voting in the primary.

The deadline for registering to vote in the Sept. 9 primary election is tomorrow, Saturday, August 9, at 9 p.m.

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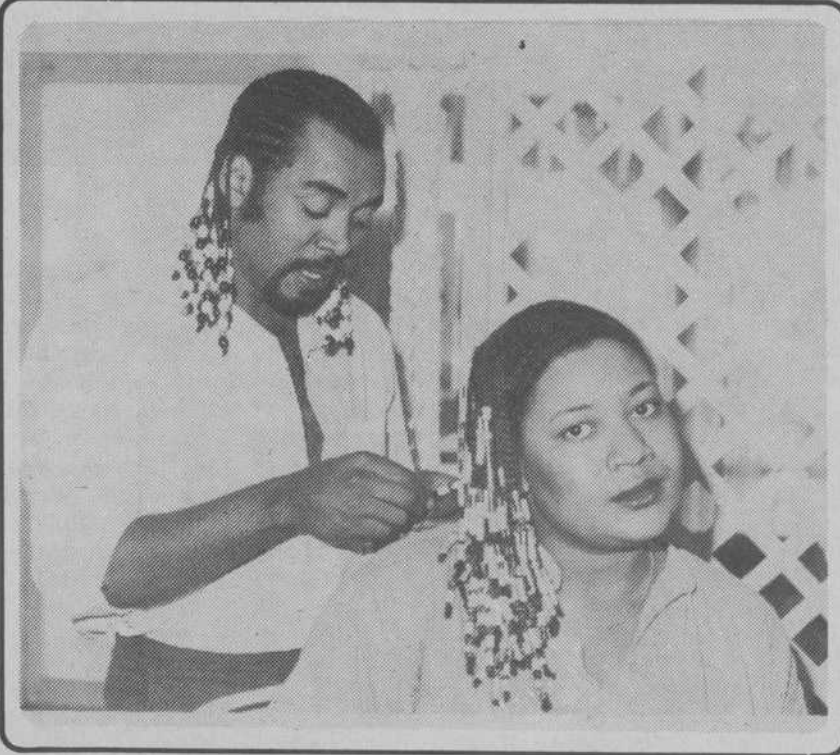
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