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Wet weather leaves many out in the rain

by DAVID RAILEANU

Washington Governor Christina Gregoire and Olympia Mayor Mark Fouch both declared a state of emergency Monday in response to heavy winds and rainstorms across the region. Flooding, landslides, and potential damage to infrastructures such as power and transit systems led to multiple road closures in Olympia and other local towns. The Emergency Operations Center for the City of Olympia opened at 10:30 Monday morning to keep a close eye on developing situations and to provide up-to-the-minute information to local officials.

Many Evergreen students and staff were unable to reach campus due to precipitation and melting weekend snow. Popular routes such as Interstate 5, U.S. Highway 101, Black Lake Boulevard, and Cooper Point Road were shut down due to flooding. Many local Intercity Transit routes to popular destinations such as downtown Olympia and Westfield Shoppingtown were under detour or closed due to standing water. Route 48, one of the two buses serving Evergreen, was closed at 10:15 a.m. on Monday between Harrison Avenue and Evergreen Park Drive.

"My road was closed, but thankfully, I didn't have anywhere to go," said sophomore Brandon Custy, who lives off Delphi Road. Many smaller, rural roads were closed due to flooding.

One facilities manager noted that several years ago, an earthquake shook up parts of the CAB and other buildings on campus. As a result, he said, leaks have sprung up throughout the buildings. This created a hazardous situation on the linoleum floors and red brick walkways. Facilities Management was quick to respond with buckets and yellow signs alerting CAB denizens to the slippery patches.

With aid from the National guard, many roads and byways had been cleared by Tuesday morning, reestablishing normal traffic patterns. Local schools resumed normal class schedules over Tuesday and Wednesday after flooding caused some area schools to close. Many Olympia residents now deal with caked mud and water damage.

David Raileanu is a senior enrolled in Molecule to Organism.



BELINDA MAN

School of Rock rolls Longhouse

Portland's School of Rock and Derrick Jensen showed the Evergreen campus a good time last Friday night. Pictures and more can be found in Arts & Entertainment, page 7.

S&A begins allocation process

by AMBER CARVER

The Evergreen Services and Activities Fee Allocation Board, better known as the S&A Board, has been busy as usual, juggling controversy over the Geoduck Union and allocating funds for a well-rounded array of activities.

Each fall, nine students are hired to sit on the S&A Board, and they are responsible for distributing roughly \$2.5 million to Evergreen student groups over the course of an academic year. This quarter, about 20 groups approached the S&A Board with proposals, and around \$55,000 were allotted to them.

The greatest point of contention was the Geoduck Union's request for member stipends. While it has been known since the GU's inception last year that the elected members

would be receiving stipends, the procurement of those funds posed a dilemma.

The issue at hand is a bylaw that stipulates that as long as there is a union on campus, it is responsible for appointing the S&A Board's members. The election process is intended to occur a year in advance. This system reduces the chance that the GU will exert undue influence on the S&A Board, because Union representatives only serve one-year terms.

The GU, however, did not exist until last year, so S&A Board members were selected by GU representatives that were just beginning their terms, not by representatives on their way out of office. In other words, GU representatives were forced to ask for stipends from the people they had just appointed.

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Flaming Eggplant off schedule

"You can't blame us," says Café coordinator

by MAX BAUVAL

Last spring, a student group told students they would provide affordable, locally grown meals to students if they agreed to pay an extra \$2 per credit during fall. Students voted to support the idea.

At the beginning of fall, when a café failed to materialize, the Flaming Eggplant student group said that, for a number of reasons, they wouldn't be able to provide food before winter quarter, but that the fee students were now paying would be used to open a student food service by the beginning of winter.

Then, in the middle of fall quarter, the group admitted it would be spring quarter before they would be able to serve students.

Even this estimate may, too, be optimistic. The people in charge of ordering what's needed for a café — chiefly, a trailer to serve as the café itself — say that the process would more likely take anywhere from four to six months. And that's after the paperwork has been submitted, which as of today, it has not.

"From start to finish you are probably

see EGGPLANT, page 4

Housing appeals board under review

by JASON SLOTKIN

Students with housing payment disputes have been waiting for the appeals board to assemble and render a decision. As fall quarter comes to a close, the board has yet to meet.

The housing appeals board was scheduled to meet by the fourth week of the quarter. By the fifth week, they were to have rendered a decision. Without a decision, these students face holds on their accounts and possibly collections.

The board settles payment disputes between students and Residential and Dining Services. The Housing Appeals board, which is being renamed to Building Arbitration, won't meet until winter quarter. Until then, students waiting to hear from the board will have to receive waivers from student accounts to register.

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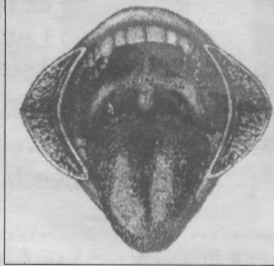
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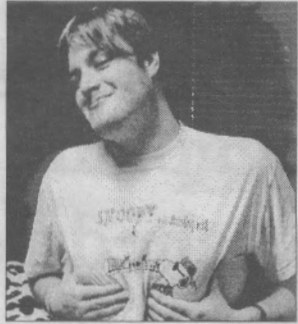
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by Rainboe Sims-Jones

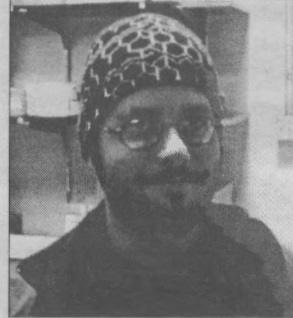


"My most memorable event was the time I showed my residents my man cleavage."

Colin Bartlett

Sophomore

Introduction to Natural Science

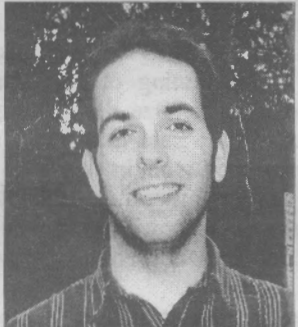


"Meeting all of you fabulous people."

Douglas Johnson

Senior

Study of the Roma



"Working in the admissions office as a student ambassador and when I got my 12th row tickets to see the Spice Girls reunion concert in Los Angeles."

Larry Milton

Junior

Business, Culture, State... the US and Latin America

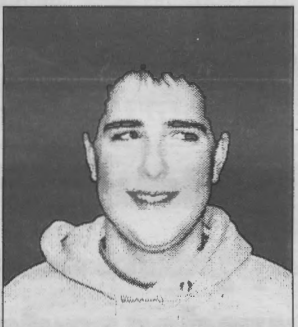


"Meeting Larry Milton."

Miranda Manzano

Freshman

Art and Religious Practice



"The pumpkin coleslaw in the Greenery is the most memorable thing I ever ate."

Nat Wall

Sophomore

IES Indigenous Studies



"I'll never forget the way the police abused their power."

Perry Wilson

Freshman

Evolution in America

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ALLOCATION, *from cover*

While there was never any question of honesty, it was a difficult situation for the S&A Board to be in. In the end, the board allotted \$4,800 in stipends to the GU. It is unclear how this issue will be handled in the future, but it should resolve itself to a certain extent when the end of the year rolls around and current Union representatives get the opportunity to elect future S&A Board members the proper way.

The stipends may have been controversial, but the Union was by no means the student group that requested the most funds. SESAME has that distinction, with a whole suite of activities planned for the coming quarter, including a costly film festival. Other groups requested funding to host guest lecturers, attend conferences, and purchase books. The Phrontisterion will be putting on its annual play, and the Chemistry Club will be receiving two awards at the American Chemical Society spring meeting in New Orleans.

One student group that was notably absent this year was Synergy. In the past, Synergy was one of the more prominent student groups, and for six years in a row, it held a spring Sustainable Living Conference. At the end of the last academic year, however, no one stepped up to fill the shoes of the outgoing coordinator, so the student group has disbanded.

Another change that came about this quarter was an increased interest in collaboration. Student groups are coming together to host joint events, and they are requesting funding to carry it off. One such event is the Border Dialogue Conference, which will bring guest speakers together in mid-May to discuss the proposed wall between the United States and Mexico.

All of these activities afford Evergreen students opportunities to learn in new ways, pursue their specific interests, and get involved in the larger community. These are opportunities that the students have paid for, through the annual S&A fee. The S&A Board's job is to make sure that those funds get allocated appropriately. And it looks like so far this year, Evergreen students are getting their money's worth.

Amber Carver is a junior enrolled in Temperate Rainforests.

APPEALS, *from cover*

Through the cooperation of Student Accounts, students waiting to hear the decision of the appeals board will not have to face collections, unlike normal outstanding payments, which are generally sent after 90 days. Six of the students waiting for appeals are over the regular time period.

"We are getting students trained to hear cases," said Chucky McKinney, Assistant Director for Resident Life. According to him, the selection and training process for the board has caused much of the delay.

He added that they were trying to avoid using students working in housing, as to avoid conflicts of interest. McKinney summed up the efforts by saying, "We're getting on it."

Jason Slotkin is a junior enrolled in Literature of the Americas.

CORRECTIONS**GRAS Spotlight:**

- Chibi Chibi Con draws 400 to 500 people, not 4500.
- Mondana Madjidi is a coordinator of GRAS, not just a member.

VOX POP

- Molly Paine-Donovan is a junior, not a freshman.

UNION NEWS**Eggplant, S&A on GU docket**by **BRITTANY NEWHOUSE**

This week's Geoduck Union meeting got off to a start with the introductions of the seven members in attendance. The Union did not meet quorum, mostly due to other governance commitments.

First to speak was a student expressing concern over the current state of the Flaming Eggplant Café and its projected opening date. Many students are concerned as to where their student fee is going and when the café is going to be opening.

The student also expressed a question about Accountability and Union Reps, especially when it came to representatives receiving stipends and how each rep could show how they earned said stipend. The GU is making their bi-weekly work reports, which chronicle all the actions taken and work done by representatives, made more available to students, especially once the website has been updated.

Next to speak was the Cascade Climate Network, asking for support and giving general information about the work they're doing on campus. The CCN is an ever-growing network of students and citizens who are committed to sustainability and climate change. With their main document, called the five principles, they asked the Union to sign a long list of signatures to help stand in solidarity with the work they're doing. The Union was supportive, agreed to investigate further, and to follow up with a vote to sign the document Week 1 of Winter Quarter, when the Union next meets quorum. If you would like to get involved with CCN, you can check out their website at cascadecclimate.org.

Following was Art Costantino, with a general update on a few campus issues.

First off, he requested the Union's involvement with two Union representatives on the biannual budget that is about to start being written this year. He also informed the Union about the new piece of legislation that was passed this year, called Initiative 960, which places stricter requirements and processes on student fee initiatives.

Next was a review of the budget hearing with the S&A Board, along with a discussion on stipends for reps. Also discussed was the relationship between the Board and the GU, and their possible future together.

Wrapping up the meeting was an overview of plans for Winter Quarter, and strategies for increasing student involvement.

Speaking of student involvement, dear reader, we'd like your support! More importantly your feedback, or comments, or concerns, or heck, even your compliments! Seriously though, something bothering you about campus? Does a reoccurring problem keep heckling you, and you want someone to see what's up? Let us know! We're here to help! You can come to our meetings, every Wednesday, in E1105 from 1:30 to 3 p.m., or you can email us at geoduckunion@evergreen.edu. We know our website isn't up to snuff, but we're working on it, we promise! You can also call us directly at 867-6555 and leave a message. Or, drop by our cubicle! We're up in CAB 320, right inside from the second door!

So, to wrap up, on behalf of all the representatives here in the GU, have a wonderful break!

Brittany Newhouse is student at The Evergreen State College and is a representative to the Geoduck Student Union.

NEWS BRIEFS

Looking for an internship, job, or a way to become more involved in the community? Then come to the Internship, Job & Community Opportunities Fair on January 23. The fair will take place from noon to 3 p.m. and is hosted by Evergreen's Academic Advising and Center for Community Based Learning and Action. The event will take place in the Campus Recreation Center and will be free of charge. Students wanting to

register can do so through the CODa. For more information, call 360-867-6392.

This Sunday, December 10 at noon, the Campus Activities Building will be hosting a Write-a-thon, a support session for letter writing campaigns. There will be pre-written letters as well as information on current events such as Guantanamo Bay, woman's rights, and the environment.

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Found package outside of E-Dorm, contents include: 2 clear plastic baggies, five packages of flavored "blunt wrap," one package of "zig zag" rolling paper, one booklet titled "grow your own marijuana," one pack of cigarettes, one black iPod, one case for said iPod, and 1.2 grams of marijuana. You can come by to claim your box of goods at Police Services.

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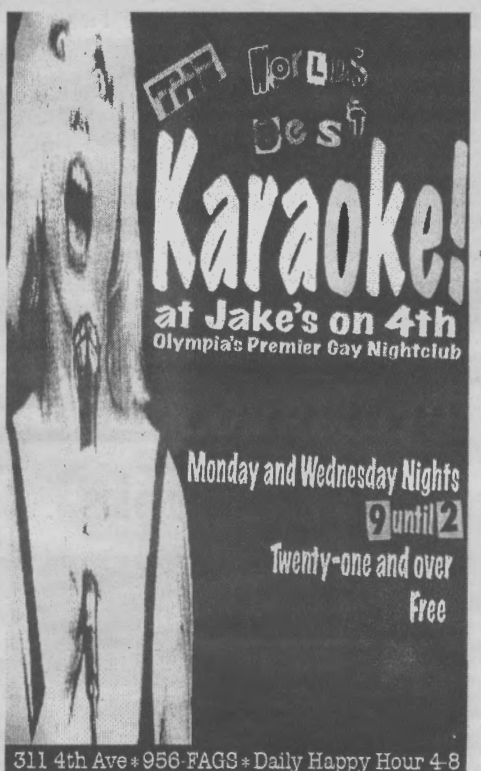
On 10/31, a person reported being groped at the HCC holiday party. Officers later made contact with the individual, who, dazed and confused, told the responding officer that she was, "... Like, not even in my reality right now." Later, the suspect admitted to dropping acid and told officers he was too high to know what was going on. He was written a grievance and released to his roommate.

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An interview with José Gómez

by LINDSAY ADAMS

In 2003 the United States invaded Iraq, four years later a strong national movement against the war has yet to materialize. Locally, there have been substantial actions taken against the militarization of the Port of Olympia. However, the community response to these protests has been lukewarm at best. Most citizens in the greater Olympia area seem more worried about how their tax money is being spent and less about how members of the community are treated for exercising their rights.

The following interview with law professor José Gómez explains

these rights guaranteed to us by the First Amendment. Gómez, a Harvard Law School graduate with a specialty in the First Amendment, described the recent activities at the Port as being in the "spirit of the best kind of dissent that the founders [of our country] had in mind. People protesting war, in this case not just any kind of war but a very unjust war. A war that came about through the lies of this administration. This is the kind of thing

American citizens need to protest as vigorously as they can. While it is true that when protestors disobey the law that they have to be prepared to face the consequences if they get arrested. Somehow the police have gotten the idea that it's okay to break up a protest

using chemical weapons and excessive force. That is not an appropriate response to dissent."

Merely poking around the Olympian website message boards makes it clear that a large percentage of the community did not want protestors interfering with the return

of the Strykers. At the same time counter-protestors were at the Port making their voices heard, Gómez explains that you cannot choose when to apply certain rights to certain people and not to others. "That is where the First Amendment is vulnerable, if we start saying that we are not going to protect certain speech because it is offensive or even that we find it abhorrent."

The ACLU is a prime example of protecting all speech regardless of the

message. In 1977 they defended the rights of Nazis to march in a predominantly Jewish community located in Skokie, Illinois.

While many people reacted negatively to the decision of the ACLU to defend Nazis, Gómez asserts that

in doing so they are protecting everyone's rights to free speech. He asks, "Why are we protecting that speech that is ugly or abhorrent? This is the kind of speech the First Amendment was intended to protect ... Nice speech doesn't need to be protected, no one is going to try and stop nice speech. It is needed to protect speech that people disagree with, that is the speech that needs to be protected".

Even though many people still cannot grasp why an organization known as liberal would defend the Nazi party, which is known for its hateful and offensive speech it is important to keep things in perspective. Gómez reiterates this necessity by stating, "You cannot make choices on the content of the message ... that is the first step towards tyranny ...

tomorrow it could be our speech that people don't like."

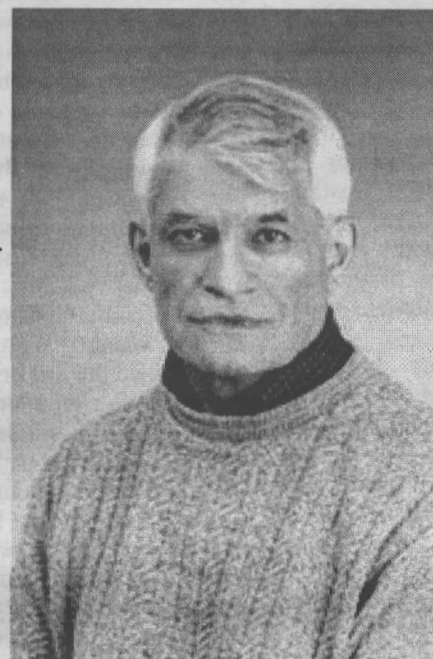
However, we as a community have a responsibility to keep one another accountable. Gómez suggests that instead of using the law to condemn what one may view as abhorrent

speech, persuade the individual who is abusing that right to acknowledge that just because they have the right to free speech, they are still accountable to it. Gómez states that he would be "the first person there to defend that person's right to say that but would also be the first person there to try and dissuade them from saying this. That means that if we have a robust

First Amendment ... we have an obligation to not turn our backs to hate speech."

Most importantly, Gómez states that, "There has to be a way to allow the speech but also protect equality in our society ... [but] censoring is not the answer."

Lindsay Adams is a senior enrolled in American Indian Sovereignty.



EGGPLANT, from cover

talking at least four months and maybe as long as six months," says Paul Smith, the director of facilities services.

T-Claw, one of the group's three coordinators, however, is confident that the group can have a trailer on campus in as little as two months from the date they submit the required paperwork, yet he admits it could be longer before the trailer is ready for operation. Smith, says T-Claw, is "thinking of how long it'll take us to get electricity, and all the factors that his department is working with, which could take a while."

Smith later agreed that a shorter time frame for delivery of a trailer was possible, but maintained that once his staff "knows what is coming and have an indication of what is necessary in order to hook up the trailer, it will take some time to schedule the work."

That means that even if the group submitted the paperwork required to get the

trailer today, the earliest the café could begin serving food would be anywhere from April to June. "If it was ready in the summer" says T-Claw, "We'd just wait until fall to open."

When asked if that was a real possibility, T-Claw responded "there's always a risk that we won't open until 2010, you know? If things don't get done, they don't get done."

T-Claw admits he misjudged the time and work involved in opening the café, saying, "We were planning on opening Synergy (in April 2007)." Later adding, "I thought we'd get the money, and then we'd just start spending it."

So why has it taken so much longer than expected for the café to begin operation? T-Claw blames the college. "That's the bureaucracy. No, we have no clue what we're doing. None of us have ever opened a business, none of us have ever had \$120,000 and none of us have ever navigated a state institution to try something new. It's not just that we don't know what

we're doing, it's that they don't know what we're doing and they slow us down every step of the way." But he also admits the group has been slow to act. "It's been on our end for a long time. We've been holding back the process because we don't know what we're doing for the last six months we've been working on this health code application, and not calling it done."

In acknowledging that students may be concerned that the group doesn't know what they're doing, T-Claw says he's "not very receptive to that because like, oh shit; we don't know what we're doing. Sucks for you, you gave us the money, why'd you think we knew what we were doing?"

Still, T-Claw is reluctant to accept responsibility for the delay. "It's the bureaucracy we're working in. We've had a minimum of five people working five days a week on this, since way before Synergy, so you can't blame us at all."

When asked about concerns from students regarding the length of time the café is taking, T-Claw responds by saying

that those who are curious should help the group in their planning. "I don't really have sympathy for people who don't understand why it takes too long because they haven't done it, and they're not doing it, and they're not helping. So if people are disappointed that it's taking too long and it's their fee, I don't care, frankly."

Adding later, "The other thing about the fee is there were no stipulations whatsoever. It didn't say we had to do anything with the money. We never signed a contract or anything saying what was going to happen."

T-Claw offers two suggestions for students who aren't happy about the status of the Café: "Come get involved and help speed up the process if you think we don't know what we're doing or go to the fucking finance office and get your money back."

Max Bauval is a senior enrolled in an independent learning contract.

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Free shots at Health Center

by TORI NEEDER

Students under the age of nineteen have access free vaccinations at the TESC Health Care Center, however the opportunity is often missed. The federally funded program Vaccines for Kids will pay for youths' vaccinations one year after they turn eighteen but no later.

The nineteenth birthday deadline catches students unaware. While vaccines such as Tetanus Diphtheria Pertussis (Tdap) may be completed in one sitting, other inoculations such as for HPV and the Hepatitis B must be administered in a series. In order for an individual to gain protection from the vaccine, three doses must be individually administered over several months.

Frequently college students are unencumbered with worries about immunization updates. The issue of vaccines may not enter their sight line until they realize that their student account has been frozen for not addressing TESC's policy on Measles Mumps Rubella vaccination verification.

However, in the twenty or so years

since Generation Y-ers were infants, new vaccines have been developed or have become more widely used.

Coupled with the necessity of boosters for childhood inoculation, adult immunization record can become easily outdated.

Which vaccines are stocked in the college health center is at the discretion of staff member Susan Camp, ANP. The vaccines that will be provided though the program are determined by economy and practicality. Many of the vaccines, such as for Meningitis, HPV and Hepatitis A and B, are oriented towards young adult health issues. College students living in a dormitory style situation are at a higher risk for meningitis while HPV and hepatitis A or B can be acquired and spread through sexual contact.

"I would advise all students to check their adult immunization record," says Camp. "Find out what they need and get it updated."

For more information about adult vaccination visit the TESC Health Center in Sem I or call 360-867-6200.

Tori Needer is a student enrolled in Molecule to Organism.

THE FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAM VACCINES FOR KIDS WILL PAY FOR YOUTHS' VACCINATIONS ONE YEAR AFTER THEY TURN EIGHTEEN BUT NO LATER

Voices of color

White women of color?

Allyship does not equal co-optation

"Women of Color Reproductive Justice Conference" by its title would seem to have a focus on the experience of Women of Color.

Unfortunately, this critical and much needed space was co-opted by two seemingly well intended white women, one representing the TESC Women's Resource Center, and the other Vox.

The co-optation occurred when a unilateral decision, excluding women of color from the application planning/ process, was made.

Consequently, the S&A board funded two white women to attend the Loretta Ross, *Sister Song: Let's Talk About Sex*, women of color reproductive justice conference in Chicago, this past spring, 2007.

More importantly, two white women were funded by TESC and were sent as representatives to a women of color conference, and both women who attended this conference agreed to host a teach-back the following fall 2007, a commitment that both women neglected to fulfill. By excluding women of color from the planning and application process and by going as representatives of TESC, these women helped to further contribute to the unsafe, marginalized status that women of color feel while being a part of a predominantly white community. Essentially, the lack of representation at a conference for women of color denied women of color a critical opportunity for advancement.

However, this is not the first time that women of color have felt compelled to call on the Women's Resource Center as well as the entire Evergreen community to engage in a critical dialogue regarding racism and allyship. For the problem as we see it is NOT that white women are interested in learning about women of color history and experience, but that the exclusion of women of color from an invaluable learning opportunity is in itself racist.

And what is particularly demoralizing to us, is that the willful co-optation of women of color resources and education was enacted by our peers. This was not an act inflicted upon us by *THE MAN*. No, for the very same people that we have been working in solidarity with

are the very same people who chose to individually benefit from actions that disenfranchised an entire population. As a result, Audre Lorde's words serve as a haunting echo from a past that can still be heard today, "To survive in the mouth of this dragon called America, we have had to learn this first & most vital lesson - that we were never meant to survive."

Still, we refuse to settle. We refuse to avoid dealing with such a devastating blow for fear of being labeled *militant* or *angry women of color*, we refuse to accept that racism will always be a part of our time here at Evergreen. But most of all we refuse to deny the sisterhood that we share as women, be they white or of color.

To quote an open letter written to the Women's Resource Center from the Women of Color Coalition (published in the *CPJ*, February 27, 2003) entitled *White Women's Week???* (*Where is the "International" in International Women's Week?*): "This is not meant to be an attack on the Women's Resource Center.

In fact, this letter comes out of dialogues that the Women of Color Coalition has been having with the Women's Resource Center. Our point is that that white people have gotten so used to speaking for us - Women of Color - that is keeping us invisible, We are NOT invisible."

Next quarter, WOCC and WRC hope to continue this important dialogue and to examine the ways in which privilege and racism manifest in our community. For allyship is not about co-optation, it is an ongoing process of earnest examination and honest communication.

Respectfully,
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Stephanie Gottschalk Estella Villarreal
Mao Reich
Marissa Luck
Samantha Sermenon
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"We welcome all women who can meet us, face to face, beyond objectification and beyond guilt." - Audre Lorde

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FOOD & OPINION

The Sandwich of my life

by CATHY RICHARDSON

Of the big city essentials that I miss, good bakeries hover near the top of the list between nightlife and house-made desserts. Of good bakeries, I should mention that in Olympia we have Wagner's European Bakery & Cafe near the state buildings, San Francisco Street Bakery, and Blue Heron Bakery. I don't feel satisfied with any of the three; I find Wagner's too frenetic and packed not to mention too far up Capitol Way, San Francisco inaccessible, and Blue Heron entirely too granola.

My first visit to The Bread Peddler, an artisan bakeshop and cafe on the corner of State and Capitol raised my hopes for the bakery situation in Olympia. I said to the man at the counter, "My friend told me I had to come here when I complained that there are no good bakeries in this town."

"Did she say what to have?" he asked.

"No."

"Have that." He tapped on the glass case, indicating the roast beef sandwich that lay below.

I shouldn't call it a roast beef sandwich. I should call it "The" Roast Beef Sandwich, as it is now in the running for The Sandwich-of-My-Life. Made with fresh, crosshatched levain bread, undeniably made that morning. Levain is a leavening agent, or bread starter, French or Egyptian in origin depending on whether you ask the French or the Egyptians, and the cause of delicious sourdough worldwide since the 1600s in France or 6000 years ago in Egypt. The bread keeps well and has distinctive large and small holes inside.

But let's get back to my sandwich. There were only a couple of slices of thin roast beef, not an all-you-can-eat festival (I could go into portion differences between Europe and the United States here, but I won't), on top of which lay translucent red onion slices. A few greens. Aioli sauce. Lovely white cheese. It was the best thing I'd had in six months.

My chai was weak and disappointing. The cup was dirty and needed scrubbing prior to being put through the dishwasher. I wanted to blame the girl that made it, but found it the same on my second visit.

I went back to the counter and ordered a chocolate cork: a tight little bundle of

exquisite cake from the brownie family. I wonder if I should include some personal history on home and food here. It's so connected to me, to everyone, what we eat and what we enjoy eating most. My mom's cooking figures in, my part of the country, what I ate growing up, or didn't eat. I grew up in a home that insisted on good food. A girlfriend said to me once, "Why would anyone make whipped cream when you can buy it in a can?" I paused as I whipped the straight cream with vanilla and sugar, studied her face, sensing a limited future. The best insult she ever gave me, during an argument in which we critiqued each other's families, was a shouted, "YOUR FAMILY eats dessert before the meal!"

There was music one would hear in a movie about a café in Paris playing over-

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head, and what sounded like old show music. Dramatic. I sat a while and felt like I should quit hogging a table. It was warm and sunny and I wondered how The Bread Peddler could improve things for me. More kick to the chai lattes and a house copy of The New York Times would be a start. It wasn't clear whether one was to bus one's own table, and if so, to where? The tables could be spaced out a bit more and the chairs are uncomfortable. The eating area feels chilly and uninviting and I would rather be eating back in the kitchen, which absolutely crackles with floury energy. I like the counter guy. He's funny, and not burnt out. Friendly. And seems to know about the food he's selling. Some people have a real knack for hiring. I wish you could bottle that. There are those places you go into and wonder how someone manages to hire all assholes. Just as I began to

follow this line of thought, one of the servers greeted a lady by name, and then dashed out from behind the counter to open the door for a guy in a wheelchair.

Back the next day I order a Gougere (translation: cheese puff) described by the server as "Eggy. Cheesy. And puffy." I Googled it and found it to be a close pastry cousin to the profiterole and the éclair. The puff comes when the high moisture content turns to steam while cooking, puffing the pastry dough. I add in two individual quiches, one chèvre with red pepper, the other onion and emmental. I bit into it back at my table. The gougere. Let me count the ways I loved that beautifully formed cheese puff. A man sat directly in front of me, and in the closely situated tables, I studied the back of his head and read the newspaper over his right shoulder. I know he heard but didn't turn as I moaned, "Oh my God," as I tasted the gougere. He already knows, I think. He's probably a regular. The privileged few of us sitting here eating like this at ten o'clock mid-week. I wanted to trumpet about gougeres from the rooftops.

I have to watch it with chèvre. It overwhelms me and I love it in this yucky way. A little less, I thought as I bit the quiche, its sharp ranginess covered the egg and red pepper tones. The crust was buttery, high-calorie, flaky and fantastically heavy tasting. The other quiche was near perfect. Just what I want in one: tiny undercooked center with delicious egg lightness and everlasting finish.

I like what they do with food at the Bread Peddler. Each visit I feel around for the pulse of the kitchen as if I am somehow personally invested in their future. There are some changes. I don't dance around in drunken circles when I eat there now, as I did during the honeymoon period of having a new, good bakery in town. I read on their webpage that they plan to expand both hours and menu. The staff has turned over and I find them less happy. Less enthused. My teacup had ring-around-the-collar again last week and I almost chipped a tooth on the baguette, but still I drank my raspberry tea and ate all of it, tearing it off in chunks.

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CD REVIEW



Hvarf-Heim

by ALEX MORLEY

Sigur Rós came out with their ninth album this past month, a dual disk titled *Hvarf-Heim*. The band consists of Jónsi Birgisson, Kjarri Sveinsson, Irri Pall Dyrason and Georg Holm. Sigur Rós, meaning *victory rose* in Icelandic, performs eleven songs on their double CD. Jónsi Birgisson and Georg Holm as well as the original drummer created the band back in 1994. Sigur Rós is considered an Icelandic post-rock band with a mixture of experimental elements.

Hvarf-Heim's songs are rerecorded and *Heim* is a live recording of the bands' songs. On *Hvarf*, Sigur Rós starts with "Salka," a great piano part as well as an amazing vocal serenity scene. Sigur Rós is a band that will make you think and relax. "Salka" paints a picture into your mind. Once you close your eyes you are gone ... gone for a ride of such a great voice and musical journey.

"Hijomalind," their second song is one that will paint a picture of epic battles. The great drums, the great singing, the great band. I envision all battles in this song. Its harmonious sound sends you on a trip that you will not want to leave.

"I Gaer" starts with a section of bells and what seemed to be like something off of a Tim Burton film. All that changes when the song hits 55 seconds. At that particular moment - it's EPIC until the last 31 seconds, and then it goes back to a Tim Burton style. Sigur Rós has two different versions of "Von" on this album - a live recording and a new released version of the song that lasts nine minutes and 16 seconds.

The lead singer, Jónsi Birgisson, sends all listeners on a wild, exhilarating, inspiring, triumphant ride every time he uses his voice. Kjarri Sveinsson makes our musical experience complete with his stellar "KeyBilities!" Pall Dyrason generates a historical event into the minds of the listener every time he attacks his drum set like a wildebeest attacking a hyena. Georg Holm's earth-shattering beats on the bass signify a saltic adventure under the sea. Together they are Sigur Rós ... Victory Rose. In my mind they are victorious.

"I have an orgasm every time without fail!" Kaite Mark says when I asked her what Sigur Rós does to her.

I suggest that this band should be listened to, not just this album, but all other albums, a total of nine albums. They will take you on an exhilarating musical ride. It's worth every penny.

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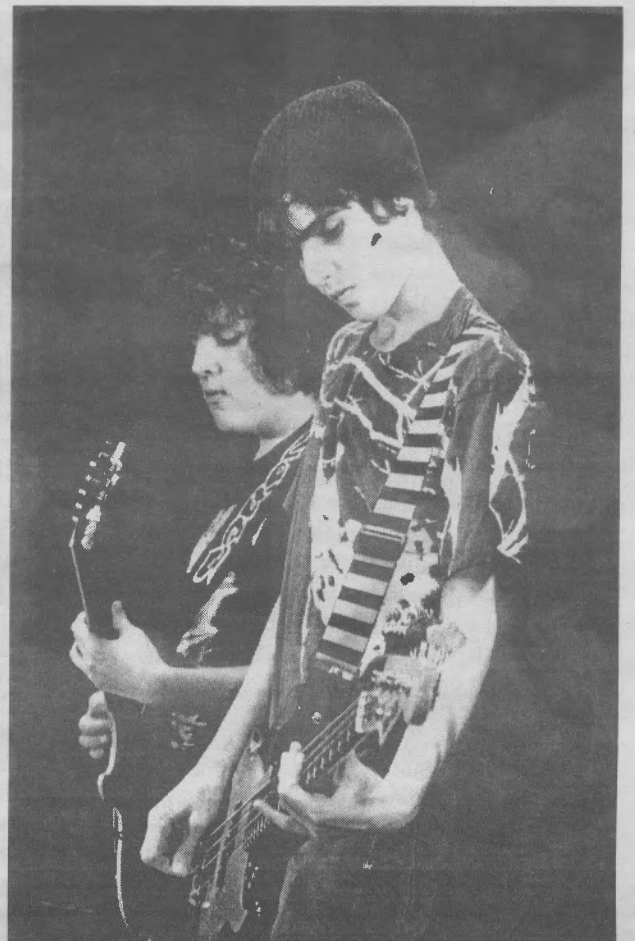
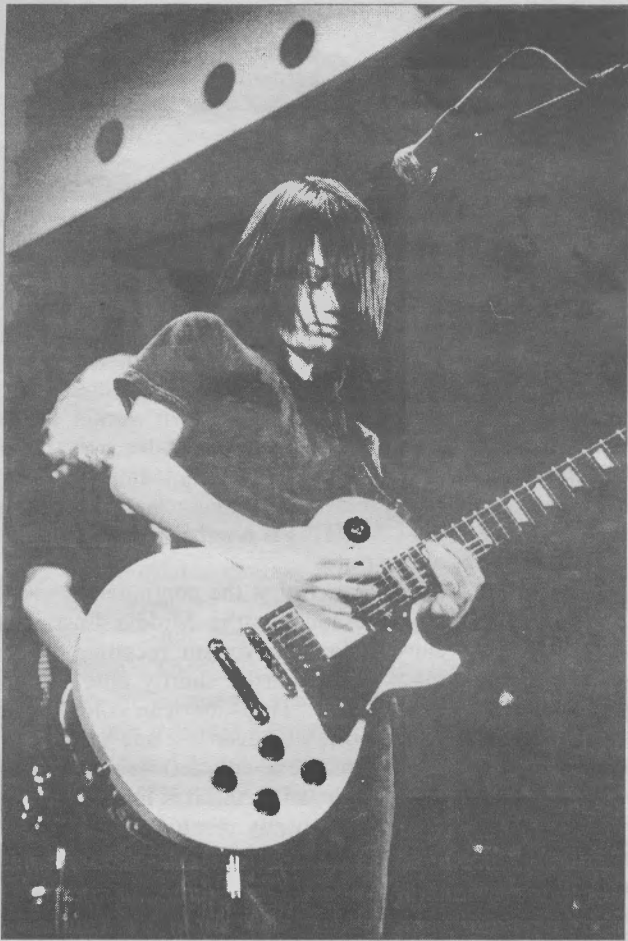
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School rocked by school of similar name

by BRANDON CUSTY

Last Friday, the curriculum of The Evergreen State College diversified its portfolio of educational opportunities by welcoming musical youth from the Rose City. The Portland Chapter of the Paul Green School of Rock Music was in session in the Longhouse. The school is a performance based rock music program for students ages 7-18. The program combines private lessons with group band practice to prepare the students for performances. Friday's performance showed the prowess of many musicians and, quite frankly, rocked.

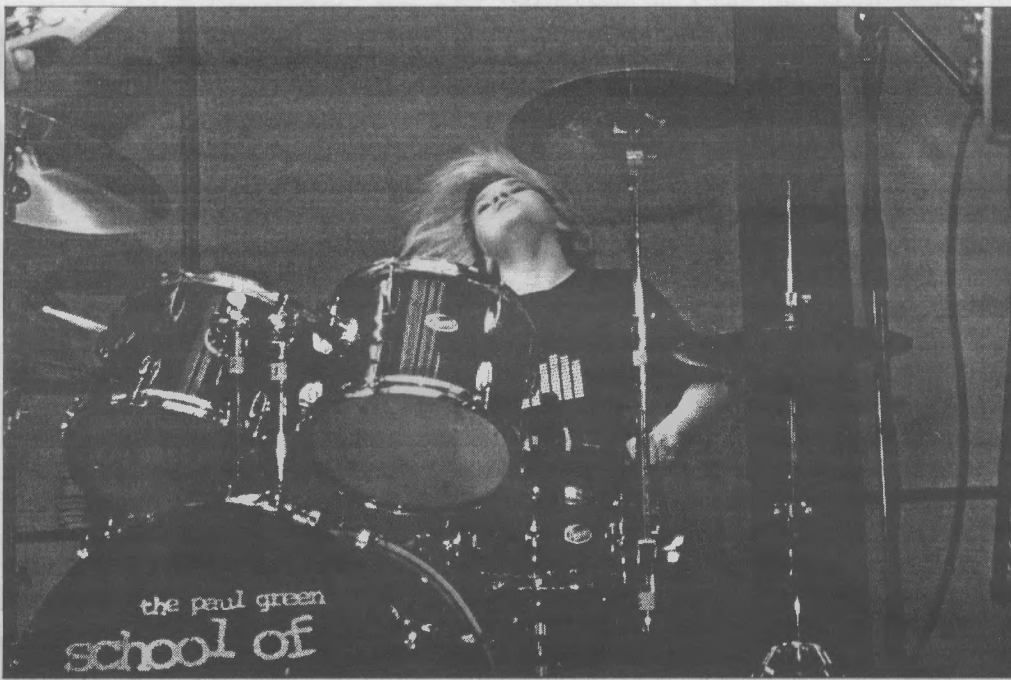
The bands played songs by AC/DC, Rush, Rage Against the Machine, The Scorpions and others. The crowd was reluctant at first, sitting down

and watching as the kids rocked around on stage. The lazy crowd was finally driven crazy when they played "Bulls on Parade" and the musicians invited the crowd to the front. The singer made the uniquely technical and obscure noises of Tom Morello with his mouth as the crowd's cheers erupted.

After that, the room was on fire with the energy of the kids and the crowd bouncing off one another amidst the amplified riffs, pounding drums, and wailing lyrics.

For more information about the School of Rock visit www.schoolofrock.com

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GOP agree to disagree at YouTube debate

by CASEY JAYWORK

Since the primary function of elected American officials is to make hard decisions on impossible issues so that we can blame them for whichever choice they make, it makes sense that the Youtube.com reaction to last Wednesday's CNN/Youtube.com Republican Debate runs along the lines of "What a joke," "WTF?" etc.



The debate began on immigration. Former governor of Massachusetts **Mitt Romney** (easily the frontrunner for Hottest Voice and tied with democrat Barack Obama for Cutest Candidate) chastised former mayor of New York **Rudy Guliani** for running a "sanctuary city" that was too soft on illegal immigrants by providing emergency care, education to their children, and allowing them to report crimes without fear of reprisal.

A series of one-ups followed, each candidate trying to prove he was more infuriated about illegal immigration than the last. As one Youtube video response said, "The Republicans don't know how to debate an issue - other than immigration... When I realized that so many rich people suffered at the hands of the poor and immigrant... it really opened my eyes to what a horrible black and Latino and gay world we live in."

The ultimate winner of this anti-immigration pissing contest was Colorado congressman **Tom Tancredo**. If you check out his web page at youtube.com/user/TeamTancredo you'll find a video explaining his position:

"There are consequences to open borders beyond the twenty million aliens who've come to take our jobs. Islamic terrorists now freely roam U.S. soil. Jihadists who froth with hate, here to do as they have in London, Spain, Russia. The price we pay for spineless politicians who refuse to defend our borders against those who come to kill..." There's sound of an explosion, then the printed words "Tancredo... before it's too late."

Oh, Tommy.

Next on the list of issues was a curve ball: a Youtuber asked Texas congressman **Ron Paul** (whom this writer shamelessly supports) if he buys into the North American Union conspiracy theory. According to Wikipedia, the U.S. Council on Foreign Relations, in conjunction with Canadian and Mexican groups, has created the Independent Task Force on North America as a think tank and advocacy group to advance greater economic interdependence (e.g. NAFTA) among the three countries. Paul responded that he didn't believe in "a secretive conspiracy," but did object to the very real move towards increased globalization and decreased national sovereignty.

This moved the debate into economic questions, and once again it was one candidate after another, this time hammering away at fiscal responsibility. Arizona Senator **John McCain** (a Vietnam POW who should have been the republican candidate in 2000) said, "We've presided over a great expansion of government, the latest being the SCHIP"- (State Children's Health Insurance Program) - "which will be paid for - supposedly - in a dollar-a-pack increase in the tax on a pack of cigarettes. ... (If I become president), we'll never have another pork-barrel project as long as I'm capable of wielding this veto pen."

The only real point of economic contention was on the proposed Fair Tax, an initiative championed by many conservatives, which would eliminate income tax and replace it with a national sales tax. The idea is that income tax is complicated as hell, for both taxpayers and the looming, mafia-like bureaucracy of the IRS. It also essentially punishes people for making

more money. It doesn't sound too bad, but keep in mind that people work to provide goods and services that *other people want*, so if people profit less from their own labor then we *all become poorer*, because fewer goods and services we all want are being produced.

Breaking from the pack, McCain opposed the fair tax, saying, "Obviously we need a simpler, fairer tax code, everyone knows that," but citing that the Wall Street Journal speculated the Fair Tax "would increase an individual's tax rate up into the thirties."

A question about farm subsidies provoked an interesting departure from the fiscal responsibility conservatives so loudly champion. Both Rudy Guliani and Mitt Romney stated that they would *not* cut subsidies to farmers, arguing for the importance of having a "secure source of food." "We don't want to find ourselves in regard to our food supply in the same kind of situation we are in regards to our energy supply," said Romney, in a voice that could melt icebergs.

Following economics was gun control. Former "Law and Order" star and Tennessee senator **Fred Thompson** went after Guliani for supporting written exams to hold a gun permit, arguing that strict adherence to the Second Amendment's right to bear arms precludes such government tampering. Guliani - who has stressed the drop in New York's crime rate during his tenure as mayor, though critics point out that a nationwide drop in crime occurred at about the same time - said that "Govern-

ment can impose reasonable regulations ... around criminal background, (or) a background of mental instability."

When asked what the punishment for abortion should be in the event that it became illegal, Ron Paul spoke out against "a federal abortion police" and argued for state discretion. Personally, he expressed opposition to penalizing women who receive illegal abortions, but was amenable to charges against doctors who perform them late term. Guliani followed suit, saying that "the problem with Roe against Wade is that it took the decision away from the states."

Romney refused to discuss whether he would use waterboarding in fighting terrorism, saying that "I would not be in favor of torture in any way, shape, or form," but "I do not believe ... it is wise for us to describe precisely what techniques we will use in interrogating people." In other words, he's against torture, but refuses to define it. He added that he opposed granting habeas corpus (the right to a proper trial) to suspected terrorists, such as those interned at Guantanamo Bay. McCain, a former torture victim, responded, "[Waterboarding] is in violation of the Geneva Conventions ... If we're going to get the high ground in this world... we're not going to do what Pol Pot did. We're not going to do what is being done to Burmese monks as we speak... Life is not 24 and Jack Bauer. Life is interrogation techniques which are humane and yet effective."

The discussion then returned to Iraq, and McCain again went after Ron Paul for advocating an immediate withdraw. "Let me remind you, Congressman, we never lost a battle in Vietnam. It was American public opinion that forced us to lose that conflict... After we left Vietnam, they didn't want to follow us home. They wanted to build their own worker's paradise... If you read bin Laden... they want to follow us home. They want Iraq to be a base for al-Qaeda to launch attacks against the US... This is a transcendent challenge of our time."

Paul argued that the continued US military presence in the Middle East itself causes Islamic terrorism, recalling a meeting which occurred shortly after the end of Vietnam. "The American colonel said, 'You know, we never lost one battle.' And (the Vietnamese colonel) said, 'Yes, but that's irrelevant.' And it is irrelevant."

And that's pretty much it. Paul reported that he would not run as an independent if/when he fails to get the republican nomination (which is assumed to be a lock, though according online MSNBC polls he won the first debate in May, and recently had the single largest day of fundraising in history using decentralized volunteer efforts). And Romney attacked Guliani for being a Yankees fan (I'm not kidding).

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The "Good" Americans

by TILLMAN CLARK

"Naturally the common people don't want war; neither in Russia, nor in England, nor in America, nor in Germany. That is understood. But after all, it is the leaders of the country who determine policy, and it is always a simple matter to drag the people along, whether it is a democracy, or a fascist dictatorship, or a parliament, or a communist dictatorship. ... Voice or no voice, the people can always be brought to the bidding of the leaders. That is easy. All you have to do is to tell them they are being attacked, and denounce the pacifists for lack of patriotism and exposing the country to danger. It works the same in any country." -Hermann Goring (From Interview at Nuremberg trials)



In light of the recent turmoil surrounding the Olympia Port Militarization Resistance movement, and the controversy about the legality, effectiveness, or patriotism of its actions as an attempt to show resistance to the Iraq War, it is important to highlight some of the important aspects of such an event and compare it with history and what the future has to hold. An attempt to vilify the "pacifists," who are showing a "lack of patriotism" by not supporting the troops or causing unnecessary taxes, is allowing the current of this country to move towards that of ignorance and complicity that follows the path that we have seen before in different points in history; the "Good" citizens of previous fascist governments.

Nowhere in this article will it be implied that American citizens who are not opposed to the war are Nazis. Equating anyone to the Nazis, or neo-Nazis and Klansmen for that matter, that does not involve direct and personal genocidal or racial superiority ideology and activity, is a most insensitive, offensive and disgusting comparison that does not even begin to take into account what it means to those affected by the history of racism. What I am saying is that the complicity of citizens towards the Iraq War are on the cusp of being compared to the way German citizens, and

citizens of other fascist countries, were held responsible for allowing actions of their governments to occur undeterred.

As far as several arguments that oppose the actions of PMR, there is a strong correlation to fascist complicity:

PMR is not supporting the troops. The United Nations, and the Articles 39 and 51 of the UN Charter, explicitly state the action of unilateral aggressive intervention without the support of the UN Security Council to be illegal. The United State's Iraq War, founded on illegitimate claims of weapons of mass destruction and connection to al-Qaeda, is totally illegal and the troops are fighting, and dying, for an unjust cause and should be supported by being brought home immediately. Would Italians who didn't support their army invading Albania, France and Ethiopia, and demanded that their soldiers be brought home, be considered unpatriotic by today's standards? *The blockading of the port is unnecessarily costing local taxpayers money.* The Iraq War is estimated to cost \$20,000 per U.S. Household (a total of \$1.5 trillion), according to a Congressional report, and only rising. The war is estimated by some to cost upwards of \$3 trillion of American tax dollars, and that's if we withdraw soon. Part of the protest at the port is for the reason that the Iraq War is unnecessarily costing local taxpayers money that could be used for education, health care or building our crumbling infrastructure. How much devastation and debt could have been avoided if the German people spoke out against the actions of the Nazi government earlier?

"The troops are going to be sent either way. Something as big as this, you can't slowly chip away at the bottom with localized direct action; you've got to cut off the head. That's what Congress is for." Congress is only a representation of the people. The troops do not have to be sent either way, and if the people do not want them to be sent, then they do need to express that through the people they elect, but most importantly need to be heard with "localized direct action." How can Senators and Representatives see, hear, read and translate what the American people want if everyone just sits inside and waits for election day to come around every two,

four and six years and doesn't do anything locally? I can picture a German citizen opposed to Hitler taking power saying something along the lines of: "Well, it's okay. No need for localized action - the Reichstag will take care of this." Only to subsequently see the Reichstag dissolved and civil rights and democratic elections completely taken away.

"If you want to belong to society... you surrender certain freedoms, like the right to close a port or dictate the transportation of troop carriers, just because you think things should be done differently." It isn't just PMR that thinks things should be done differently. Seventy percent of the country wants things done differently. The majority of the world wants things done differently. The UN wants things done differently. And I'm sure that the people of Iraq want things done differently. Should people who thought Soviet Russia should have been "done differently" not have spoken out against surrender of certain freedoms that "let" them belong to a totalitarian society before they were sent to the Gulag? This country's people have been lied to, and anything less than civil disobedience and protest against the Iraq War might place the United States citizens on the same tier as the other citizens that sat by and watched their fascist governments engage in gross human rights violations, genocide and unchecked Imperial militarism.

If this complicity with illegal, imperialist actions continues, how much longer until we find ourselves in the same position as the "Good" fascists? How many more illegal wars and civil rights suspensions will it take before we realize what is happening and do something? Are we prepared to witness the people that we elected to high positions be subject to war crimes for their actions? It is a realistic possibility and it does not seem that far away if things continue the way they are going and movements like PMR continue to be vilified.

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The excessive language of oppression

by C.V. ROTONDO

In a recent opinion piece entitled *Excessive Force*, sexist and racist language and analogy, self-righteous condemnations and specious embellishments were used to demean the collective action of a group of community members, specifically an inspiring contingent of women. The demonizing language included the comparison of protestors to "hidden cowards like Klansmen," as well as "neo-Nazis." This language is not only flagrantly self-serving and vicious, but has much deeper implications of misogyny and racism. Not only are the community members involved dehumanized by these comparisons, but so are people of color in general, the primary target of the Ku Klux Klan during its barbarous heyday, as well as people of Jewish decent, reminded of the far-flung genocide perpetrated by the Nazi Party and the continued hatred of modern Nazi sympathizers. The author of this piece has taken the most gruesome, fear-mongering events and utilized them to his own vainglorious ends. Like a hydrogen bomb, the piece not only strikes its target, but similarly slaughters uncounted bystanders. Like the police officers and counter-protestors to whom he offers defense, the author espouses violent intimidation on a grand scale. His use of boldly racist, sexist and generally hateful language makes the already tenuous argument he is posing seem utterly spurious.

By emphasizing the reckless actions of a few individuals (whom the author does not know and cannot claim to be associated with Students for a Democratic Society or any other organization), he intentionally diminishes the collective achievements of the protestors, specifically the empowering achievement of the women's group on Tuesday, 13 November. If the author was truly interested in bolstering and protecting the Olympia community, he may have cited the rally of Saturday, 17 November, in which three hundred members of the Olympia community marched through the streets in support of the protestors, declaiming the brutality of the police. The solidarity expressed from various corners of Washington, across the United States and even internationally for the continued and shared struggle against militarization also refute the insidious claims that the author makes about detriments to community posed by the protestors. The kind of selective offerings provided and twisted by hyperbole as well as outright lies (such as the claim that an Olympian photographer was "cornered and threatened by protestors") sounds more like the proselytizing of authoritarian government officials rather than a critical thinking community member.

The author also offers the suggestion that if "you want to be a revolutionary" you should "start by thinking for yourself instead of imitating Che Guevara." Even without the racist and sexist implications of the piece, this alone would be enough to conclude that the author is not interested in the community he ostensibly wrote the piece to defend, but is rather engaged in baiting and declaiming those with whom he disagrees. Many of the epithets offered to describe the protestors are aimed at them personally, draped in the transpar-



ent cloak of identity politics. The author dismisses the women's action of Tuesday night as simply "a line of all-women sitting at the front of the blockade, ostensibly to undermine sexist assumptions about who may protest..." I will leave to a member of the women's effort to offer the true intent of the action, considering I was not a part, nor am I a woman (much like the author of the piece). Suffice it to say that the author's argument is only scathing in its banal sexism, rather than any thoughtful critique. The entire piece is based in these fundamentally intimidating and crass personal attacks rather than a genuine critique of the protest, which I am not averse to and which has occurred within the groups involved.

I am deeply suspicious and incensed by an article proclaiming to defend the integrity of a community assaulted by self-serving protestors, which utilizes the most hateful and divisive comparisons and language possible. The virulent personal assaults launched in the piece in absence of a sincere argument are also very questionable methods of promoting community of any kind. One line in particular would understandably enrage someone who participated determinedly in the actions. "I watched as my peers cease to be individuals and instead become a mob, sacrificing individual responsibility for group solidarity..." It appears that the author's individual responsibility is to intimidate his fellow students and community members into relinquishing responsibility over the ending of a brutal occupation conducted in their name to the powers that be. His manipulation of the term solidarity, as some cult of personality, clearly exposes his lack of experience with both community and solidarity, both of which were prevalent in the movement in which I was involved over those two weeks and in which I felt the most sincere human connection that I have experienced in my life in the face of massive violence and oppression; the police violence that the author apparently feels was never "excessive or inappropriate force."

For those whom I genuinely love, and have recently watched experience malicious assault and psychological manipulation in the form of the police, I feel it is absolutely necessary to inveigh against that same intimidation in the form of a self-righteous harangue such as this. I would also encourage the author to understand, as much as I disagree with personal assaults upon police as unproductive, they require no defense from the author, they are effectively defended by a barricade of law, body armor, pepper spray, truncheons, rubber bullets, and concussion grenades, as the author himself claims to have felt and witnessed. To those with whom I stood, unswervingly side by side in front of lines of riot police and trucks carrying military machines, declaimed in this piece as "thugs masquerading as revolutionaries," I offer this genuine act of solidarity. I stand firm in my defense of the community I was a part of during the protests and that will continue to resist militarization and oppression in all forms, in opposition to the intimidation and bigotry disguised as community offered by the author of *Excessive Force*.

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Letter from the editor Union should address organizational issues

by SETH VINCENT

Throughout this quarter, the Letters & Opinions section of the Cooper Point Journal has seen some distinguished writing. It has seen truths and triumphs, pedantic bellows and snappy sass.



And that's great. This newspaper, and this section specifically, is designed to act as a large-scale letter to the editor – which means that we expect diverse writing styles and many different levels of writing.

There is one issue, though, that I've just been waiting to see on these pages.

No luck. So here it is:

Geoduck Union: They've now lost another representative – making three resignations and two reps that were removed due to lack of inactivity. That makes 16 from the 21 that began the quarter. Also, those seats will not

be filled. Also, the current reps are feeling like they have way too much to do, without any involvement from students outside the Union. Maybe they could use another rep or two. Get some things done.

Thing is, they don't have a written process for filling the five empty seats. And since the current reps are trying their damndest to focus on addressing issues that affect fellow students, they are putting off writing the bylaw that will enable the Union to get back to a full 21 reps.

Why not put two or three reps on the job of revising the constitution and bylaws of the Union over the next year, to ensure that next year's reps won't face the same problems?

Why wait?

Email 'em (geoduckunion@evergreen.edu) and speak your mind about this or any other issue.

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In response to "Excessive Force"

by SHIZUNO MARGOT WYNKOOP

Casey Jaywork asked some questions, and I am going to answer him.

"Who was actually harmed by the protest?" I would like to wait and respond to this till the end.

"By the riots?" First I will say wasting city money puts life before profit. Next, "riots" started after police used force, not before. Protesters remained physically non-violent as officers used batons and chemical weapons against them, shooting protesters illegally with pepper bullets. A better question to ask is why were police handling peaceful crowds like riots?

"What did either accomplish, for either anti-war protest?" Other cities began resisting after hearing about Olympians' actions, including Houston and Berkeley. In Osaka, Japan, the local paper covered police brutality against peaceful Olympia anti-war protesters. Not all media coverage was lame. The whole world is watching.

"What about demilitarizing the port?" This is up to the city. They can continue with military use of the port and expect more protests, or refuse to be a part of the displacement and death of Iraqis and soldiers.

"What are my moral responsibilities to other human beings?" My moral responsibility is to human rights, and not just for those in my immediate presence. As a tax-paying citizen I feel obligated to ensure 1) my hard paid money doesn't fund the death and destruction of an innocent country and 2) people in this country have access to federal funds before bombs or private corporations.

"Are cops human beings?" YES, and therefore they have moral obligations to protect humans before machines. As protesters, our greatest tactic is to humanize ourselves to the police so they

might decide against violence as with the women's action. We took control knowing we could remove ourselves so men could not be violent against peaceful women. Signs, a mega-phone, and chants of, "We are non-violent! No violence on our bodies!" demanded respect, even though our allies and supporters were attacked. We thank you for supporting us and I'm sorry you were not protected.

"If not, why?" If people were less important than military machines and money, I would ask the city and police why?

"What else could they have done?" They could have used non-violent tactics against non-violent protesters and practiced self-control and restraint instead of instigating chaos. Since 2004, the city could have listened to letter-writers, speakers and protesters who oppose military use of our port. The city knew what to expect which is why they met us with force. Elected officials have failed, so we citizens are taking matters into our own hands.

A woman taking a stand put herself up for ridicule and her children before potential violence, not because of her actions but because the city protects profits and property over people. Her children wanted to be involved and the group created strategy to protect them at the first sign of violence. This is the face of the resistance, allies working together to stand against oppression as strangers unified for a greater good.

Back to the first question, many people were harmed, including Casey Jaywork. The greatest scar is emotional and psychological as so many experienced. Justifying authority figures is a common result of abuse but victims should not feel ashamed. We will break the cycles of violence by not submitting to their abuse of authority. I thank Casey for his questions, they've helped reaffirm why I resist.

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Is this guy for real? Let the 'children' say why not

by ERIC MAPES

Casey Jaywork's November 29 editorial, *Excessive Force*, was a Colbert-esque satire of critics of Port Militarization Resistance.



He skillfully skewers them for their political masochism, pompousness, and ignorance. When I read in the fourth paragraph that Jaywork's satirical right-wing columnist had been "shoved by batons, hauled by riot cops, shot with rubber bullets to the thigh and chest and chin (sic), and hosed down with pepper spray" but still "did not once see a police officer act with excessive or inappropriate force," I almost ruptured my spleen. Talk about internalizing oppression!

Wait ... I think he's serious.

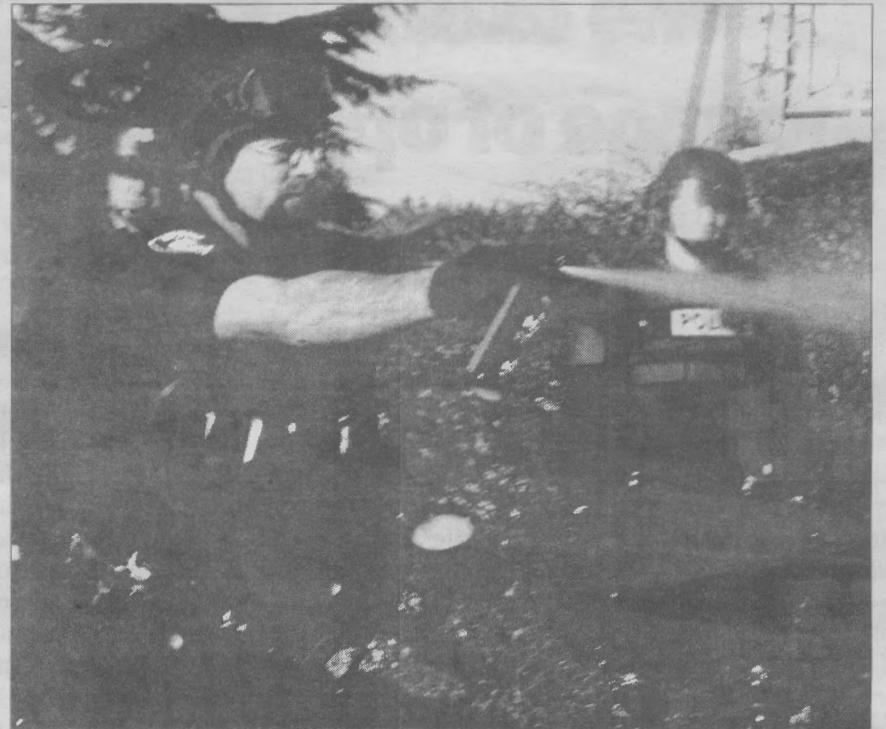
Are we so near to fascism that a college journalist covering a protest he disapproves of can be shot in the face with a rubber bullet and feel he deserved it? Please, officer, may I have another?

For people so overcome by hysterical sympathy for suffering Iraqis as to take direct action against the machine killing and torturing them, coolheaded Casey suggests more appropriate recipients: "Police and port workers yanked around on overtime to accommodate the mass of angry children blocking the port." When discussing Soviet crimes, would Mr. Jaywork insist that we focus on the Commissioners' suffering rather than that of the

dissidents and resistance fighters?

He's "infuriated" that "a self-righteously aggressive minority" of "self-appointed representatives" feel that they are "above the laws of the people of Olympia." Well, I'm infuriated too. I'm infuriated that a self-appointed *junta* of election fraudsters feel above the laws of nations and can attack any oil-rich country they want. Let's keep some perspective here – the Nürnberg judges called unprovoked aggression the highest international crime, and sentenced its perpetrators to death! The "mass of angry children" Mr. Jaywork mocks were only blocking traffic, a misdemeanor punishable by a small fine!

If a majority of the electorate were really opposed, he naively asserts, they could have the city council close the port to military use. A majority of the electorate has supported single-payer national health care since about 1950, and we haven't made much progress there. A large majority opposes the Iraq war, but that continues. Port authorities, city councils, and state and federal governments routinely flout their electorates' wishes. The primary author of our constitution described the purpose of government as "to protect the minority of the opulent from the majority," and our first Supreme Court chief justice said bluntly "the people who own the country ought to govern it." Segregation, the disenfranchisement of women, or child labor didn't end here just because a majority of the electorate opposed them. People put their beliefs into action, even though



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it meant violating some laws. The authorities aren't likely to refuse military shipments until the political and economic costs outweigh whatever the army pays.

Mr. Jaywork insists I ask myself how being there helped accomplish my goals. It's obvious. If we make trouble for them, those who collaborate with the military are more likely to stop. If we are successful, we may inspire like-minded folks to redouble their efforts. It seems that the demonstrators' success causing such trouble is exactly what irritates him the most. Although the shipment got to Ft. Lewis, the demonstrations clearly succeeded in momentum building, fundraising, and outreach.

Yet more questions for "children:"

– "Are cops human?" Apparently he feels their humanity outweighs their willingness to be agents of state violence. (Gee officer, I'm sorry you have to beat me for double pay. Let me obediently stop obstructing the death machine you're protecting.) How about this question: Why are so many young people angry with the police? Might the kids' jingoisms spring from real grievances?

– "Does the U.S. Bank have the right to smash my front window?" (Did it have the right to hide Pinochet's stolen wealth from British courts?) The Port Militarization Resistance Code approved February 18 commits members to "refrain from ... malicious sabotage." Does Mr. Jaywork blame the anti-militarization folks because disillusioned youths took the opportunity to make mischief against a criminal corporation?

– If asked about my "right to forcefully (or even violently) impose my will on my community," would I "pull the Stalin argument that you have to break eggs to make an omelet, end a war?" The attempt to associate considerations of what ends justify what means with Stalin is intellectually dishonest. Mr. Jaywork is just trying to falsely lump an infamous

villain in with his opponents. Whether a minor infraction under the Olympia municipal code is justified in resisting the Geneva Convention's worst crime should only take a few nanoseconds thought.

– "You want to be a revolutionary?" Mr. Jaywork presumes we do, and advises us wannabes to think for ourselves instead of "imitating Che Guevara (sic)." (Did Che Guevara not think for himself?) What if I just don't want atrocities (torture, mass murder, poisoning fetuses with uranium, etc.) carried out in my name, with my taxes?

– "What else could [the police] have done? ... abandon the law and allow us to control port transit?" I can imagine numerous ways they could get war material to Ft. Lewis without giving protesters time to converge. As the sole perpetrators of legitimate violence, the cops' burden of justification should be heavy. Shooting rubber bullets at people's faces for not moving is "excessive force." What about their obligation under international law not to collaborate with blatant war criminals?

– "What are my responsibilities and what are my rights?" We who "[sacrifice] our comfort and safety to engage in civil disobedience" against the massacre, torture, and mutation of innocent people, feel it is not only our right, but actually our responsibility as citizens. We hope to soon have the clout to stop illegal wars of aggression.

If Casey Jaywork and mainstream intellectuals generally would fulfill their "responsibilities" to draw public attention to uncontroversial facts about what our government is doing (e.g. the Iraq war is illegal, about oil, and killing hundreds of thousands) instead of apologizing for state violence, we'll have it that much sooner.

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Therefore, we need to persist

by NICKY TISO

I am responding to Casey Jaywork's recent commentary on the Port of Olympia protest, specifically his article "Excessive Force" in last week's CPJ, the article



in which Casey so eloquently sympathizes with the police, because they are people too! Deep down, behind that face plate, bullet proof vest, (non) lethal TASER gun, baton, pepper spray, bean bag shotgun, shin guards, helmet, gloves, boots, and overwhelmingly white male skin, lies a little teddy bear waiting to be hugged!

Before getting into a deconstruction of said article, there are some premises I want to lay out early on and which I hope are "commonsense" enough to not need much justification (or perhaps they will seem outrageous, depending on which myth you follow):

Premise 1:

The majority of Americans do not support the war in Iraq.

Premise 2:

The majority of Americans are not willing to do anything to stop the war in Iraq aside from talking idly.

Premise 3:

Neutrality sides with the oppressor. "We are so used to outsourcing our production that we are now outsourcing our civic responsibility. If we support the war, we want someone else to fight it for us. If we oppose the war, we want someone else to protest it for us."

— Zoltan Grossman.

Premise 4:

The war in Iraq is an occupation to extend corporate and state domination over finite natural resources (oil, duh) because our unsustainable way of life depends on the massive control, importation and extraction of crude petroleum. Sorry, switching to a Prius won't help, and no, we're not importing "freedom" and "democracy." Instead, we are exporting the idea of democracy into the hands of fascism (cough USA PATRIOT Act cough Violent Radicalization and Home-grown Terrorism Prevention Act cough).

Premise 5:

The occupation of Iraq serves to destabilize the Middle East and further the ability for imperialist advancement. The location provides a militarized launching pad into neighboring country Iran, which is maybe possibly making nukes in the near future, which is a threat to our stockpile of 10,000 nuclear warheads.

Premise 6:

War is a necessity of capitalism because, again, our way of industrial capitalist life depends on the vast importation of finite resources, and the control of these resources cannot be wholly achieved without the use of violence or coercion.

(In event of disbelief see: *sweatshops, slavery, COINTELPRO, the School of the Americas, WTO, Operation Ranch Hand, I'm choosing at random here but the list goes on, and as you can see the list includes military operations along with economic agreements, for one is but the enforcement of the other*)

From the way Casey paints it in his article, the protestors are the immoralists — vandalizing property, yelling hate speech, moving dumpsters, and causing chaos! This all assumes of course, that the laws are moral and worthy of following in our best interests, but it is the law which creates the role of the police, and it is the police that prevent us (the people) from taking over the port, and it is the port that is being used to further the *military industrial complex*, a concept that is

worth defining.

The phrase *military industrial complex* gives itself away, for it shows the relation of the "military" to "industry." Industry has historically maintained a close relationship to war, with corporations such as Monsanto or Lockheed Martin benefiting greatly from wartime chemical and weapons manufacturing.

Much like capitalism outsources labor to China and India, so too does it follow this economic trend by outsourcing the war, with something like 20,000 private military contractors fighting in Iraq, or about one PMC for every 10 military personnel. The materials for war and their production are agreed upon via government bid contracts given to private industries, which fight for the lucrative deal. The contract itself, I'm guessing, is signed by two white men in fancy suits, uptight, with expensive pens on a polished desk. The point here is that war engulfs capitalism, and this war is not an exception so much as it is a technologically advanced and ideologically couched repeat of neo-colonialization.

In regards to the military industrial complex, the banking industry also plays a key role in facilitating transactions, giving loans, and insuring contracts to satisfy war profiteering corporations. Again, with capitalism comes systematized war, and so every major sector of industry depends on and participates

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with the war machine. This is why Bank of America's windows were smashed. Oh and did I forget to mention they also finance billions of dollars' worth of coal plants along with companies that practice *mountaintop removal* — a violent tactic of surface mining that is responsible for the destruction of over one million acres of Appalachian forests?

Much like the feelings of a kop are not comparable to a protestor, the windows of a multinational bank are not the same as the windows of an individual's home. Chances are that individual is not facilitating the transfer of billions of digital dollars that keeps the economy of war in check, and chances are that individual is not monetarily backing hegemonic agreements such as NAFTA, and so that individual's windows do not need to be broken. B of A, on the other hand...

Casey's main problem is that he does not take into account the myriad of unequal political power structures in place, which is a necessary element in terms of understanding how social relations between classes and police function. A Walter Rodney quote fits wonderfully here, so wonderfully in fact, I will make it premise #6:

Premise 6:

"By what standard of morality can the violence used by a slave to break his chains be considered the same as the violence of a slave master? Violence aimed at the recovery of human dignity and that equality cannot be judged by same yardstick as violence aimed at maintenance of discrimination and oppression." — Walter Rodney.

Premise 6 highlights the problem of Casey's perspective; it assumes the police exist on an equal moral level as the activists do, and to go even further, he says that to denounce a cop is as bad as to denounce a homosexual! To compare hate speech against a cop on par with hate speech against a homosexual is to say one's sexual orientation is as important as one's career choice, and such a thinly stretched comparison is a degradation that Casey should be ashamed of. "Nigger" and "faggot" are by far more hurtful words than "pig," because "niggers" and "faggots" suffered far more pain than a police officer ever has. A kop doesn't have to fight for his identity. Ironically, this pain and discrimination was largely suffered at the hands of pigs who called them such horrible things, who sprayed them with hoses and unleashed the dogs on them and made sure they moved to the back of the bus. The compliance of police in terms of upholding racial discrimination and tolerating the extreme racial violence of the KKK during its heyday is clear evidence of the role police have in facilitating institutionalized forms of violence. (For more current examples of institutionalized forms of racism, check out the case of the Jena 6, the San Francisco 8, or Mumia Abu-Jamal.) With this in mind, Casey's constant reference of the radical protestors' behavior or appearance to militant groups like the KKK and neo-Nazis is comedic when simultaneously

noting his sympathy for the police, who much more fit that bill, and I'm wondering if he's being utterly backwards on purpose, perhaps playing the devil's advocate?

Here we have a demonic war machine ejaculating terror, protected by the police, and those who actually take a form of action beyond candlelight vigils and petitions and cries that fall on deaf ears, and those who take back history and demand a stop to this injustice are deemed the immoralists because they don't follow the laws! No, if it could be done legally it would have been done, but the legal system does not wish to stop this, the legal system *legalizes* this.

This is a clear example of the nature of violence as it stands today: violence that comes from the top of the social hierarchy down to the lower classes is unarticulated, justified violence (the necessity of the kops to be heavily armed in relation to the unarmed protestors and the necessity of tanks to be shipped is never questioned), but what stands out as horrific is a dumpster being moved or rocks being thrown. You, Casey, may say this is somehow unjustifiable behavior, but I say, they're goddamn lucky that's all we're doing. We are clearly past the point of talking, past the point of compromise and twiddling with the idea of meager reforms — a band-aid for a bullet wound, and most of all — as I'm sure the pepper sprayed civil disobedients can tell you — we are past the point of pacifism.

Police brutality is not an isolated incident, it is a continued pattern of behavior that is

deeply entrenched in how they respond to the unarmed. I would just go on Youtube.com and type in "port of Olympia protest" and see the brutality for yourself. Any force used by the police is excessive force, and if you're trying to take it from a kop's perspective and find the sense in their use of force, then you should just become a kop. Let me tell you about kops — they are repeating protocol from strict ideological conditioning and aggressive training. They feel no guilt over their actions, no more than an abusive husband feels guilt for hitting his wife, because they are abusers of the public, and most of them derive, at most, a feeling of a pleasure from the power they wallow in. Shall we allow ourselves to be abused, and then come crawling back as poor victims still concerned with THEIR feelings, despite how horribly they treat us again and again? They sleep fine at night, they eat fine in the morning, they beat people, and they do not consider our feelings, nor act with any regard to our well being, and so why would we bother to take the time out of our struggle to question what the kop is going through, because that is not going to help him move out of my way, nor is it going to help me get past him.

Any perceived violence on the side of the protestors was in the name of self-defense against the tyranny of the birthed warmonger that thought it was okay to drive tanks through our city streets. The weeks of protest were resilient, audacious, and passionate. While the end goal was not achieved, do not be fooled into thinking this nullifies the success of the protest. The bold public defiance sends a serious message, not to mention cost, to the City of Olympia that they need to think twice before militarizing our port, as well as sending a message to people nationwide that a community mobilization and sustained struggle is possible. The protest became increasingly coordinated as the days went on and people had time to test the efficiency of various tactics, which, at their peak, had multiple streets shut down and military shipments blocked for upwards of ten hours. We must remember the historical influence of protests such as those against the Vietnam War in '68, which had a profound impact on the social attitude and political policy of the time.

Take the port protest as a training experience for future movements and organizational tactics, take it as a time when one could unleash the distress against an atrocity of such repressed magnitude, take it as a time when diverse resistance groups synthesized into one determined body, take it as a reminder that we are not beaten into passive submission. We require city buses to haul us away, and kops on overtime and helicopter searchlights pouring down, and undercover cars down each avenue, and this length at which they go to contain us, this funding and high-tech equipment they spend on riot gear, it tells us one important thing: they are very, very afraid, which leads us the grand finale, premise #7:

Premise 7:

"An act of repression by the state is a recognition of the potential of social movements and therefore we need to persist, through the repression, in order to bring about social change. We can learn to expect the repression, and not to be intimidated." — Howard Zinn.

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Solberg takes "One Warm Coat" a success CCC honors

by DAVID RAILEANU



The Cascade Collegiate Conference league office announced Tuesday that Evergreen's senior guard Jennifer Solberg is the conference Player of the Week for women's basketball.

Solberg, leading SOLBERG, #33 the Lady Geoducks in scoring, rebounding, and free throw percentage, earns her first Player of the Week honors.

In the two most recent home games, Solberg has averaged a double-double, pulling down an outstanding 22 rebounds against Corban College.

Solberg is no stranger to recognition, however. She, along with Joy White, was named to the 2006 Staples Classic All-Tournament team and earned Honorable Mention from the Cascade Conference. She led the team in scoring and free throw percentage for the 2006-07 season with 13.6 points per game.

Originally from Tacoma, Solberg graduated from Franklin Pierce High School and attended Minot State University before joining Evergreen's team. She lists her focus as a career in journalism.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL HELPS THE NEEDY STAY WARM THIS WINTER.

by CRAIG DICKSON

The Evergreen State College collected coats in their inaugural "One Warm Coat" drive last week. Students, faculty, staff and members of the community donated the coats during the week-long drive organized by Evergreen's Athletic Department.

At last weeks men's basketball home games, donors were able to exchange their coats for free admission.

Following this drive 168 coats were collected. These coats were given to the Olympia Union Gospel Mission, an organization dedicated to helping the poor and needy.

Head Men's Basketball Coach Jeff Drinkwine led the coat drive. "It's that time of the year when many do not have the necessities to stay warm during the winter months," notes Drinkwine.

Evergreen sports programs are happy to extend their commitment to the community in the coming year. Geoduck athletes will continue to be in public schools reading to children, working with incarcerated youth and collecting food for local food banks.

Craig Dickson is the sports information director for the College Recreation Center.

SPORTS SHORTS



TRACK AND FIELD

Junior Emily Uhlig raced to a heat victory and sixth overall placement in the mile at the University of Washington Winter Preview Meet last Saturday with a time of 5:37.19. Her finish sets a new school for the event and her second overall indoor track record. Other Evergreen athletes competing in the race include assistant track and field coach Jason McConnell, who competed unattached and finished 25th in the 5000 meters.

BASKETBALL

Both Evergreen basketball teams blew second half leads last Saturday night against Concordia University. The men suffer their first defeat at home, losing 83-77 after the Cavaliers outscored the Geoducks by 12 in the second half. The women also end a two-game winning streak coming off an impressive overtime win at home against Corban the night before. The ladies are now 2-5 on the season and 1-1 in Cascade Conference play. The men, taking off for a long road trip, leave with a 4-1 overall record and a fifth place ranking in the conference.

The Evergreen State College

Longhouse Native Arts Fair Two Days!

Friday, December 7
Campus Activities Building (CAB)
2nd and 3rd Floors
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Exquisite basketry
by master artists,
unique bags and jewelry,
Salish textiles, photography,
fabulous beadwork, casual wear,
prints, stunning glass pieces,
pottery, shawls, paintings and more!

Saturday, December 8
Longhouse
12:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Kuteeyaa Dancers
will perform at 1:30 PM

For more information call 360 867-6413 or 867-6718

Upcoming events on and off campus

Thursday, 6

8 p.m. Voices of Chernobyl, monologues from the survivors. Recital Hall.

Friday, 7

11 a.m. Longhouse native art fair. Basketry, bags and jewelry, salish textiles, photography, beadwork, casual wear, prints, glass pieces, pottery, shawls, paintings and more. CAB Building.

1 p.m. Letter writing teach-in. Brought to you by the TESC chapter of Amnesty International. CAB 320.

Friday, 7 cont.

5 p.m. Are you a terrorist? Workshop on Violent Radicalization Homegrown Terrorism Act. SEM II E1105.

7 p.m. Bad news for Paris. A S.O.S. visual arts experience. Buyolympia.com 312 1/2 Columbia St. behind Cooper Moon.

8 p.m. Voices of Chernobyl, Monologues from the survivors. Recital Hall

10 p.m. The Shondes, Sarah d. and the sq's, Jenny Jenkins and political spoken word. Le Voyer.

Saturday, 8

6 p.m. Peter Young, formerly imprisoned for releasing and conspiring to release thousands of mink from farms in the Midwest will speak. SEM II E1107.

8 p.m. Concert: The Pasties, Occidol, Nervosa, Ancient Head, Greyskill 2000, P.K.I.A. This Time Tomorrow. HCC.

Saturday, 8 cont.

10 a.m. LAN Party. Bring your own PC and consoles. Brought to you by the SVGA. Sem II E-1105.

Sunday, 9

11 a.m. It's DUCK the MALLS at the Capitol Theatre This 5th Annual Crafts and Art Sale is an event to benefit the Olympia Film Society and support local artists. Hipsters, youngsters, and oldsters will be offering a wide variety of local, handmade artful objects at this "only in Oly" indie/hippie/punk craft and arts sale. Capitol Theatre

5 p.m. "No Talking Heads" heard on KAOS, 89.3 FM, Olympia, WA every Sunday night. John Dodge, environment and energy reporter for the Olympian, will be on to discuss storm water in wake of the recent flooding.

Monday, 10

Noon. Sign petitions, write letters in celebration of international human rights day. Join

Monday, 10 cont.

Amnesty international, WASHpirg, Women's Resource Center and Women of Color Coalition. CAB 320.

Tuesday, 11

7 p.m. Sign petitions, write letters in celebration of international human rights day. Join Amnesty international, WASHpirg, Women's Resource Center and Women of Color Coalition. HCC during open mic night.

Saturday, 28

5 p.m. "Impeachment Party" to Connect People and Energize Movement to Impeach Bush & Cheney. More than a year of local outreach by the Olympia-based Citizens Movement to Impeach Bush/Cheney has found powerful grassroots determination to impeach Bush and Cheney, so the local movement is throwing an Impeachment Party at the Woman's Club, 1002 Washington SE, Olympia.

Common Calendar Abbreviations

College Activities Building: CAB
College Recreation Center: CRC
Communications Building: COMM
Housing Community Center: HCC
Lab Buildings: LAB I or LAB II
Lecture Hall: LH
Library: LIB
Seminar I Building: SEM I
Seminar II Building: SEM II
Evergreen phone numbers:
(360) 867-0000, abbreviated as x0000

Get help with your self evaluations!

The Writing Center is open evaluation week to help you with your evals! The hours are Monday-Wednesday 9-5, Thursday 9-4 and Friday 9-12. Writing Center is located in LIB 2304.

Have something you'd like to contribute to the calendar? Are you having an awesome event you want everyone to know about? Send it to us at cpj@evergreen.edu.

Student Group Meetings

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| Flaming Eggplant
Mondays, 3 p.m.
CAB 320 | Chemistry Club
Wednesdays, 1 to 2 p.m.
LAB II, 2207 | Society for Trans
Action and Resource
Wednesdays, 4 to 5 p.m.
SEM II, D2107 |
| Evergreen Queer Alliance
Mondays, 3:30 p.m.
CAB 315 | The Phrontisterion
Wednesdays, 1 to 2 p.m.
SEM II, A2105 | Hip Hop Congress
Wednesdays, 4 to 5 p.m.
LIB 3303 |
| Women of Color Coalition
Mondays, 4 to 5 p.m.
CAB 206 | Geoduck Union
Wednesdays, 1 to 3 p.m.
SEM II, E1105 | Gaming Guild
Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m.
CAB 320 |
| Center for Radical
Education
Bi-weekly Mondays,
4:30 to 6 p.m.
SEM II, E3107 | Students Educating Students
about the Middle East
Wednesdays, 1:30 p.m.
CAB 320 | Giant Robot
Appreciation Society
Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m.
CAB 3rd floor TV lounge |
| Capoeria
Mondays, 5 to 9 p.m.
COMM 209 | Women's Resource Center
Wednesdays, 1:30 p.m.
CAB 313 | Generation Friends
Improv Club
Wednesdays, 6 to 8 p.m.
SEM II, E1105 |
| Mind Screen
Mondays, 6 p.m.
LH 1 | Musicians Club
Wednesdays, 1:30 p.m.
CAB 320 | Sabot Infosquat
Thursdays, 4 p.m.
LIB 3303 |
| Percussion Vibe
Tuesdays, 6 to 9 p.m.
COMM 209 | Evergreen Hillel
Wednesday, 3 p.m.
Workspace 15 | Slightly West
Thursdays, 4 p.m.
Writing Center |
| Greeners 4 Christ
Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
SEM II, 2107 | Umoja
Wednesdays, 2 to 3 p.m.
CAB 3rd floor TV lounge | Common Bread
Thursdays, 5 to 8 p.m.
Longhouse 1002 |
| Amnesty International
Wednesdays, 12:30 p.m.
CAB 320 | Environmental
Resource Center
Wednesdays, 3 p.m.
CAB 320 | Circus Resurgence
Thursdays, 6 to 9 p.m.
LIB lobby |
| Appearing Task Force
on anti-oppression
Wednesdays, 1 p.m.
CAB 320 | Writers Guild
Wednesdays, 4 p.m.
LIB 2130, next to
Writing Center | Capoeria
Saturdays, 12 to 2:30 p.m.
COMM 209 |

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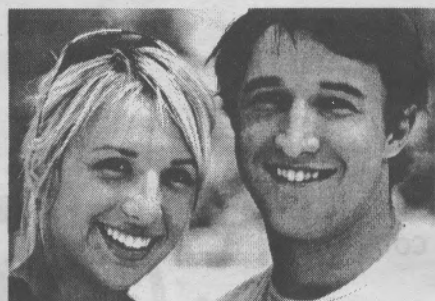
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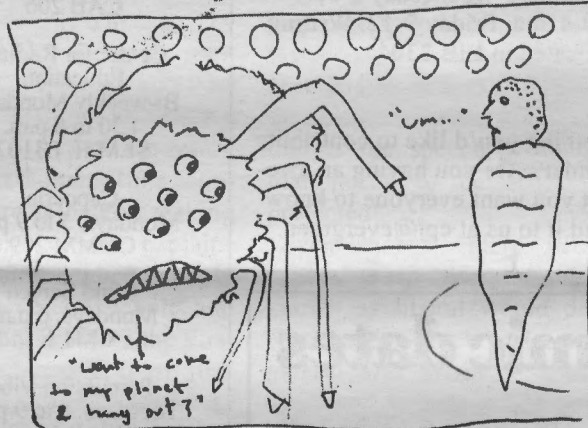
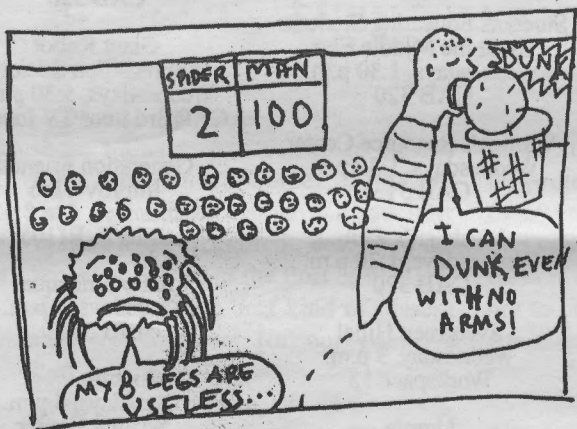
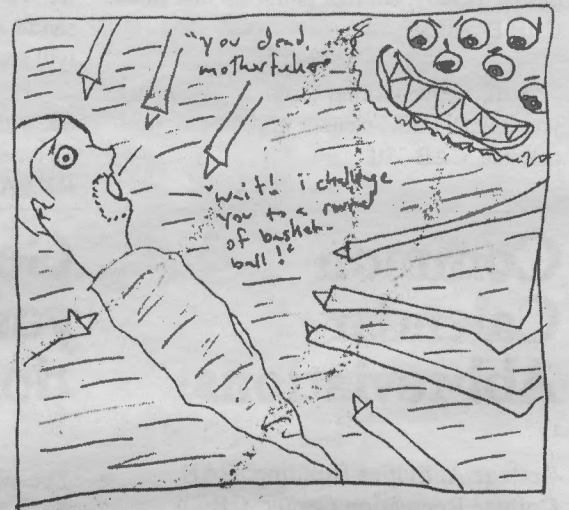
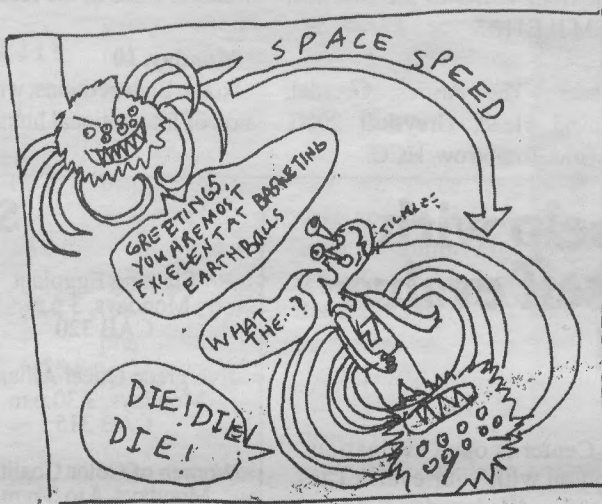
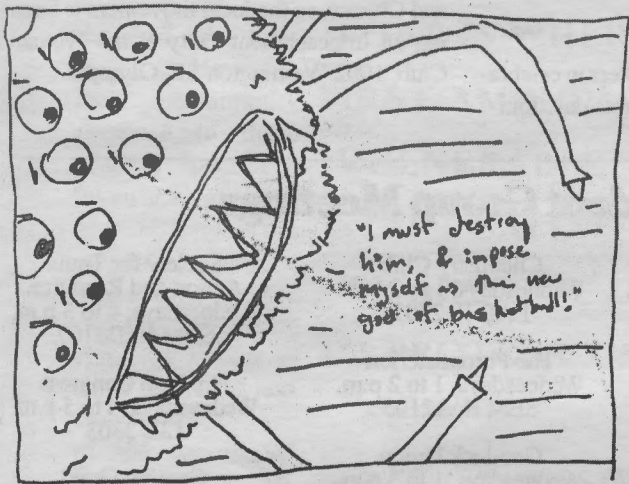
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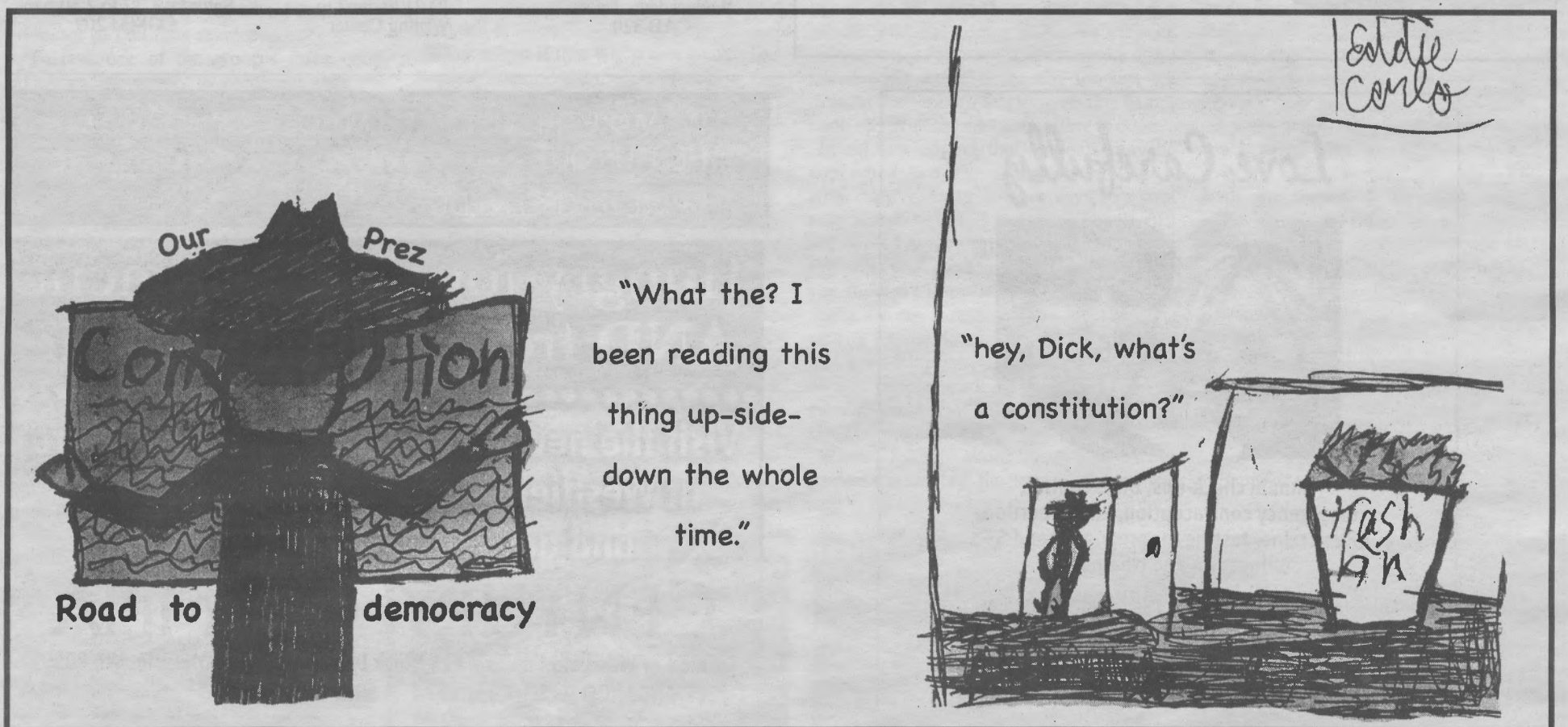


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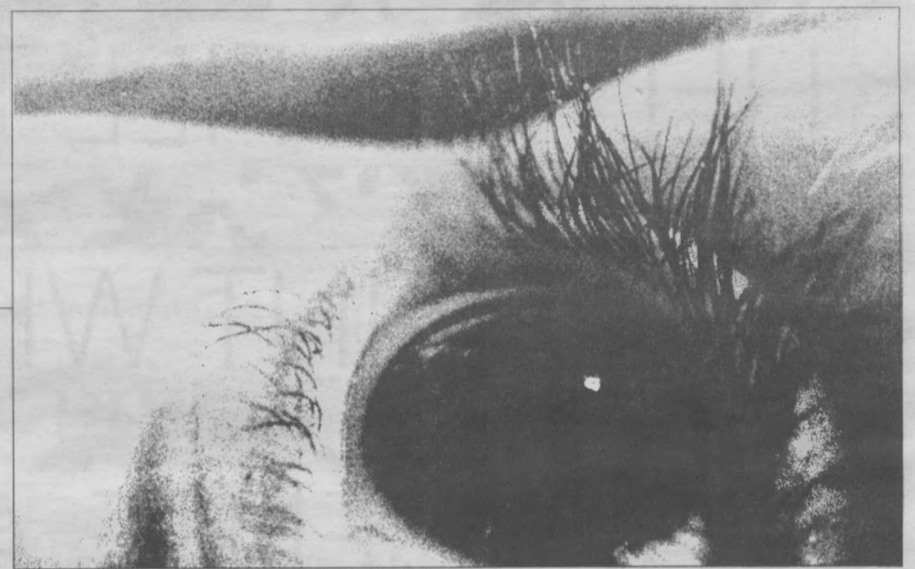
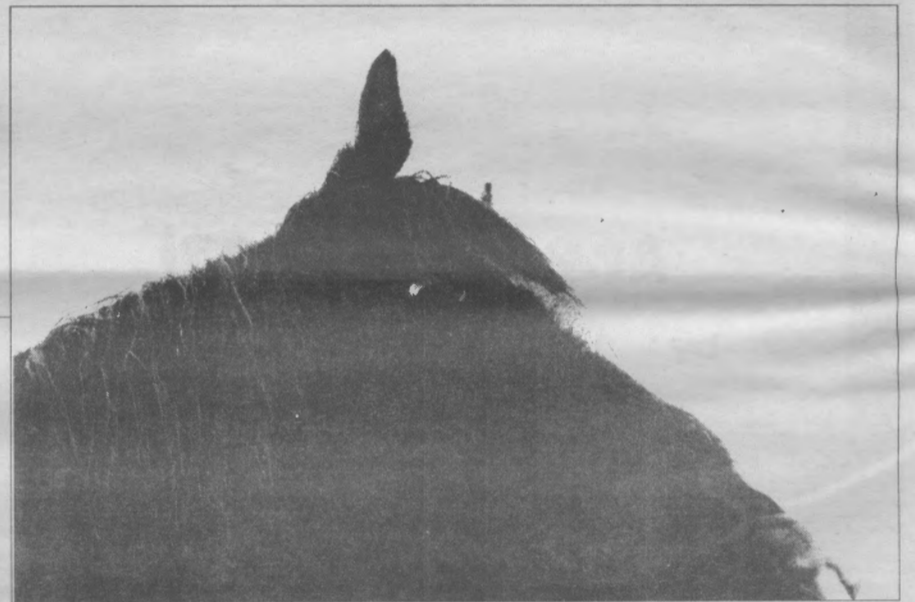
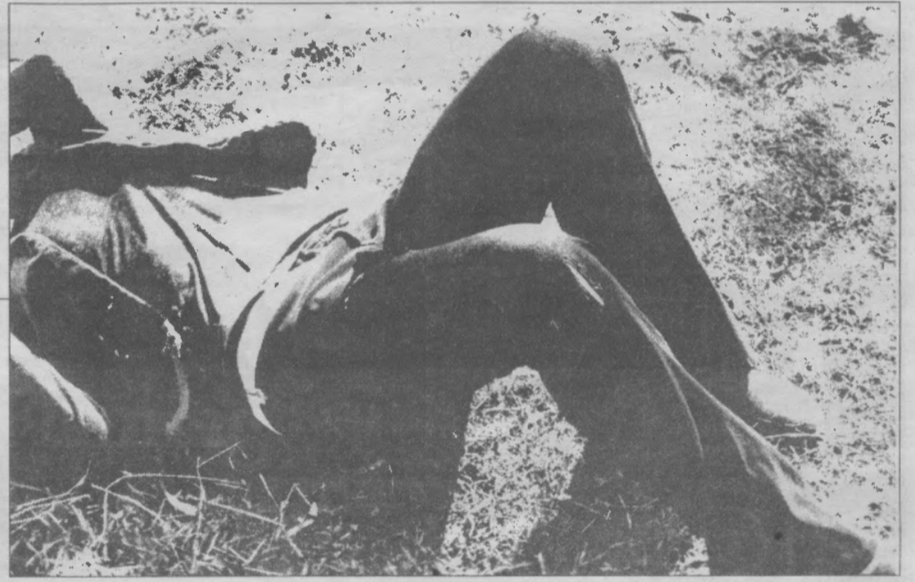
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