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GOVERNOR'S BUDGET TOPIC OF ALL-CAMPUS MEETING DEC. 23

Governor Daniel J. Evans' proposed Evergreen operating budget for the 1975-77 biennium will be discussed in a campus-wide meeting starting at 9 a.m. Dec. 23 in the Board of Trustees meeting room (Library 3112). President Charles McCann and Vice Presidents Ed Kormondy and Dean Clabaugh will conduct the meeting, during which all Evergreen deans and directors will present projections of what the governor's budget request will mean in terms of college services during the 1975-77 biennium.

The governor's budget will be released to the public next week, although state agencies --- including Evergreen --- have received advance totals so that they may begin preliminary allocation planning for the new biennium. The governor has directed that no figures be released until he presents his budget on Dec. 20.

IMPACT OF BUDGET OUTLINED

Evergreen's Dec. 23 meeting is designed to air the governor's request for college funding and --- on a unit-by-unit basis --- outline its impact. After presentation by the governor, the state budget will be referred for legislative consideration during the 1975 session, which starts in January. Historically, the governor's request level generally has amounted to an appropriations ceiling for various agencies. Thus, figures aired at Evergreen Dec. 23 are tentative at best, with subsequent legislative action a big question mark.

The meeting is open to all interested Evergreeners.

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MIMMS' PROGRAM EXAMINES ALTERNATIVES FOR NON-WHITES

They meet twice a month at the Tacoma Community Center on South M Street. Over the constant drone of a laboring heating system and the creaking of the old structure, 30 men and women, mostly non-white, all well over 21, question and cajole their instructors, eager to clarify any issues or expose any carelessly offered comments.

Representing professional backgrounds in politics, government service, business, health care and social service agencies, the men and women are all Evergreen students. But most of them never get to campus and they don't intend to.

Taught by Tacoman Maxine Mimms --- a full-time Evergreen faculty member, former public school teacher and social case worker --- the group was organized to "expand the students' occupational outlook," she says. "These students are nearly all working in the real world," she comments. "Most have at least two years of college and are determined to earn a college degree. But because of distance and the demands of their present occupations, they can't travel to Olympia for their education.

MIMMS TOOK EVERGREEN TO THEM

So, Mrs. Mimms explains, "we took Evergreen to them."

It all started two years ago when two Tacoma women, Pat Baines and Mary Harper visited Evergreen to find out how they could earn their bachelor's degrees. Mrs. Mimms began working with the two women at her home in Tacoma. Word spread and soon she had a score of students interested in studying with her on their jobs or at her home, but not on campus.

She spent last summer coordinating a program in Community Organization, working with 23 black Tacomans charged with the task of pinpointing six placements each for Evergreen interns. "We were working through the Office of Cooperative Education to locate businesses, industries and public and private agencies willing to accept non-white student interns who could earn academic credit --- and a salary --- while working for them," she says. "The

program was so successful it backfired. We ended up not only securing all the internships we aimed for, but in recruiting additional students."

So, she designed another program for them --- this one called Life Styles and Occupations --- and created to serve the needs of three dozen non-white, mature students who wanted to look at alternative life styles and, as Mrs. Mimms says, "not just stick to occupations that are restricted to non-whites."

The program is "hard core academic," she adds. "It's strictly a lecture program with emphasis on writing, public speaking and facilitative listening. It offers those theories and skills which these students need to further their professional and personal development.

RECRUITED FIVE OTHER INSTRUCTORS

Mrs. Mimms recruited five other Evergreen instructors (Richard Brian, Thad Curts, Margaret Gribskov, Charlie Lyons and Niels Skov) to offer their expertise to the program. On Tuesdays her group works with a journalist/educator on creative writing; Fridays they listen to lectures which span academic disciplines from public speaking to mathematics, earth science to literature; and Wednesdays they polish basic skills, aided by Mrs. Mimms and members of the Evergreen Learning Services Center staff.

"The structure of the program is definitely not give and take," she says. "It's organized for students to take from our faculty resources what they need. They listen. After all, you can't ask students to ask questions when they don't have the information to ask questions with."

But, she adds, just because it's not designed for a lot of student input doesn't mean it's a quiet class. Far from it. Mrs. Mimms says she and her Evergreen colleagues have found it to be "the liveliest class we've instructed for a long time." "These students are motivated," she says. "They want to learn, to glean every bit of information they can from our faculty members. Sometimes," she adds with a grin, "they really intimidate our professors with all their questions and comments."

She says the program's been so successful that she's working with the Tacoma Urban League, examining the possibility of designing a future Evergreen off-campus program for its staff. In the meantime, she's continuing work on the Alternative Life Styles group contract, outlining topics and recruiting faculty for what promises to be a lively Winter and Spring at the Tacoma Community House.

EVERGREEN JUNIOR TRAFFIC FATALITY

Sharon Henderson, a 22-year-old Evergreen junior, was killed in a one-car traffic accident early Sunday morning (Dec. 8) on East Bay Drive in Olympia. Henderson, a graduate of Yelm High School, was a transfer student from Centralia College and Western Washington State College. The daughter of Russell Stancil of Olympia, she was enrolled in the "On Knowing" Coordinated Studies program. She died on her twenty-second birthday.

NEW MEMBERS APPOINTED TO PROFESSIONAL LEAVES DTF

Provost Edward J. Kormondy has announced the appointment of three new members to the Professional Leaves Disappearing Task Force. Faculty Members Linda Kahan and Bill Winden and Director of Computer Services York Wong have been named to replace Faculty Members Betty Kutter and Jake Romero and Admissions Director Ken Mayer, whose terms have expired.

Three other persons --- Faculty Members Margaret Gribskov and Ed Reynolds and student Jill Fleming --- are now serving the second year of their two-year term on the continuing DTF.

FABRICANT NAMED TO NORCUS INTERNSHIP

Morton Fabricant, a Newton, Massachusetts senior, has been selected by the Northwest College and University Association for Science (NORCUS) Consortium to work on a competitive research project at Battelle Northwest in Richland. Fabricant, who last year directed a National Science Foundation student grant for a study on flouride contamination in the Columbia River Gorge, will spent the month of January in Richland working with the Hanford Environmental Health Foundation.

NORCUS is a consortium of 40 colleges and universities working together to administer funds provided by the Atomic Energy Commission for education and research.

TWENTY-THREE SENIORS COMPLETE DEGREES TODAY

Twenty-three Evergreen students are scheduled to complete graduation requirements at the end of Fall Quarter (Dec. 13). Scheduled to graduate are 11 Washingtonians and 12 out-of-staters.

Graduates from Thurston County are expected to include Jimmy Pruske, Olympia; Jacqueline Ferro Delahunt, Tumwater; and Penny Spute, Lacey. Other Washingtonians graduating today are Stephen Wiggins, Napavine; Alan White, Forks; Crystal Ashley, Mead; Lee Vandegrift, Mercer Island; Colleen Christensen, Bellevue; David Kucklick, Puyallup; and Mary Harper and Helen Anderson, both of Tacoma.

Scheduled out-of-state graduates include: Karen Core, Lake Oswego, Oregon; Susan Noyes, Salem, Oregon; Lindell Eldred, San Marino, California; Jenny Matkin, Sonora, California; Paul Rabin, North Hollywood, California; Carol Schutt, San Francisco, California; John Anderson, Jr., Reading, Massachusetts; Elizabeth Zima, Iowa City, Iowa; Katherine Willcox Burger, New York City, New York; Robert Sheldon, Madison, Ohio; Ronald Alpert, Englewood, Colorado; and Cynthia Stewart, Dallas, Texas.

Three of the Fall Quarter graduates --- Vandegrift, Noyes and Ashley --- are Evergreen pioneers, and Vandegrift is also the first student officially admitted to Evergreen in 1971.

SENIOR CITIZENS SOUGHT FOR ENCOUNTERING AMERICA PROGRAM

Evergreen is recruiting senior citizens --- not to enlarge its enrollment, but to bridge the generation gap through a Spring Quarter study on the "Wisdom of the Elderly."

"We're inviting Thurston County senior citizens to work with us now to plan the Spring study," Faculty Member Russ Fox explains. "And, we're looking for others who'll be willing to participate in the actual program, which will run from March 31 to June 13." Fox says his students, all members of the Encountering America Coordinated Studies Program, are holding a series of meetings for all interested senior citizens. The first one was held Dec. 11, he says, and additional meetings are scheduled Winter Quarter.

Goal of the one-quarter program is, Fox says, "partly to bridge the generation gap." "We want to involve senior citizens in Evergreen, both academically and socially," he says. "We want to share their perceptions, ideas and experiences, and work with them in solving the problems of the aged in our society."

The Evergreen faculty member says there's no age limit for the program. "No one's too old." He adds that "no academic degrees are necessary. We're just looking for people willing and able to teach the skills, trades, crafts and knowledge of history they've accumulated through their years of living." He says he and his students will help resolve transportation difficulties for program participants if necessary.

RECREATION CENTER AND UTILITIES PLANT WIN AWARDS

Two Evergreen buildings have won recognition in the 1974 Honor Awards Program of the Southwest Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. One structure --- the College Recreation Center designed by the Tacoma architectural firm of Robert Price and Associates --- received an Honor Award for distinguished accomplishment in architecture. The other --- the college's Central Utilities Plant designed by Bennett, Johnson, Slenes and Smith, Architects of Olympia --- received a Merit Award.

Program entries were not only judged on the basis of competition but also on the architect's solution to the design problem presented, as well as a project's worthiness for an architectural award of excellence.

The Evergreen building project work --- from design to construction and operation --- is coordinated by Evergreen Director of Facilities Jerry Schillinger.

ENVIRONMENTAL WORKSHOPS DEVELOPED

Environmentalists on campus are now organizing bi-monthly workshops designed to help concerned individuals understand effective methods of acting on environmental concerns, or, just how to go about "getting involved," according to Cindy Swanberg, a Seattle junior.

Caring about the earth is the most important first step in protecting it," Swanberg says. "But by never acting on those concerns, a person too often finds that what he has cared most about has been destroyed. For this reason we have organized these workshops and hope that they will provide a forum for the discussion of vital issues and experiences."

Workshops will be held at noon, two Tuesdays a month in CAB room 110B. Jan. 7, Martin Baker, Executive Director of the Washington Environmental Council, will discuss the upcoming legislative session, specific environmental bills that will be introduced and methods by which individuals can affect the course of those bills. Jan. 21 the group will investigate effective methods of letter writing, concentrating on such things as communication of concern, who to write to, proper forms, etc. Feb. 4 Paul Mitchell from the Consumer's Lobby for Refillable Beverage Containers, will talk about the future of the bottle bill in Washington State.

Subsequent workshop topics are open to suggestion, but may include: how to appeal a timber sale, the National Forest Planning Unit Process, and responding to environmental impact statements.

Students organizing these workshops are Swanberg (491-6350) and Liz Keeny (866-1019). Notice of all workshops will be posted on the Environmental Action Board at the Outdoor Kiosk on the main mall of the CAB.

EVERGREENERS IN THE NEWS

Faculty Member Dave Hitchens will leave in mid-January to serve as a senior lecturer in the School of Social Inquiry at a brand new university in Perth, Australia. Hitchens says his new position at Murdoch University in Western Australia is for one year only, and he plans to return to Evergreen by Winter Quarter 1976...Faculty Member Bob Filmer has been named chairman of the Disappearing Task Force charged with responsibility for nominating an academic dean to replace Charles Teske. Teske, the last of the three original deans, will finish his term of service the end of June and rotate into the faculty.

Students Kathy Rich of Morton and Brent Ingram of Victoria, British Columbia, have been named to the Publications Board for the remainder of the 1974-75 academic year by President Charles J. McCann.

New to the Evergreen staff this past month are: Ed Evans, program secretary; Robert Selin, programmer in Computer Services, and Melanie Feuerstein, library technician.

CO-OP HELPING THURSTON COUNTY PROBATION OFFICE

Evergreen has been placing students in private businesses, governmental agencies and social service organizations for credit-generating internships since the college opened in the fall of 1971. Now, in a cooperative effort between the Office of Cooperative Education and the Thurston County Probation Office, TESC will help place persons found guilty of minor legal offenses in those same agencies to work out their sentences --- not to earn college credit but to provide a community service.

Ken Donohue, director of Evergreen Co-op program, said his office is contacting more than 300 public and private agencies throughout the state to gather names of those organizations which are willing to cooperate in the newly created Thurston County Minor Offender Program.

"The idea," Donohue says, "is for those persons found guilty of a minor offense to serve their time helping their local community, rather than behind bars. Co-op is helping locate those agencies which are willing to accept the unpaid aid of the offenders for an amount of time determined at their sentencing."

The offenders --- often youthful violators of laws regulating marijuana, alcoholism or traffic --- serve at the agencies in lieu of a short jail term. Their service has to be in their home area, which is often outside of Thurston County, so agencies need to be identified throughout the state.

"We sometimes have offenders from as far away as Spokane County," Valerie Shewp, Thurston County probation officer, explains. "Our office doesn't have the resources to locate positions that far away, so we looked to Evergreen for help."

TESC has placed more than 1800 interns in 800 agencies in the past three and a half years, Donohue adds.