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a student created guide to evergreen

Hitting it home!

It remains important to draw connections whenever possible, between global atrocities and the daily perils/privileges that make up our lives.

The events of 9/11, although not the world changing events that they have been acclaimed, were indeed enough of a trigger for that Bush in office to begin capitalizing off of the loss of innocent lives by declaring an endless war on the world. Had it not been an attack on America, the power elite would have undoubtedly found another reason for trading death and destruction for power and resources as we have grown so accustomed to (not to mention, oh so damn good at as well). How this New World agenda applies to us is of course varied for each individual. However, the seemingly divergent events of 9/11 and our education can be slightly more related when critically looked at by we, the pupils, of TESC.

Simply put, in a society designed on US hegemony and glorification, it is only possible for such 'crimes against humanity' as 9/11, to occur while the population of the United States remain stupefied and educated in the ways of comfortable oblivion.

Let us rethink a few things about our education. It is obviously not available to all. A quick glance around our campus demonstrates a predominant white privilege appearance. The world as we have created it is built on an extreme inequality of wealth and resources. This is no mistake. Such as is US foreign policy, decisions at home are also designed to keep the downtrodden down while the Bush's and Nader's of the world remain content. The great class divide keeping the machinery of globalisation in tune, creates for a glaringly abundant contrast and many a reason for attempts at retribution. Whether it's out of Nazi Germany or the USA of Bush jr., a dictatorship cannot run successfully without first diffusing any dissent, (nonetheless critical thinking) amongst the domestic population. Thus we have the function of higher education. It is here that the supposedly more capable children of the country are sent to learn how to correctly behave in our society. This further helps to indoctrinate them into thinking some deserve more than others and "that's just the way it is".

Had we been taught the truth of how a war-mongering regime operates and the horrors of the past and present policies of a country run on domination, the connection between 9/11 and us here at Evergreen would be no mystery. It is vital for any self-improving fascist to have a well trained population in order to rape and plunder the world over, so much that we create the inevitability of blowback on our own soil. Which is not to cast blame on students but simply to beg a responsibility. 'The responsibility of intellectuals,' sounds appropriate, as a well-noted academic once said.

It is, in the end, a question of privilege and each of us should decide to do our plentiful amount. Shall we sit quietly or remain on the fence with picket signs or should we take action beyond the bubble and realize the consequences of our education? The choice, of course, is yours...

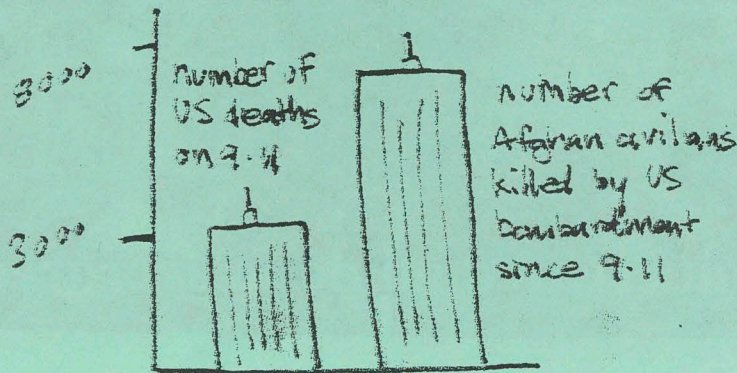
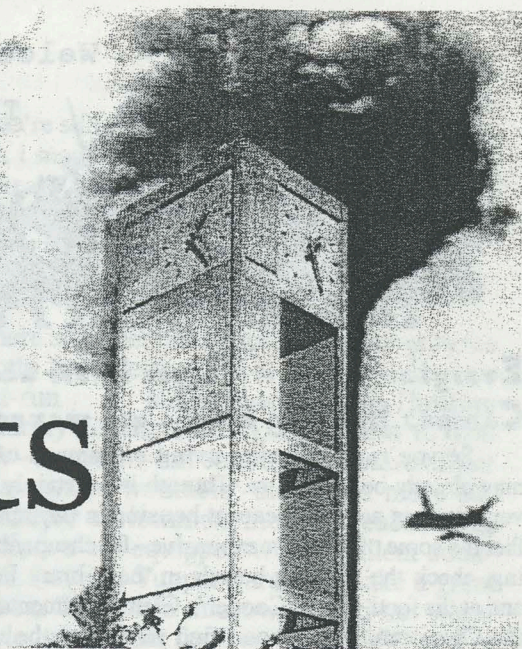


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Welcome to

The Evergreen State College

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Everything you wish you knew about Campus Housing before you moved in

So you're considering living on campus or you may already be signed up. Though it's certainly convenient, it is not the cheapest housing in Olympia, in fact it's some of the most expensive - for cheaper housing, check the housing boards in the Library Lobby and at the food-coops, Cooper's Glen Apartments, and the Olympian. You'll soon find out about the many other quirks, perks and disadvantages of Campus Housing.

You'll learn plenty of ways to prop doors (I suggest a coat hanger on the fire escape) and cover fire alarms (plastic bag duct taped over the sensor) but there are a few other things I would have liked to have been warned/told about:

When a fire alarm is set off (certain kinds of smoke tend to set them off) the cops have the right to walk through every room, and they will, so when you hear that beep, hide your shit. Also, don't mess with your fire alarm once it goes off - they may make you buy a new one.

Housing staff and campus cops are pretty lenient about parties, however they are very particular about a few things. Everything must be kept inside, all cups, all smoke, all noise, etc. When it leaves the room is when they bust you, otherwise it's safe to do pretty much anything (at least as safe as it would be in any American home). The cops do like to know ahead of time if a party of any significance is being planned. It has been said that they go easier on partygoers if police services was called in advance, though I wouldn't blame you if you don't want to talk to the cops. Mentioning it to your Residence Advisor (RA) can never hurt though. One thing to remember: the host of the

party will be held responsible for the activities of the guests, invited or uninvited.

There's a fair amount of money available for students wanting to host events through Housing. For instance, for last year's 420 party, Housing paid for bands, food and advertising. Ask your RA how to apply for these funds, and remember your RA is given a certain amount of money per month to spend on her or his residents, so make sure they use it.

Every wall inside the dorm hallways can potentially be painted, especially the stairwells, all you have to do is submit a design to Housing and they will buy you the paints, or you can not ask and use your own paint but you risk losing your design and facing graffiti charges. Besides, there's some kind of paint-restricting building code, and I'm sure they wouldn't want to allow free speech that's too free.

If you have a roommate and they move out, it's rad because you get your own room, but it may cost you due to something Housing calls "Reduced Occupancy". The way to avoid this is to find another roommate, be willing to move to another room, or keep all your stuff on one side. *They'll charge you money for whatever they can, so be careful.*

Speaking of charging money, beware of cleaning fees after you move out. It's usually cheaper to take the late-move-out fee and stick around cleaning than it is to be victim to their extremely high standards. Be sure to follow everything on the sheet provided by your RA detailing what needs to be done, and don't be afraid to appeal unfair charges to the Housing Arbitration Committee (a student board, ask your RA how to get involved with it).

Partying can be pretty pervasive in Evergreen Housing, so if you have trouble concentrating you may

want to get off campus, or spend a lot of time in the library or in the woods. But if you're a social person it can be a whole lot of fun, so I say hang out, open your door, take part in your community and form many fond memories, but remember you can almost always find someone to buy your contract with housing (talk to your RA for more info).

One last thing: Washington Title 59, RCW 59.18.040 exempts residents of public or private educational institutions from the Washington State Landlord and Tenants Law - *or in other words you exempt yourself from nearly all renter's rights laws by choosing to live in Housing.*

The Meal Plan ala Evergreen

If you're reading this and you haven't bought a meal plan but are still considering the venture, there are some things you should know. Following the Sodexo scandal (see page 26) and Fine Host's (Evergreen's food service for the past decade) union busting campaign, we have a new, smaller food service corporation here at Evergreen called Bon Appetite.

Despite their attempts at offering organic, vegetarian, and vegan options to the populace, Bon Appetite still lost half a million dollars last year. And guess who ate up that debt? Guess who paid their tuition? You did.

We have to pay to have access to food service whether we use it or not. TESC, because of the terms of the food service contract, is responsible for covering any losses they experience. Corporations, even smallish, benevolent-seeming ones, still have profits as their number one motivation. Last year Bon appetite wanted bake sales and potlucks out of the picture, (too much competition?) and pressured student activities to not authorize them. Lucky for you, the penniless student, they haven't been as maniacal as Fine Host about prosecuting shoplifters. (oops! I'm sorry! Where's my head? Did I forget to pay for that?)

Students are always encouraged to purchase meal plans. This guarantees income to the Food Service company, because once you pay, there's no going back. This year the tactic is to only offer Flexdollar plans (formerly known as Geobucks). You use your ID card kind of like a debit card. This is a slight improvement over some past meal plans, where you were committed to a certain number of meals, and couldn't buy stuff for your friends...or 20 pints of Ben & Jerry's.

If you're still on the fence about signing up for a plan, I suggest you wait until you see how much you really want to eat on campus. You may decide that you don't really like paying for food, and opt to grow it, or cook it, or scavenge it yourself.

There are other on-campus alternatives to the corporate food service. *There is* a student-run place located in the Housing Community Center (HCC), right next to *The Branch* - a student-run convenience store. Their hours are more workable, their food more edible, and their environment more agreeable. Plus, all the dorms are equipped with excellent cooking facilities, and Tupperware can make a great lunch box. There is a microwave and hot water available to students for free in the HCC and in the CAB, so I'd suggest taking advantage of them.

Dry soup mixes from the food Co-op (see article below) make great lunches, and they also have a wide array of granola and trail mixes available in the bulk aisle. Making your own meals is much cheaper, and also a good way to ensure you're getting sustainably harvested and prepared food. The on-campus food service is a nice fallback when you're short on time, or if someone else is paying.

Getting Food in Olympia: how to eat without fucking people over

Food does not have to be about fat and calories. Food is sharing, it is joy, it is watching seeds grow into giant healthy green plants, and tastier vegetables spring from the ground than could ever be found on a shelf.

We have lost our knowledge of how to truly sustain ourselves and what goes in to growing our own food. Components such as soil, hands, robotics, petroleum, and multinational corporations are not often considered when purchasing a banana from Safeway or vegan chili from the deli. While organic foods solve the problems of poisoning our bodies and the Earth with pesticides and genetic engineering, a multitude of other problems remain. The rich of the world, meaning the

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white west. and wealthy landowners worldwide fuck over the majority of the world's people so that we can get cheap food that we can't grow for ourselves in the "civilized" north.

Our global food system is full of injustices: corporate theft of land (in the U.S. and abroad); the funneling of resources from economically poor farm workers to the corporate stockholders in "over"-developed nations; centralization of farming operations; migrant labor exploitation and poisoning by pesticides; starvation in times of overproduction due to unfair distribution; government subsidies for destructive farming practices; animal exploitation and torture; desertification of fertile land; deforestation of rainforests; and not to mention the toxic pollutants that are being spewed while transporting foods across the planet. Wage slavery, toxins, third world dictators: the documentation is out there if you're willing to look for it. How the hell do you think we get bananas for 10 cents a pound? An eating and growing revolution is necessary to purge the problems of our global food system and restore a balance with the earth and each other.

Shopping:

* **The Olympia Food Co-op** (2 locations: west side at 921 Rogers (754-7666); east side at 3111 Pacific (956-3870)) is a comfortable, fun, and cheap place to shop for tasty, sustainably grown food. *This is the place where people who give a damn about where they're food comes from shop in Olympia.* It is also a great place to meet folks. and get up to date on what's happening in town. Becoming a working member is a also great way to save money and make friends.

* **The Olympia Farmers Market** (401 Capital Way, 342-9096) is open Thur-Sun 10am-6pm throughout the summer, hours are reduced as the wether gets colder. At the market there are many farmers selling produce, flowers, plants and seedlings, as well as beautiful baked goods and tasty hot food. Shopping here is a great way to support local people without your money getting sucked out of Olympia.

* **The Thurston County Farm Directory** is available at both food Co-ops. It contains a map of small farms in the area. Buying food directly from farmers is good for the farmer because there is no "middle man" taking profits. It is good for the eater to truly experience food by getting closer to the source.

Acquiring:

Two ways to get the goods without paying for them are dumpster diving and shoplifting. The best dumpsters can be found in Seattle and Portland, but here in Oly and outlying areas some scores can be made.

Shoplifting in Oly is another story entirely, and you'll have to evaluate for yourself whether it is ethically sound. Take in mind when stealing that the manufacturer is paid whether the product is purchased or stolen. The store is who loses the money, so go to a horrible store, and don't get anything that you don't really need - after all, consumerism is consumerism, whether you steal or not. Look out for cameras, and "secret shoppers." Remember that if you haven't left the store you are not guilty, and always trust your instincts: don't hesitate to abandon a mission. Please don't take shit from the food co-op and other small businesses that you wouldn't like to see go out of business.

Grow your Own:

Whether in a sanctioned community garden with organized plots, in your own backyard, or guerrilla gardening in an empty lot, growing your own food from seed helps retain the sense of community & self sustainability that is so lacking in the techno-industrial society in which we find ourselves. So for those seeking liberation from the machine in which we all contribute, consciously or not, some places to start locally include:

The Olympia Free Garden & Secret Garden: Located on Black Lake Blvd. Just South of Harrison. Use it!

Sister Holly Community Garden: Located on the westside of Olympia. For more information on how to become involved, call 753-5522.

The Evergreen Community Gardens: Located at the Organic Farm at school. Space is available to anyone.

Food, Health Care, and other Issues for Low Income Individuals

Finding the money to provide basic needs for yourself (and your family if you're a parent) can be very difficult for those with a limited income. Many students find themselves in this situation, especially in Olympia where unemployment and underemployment are chronic - a town of limited employment and an abundant number of students willing to work for poverty-level wages.

Unfortunately, American capitalism teaches all of us from a young age that taking assistance from the government is synonymous with laziness and selfishness. Furthermore - its just plain "UN-AMERICAN". Despite the social stigma associated with state and federal assistance programs such as food stamps and welfare many in this "prosperous" country have no recourse due to economic and political issues beyond their control. If any shame is called for, it is against a capitalist system that exploits workers and creates a class system that prevents people from attending colleges and universities due to high tuition and unreasonable expenses. It is the deeply held belief of this writer that students should NEVER have to take out financial aid loans to pay for food or health care.

* Fact: There are more low-income students at TESC than at any of the other 4-year colleges in Washington.

* Myth: There is a strictly limited pool of money available for food stamps.

* Fact: Just because you decide to collect food stamps in order to supplement your food budget does NOT mean that someone else in need will not be allowed to do so as well.

How do I apply for Food Stamps?

Contact the Olympia Community Services Office. The Olympia CSO is part of the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS):

Olympia CSO
5000 Capitol Blvd.
P.O. Box 1908
Olympia, WA 98507
(360) 753-3983

Call the Olympia CSO at the number above and ask for a food stamps application packet. The application process is paperwork-intensive and can be invasive (for example, having to "prove" your income by having your employer complete a DSHS form). However, please DO NOT let this deter you from applying. DSHS uses these tactics purposefully to discourage eligible people from applying for benefits. As a low-income person, it is your RIGHT to receive assistance. You will be scheduled for an eligibility hearing in which you will meet with a caseworker to discuss your eligibility. Bring ALL requested paperwork and documentation to this interview in order to expedite your application. The amount of benefits you receive each month is dependent on your income level. You will not receive food "stamps". The current system operates with an electronic debit-style card. This "EBT" card is accepted at all grocery stores, including the Olympia Food Co-ops. Every three months you will have to complete "eligibility review" paperwork. This is inconvenient but is much less extensive than the original application. Turn in all requested information ON TIME

or you will lose your benefits. PLEASE NOTE: As a student you MUST have work study (any # of hours per week) OR a part-time job (at least 20 hours per week in order to be eligible for food stamps benefits. Unemployed students and those who work less than 20 hours per week non-work study ARE NOT eligible.

FREE/DISCOUNTED FOOD PROGRAMS

Free Food Box: located at the TESC Student Health Center.

The Bread and Roses Community Kitchen and Drop-In Center: located at 114 Cherry St. NE (downtown), phone 705-1125. Bread and Roses carry free, good-quality breads every day. You can just drop in and pick some up.

Olympia Food Not Bombs: located at Sylvester Park (downtown at Capitol Way and Legion Way). Free vegan and vegetarian meals every Sunday around 1 PM.

Olympia Food Co-ops: located at 921 Rogers St. NW (west-side) and 3111 Pacific Ave. SE (east-side). Provide a discount (10%) for low-income people and waive membership dues. This program does not require documentation, but the co-op asks all interested individuals to read a short history of the program before choosing to use it.

Where can I buy my books?

Is it possible to radicalize consumption? Probably not. But you become a student with the understanding that a lot of your studies will revolve around books and will thus necessitate the purchase of them.. There is space to be self-critical with your purchasing power. As a new student at Evergreen, a socially conscious shopper, and possibly a new inhabitant of Olympia, where might you look to buy books? Avoid the TESC bookstore located in the CAB. The prices are high, and the Evergreen apparel they sell *may have*

been produced in sweatshops, see page 28 for more information regarding anti-sweatshop organizing on campus.

Olympia has several used bookstores. The two where you are most likely to find books for classes are Browsers Book Shop (357-7462, 107 Capital Way, off of 4th St. Downtown), and Orca Books Inc. (352-0123, 509 4th Ave.; straight downtown on 4th St. on the right,



Orca is popular for a couple of reasons; first- they receive a list of books from many classes at TESC, and stock a special Evergreen section accordingly; second- all of the new books are 10% off of the cover price. Although independent and locally-owned, neither of these bookstores is *unionized*, so the employees have less guarantees about being paid well and treated right.

What about on-line booksellers? Avoid Amazon.com. They may have a huge selection, but they've proven time and again to be rabidly anti-union. In the last couple of years, many Amazon employees at packing and distribution centers have attempted to organize. Waves of layoffs have usually followed, including here in Washington, near Seattle. To my knowledge the management's union-busting tactics have been successful and none of their distribution centers have been unionized. The best option that comes to mind is Powell's, located in downtown Portland. You don't have to make the two-hour drive, though, you can order all of your books on-line from the only major unionized bookseller on the web.

The workers at Powell's are part of the International Longshoreman Worker's Union, a progressive workers union. Here's an excerpt from the employees' web-site: "The work of Local 5 members maintains the viability of one of the last strongholds of independent bookselling in the US.

We want to begin to cultivate recognition for retail workers: we deserve living wages, benefits, and collective bargaining. This site is designed as a resource for employees represented by Local 5, for Powell's customers, and for anyone looking to organize."

Enter Powell's web-site through the union's site, [/www.powellsunion.com/](http://www.powellsunion.com/). If you enter from the union's site, 10% of your purchase goes directly to the workers, distributed equally and quarterly. Powell's employees bargained for this profit sharing agreement in their first contract. When you buy your books this way you're essentially sending a message to management that you support an organized, democratic workplace — you support the workers.

The final option, which bypasses the question of radicalizing consumption, is to shoplift the books you need (or even the ones you don't). Within capitalism, most of us are either (1) alienated from (have little or no control over) our work and are hence dependent on the wealthy, ruling class for commodities as basic as food and clothing, (2) excluded from this division of labor, in which case we are dependent on the State, or (3) only performing unpaid work (or no work) and hence dependent on other people who are dependent on these relations for food, clothing, and even books. In any case, people's control over the creation and allocation of resources is severely limited by these contemporary relations of domination. One partial solution to this problem may be to steal.

A final word of warning: Many a fool has been caught stealing from the TESC bookstore. You may want to take your "business" elsewhere.

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The Telephone Assistance Program

If you have food stamp benefits (or any other type of state or federal assistance) **YOU ARE ELIGIBLE** for the Telephone Assistance Program. It should come as no surprise that when you receive food stamp benefits, **NO ONE** tells you about the existence of the Telephone Assistance Program, even though you are eligible. After you recover from being angry about that, call Qwest (the telephone company) at 1-800-244-1111.

Tell Qwest that you would like to get on the Telephone Assistance Program. They will need your client

ID number from your food stamps paperwork. There is surprisingly little bureaucracy involved in this process, so you should be seeing the benefits by your next phone bill. The program usually cuts your basic-rate (non-long distance) phone bill by 2/3rds.

How do I get Health Insurance?

Washington State provides a health insurance program for low-income people called **BASIC HEALTH**. The application process is simple and easy. Monthly premium payments can be as low as \$10 for full medical insurance. To apply contact the Washington State Health Care Authority at 1-800-826-2444 (ask for a Basic Health application packet) or find information and an application on-line at <http://www.wa.gov/hca> (click on Basic Health).

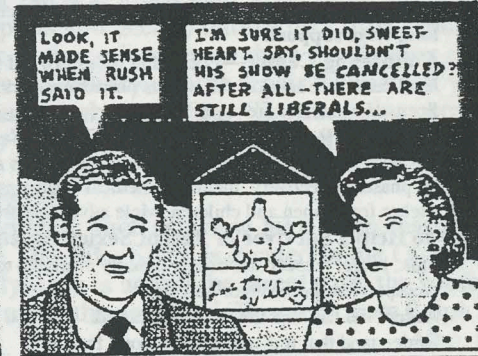
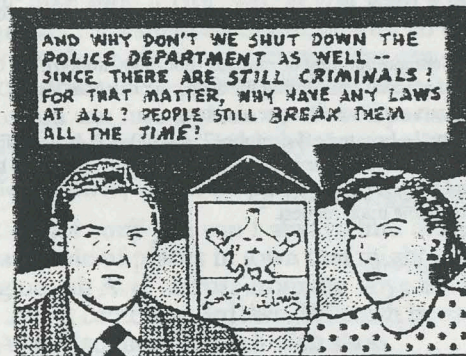
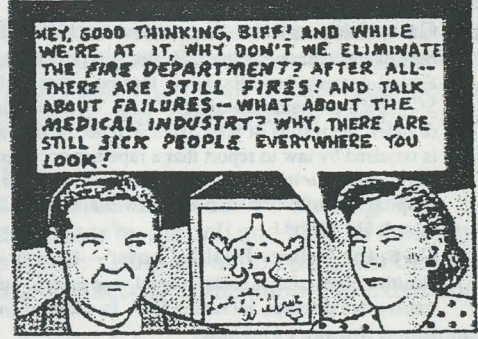
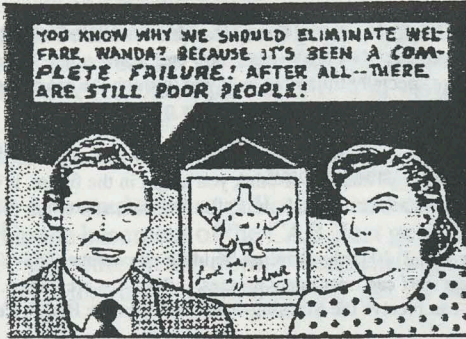
Basic Health does not provide dental insurance. Go to the TESC Student Health Center for information on low-income dental care options. They are extremely limited and there is often a waiting list for most routine services. Emergency dental services are, however, available with a minimum wait and with costs on a sliding scale.

How do I apply for medical and financial assistance?

The Olympia CSO takes care of financial and medical assistance as well as food assistance. Financial and medical assistance through the Olympia CSO is strictly on an **EMERGENCY** basis. This includes unexpected, emergency situations such as homelessness and pregnancy. The CSO does provide funds for terminating unwanted pregnancies. Financial and medical assistance from the CSO is highly conditional. Call them if you have questions about a specific situation and whether you may qualify for these benefits.

THIS MODERN WORLD

by TOM TOMORROW



MORE FREE STUFF

There are "free boxes" by the TESC housing community center (HCC) and at the westside food coop (921 Rogers St.). Value Village (located in Lacey) is a thrift store and they throw away tons of useful shit everyday. Vic's (233 Division) throws out fresh pizza almost every night. Most of the bakeries and bagel stores in town throw away bread daily.

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What do you do if you think you or someone you know has been raped?

Like any person in today's society, my life has been affected by sexual assault. It is understandable that each person within our society has a different understanding of rape and a different means of dealing with its aftermath. I have decided to give information here on what types of medical and legal options are available to you as a member of the Olympia community; however, *please* remember that these are just OPTIONS. Do not allow anyone, family, friend, counselor, or police officer, to pressure you into taking any of these options, but do seek out folks who support your ability to decide what is best for you.

First and foremost, get to someplace where you feel safe, then call a friend or someone you trust.

Medical Options:

It is important to be checked for physical injuries, sexually transmitted diseases, HIV, and pregnancy. In spite of a strong and natural desire to clean up, if you choose to seek medical attention, it is best if you do not bathe, take a shower, douche, or change clothes until after the physical examination. If you must change your clothes, put the clothes you were wearing into a brown paper bag and bring them with you to the examination.

1. **Go to the hospital**—Both St. Peter's (493-7289, 413 Lilly Road) and Group Health (456-1700, 700 Lilly Road) provide legal rape exams, although Group Health will only accept members of its health plan. St. Peter's will call a Safeplace advocate and a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner for you—these folks are specially trained to help you through the examination. Rape exams at St. Peter's are paid for through Crime Victims Compensation regardless of whether or not you file a police report. If you are 18 or older, the results of your exam will not be released to the police without your written consent. If you are under 18, the hospital is required by law to report that a rape has occurred. *Please remember that it is always your choice to speak with the police or answer any questions they may ask.* If you want to pursue legal charges or think you might in the future, it is important to go the hospital for collection of evidence within the first 72 hours after an assault, less after an anal penetration (48 hours) and oral assault (12 hours).
2. **Go to the College Health Center**—Located in room 2110 in the Seminar building on campus (866-6000 x6200). The Health Center cannot conduct legal rape exams, but the staff can treat many injuries and test for pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, including HIV. In addition, you can receive the Morning-After pill from the Health Center.

Emotional Support Options:

1. **Get support from a friend, family member, peer advocate, Safeplace advocate, or anyone you trust for immediate and/or long-term support.**
2. **Counseling Center**—Located in room 2109 of the Seminar building on campus (866-6000 x6800), the Counseling Center has licensed counselors, as well as peer counselors, who are available during the academic calendar year. Conversations with a licensed counselor are confidential and free. Drop-in hours vary from quarter to quarter.
3. **Safeplace Rape Relief/Women's Shelter Services**—Located off-campus (754-6300—24-hour crisis line, 786-8754—business line). Safeplace's workers and advocates are available 24 hours a day and are specially trained to help survivors through all phases of recovery, including medical treatment and the legal system. Safeplace can also provide you with confidential shelter for women and children. Male advocates are available upon request.

How to Help a Survivor of Recent Sexual Assault:

- Talk, listen, respect and be emotionally available to the survivor.
- Accept what the survivor tells you.
- Accept the fact that the assault occurred.
- Understand that it is not the survivor's fault.
- Listen nonjudgementally. Suggest options and actions (medical, psychological and other assistance), *but let the survivor decide what action to take.*
- Let the survivor talk about the incident, but don't force a discussion.
- Respect and understand that temporarily the survivor may become distant from loved ones.
- Assure the survivor that you will be available to provide support throughout the process of recovery.
- Give the survivor time to heal. Be patient and understand that the healing process takes time.
- Take the initiative to maintain communication with the survivor.
- Moderate your natural tendencies to become overprotective.
- The survivor may need to seek medical attention immediately. You can help by encouraging and accompanying the survivor to obtain medical attention, but do not push them to do so. If the survivor wishes to seek criminal action, this should be done as soon as possible after the incident.



Biking At Evergreen

Transportation is an extremely important part of our lives today, and is also one of the most energy-consuming. Most of the people I grew up around drove cars several miles a day. For years, my dad drove a Suburban 20 miles each way to work. Quite often it seems like there isn't any other option for people who need to get to work or school.

But now, as I'm going into my second car-free year, I recall all of the hassle I left behind when I sold my car. I don't need to buy gasoline from multinational corporations, who drill in the most beautiful places on Earth. I therefore contribute less to global climate change (and laugh when I hear gas prices might hit \$3.00 a gallon). I don't need to carry a government issued identification card. I don't have to worry about driving poorly, speeding, or crashing into someone (not to mention traffic). I don't have to worry about paying some big faceless company for insurance. I don't need to put down a couple hundred or thousand dollars to buy a car, 'cause I don't use one. And I definitely don't need to pay anyone else for expensive parts and maintenance.

This is all possible because I bike. I recognize I could do it without biking, I could bus it or walk, but with a bike you're more versatile. And the last two items on that list are kinda shady- bikes and bike parts can cost a lot. However, that's part of why I'm writing this. I don't just want to encourage people to ditch their cars, I want to let them know that it's easy to do at Evergreen, and it's partly because of the Evergreen Bike shop.

Evergreen's Bike Shop

The Bike Shop is a student run collective and campus resource that receives funding from the school. It's located in the basement of the CAB. Just get in the elevator by the deli and hit B. If the shop's not open, check the schedule on the door. Volunteers sign up there to keep the shop open, working a 2-hour shift once a week for the quarter, and they get 24 hour a day access to the shop (No experience necessary)!

So what can the bike shop do for you? If you want a bike but don't have one, you can probably get hooked up with a junker for a small donation, or with all the parts you need to build a bike from scratch. If you don't know anything about bike repair, you can talk to the volunteer on duty or whoever else might be hangin' out down there. If you still need help, there is a library of bike repair manuals. If you already have a bike you can find a plethora of used parts, frames, tubes and tires. The shop also carries a few new items. This is all made possible by the people who volunteer their time to work the shop. You can reach the Bike Shop at 867-6399.

Bikes beyond Evergreen

If you're looking for stuff you can't always find at Evergreen, such as a new bike or professional service, there are a couple of places in town that might help. The Bike Stand is located in the Olympic Outfitters building on 4th Ave. (across from the Voyeur). Olybikes is across the street from the southwest corner of the transit center, on 3rd Ave. Biketech is way up on the eastside hill, across from Ralph's Thriftway on 4th Ave. Also there is a Schwinn shop. Also, if you're lookin' to buy a used bike, check out the "for sale" signs at Evergreen and at the co-op, and look in pawn shops, Goodwill and Value Village.

And one more thing

Critical Mass is a big unorganized group of bikers who meet up and roam the streets in a pack, terrorizing citizens, slowing cars and frustrating the local police. It means different things to different people, but to me it is a reminder to myself that there are lots of others who bike, and to drivers that they have healthier alternatives if they just open their eyes. Keep an eye out for it.

I wish you all happy riding, and if I didn't convince you to ditch your car, have a global warming day...

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WELCOME TO EVERGREEN

Cheap(er) Education!

If the main reason you are in school is to get a diploma, find out about some of the ways to get it fast and cheap. CLEP (college-level examination program) tests are cheap, easy and will give you credits. Classes at SPSCC (South Puget Sound Community College) are also fairly cheap. PLE (prior learning from experience) is a program offered through Evergreen that offers credits for non-classroom experiences. Academic Advising (TESC, 866-6000, x6312) can fill you in on these alternatives.

Not from Washington? Parents give you little or nothing? Get Washington residency and pay in-state Tuition! Start this process now!

(for more information about residency, contact Rafael Lozano at 867-5189)

Who am I supposed to go to when I am pissed off at someone?

In this strange world of ours where civilization has "achieved" a level of differentiation of roles unimaginable to our ancestors, we even have specific people that are delineated as "the person to go to" when we have a problem with someone else. At Evergreen there is a clear hierarchy of power in existence and an equally clear hierarchy of who to go to when you have a problem. Wouldn't it be nice if we could all just get along?

This "Grievance Process" allows us to try and gain justice when someone acts cruelly or brings their authority down upon us. That's all well and good, but please keep in mind this in no way addresses the roots of the cruelty, nor does it challenge the unjust system(s) of dominance that may have led to the injustice occurring in the first place. I guess that's left up to another department....

Anyhow, if someone (a student or non-student) has a problem with a student that they don't want to or can't go to the cops for, they go to the "Grievance Officer." The Grievance Officer supposedly works off a "restorative" justice (work stuff out) model as apposed to a "punitive" justice (punishment-based) model. If you have done something that makes you have to meet with him, come up with ideas of how you can "make that wrong right", and you will have the pleasure of getting to help choose your punishment, but watch out for fines. All of his decisions can be appealed to a student board, but you have to go through the VP for Student Affairs (phone 867-6296), one Art Costantino

On the other hand, whereas staff or faculty can demand to enter a grievance process with you, you can only go to a staff or faculty's boss and hope for sympathy. Of course you can always try their boss's boss, their boss's boss's boss, *ad infinitum*, all the way to the president of the U-Nited Snakes.

The handy chart below tells you who to call if you've got a bone to pick with somebody. These phone numbers change regularly so check with the campus operator for their numbers.

Complaint By ↓ Complaint About →	Student	Student Employee	Faculty	College Staff
Student	Faculty Grievance officer Housing staff	Student's Supervisor Grievance officer	Academic Dean	Supervisor
Student Employee	Supervisor Grievance Officer	Supervisor Grievance officer	Supervisor Employment Coordinator	Supervisor Employment Coordinator

TIE THE KNOT!

If you are under 24 and your parents make the big bucks you WILL NOT be eligible for financial aid even if they don't give you one red cent of it... unless you get hitched! Find a friend who you trust enough to join in eternal matrimony (or at least for the duration of college) and you will be considered fiscally independent and will be eligible for thousands in grants and subsidized loans that you would otherwise have no access to. Do it before the deadline for financial aid! Applications are at the county courthouse, 2000 Lakeridge Dr. SW, phone 786-5453.

Student Activities and Projects

There is a whole lot happening around Evergreen besides classes. There are a large number and wide variety of campus based activities to take part in at Evergreen: discussion groups, service organizations, activist alliances, minority support groups, art and music collectives, and much, much more. Evergreen has a large number of "official" campus groups that have a budget supplied by the college and at least one paid "coordinator" who takes care of paperwork and makes sure the group functions smoothly. These organizations are not closed groups that require secret hand shakes, embarrassing initiations, and membership cards: All of the students groups welcome everyone to their meetings and the vast majority of groups are highly receptive to new ideas and individual initiative.

Working with campus student groups can be some of the most rewarding and meaningful experiences that you have at college; it can be highly empowering to work with others for social justice, or for creative or personal growth. These groups can also provide a really good place for meeting like-minded folks and making friends that share your interests and visions.

This section of the book will give you an introduction to how "student activities" functions, to the groups currently operating on campus, to a couple of the projects that students have worked on in the past years, and to how you can locate resources for your own projects.

Getting Started

One of the better ways to get an introduction to the various on campus organizations is to visit the 3rd floor of the CAB (College Activities Building; its where the deli is) in room 320. There you will find the offices for the vast majority of the student groups. The folks at the front desk will have a directory of all of the student groups' mission statements, phone numbers, mail boxes and hopefully their meeting times and office hours.

Once you've checked out some of the options at the front desk, the best ways to find out more about a specific group is to leave a message on their voicemail or in their mailbox, visit the coordinator(s) during their office hours, or to attend the group's meetings. The initial meetings of each quarter generally find a good mix of new folks and returning members of groups and are the easiest ones through which you can get "plugged in".

A word of warning to new students: The student activities "community(s)" can seem very cliquish. People involved in activist and/or creative projects often become fast friends - this can be really rewarding for those involved, but highly alienating for newcomers (at least at first). Also frustrating is the fact that people who have been working on projects together for awhile tend to develop lingo and acronyms ("Did you see that speaker from the MST the other day?" "What have your experiences with heterosexism been?", etc.).

Fortunately (?) these experiences are common enough that nearly everyone involved in campus groups has experienced them at one time or another, so many people have an appreciation for how much it SUCKS! The folks involved in student activities are a diverse lot, are generally really kind, and genuinely want to create a friendly environment for everyone at Evergreen. Communicating feeling disrespected or out of the loop to the group or to the coordinator can make a huge difference in challenging these unfortunate dynamics.

Who makes the decisions for student groups?

All official student groups have one to three paid coordinator(s). The coordinators' job is to do all of the "official" work (i.e. paper/office work required to keep the group's finances and events in order, coordinate events and projects, and help the student group remain accessible to the public). In most groups, the coordinators do not make decisions unilaterally, but are present to help carry out the visions of the club. Each coordinator has specified office hours, and most are eager to answer questions, or ramble lovingly about the groups for which they work.

Student groups are run in all kinds of ways, from monarchies to oligarchies to democracies and beyond. Most groups operate by a particular form of democratic process called *consensus*. *Consensus* is popular at Evergreen, however it's not popular enough on a world scale to be included in most high school or college

Consensus thrives off of the basic idea that every participant in a group, questions about the proposal are usually asked and answered, and then discussion follows. Concerns raised in the discussion are then addressed by the group as a whole as components are added or taken away and the proposal is reworked by all participants to fit everyone's comfort. "What happens when someone still doesn't like the proposal?" In consensus, a single person can "block" (or, veto) any proposal if they feel that it would threaten the integrity of the group or if it will cause the person to leave the group forever. However, on smaller decisions, most people with disagreements will simply "stand aside", which means that they don't agree with the decision, but they can live with it.

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Who determines how much money student groups get?

The Services and Activities (S&A) Board is a bureaucracy that exists to determine the allocation of money to fund various services offered on campus, such as the CRC, KAOS, the CFJ and the Child Care Center. The Board also allocates all the money for all of the student groups at Evergreen. This makes the Board quite a powerful entity; these ten paid student "representatives" have nearly complete power in deciding how the student body of Evergreen wants several million dollars spent.

The S&A Board is selected by a committee that is in theory open to all students but which in practice usually involves only a very small number of people; this process is not well known to students and requires only a bare minimum of student involvement. The selection takes place this way because, for better or for worse - Evergreen does not have a student government; the S&A Board is not accountable to the general student body and most students never even hear about their decisions (many don't even know that it exists!).

This unusual situation means that S&A board, by its nearly complete control of dozens of organizations' fiscal wealth, is the only organization on campus that has institutional power to consistently shape what types of activities are prominent on campus. As you might imagine money can make or break a campus organization.

All this by no means indicates that the S&A Board is made up of power hungry assholes. The Board generally has reflected a diverse range of interests and has striven to be as "unbiased" as possible. This being said, the S&A Board is potentially vulnerable to orchestrated or accidental domination by highly opinionated factions. If the Board has a large number of politically conservative students on it, it may decide to reduce funding to the many progressive political organizations on campus. Similarly, a Board that thought that art and music was a waste of money could curtail funding to these types of projects. Less severely, the S&A Board can (and does) favor organizations that they perceive as being well-organized and highly visible; impressions that can be easily skewed by chance, circumstances, or personal interests, as student groups generally only communicate with the S&A Board once or twice a year.

The other significant sources of power on the S&A Board lie in Tom Mercado, the S&A Board Director, and the rest of the nonstudent, paid full time employees that assist and oversee Student Activities. Although they are all well-intentioned people, they present an "I'm just here to help the students" image which obscures the significant regulatory power that is an unmistakable component of their job positions. They can make unilateral decisions regarding budgetary spending, hiring of student coordinators for groups, and legality issues associated with any student project, and they don't have to consult the S&A Board or anybody else for permission. These types of situations have come up numerous times.

Who is the S.A. Board? [an S&A perspective, because we're fair]

The S&A (Services & Activities allocations) board is a group of students who allocate your student fee money. The board is made up of eleven paid student positions as well as two Evergreen staff advisors. *We are in charge* of allocating approximately 1.2 million dollars of your money. The money is used for the Cooper Point Journal, KAOS (the radio station), the Childcare center, the CRC, the outdoor program, student wages, healthcare benefits, student group planned events such as concerts, speakers, trainings and workshops as well as other student services. Board members are the first to know about student funded events, they *work closely with the Evergreen activist community*, and learn the ins and outs of Evergreens budgeting.

Being a board member is *one of few opportunities to participate in the decision making of our institute*. If you are interested in the board or would like to apply we are currently accepting applications for nine student board members. You must be a full time student and make a commitment for the school year, for your time you will receive a *\$500.00 stipend*

Michaela Cutis-Joyce, S&A board coordinator

[*items which are italicized are to be called into question]

How do you get money for your *own* projects?

So let's say none of the student groups suit your fancy or your going to be working on a project on your own; there are many other options on and off campus you can go to raise money for an event, project, or special cause during your stay at Evergreen. Here are some:

* Existing Student Groups regularly provide fiscal support for students with no strings attached. The Women's Resource Center (867-6162) and the Evergreen Political Information Center (867-6144) are well known for this type of support.

* Start an official student group and you too can have a budget and get paid to do work on your interests! More information on this is available in CAB 320 at the Student Activities front desk or call 867-6220.

* The Evergreen Foundation gives out grants twice a year for primarily academic projects. Pick up an application in Library Room 3122 or call 867-6300.

* S&A Productions: There is special money within the Student Activities budget for bringing musical acts. Contact Greg Porter in CAB 320 or call 867-6222.

* Housing Social Events Council and Housing RA's have money for funding events of all sorts. Contact Chuck McKinney in A Dorm Room 301 or call 867-6191.

* Academic Programs. And if you can get two programs to sponsor, than the academic Deans will match funds. Talk to faculty. The secretary for the Academic Deans can be reached at 867-6870.

* The Diversity Fund maintained by the Equal Opportunity Office. They're located in Library Room 3106 or call 867-6368.

* First People's Advising Services has budgets to fund project for students of color. Their office is located in Library Room 1407 or call 867-6467.

* Access Services for Students with Disabilities has money to fund projects for disabled students. Their office is located in Library Room 1407 D or call 867-6348.

* Community Organizations

* Rich Students, Bake Sales, Fund-raising Parties, "Secret Cafes", Tee-shirt Sales, Performances in Red Square, Selling Shit in Red Square or the CAB, and much, much, more.

A Sampling of the Student Groups at Evergreen

The following is a listing of most of the longer running "official" student groups at Evergreen. Individuals and groups of students working on other campaigns and projects of all sorts pop up around campus regularly too so keep your eye out.

Amnesty International (AI)

AI is an impartial, worldwide human rights organization working to free prisoners of conscience, end torture and executions in all cases, and ensure prompt and fair trials for all political prisoners. At Evergreen, AI helps educate and inform the campus community about international human rights abuses in the U.S. and abroad. AI can be reached at 867-6724.

Asian Students/Solidarity in Alliance (ASIA)

ASIA is committed to increasing awareness and understanding of the Asian American. ASIA can be reached at 867-6033.

The Bike Shop

Camarilla

Camarilla is dedicated to creative expression, live-action role playing and improvisational acting. Camarilla's can be reached at 867-6036.

Carnival

Carnival is Evergreen's political arts collective. The name Carnival stems from a long tradition of public participation celebrations including music, dance, food, nakedness and general excess. We believe that fun and art can be effective tools for activism. Our goals are TO INCITE ACTION through public participation art, TO EXAMINE societal roles, hierarchies, trends, and current events through artistic representation, and TO PROMOTE sustainable living, equality, and human rights through the use of art.

To accomplish this we host public participation multimedia performances like parades, circuses, pageants,

SURPRISE!

RACISM IS ALIVE AND WELL AT EVERGREEN



Look for it in your classroom, yourself, your administration, your friends, your school lunches, your student activities, the movement, your heart, your financial aid, your textbooks, your professors, your athletics, your assumptions, your wallet, your CD collection, your CPJ, your campus police, your government, your foreign affairs, your neighborhood, your disorientation manual, this notice, every aspect of your freakin' life.

This message is brought to you by three white students. A resource for information, discussion, and action is **AWARE – Activists Working Against Racism at Evergreen**. It is a multiracial group of folks who actively educate themselves and the Evergreen community about racism; who identify and then confront internalized and institutionalized racism; who are part of the movement to undo racism. Look for **AWARE** on campus.

weareaware@yahoo.com



street theatre, etc. and workshops for the public including puppet and stilt making, music and dance, guest artists, etc. We take part in direct action protests and demonstrations and in other Student Activities and community events like Prison Awareness Week and the Procession of the Species. We are a brand new club and need lots of help shaping our infrastructure and actualizing the before mentioned ideas, so if you're into fun, art, and social change, look for postings about or meeting times, or you can contact us at 867-6144.

Coalition against Sexual Violence

The Coalition against Sexual Violence provides resources, education, support and advocacy to the Evergreen community. Many of our events focus on the prevention of violence of all forms, including domestic violence and hate crimes. We encourage students of all genders and ages to access our resources and participate in our activities. Violence effects us all.

We would like to remind you that violence is everywhere, including with our community. While Evergreen is known for "peace-loving hippies" we are still susceptible to all forms of violence, discrimination, and oppression. During the 2000-2001 academic year there were 6 reported sexual assaults on campus. 75% of assaults are never reported. Two-thirds of sexual assaults are only discussed with friends/confidantes and NOT with the police. Know the facts. Protect yourself and your buddies. For more information on how to do just that call us at 867-6749. (Also see the article on sexual assault from page 7)

Common Bread

Common Bread was started by a group of students that wanted to create a Christian group that didn't fit the stereotypes of Christianity. We are committed to expressing our faith through service, worship, and action for justice and peace. We don't want to just sit on our hands and talk about faith - we want to live our faith.

As we searched for a name, the image of a "common bread" stuck with us. Bread is a vivid symbol of unity within Christianity. As Dietrich Bonhoeffer said, "We share our bread. Thus we are firmly bound to one another not only in the Spirit but in our whole physical being." We created this group to explore that deep connection to each other and the world.

We are an ecumenical group, meaning that we are supported by several Protestant denominations including the Quakers, Methodists, Episcopalians, Lutherans, Presbyterians, United Church of Christ, Disciples of Christ and American Baptists.

Last year we worked with the Radical Catholics for Peace and Justice (RCPJ) to host a four-day forum on faith and economic justice. We brought people of faith and others together to talk about the dangers of globalization and what our faith has to say about it. The forum included

discussions about sweatshops, the Free Trade of the Americas Agreement, and how we work for change in the world. We hope to hold a similar event this year.

This summer we sponsored a weekly worship service, again with the RCPJ. We gathered to engage the hopes, controversies, and joys of the world in which we live and worship. As with all the things we do, everyone was welcome - regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, age, race, class, or ability.

Come check us out and see what we're up to this year. A listing of our meeting times is available at www.tcmhe.org/. You can contact us at tcmhe@tcmhe.org or at 867 6636.

Community Gardens

Development of Ecological Projects for the Evergreen Organic Farm (DEAP)

DEAP's objective is to create a library of resources to develop ecological projects at the Evergreen Organic Farm. DEAP can be reached at 867-6493.

Environmental Resource Center (ERC)

The ERC is one of Evergreen's oldest student groups. The mission of the ERC is to work toward conserving, protecting, and restoring native ecosystems through education and active participation. The goal is not only to provide lectures, films, meeting places, and resources, but to also help facilitate workshops, outreach projects, and networking that directly pertain to the environment. Past campaigns that the ERC has been involved in include many that are focused on making Evergreen more sustainable. These include, switching the campus to chlorine-free paper and eventually moving to 100% recycled paper, working to get campus wide composting started and helping to start Evergreen's recycling program.

The ERC also works on regional and national campaigns. Some of these campaigns include: ending commercial logging on our public lands, wildlife habitat restoration, and timber sale monitoring and commenting in the Gifford Pinchot National Forest. The ERC has worked with other student groups to put on several conferences over the years including The Indigenous Environmental Conference, The Environmental Justice Conference and most recently The Cascadia Activism and Ecology Conference. The ERC is completely consensus run and welcomes new members. Look for flyers announcing our weekly meetings, come by our office or contact us at 867-6784.



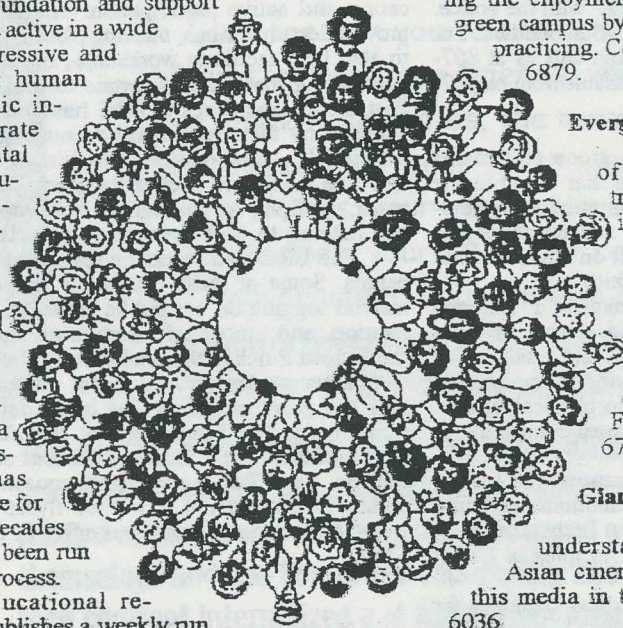
Evergreen Animal Rights Network (EARN)

EARN is fundamentally opposed to the exploitation of any animal. Consequently, we strongly promote a cruelty-free life-style (i.e. striving to consume no product which contributes to animal suffering). We are involved in activism both on and off campus, and seek to contribute to the animal rights struggle on a local, state, and national level. On campus we strive to educate and involve students in the animal rights movement by sponsoring annual events such as Animal Rights Awareness Week, the World Week for Animals in Laboratories, and National Anti-McDonald's Day. We also hold annual fund raisers like a Vegan cookie contest and we publish a vegan cookbook to benefit nonprofit animal protection organizations such as Farm Sanctuary. Although our ultimate goal is animal liberation, we recognize that all forms of oppression must be combated. Anyone that is interested in similar goals is welcome to join us. Meeting time is still up in the air due to member's schedules, but look for signs or contact us at 867-6555.

Evergreen Political Information Center (EPIC)

EPIC is 1) a network of individuals working to provide educational resources and information for the campus, and 2) a foundation and support base for students active in a wide variety of progressive and radical causes: human rights, economic inequality, corporate and governmental abuse, police brutality, environmental degradation, etc. EPIC also has a long history of supporting students working to challenge the College's administration on a wide variety of issues. EPIC has been in existence for more than two decades and has always been run by consensus process.

As an educational resource, EPIC publishes a weekly run down of domestic and global news in the Cooper Point Journal each week. We also publish email alerts on politically related events (speakers, protests, forums, etc.) happening on campus. EPIC also maintains a



community resource library with hundreds of books, videos, pamphlets, and directories of activist organizations around the region and around the world. EPIC brings speakers, shows movies, and organizes teach-ins and forums throughout the year. We research and investigate issues facing the campus. We also edit and pay for the publication of the Disorientation Manual.

Perhaps most importantly, EPIC provides support to students involved in activist campaigns. EPIC can provide individuals or groups with advice, a phone number, help with publicity, supplies for making banners, reservations for rooms on campus for meetings or events, contact information for others working on similar issues, and informational resources on an issue. We also can allocate MONEY for copies, campaign organizing materials, books, speakers, travel expenses, etc. *Any student working on a political campaign can approach EPIC for support in her or his campaigns.*

For information on how you can get involved or to start receiving EPIC's email alerts contact 867-6144 or <epic@evergreen.edu> anytime.

Evergreen Swing Club

The Evergreen Swing Club is dedicated to promoting the enjoyment of swing and dancing on the Evergreen campus by providing instruction and facilities for practicing. Contact the Evergreen Swing Club at 867-6879.

Evergreen Queer Alliance (EQA)

EQA is dedicated to serving the needs of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgendered community at TESC and in Olympia through education, outreach, support and action. EQA can be reached at 867-6544.

Freaks of Nature

Freaks of Nature is dedicated to providing the Evergreen community with education about the natural world. Freaks of Nature can be reached at 867-6784.

Giant Robot Appreciation Society (GRAS)

GRAS is devoted to promoting cultural understanding through Japanese animation, Asian cinema and giant robots, and to promoting this media in the US. GRAS can be reached at 867-6036

Jewish Cultural Center (JCC)

JCC works to build and nourish a supportive community for Jewish students, faculty, staff and community

who identify with the Jewish experience. JCC can be reached at 867-6092.

Latin American Student/Solidarity Organization (LASO)

LASO works to promote awareness of the culture, political conditions, and language of Latin America. Contact LASO at 867-6583.

Math and Science Network

The Math and Science Network was founded to provide support for math and science students at Evergreen. Contact the Math and Science Network at 867-6879.

Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan (MEChA)

MEChA translates to The Chicano Student Movement. MeCha strive to create a space where students can educate themselves, inform others, and confront issues facing Chicanos. Contact MEChA at 867-6143.

Medieval Society

The Medieval Society promotes cultural enrichment through the reenactment of history. The Medieval Society conducts events about archery, fencing and armor fighting, brewing, costuming, medieval cooking, historical reenactments and more. Contact the Medieval Society at 867-6036.

Men's Center

The mission of the Men's Center is to bring men together to explore our roles in society. We hope to create a community for men in a place of safety and acceptance. A place where we as men can challenge the qualities and roles handed down to us from our father figures and/or society at large and form new and liberating definitions of what it means to be a man. This new definition would help us rid ourselves of our socialized tendencies to be dominating, in-control, or competitive and help us become more real and feeling individuals.

We are a pro-feminist group that exists on the Evergreen campus because we accept that Evergreen and our surrounding communities are not free of racial, homophobic or sexual violence. Through group meetings and campus events we want to create a more positive and caring environment by examining the personal and political structures of male and female oppression. We also want to promote physical, mental and spiritual health for men as well

as personal growth and political awareness. For info call 867-6092 or email us: tescmcenter@hotmail.com

Mindscreen

Mindscreen serves as a catalyst and forum for the advancement and understanding of contemporary and classic film. Contact Mindscreen at 867-6412.



Native Student Alliance (NSA)

The Native Student Alliance serves native students at Evergreen and the larger tribal community through recruitment, retention and support for the cultural respect of each individual according to his or her origin. We do this through education, and providing a gathering place for interaction between native students and non-native individuals. Contact NSA at 867-6105.

Parent's Resource Network

The Parent's Resource Network works to encourage the parent-student community to come together to share their experiences, exchange ideas, and gain strength from each other. Contact the Parent's Resource Network at 867-6412.

Peer Health Advocacy Team (PHAT)

PHAT strives to serve as a resource for the health and healing needs, wants, and issues of the Evergreen student. We also wish to serve as a liaison between the student body and the campus Health Center. Contact PHAT at 867-6098.

Percussion Club

Do you ever get the urge to bang everything in sight? You're not alone. The Percussion Club can help.

We are a group of students who find joy, freedom and community through drumming. The Percussion Club is dedicated to learning traditional rhythms of West Africa in a way that is both fun and respectful to the traditions from which the rhythms come. We play primarily djembe and dundun, but welcome all instruments. We

meet every Wednesday evening. For more information, including time and location of meetings, contact the Percussion Club at 867-6781 or <olypercussion@hotmail.com>.

Prison Action Committee (PAC)

PAC is an organization on the TESC campus that deals with the growing prison industrial complex and other related issues. The criminal (in)justice system in the US is one of the most corrupt and inhumane in the world. We have only 5% of the world's population and yet we have 25% of the world's prison population. The rate of incarceration in the United States has risen, while the crime rate has declined.

Those who suffer most are people of color, women, and youth as they have the least support from outside. One out of every three black males in the United States is involved in some way with the criminal (in)justice system.

Prisons are now taking jobs from workers and giving them to inmates who work for as low as 3 cents an hour in horrible conditions. It should be clear to all who are involved in social change that slavery never ended in the United States.

This short description does not even go into the problems with the death penalty, racial profiling, public defenders, mental, physical and sexual abuse by guards, the waste of tax payers money, or the militarization of the police.

To battle this horrible beast we need a movement! That movement can begin with the concerned students on the TESC campus and the concerned citizens in the Olympia community. People on the "outside" need to access their resources to help out prisoners. PAC can help.

Last year PAC brought awareness to TESC about prison issues by celebrating Mumia Awareness Week working with Books to Prisoners hosting and sponsoring events on youth incarceration, and bringing Ramona Africa to speak on campus. This year we can do more. The group meets on the third floor of the CAB in office space 10 and can be reached at 867-6724.

Radical Catholics for Justice and Peace (RCJP)

RCJP was started two years ago when Evergreen students and members of the local Olympia parish, St. Michael's, joined forces to create an organization that

would bridge the gap between Olympia-area faith communities and the TESC campus. Over these last two years RCJP has sponsored forums and discussion groups, worked closely with Common Bread, and organized events to make a name for itself both at Evergreen and at St. Michael's church.

The Catholic tradition has long history of radical social action. Of course, the early Church-growing out of a movement marked by deep questions of faith-consisted of a series of relatively autonomous faith communities whose existence stood in stark opposition to the Roman Empire. More recently, manifestations of liberation theology in both the global South and North have marked the Catholic, political landscape.

During the early part of the twentieth century in this country, the Catholic Worker movement, founded by Dorothy Day-a union activist and member of the Industrial Workers of the World-and Peter Moran-a French, immigrant farmer began publishing the Catholic Worker (still available for its original price of 1 cent) and organizing houses of hospitality. One can still find Catholic Worker houses and community projects across the country including those in Tacoma, Centralia, and Olympia.

For many Catholic students being away from home also means being away from their parish communities. RCJP provides a place for Catholic students to meet one another and build a campus faith community. In a broader context, RCJP is committed to collaborating with other student and community organizations as they work to build a revolutionary justice movement.

If you would like to connect with RCJP call Michael Pfeifer (faculty advisor) at 867-6009.

Slightly West

Slightly West is Evergreen's literary and visual arts magazine. We accept short stories,

poetry, black and white photography, and artwork from students, staff, and alumni at Evergreen. Contact Slightly West at 867-6879.

Student Arts Council

The Student Arts Council encourages, promotes, and facilitates arts action on campus throughout the year. Contact the Student Arts Council at 867-6412.

Student CD Project

The Student CD Project is a student-designed and produced compilation of original musical work by Evergreen Students. Contact the Student CD Project at 867-6636.

Students for a Free Tibet

The Students for A Free Tibet educate the Evergreen

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community about the situation involving the Chinese occupation of Tibet. Contact Students for a Free Tibet at 867-6144.

Students for Christ

The Students for Christ meet weekly for friendship, support, Bible study, prayer, to proclaim and experience the gospel of Jesus Christ. Contact the Students for Christ at 867-6636.

Students of Evergreen Ecological Design (SEED)

SEED works to unite nature, culture, and technology to reintegrate the needs of human society within the balance of nature. Contact SEED at 867-6498

Umoja

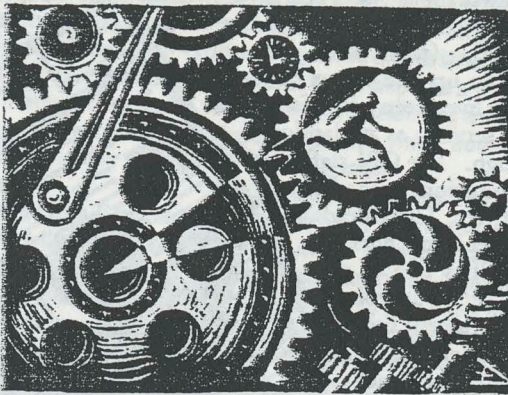
Umoja maintains a place in the Evergreen Community that teaches and provides activities for African-American students. Contact Umoja at 367-6781.

Union of Student Workers (USW)

It is the mission of USW to facilitate communication and workplace organizing among Evergreen's 900+ student workers. Evergreen is perceived by many to be a progressive institution, but the school's treatment of student workers and its consciousness as a consumer does not live up to this image. Students have been wrongfully fired, forced to work in dangerous conditions, and have had to deal with inconsistent pay raises. The school also has a history of selling sweatshop clothing in the bookstore.

THIS TREATMENT IS NOT O.K., in fact it is down right wrong. If you feel you are being treated unfairly, or feel that the place you work at is performing unethical acts, know that the Union is available as a resource and support system for you. When all of us come together there is a lot of potential to affect positive change on this campus where we work and go to school.

USW was successful in moving the school to a twice a month pay schedule for students workers. This was a three-year struggle



Last year USW supported the strike by state workers on the college campus, and was a major resource to food service workers on campus who were struggling to orga-

nize. The USW also organized various trainings, educated gatherings, and social events that led us all to build a stronger community of workers on campus.

With the dramatic increase in tuition the USW can provide students with tools to organize and mobilize so that they are able to save their education and pressure the state of

Washington to grant all students their right to education. USW can connect campus students with the greater Olympia, bring battles together and create solidarity. The direction of USW relies in the organizers and the students... the possibilities are only limited by our effort. You can reach USW at 867-6098.

The Women's Center

The Women's Center provides a place for women and resource for Evergreen's women to gain experience, gather and learn. The Women's Center is located in CAB 206 next to the Deli and can be reached at 867-6162.

Women of Color

The Women of Color work to create a space for women of color and the larger Evergreen community that is free of racism, classism, sexism, ageism, ableism, homophobia, and sizeism. You can reach the Women of Color at 867-6006.

Yoga Club

The Yoga Club provides a space and encouragement for those interested in learning or practicing Yoga. You can reach the Yoga Club at 867-6636.

How do you find out what student groups are up to?

Even if you don't have the time or interest to get involved in student activities groups, it is definitely worth keeping up-to-date with the speakers these groups bring and the activities they plan. The Cooper Point Journal (see following page) publishes a calendar of events each week that keeps relatively up-to-date with events organized by student groups. If you're interested in political issues, the Evergreen Political Information Center (see page 18) distributes email announcements about speakers, meetings, protests, and other events on campus each week, to start receiving these alerts contact <epic@evergreen.edu>

The Cooper Point Journal

CPJ stands for the Cooper Point Journal, the weekly Evergreen student newspaper. Its office is located to the rear of the Student Activities offices, on the third floor of the CAB Building (room 316, phone 867-6213). The CPJ has an up-and-down history of directly challenging the Evergreen administration, while at other times serving as its lapdog. Don't forsake it, though. The CPJ staff is always looking for submissions in the forms of articles, letters, art, etc. Their deadline is usually Monday to get into Thursday's edition. Using the CPJ is one of the most direct ways to get your voice heard on campus. They accept submissions from any student about any topic. Make sure to read it each week, too. "Beyond the Bubble," an overview of news from local to international, and the calendar of upcoming events here in Olympia are pretty comprehensive. You can find the CPJ in receptacles all around campus.

The Evergreen Free Press

The Evergreen Free Press was a radical student newspaper that functioned from 1988 through 1994 and is now located, in all its splendorous entirety, in the Library Archives (stack 2E2.5-2.6.) The EFP often took up where the CPJ leaves off, allowing more freedom for its writers and contributors, and, more specifically, not kowtowing to administrative pressure to exclude a more radical assessment of the goings-on here on campus and beyond. If you're interested in the true history of Evergreen, you should head on up to the friendly folks in the Archives Office on the second floor of the Library. If you're more interested in exposing the administrative dementia, writing political criticism, and publishing a newspaper you should find some friends and try to start it up again!

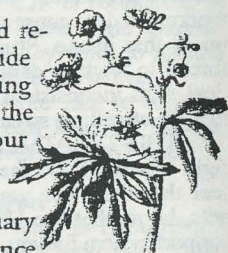


The Evergreen Community Gardens

The community gardens provide greeners and the larger community the space and resources to grow food for themselves. The community gardens in general not only provide space for those without, but also provide a medium for social interaction that is becoming increasingly scarce. Come visit the gardens; fall in love with the calmness and envision the possibilities. If you have space to garden already, we invite you to come to any of our workshops to improve your skills and learn with us all. Workshops include subjects such as composting, bed and soil preparation, food preservation and many more.

For garden space contact the community gardens coordinator at x6145 in mid February and look for signs around campus for the first meeting (first come first serve, with preference given to returning gardeners). Garden space costs 4 cents per square foot and includes use of tools, compost produced on-site, free educational workshops, and access to a resources library. Plot allocations extend for one year and we ask that gardeners make a commitment to their plot for the spring and summer at the very least. Please no flakes, we do not like to see food or garden space go to waste. Being involved in the gardens requires a dedication to our garden that also reflects social responsibility, please be ready to engage in and responsibly tend this space. You can find out educational resources in two places. First, the S&A library of the 3rd floor of the CAB building (general gardening/farming techniques, information and issues around local and organic food, homesteading, small scale livestock, composting and seed saving, among other things). Second, the community gardens office down at the farm (gardening reference books for subjects such as planting, pest, and harvest specifics).

Every year we celebrate the bounty of the harvest in the beginning of October. Please join us this year Saturday, October 13th for the Harvest Fest. A morning full of do-it-yourself workshops and an afternoon of festivity, thanks, live music, fresh food and hand-pressed cider.



The Legacy of Murals on Evergreen's Campus

Got somethin' for ya that not every merry Greener-to-be knows, a juicy little artful secret that no one's told you yet. Scattered over Evergreen's campus, lodged way back in nooks and crannies and stairwells, buried on basement walls... Evergreen has a voice all its own; a voice that has been gathering strength for many years now. Tucked away are the murals and artwork of students, the images, words and wisdom imparted to other generations.

Some are harder to find than others. The Dragon Wall winding up the Library stairwell is heavily trafficked and the largest mural on campus. William Blake whispers off the walls, oceans, mountains, waves, clouds, swirls, colored birds, a phoenix rising from a mushroom cloud, rainbows arc... Down the basement library, below the first set of elevators, the second largest mural, entitled "Democracy and Tyranny," portrays the history of the Americas. An Elemental Goddess mother figure births the world and the piece moves through the Aztecs and Mayans, Conquistadors, forced native labor, slavery mining and raping of nature, drug wars, rainforests burning behind calmly grazing cattle, the rise and fall of the Industrial Age, the corruption of currency, the eventual fall of the skyscrapers and womankind rejoicing and emerging into the light, harmonious at last. Mountains turn to buildings, an image of Mother Earth strapped with an I.V. sheds tears onto an expectantly waiting Uncle Sam, an all-demon figure sits atop the World Bank, sucking the earth's blood. This mural shouts freedom at the top of its lungs, replete with metaphors, cultural and historical references and fabulous artwork. It was painted in the Spring of 1989 and will strike awe into any onlooker.

Also entombed in cement beneath the library, three other murals and one unintentional floor painting can be found sleeping in their loneliness. One is a calendar wheel for the seasons held by a water/wind woman, a fire goddess/nymph and an earth or tree goddess. The calendar covers Samhain, Yule, Candlemas and the solstices and equinoxes of the earth. This one was created in 1997 and '98 by The Students of Perspectives on Ireland.

Another greenish, abstract linear speed portal grabs people's eyes from a far wall, shrouded in darkness. Down in the corner the three word title is painted in small, neat black letters: "Chaos, Calculus, Confucius." Former TESC students Erik Phenix and Chris Evans are the masterminds behind this brilliant piece painted in 1992.

Directly across from the abstract portal the last

real mural in the basement strikes a tribute to women worldwide in addition to speaking of racial and sexual unity and equality for all. The dedication reads: "To all the women who have grown before, so that we can grow now..." The mural itself depicts a tree goddess, roots encasing the earth and protecting a small fetus, holding a shining rainbow sun with three women smiling behind the book bearing the quote.

The unofficial mural can be found beneath one's feet, the remnants of years and years of painting above the floor one would presume; the patterns and designs, the random drips, drops and splatters appeal to me at least.

So as not to give away all the details of all the murals on campus and ruin their majestic character, I'll just clue you into their whereabouts. Check out the A Building Lobby and bottom floor plus all the stairwells of A, B, C and D buildings (there's a ton in here kiddies!). If anyone finds any hidden in the Lab buildings, C.A.B. or Arts Annex, let someone know about them! I found a message and reply scrawled on one of the asylum-white walls in the lab tunnels: "These walls will drive you insane" -reply- "What's your prejudice against insanity?"

There's also an interactive quote wall spanning from the 8th through the 10th floor stairwell in A Dorm. Created without Evergreen's permission by a large group of rebel students last December 13th, this wall contains quotes from Dostoyevsky to Buddha to Plato, spontaneous poetry and tons of character.

There are a few guidelines for creating public art on campus. The school requires students to go through a mural making process in cooperation with Housing and the administration. Students must use the correct materials, obtain permission from all the commanding authorities, plan out the piece and organize the creation process itself. Check with TESC Housing on the third floor of A Building for more information, or just ignore the authorities altogether.

It's comforting to live in a place with art on the walls. It gives the place a calm feeling and gives the eyes many wonders to peruse. Providing an outlet for the student artwork is one of the most important things a school can do, and even though Evergreen's administration still has a few things to figure out concerning the nature of art, freedom and expression they do a decent job. Take the completely random mural tour next time you find yourself blundering about campus and enjoy the sights.

Recent Student Victories, Defeats, and Administrative Response

The Food Fight

The spring of the year 2000 saw the not so surprising announcement that the college's food service vendor for the entire decade would be chosen over the summer, while the vast majority of the students were away. A bit of research revealed that all of the corporations bidding for the food service were pretty shady. Imagine our chagrin when we discovered that the leading bidder was Sodexho, a Paris based company with a monumental history of abuse of its employees, violating health codes, and with major fiscal and managerial ties to the for profit prison industry (yes, there are corporations that build and operate prisons and make big bucks doing it).

We figured that this company was so bad that Evergreen's administration would quickly drop negotiations with Sodexho. On the contrary, they called us liars, rumor mongers, and accused us of "falling victim to leftist conspiracy theories". Their evidence against us? A letter from Sodexho's corporate spin machine warning them not to believe us!

We eventually succeeded in convincing the administration that we did indeed have our facts straight, but by that point, as they informed us, it was too late to do anything about it - we got the standard "there is no alternative" (TINA) explanation. We hung banners around campus warning Sodexho and the administration that they were asking for it, did some fun guerilla theatre in red square for the summer school crowd and the international students, notified the press, and scheduled a massive town meeting to discuss the situation with the campus.

Apparently somebody got scared because just a few days before the town meeting the negotiations mysteriously broke down. The college asked

the permission to extend the contract with its old food service provider: the threats of TINA were bogus. Students had kept the 2nd largest food service corporation in the world off Evergreen's campus!

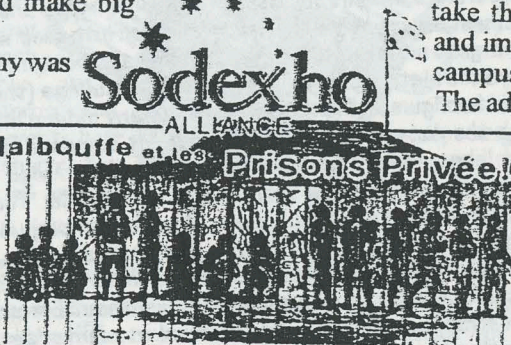
And then they tried to come back for 2001. Realizing that time was short and that there was probably little chance that the events of the previous summer would repeat themselves, students decided it was time to make it clear to Sodexho that resistance was still quite fertile. 40 students and community members greeted the Sodexho representatives on campus in masks, camouflage and black clothing.

They read a statement warning Sodexho that coming to Evergreen would be the worst mistake the company had ever made, and implored the company to leave campus immediately.

The administration, under the leadership of Art Costantino, completely flipped. Within 48 hours hundreds of "wanted" flyers had been posted around campus, greatly distorting the confrontation, accusing the masked protesters of threat-

ening the Sodexho employees with violence, comparing them to the KKK, and encouraging the campus community to turn the names of any of protesters in to the police. Their evidence against the protesters? The accounts of Sodexho's corporate spin people!

The administration eventually realized that the protests would likely only grow worse if they continued their witch-hunt, and the investigation was dropped. Meanwhile, Sodexho (along with several other crooked food service corporations) had dropped their bids, citing an "anti-corporate" climate on campus! The food service provider on campus now is Bon Appetite. They are still a large corporation, but they have nothing of Sodexho's infamy. Only time will tell how they treat the campus employees and serve the college.



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Twice a Month Pay Checks

Due to the intransigence of the college's administration, efforts to move pay for student workers from once-a-month to a twice-a-month pay schedule took the Union of Student Workers

well over 3 years to achieve success. Student workers got paid as long as six weeks after the day they worked and were the only ones in Washington to be paid in this way.

In the first year, USW met with "standard administrative delay strategies" (SADS?!?). The school claimed the focus was too broad when USW brought many student worker issues (livable wage issues, not being allowed to work more than 19 hours/weeks, the once-a-month pay schedule) to their attention. They then turned around to claim that our focus was too narrow when we brought to them a single issue - the once a month paychecks! In the Fall of 1998, in-front of 400 supporters, the USW confronted the administration on their inconsistencies and presented them with a plan to move to a twice-a-month pay schedule. After a long period of haggling, the administration finally committed to the idea. It then took two years of planning. Last spring (2001) twice-a-month paychecks were finally enacted.

The Top Four Excuses the Administration gives when attempting to Crush Student Efforts to Make the College a more Socially Responsible Institution:

1. "You are misinformed, don't have your story straight, and/or nobody agrees with your cause." Have your facts well documented and accessible. Have some proof that people agree with you (petitions, surveys, etc.) Experience has shown that students are generally much better informed on the issues than the administration; never assume that the administration is right just because they tell you they are.

2. "There Is No Alternative (TINA); the college has no options in this situation; it would be illegal for the college to do that." 95% of the time this is total bullshit. Here's the translation: "Of course we could do what your asking, but it would take a lot of work on our parts, it would open the doors to others demanding similar concessions, and, most importantly, it will make us look bad in the press, with the state legislature, and especially with the corporate donors. As to your idea's legality, I really don't have a clue whether the college can legally do that, so I'm just guessing. I'm really hoping you'll believe me and that you'll go away. As you may have guessed, I have no quali-

fications whatsoever to decide what's legal and what's not since I'm not a judge or the State Board of Education, and they're the only ones with the authority to make those judgements."

3. "We need to look closer at the problem (and look and look and look....)" Be aware that if the admini-

stration knows you have your facts straight, you have popular support, and they can't give you the TINA, stalling may be the preferred option. The administration can take years to make the smallest decisions. Persistence and popular pressure are the only remedies.

4. One of the most frequent and disturbing excuses that the administrators has given, particularly when confronted about fiscally supporting corporations that

commit human rights abuses, is that doing otherwise would violate the college's "neutrality". Don't stand for this nonsense. In the words of Paulo Freire, a Brazilian educator and philosopher of education, "*Washing one's hands of the conflict between the powerful and the powerless means to side with the powerful, not to be neutral.*"



Les is More

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TESC's President is responsible for implementing the policies of the Board of Trustees and shapes the entire landscape of the college's administration. Evergreen's President, Les Purce, was formerly the Chief Operating Officer (COO) of Power Engineering Inc., a multinational electrical engineering corporation. Purce is presently Executive Director of the Washington Higher Education Telecommunication Systems (WHETS), which wants to expand on the idea of "electronic classrooms," displacing face-to-face education. He supports the Governor's 40% tuition increase proposal, stating, "the Legislature may have to do the best it can with a balancing act - a mix of appropriations, greater tuition-setting authority for each of our campuses, and a relaxation of control over how we use scarce resources."

In April 2000, Purce was a key organizer of a conference entitled, "Advancing the Northwest Economy through Science and Technology." This conference was sponsored by Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, which is operated by a private corporation called Battelle. Battelle works directly with chemical and biological weapons, counter-terrorism, law enforcement, nuclear energy, human genome-mapping, the Army, the Air Force, the Marines, and national security.

Recently, an active student on campus sat down with our President Les Purce to discuss some pertinent issues revolving around school politics and policies. Here is what he had to say.

When asked about getting rid of the Bank of America ATM monopoly on campus Les said, "I do know one thing, ATM's are all operated by banks, because it's a mini-bank, so if we're going to have to have the service, we'll have to have some relationship with the entities that compete for it (the contract for the service) and we cannot exclude them."

When hearing the idea of the college imposing a set of ethical standards for dealing with financial institutions, similar to the code of conduct for purchasing apparel, which states the bookstore won't stock clothes made in sweatshops, Les responded, "We can set standards, but if we have standards that don't meet the criteria of the people that would compete for that service then we just wouldn't have the service."

Clearly what Les means is Business Ethics = Discrimination against "legitimate American corporations." Les continued saying, "We can't exclude any corporation, legitimate American corporation, for a service we're offering as an institution. We're offering a service that has to be open to *every* private enterprise in this country."

Les on 9-11: His utterances speak for themselves.

- "Cause of 9-11 it's clear that we need to find ways to de-polarize what seems to be this increasing inclination, umm, toward hostility with other countries. Umm, We as a ahh nation and as international citizens have to figure out how to find common ground, to reduce the decibels of anger and find solutions that are um, non-war related umm, I think it's critical because um ahh, the key to our problems in the world has to be found through peace"
- "businesses global, or locally have always been factors that have been involved in political dissuasions that nations make, **even ours**" (emphasis added)
- "any of us could be collateral damage, and some will be at some point, given where it appears that the world is at this point."
- "We need to find a way to have common conversations about how we find solutions towards peace"

When asked about the biotechnology industry and its ramifications, Les related, "I do know that there have been some things that have been produced (through biotechnology) that have done some phenomenal stuff for mankind." Yet, he continued skeptically mentioning, "my instincts tell me that we should be very careful about tinkering with the genetic make-up of our foods," while making sure to mention later on his "grandmother who was all organic." Les's most revealing insight was when he upheld the basic tenants of our unaccountable, imperialistic, capitalist state when he expressed, "We need to balance the motivation of profit... against the welfare and safety of our people." (emphasis added)

So as it is clearly portrayed in the above passage, Les is the type of bureaucrat with the, you know, 'we can't let them place blame on corporate practices, its their fault they are wallowing in agony and desperation,' kind of guy. Is this really who we want laying the future framework of our college or shouldn't the power lie in the hands of the students, those for whom the college was intended to serve.

Our
Friends

1970s

TOP FIVE DONORS	USED FOR	AMOUNT
Robert Durham	Annual Fund	\$10,000
Helen Halvorson	Annual Fund, Willi Unsoeld Lecture Series, McCann Scholarship Fund	\$6,955
Caroline Kinnear	Annual Fund, President's Discretionary Fund	\$5,991
Mary Hoyt Stevenson Foundation	President's Club	\$5,000
Seattle Northwest Securities	Scholarships	\$4,000

1980s

TOP FIVE DONORS	USED FOR	AMOUNT
Puget Sound Power and Light	Energy conservation	\$377,510
M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust	Science	\$187,000
John F. Koons	Annual Fund, President's Discretionary Fund, Founder's Festival, Alumni Association	\$130,500
Ford Foundation	Washington Center for Undergraduate Education	\$75,000
Washington Commission	Academic programs, education grant	\$58,075

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1990s

TOP FIVE DONORS	USED FOR	AMOUNT
Ford Foundation	Diversity, minority doctoral fellowship	\$794,400
Thayer Raymond Charitable Foundation	Scholarships	\$458,767
Pew Charitable Trusts	Teacher education	\$389,000
Anonymous		\$281,600
M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust	Science	\$226,000

"No one wants to give to you that's not your friend... the people (and corporate foundations) that give to us like what we're doing... there's no one that hates us that gives us money."

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Who makes the rules at this place?

Greener's have thus far refused to submit to the tyranny (or rise to the responsibility) of Student Government, and thus avenues for participation in the decisions made at the college are restricted to the efforts of individuals and independent groups dealing with the administration directly.

Many, if not most, decisions affecting the college are made unilaterally by the administration, with little or no input from students. Other decisions at Evergreen are made by committees (often called DTFs, or Disappearing Task Forces) that are theoretically open to all students, faculty, and staff. Unfortunately, the initiation of various DTFs is rarely advertised well; most students don't even know what DTF stands for. This system also means that the opinions of people who can devote time to committees matter most, which often excludes students with jobs. Furthermore, the administration regularly limits the total number of individuals that can participate in these groups.

Worse, if the students who are participating drop out of the process, the committees rarely find replacements, and thus many, if not most, of these committees have no student representation. Finally, the decisions of all committees can be, and regularly are, overruled by unilateral decisions from higher ups in the administration, who may "forget" or neglect to enforce decisions reached, or who alter decisions during summer break when most students are gone.

Though exceptions exist, what seems like an open and participatory system is regularly quite the opposite. Check into the campus governance structures of other progressive liberal arts colleges. Some have student representatives with real decision-making authority guaranteed by the colleges' charters. Some even have town hall meetings for the entire campus. The evidence suggests that Greener's have significantly less sway in the workings of the college than at nearly any other alternative college in the country.

Evergreen's Corporate Bosses

The Role of the Board of Trustees

Many students suspect that corporate interests dominate our college, but few realize how bad it is. The eight people serving as the Board of Trustees are at the top of the TESC hierarchy, and are responsible for everything from hiring and firing TESC's President, to determining the cost of on-campus living, to setting policies for the entire institution. The Trustees serve a term of six years, and are appointed by the Governor. They are generally prominent business and community "leaders," as opposed to people who know anything about life at this college.

Current and Recent Trustees

*Trustee Deborah Barnett is a corporate executive with Microsoft and Citibank's TransPoint corporation. Citibank, an accomplice of the World Bank, is North America's largest financial institution, and is a key financial backer of some of the most environmentally egregious projects in the world, most recently funding projects that have devastated Indonesia's old growth rainforests.

* Trustee David Lamb is Executive Officer with Lamb-Grays Harbor Company, which was taken to the National Labor Relations Board by employees for trying to bust unionization attempts in 1989.

* Trustee Dwight Kiyoshi Imanaka is Senior Manager of Employee and Union Relations at Boeing Corporation, which produces military aircraft and has consistently tried to undermine unions' attempts to secure decent wages and working conditions.

* Trustee Karen Lane currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Washington Biotechnology and Biomedicine Association, which is a conglomeration of huge biotechnology and biomedical corporations including Monsanto, ZymoGenetics, Smith Kline Beecham, Battelle, BioGenetic Ventures, Biocontrol, and Merrill Lynch).

*this year three of the board of trustees are recently expired (Bill Frank Jr. & David E. Lamb on 9/30/2002 and Jamie Rossman (student) on 5/31/02). With that news on the table we shall keep our ears peeled for word of the newly elected PR showcases to handle our money and further gentryify our campus.

The Evergreen Students Against Sweatshops came together in the Spring of 2000 with the goal of convincing the college to adopt a "code of conduct" for its purchasing of clothing for campus sport teams and the bookstore. Some background: economic globalization has led to the establishment of "free-trade zones" around much of the so-called 3rd world, where laws protecting worker's rights, ensuring minimum wages, and monitoring environmental impacts are nullified. This is ostensibly to encourage investment and economic growth. In many cases, the result is a paradoxical mix of huge corporate profits and barbaric working conditions.

In addition to developing a code of conduct to ensure the college was not supporting these types of businesses, we were trying to get the college to drop its membership in an organization called the Fair Labor Association (FLA). The FLA is supposed to help colleges track their purchases of clothing to avoid sweatshops. Unfortunately the FLA board of directors is composed of representatives from the very corporations that have been exposed for using sweatshop labor, including Nike and Liz Claiborne! Most of the human rights organizations and unions working to end sweatshop labor consider the FLA to be an elaborate public relations campaign put on by the apparel industry to conceal the reality of the use of sweatshop labor in the production of clothing for colleges.

We soon found out that the bookstore management, though very sympathetic to our goals, had no idea where most of the clothing sold on campus was made, let alone whether the workers producing the clothing were treated well and paid fair wages. The management advised us to talk with Steve Trotter, the college's Vice President for Finances.

When we approached Steve in the Fall of 2000, he indicated that his only concern with our proposal was that we also work to educate the campus on the issue and conduct a survey to see if our proposals were supported by the community of students, faculty, staff, and alumni. We organized several forums, wrote informative articles for the college's paper, and talked to hundreds of community members about our proposals. After two months of this educational work the surveys came back with greater than 90% support for our proposals! We submitted this information to Steve and awaited his approval.

Three months later we had received no answer - it was as if the administration had simply forgotten about the issue. After dozens of phone calls, letters, and eventually even the posting of flyers highlighting the administration's stall tactics, we discovered that Art Costantino, Evergreen's Vice President for Student Affairs had somehow taken charge of the decision-making process, despite the fact that it was clearly a financial matter.

Art openly declared his personal support for the FLA, questioned whether Evergreen community members really understood what they were voting for when we surveyed them, and even questioned the validity of creating a code of conduct on the grounds that it might hurt the workers more than it would help them. Art proposed, after more than nine months of diligent work on our part, that a committee be created to restart the entire process.

We called a "town meeting" to see whether the community would support us or Art. More than a hundred and fifty people crowded into the library lobby. We presented our case, Art offered his rebuttal, and students and faculty began voicing their opinions. Cautiously at first, and then with greater conviction, students and faculty alike voiced unanimous support for all of our proposals. Then, in spontaneous impassioned speeches, students began bringing up past efforts to make the college more socially-responsible, efforts that the administration had impeded, several of which had never before been discussed in a public forum. At points the entire crowd broke out into cheering and applause. Not one person that spoke could understand why the college would stall in its work to end sweatshop purchasing.

In the end the administration realized that the opposition was simply too strong. The college reversed its position and agreed to nearly all of the goals of our campaign. Work is nearly completed now on the code of conduct, but there is much more to do! Clothing is but a tiny, minuscule part of the college's purchasing, and one of the least controversial. In the coming years students will need to continue these efforts!



The Compost Controversy

The Evergreen Compost Project was conceived in February of 1997. The fact that it took 4 years from first idea to the first clod of ground broken is partially due to the amount of work and thought required to design a small facility to handle all of the college's compostable food wastes. However, much of Tom Gilbert, Jeff Clug, Teagan Robinson, Charles Hamah, and many others' time was taken up cutting through the ocean of red tape that the college strung in front of them.

Red tape is sometimes the product of innocent ignorance, people not knowing any better. The people who create red tape are not necessarily out to stifle creativity. But whether or not individuals are to blame, red tape is most likely to accumulate in front of causes that the people in power do not feel are important. In this case, the ease with which the directors of facilities - the body that contains and shapes the school's spirit - brushed off a project that came from a vision of a sustainable campus, made it clear how shallow Evergreen's green is.

According to Evergreen's creed, students learn best when they can translate their passions into interdisciplinary real-world projects. Not, apparently, on campus, outside of the classroom, for whenever the composteers tried to make a move that would hasten the school towards sustainability, staff frustrated them.

A few individuals went above and beyond the call of duty in obfuscating them. Michel Kelly, Director of Facilities, twice did not invite the students who had made a life of getting composting onto campus to large meetings where vital decisions and announcements were made. In the first of these exclusive meetings, Kelly Smith, coordinator of the organic farm facility, was named director of the project. This seems to make sense, since composting would likely be on the farm's grounds. But, since Smith didn't want the project to take off in the first place, the decision amounted to a coup. Smith often failed to schedule meetings with them, and then did not show up to those meetings that he did manage to write onto his schedule.

Fortunately, the composteers also had allies. Carl Putzier, director of housing, and Mark Lucina, a housing employee, ended up putting a great deal of faith, resources, and effort into the project, in the form of supplies, public endorsement, wages, and assistance in educating the campus about the need for composting. These men also twisted a few arms behind the scenes.

This helped the composteers along, but in the end, besides having to invent a new sort of facility to deal with the school's special needs, the composteers had to jump through hoops, do oceans of paper work, and single handedly raise

\$56,000. On August 1st, 2001, the first ground was broken on the organic farm. The facility will be constructed by local artisans whenever possible, and, by this year's Harvest Festival (October 13th) should be finished enough that you'll be able to walk around it and see how it will work. When you do, you may meet Tom, come back from Vermont to see a first step in his vision made real.

"The final step in the vision is a campus with a zero-waste policy," Tom has said. He desires this so that Evergreen can serve as a model for sustainable urban communities but also, and urgently, because of what he knows about Robanco, Inc., the Arizona-based company that TESC pays to deal with their wastes.

Tom knows that Robanco will close the Thurston County Landfill in several years, and truck the county's trash 200 miles to the Southeast, to the town of Roosevelt in Klickitat County. This is not news to the public: Robanco was not secretive and, besides,

that is just the ways things are done in an era of increased privatization of public services. Food and supplies enter the community from distant sources, where they are produced in specialized facilities, and when they become trash, they are shipped out to distant places for disposal. That's the shiny story told to the papers. Tom and Jeff knew that the realities were not that bright. They knew that the poorest, most minority-dense, and most economically desperate areas take these facilities on, because they don't have the power to

combat them or the influence to be able to object if the company poisons them. Tom and Jeff looked past the front and found that Roosevelt's population was the poorest in the entire state, and that Robanco was currently accepting all kinds of toxic materials there, including radioactive waste from Hanford, although the site was not certified for this type of hazardous waste. Any business that Robanco gets supports the dumping of horrifically toxic substances in the backyards of the people who can least object. During the endless meetings, what got to him most was that TESC, once informed, did not rush to decrease its dependence upon this abusive, destructive cycle.

"Who rules the school?" is a less important question than what they believe, and the compost project is a tale of beliefs in action. The students prevailed, in spite of certain staff. And how about you? Will you be silenced, or work towards your dreams, despite the school's hypocrisies?

The compost facility is dedicated to the memory of Keagan Robinson, who worked towards it but died in a car crash before it was done.



May Day

In Olympia and throughout the world, May 1 is seen as a day of celebration, community building, and protest. May Day has survived and transformed through centuries of tradition as a day to welcome Spring, honor the workers of the world, and reclaim the streets. Olympia is home to a relatively new tradition of colorful May Day street parties, as well as the controversy which accompanies.

Okay, here's some history-

May Day dates back to Pagan Europe and the Fertility/Spring planting celebrations of the Celts and Saxons. This holiday was known as Beltane after the god of the sun, Bel. Traditions of glorifying craftsman and dancing around a large maypole survived through the eighteenth century despite attempts by the Catholic Church to outlaw the heathen celebrations as early as the 1600s. The Catholic Church eventually incorporated May Day traditions into its own teachings in a successful effort to attract a larger following. For more information about Beltane and the early history of May Day, see <http://www.geocities.com/CapitolHill/5202/mayday.htm>.

As history progressed, crafts guilds transformed into labor unions and the celebration of Beltane transformed into the labor holiday now celebrated throughout the world on May 1. The new identity of May Day began on May 1, 1886 with a general strike in the United States and Canada demanding an eight-hour workday. In Chicago, the strike and protests were broken apart by police gunfire that killed six and wounded countless others. The next day, protesters gathered in Haymarket Square in Chicago to protest the police brutality. A bomb was thrown into a crowd of police officers killing eight and wounding others. Eight anarchist laborers were arrested and sentenced to be hanged for this crime, though no clear evidence was gathered that the "Chicago Eight" had thrown the bomb. For more information on the riot at Haymarket Square, see <http://www.execpc.com/~blake/haymar.htm>.

How May Day became an international holiday-

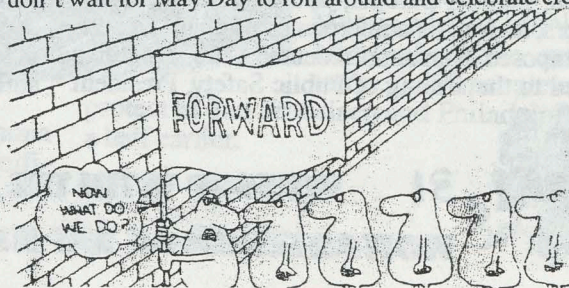
In 1889 laborers in Paris declared May 1 an international workers holiday in commemoration of those killed and injured the year before at Haymarket Square. To this day, every nation except the United States, Canada, and South Africa recognize this holiday, despite the fact that the holiday originated in the United States. In the United States, Labor Day was moved to the first Monday in September. This historically meaningless holiday serves as little more than a nice break between the Fourth of July and Thanksgiving, and as a means to ignore the history of May 1. Throughout the world May Day, otherwise known as the International Workers Day, serves as a day of protest, celebration and reclaiming rights as autonomous beings. In the United States, May Day has been coined "National Call-In-Sick Day," as a means of declaring the historically significant holiday and joining in solidarity with workers throughout the world. For more information on the labor history of May Day, see <http://www.14850.com/14850/9505/history.html>.

May Day in Olympia-

For the last 22 years, students, workers, families and other enthusiasts have paraded the streets of Olympia in protest and celebration of May Day. Activities have included large musical parades, guerilla gardening (where plots of unused "private property" turn magically into bountiful gardens), street parties, workshops, arts, crafts and much more. Each year, police tactics in suppressing the party and protests increase. May Day 2001 was greeted by dozens of police officers draped in riot gear, a disturbing presence at the otherwise joyous demonstration. Two arrests were made and a garden made from the collective energy and creativity of over 150 protesters was plowed over. The sight of the garden, the corner of Harrison and Division has once again become a vacant lot destined to become a gas station and mini mart.

May Day 2002 followed familiar patterns of previous years, although equipped with some fresh new tactics (i.e. medics, traffic patrol, and radical cheerleaders). A snake march paraded around downtown singing and dancing and carrying banner such as: "CAPITALISM NO THANKS! WE'LL BURN YOU'RE FUCKING BANKS". A joyous occasion indeed. Almost so much that participants (or 'revelers' as "The Olympian" has deemed them) forgot about the parental presence of a gang of various law enforcement agencies (ie. sheriffs, regular pigs, state patrol, out of town cops etc.). Otherwise the events included a free BBQ, a May pole celebration, live music and free kisses, among other things.

As May 1, 2003 approaches, keep your eyes and ears open for ways that you can help the tradition of May Day celebrations continue in Olympia...or better yet: don't wait for May Day to roll around and celebrate creative resistance every other day of the year!



The May Day Intervention

For the past several years, large protests and autonomous festivities have occurred in Olympia in celebration and remembrance of May Day. There's a whole article on May Day on page 42. The Union of Student Workers () worked hard during the Spring of 2000 to insure that educational events for the entire Olympia community were held in addition to the protests, as some Olympia residents don't seem to understand the events. As part of the pre-May Day festivities, USW planned a two-night event at the Capital Theatre downtown. The event was to include a report-back from participants in the recent IMF/World Bank () protests in Washington D.C., a teach-in on economic globalization, as well as an event entitled "Students in the Movement: A showcase of the contributions of youth and students to the movement for social change."

The event was approved by student activities on the condition that proper insurance be purchased for an off-campus event and that the event be reviewed by the school's risk management office. Purchasing the insurance was no problem, but getting the risk management office clearance was another story. **Art Costantino, the college's Vice President for Student Affairs**, citing his distrust of the union following the twice-a-month paycheck dispute from a year back (see previous page), instructed the office to pull funds for this purely educational event.

How the Cops Got their Guns

In the late 1980s, upper level Evergreen Administrative folks began discussing arming what was then called "Public Safety" personnel. It wasn't until the beginning of the 1995-96 academic year, however, that the arming of campus security was formally proposed by Thurston County Undersheriff Neil McClanahan who was, at that time, also acting as Interim Director for Public Safety. **Art Costantino, Vice President of Student Affairs**, then made his own formal recommendation for arming during winter quarter of that same year. Following Art's recommendation, there were several community forums to discuss the implications of arming.

Despite vocal anti-arming sentiment from students, faculty, parents, and other community members, as well as numerous protests and a petition composed of an unprecedented 1200 signatures opposed to the arming of Public Safety, President

Jane Jervis made her recommendation to the Board of Trustees supporting the arming of Public Safety.

Soon thereafter, despite continuing protest from the campus community, the Board of Trustees voted to recommend "limited arming" of Public Safety. The community responded with a mass sit-in, blocking the entrance to the bus loop.

The so-called "limited arming" of campus security, which began in the 1996-97 academic year, meant that the newly ordained Police Services had access to guns in lockboxes and were allowed to carry them on their persons from 6pm to 8am and when "patrolling areas distant from their vehicles" at any time during the day.

In one fell swoop, what were once generally helpful "safety" officers attired in polo shirts and shorts became intimidating, and armed, "police" officers in SWAT style uniforms. Along with the more authoritarian



appearance, the campus police gained the ability to cite moving violations, make arrests, and so on.

During the 1996-97 school year, complaints about the use of excessive force and allegations of sexual harassment of Police Services secretaries by campus officers arose, and the officers involved are still patrolling your campus. By the end of the 1997-98 school year, rumors began circulating (and were confirmed by one Police Services Officer's account,) that the Evergreen Administration was just waiting around for students to forget about the struggle to prevent campus arming before moving to full-time arming for all officers.

Well, apparently the Administration thinks that only a few years is enough time, because, at the onset of the 2000-01 school year, officers could be seen carrying weapons at all times of the day - there was absolutely no public debate on this matter. A few months after this occurred, a student originated

survey of hundreds of Greens found that a solid majority of students were still against the police having guns. Whether simply walking across campus eating a donut (which I'm sure they purchase from the deli,) telling a glass pipe vendor to remove herself from Red Square, or driving straight through groups of folks on Red Square during a crowded Spring day, armed officers were constantly in our presence. Despite attempts by several campus organizations to address this issue, any sort of vigorous campaign has failed to get off the ground. So when you're walking around campus this year, check their hips—I bet you see a gun. Only we can stop full-time arming from becoming a permanent reality...

EPIC maintains a file folder with documentation of complaints against TESC's police. You may want to take a look at it before calling for an escort home on a dark night.

Graduation speaker Mumia Abu-Jamal

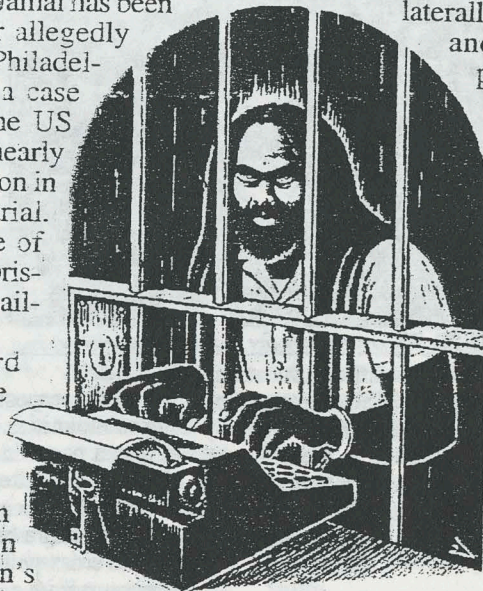
You may have heard about Evergreen and the controversy created when former Black Panther Party activist Mumia Abu-Jamal spoke at its graduation ceremony in 1999. Abu-Jamal has been on death row since 1982 for allegedly murdering a police officer in Philadelphia in 1981. His trial was a case study in the corruption of the US Criminal Justice system, and nearly every human rights organization in the world has demanded a retrial. Abu-Jamal is considered one of the world's foremost political prisoners. (More information is available at www.j4mumia.org).

Students worked hard throughout the year to raise awareness about Mumia's plight and the problems of the criminal justice system, encouraging students to write-in Mumia for the graduation speaker vote. When Evergreen's first choice for graduation keynote speaker (Governor Gary Locke) fell through, Mumia was chosen as the replacement. Following signifi-

cant media attention and pressure from the state government, the higher ups in the administration overruled the decision of the graduation committee, unilaterally selected another keynote speaker, and reduced Abu-Jamal to a less prominent position in the event.

Despite this setback the event was a huge success. Before the day of graduation rumors circulated that during Mumia's speech discontented seniors and opponents of Mumia would be playing horns or screaming to make his words inaudible, but the speech went on with no disruption. Instead, the majority of the crowd (students and guests alike) rose to a standing ovation. The work of students at Evergreen had brought more attention to Mumia and the problems of the criminal justice system than some 35,000 people marching in

protest in San Francisco and Philadelphia a month a half earlier.



Generalized Education: *Teaching Fish how to Fly*

There is a national trend that is threatening schools across America with hegemony. This trend, packed full of buzzwords and jargon, is coming to a college near you, very near you. We have all heard the phrase "education standards" thrown around in candidates' political campaigns. Well, it appears that these "one-size-fits-all" standards are on their way to Evergreen in the guise of "general education requirements".

In 1998 TESC was graced with a visit from the Commission of Colleges, a group of commissioners that evaluate the accreditation status of TESC every ten years. The only recommendation the group had was that we make better efforts to integrate quantitative reasoning into the curriculum, a recommendation originally set forth by Evergreen's self-evaluation. However, despite some reports, there was (and is) no eminent threat of Evergreen losing its accreditation.

TESC was criticized by the Higher Education Coordinating Board for having overall "uneven" general education. These critiques and recommendations were the catalyst for a challenging and passionate debate amongst Evergreen students, faculty and administration that became larger than its individual proposals. This debate has begun to reshape liberal arts education as we know it.

The contention by general education proponents is that Evergreen students graduate from Evergreen with an unbalanced education. They claim that those who come to TESC interested in Art or Humanities leave with not enough Science or Math, and those who come to TESC interested in the Sciences leave with no appreciation for the Arts or Humanities. Proponents of GE requirements insist that Evergreen programs lack depth and breadth, as well as critical analysis skills.

While much of the faculty, students and administration involved in the General Education DTF (Disappearing Tack Force- the committee now in charge of GE requirements) agreed that this was a problem, few agreed on how to remedy it. Two basic proposals were made and both were voted down by the staff. Incidentally, in testament to deficient student democracy at TESC, where students involved with DTFs are able to give their input they are not allowed to vote, nor is any voting member of any DTF obliged to represent student views.

According to Kelly Sanger, a student member of the DTF, a survey was given to students reportedly showing "overwhelming support" for the general education requirements. However, students who supported GE requirements administered the survey. Consequently, there is some telling how the GE debate was framed, or if the survey contained inherent bias in its questioning.

One proposal, heavily contested, was to shorten programs. Many TESC programs are yearlong and developed as "learning communities" to develop depth and breadth within a subject matter. Apparently, this is not the type

depth or breadth that GE proponents desire. They maintain that while the programs, and even other shorter programs at Evergreen are technically interdisciplinary, they are in practice analogous in subject matter and perspective. For example, programs based in the social sciences may bring in aspects of political science, history, and race issues, but those are all still within the discipline of social science and therefore not considered interdisciplinary. By shortening programs, proponents were hoping to allow students to take more courses during their time at TESC, and that this variety would ostensibly add to more balance in the curriculum.

This proposal threatens the whole concept of learning communities. While it is true that a learning community can occur in just one quarter, some faculty believe that it is only after the first quarter that real intimacy and learning truly begin. Also, two or three quarter programs allow for more breadth and depth as well as more ideological cross-pollination. Furthermore, taking more short programs with a variety of topics is one step closer to the structure found at any "mainstream" college. Though



Welcome to TESC- Where minds are free to think like everyone else.



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faculty shot down this particular proposal, others like it may appear again.

In a second, more supported proposal, teachers from different disciplines would teach a program together. For example, a math teacher would be involved in an art or sociology program. This proposal does not necessarily create interdisciplinary education, as it is likely that there would be great difficulty in synthesizing or integrating these disciplines. It could quite possibly become two classes within one program, segmented and separated. As faculty Sam Schrage points out, if there is no "organic" connection to be made, it could be counterproductive to organize programs in such a fashion. Furthermore, it is also possible that teachers would be required to teach unfamiliar subject matter, or cover information that they feel dispassionate about. This proposal was officially defeated, but measures were passed to experiment with "cross-divisional programs."

The final general education plan, passed in April 2001, has three basic components: Expectations, Advising, and most importantly, Curricular Restructuring. The Expectations are six vague principles that every Graduate is supposed to acquire while at TESC, including that a student "participate collaboratively and responsibly in our diverse society," "assume responsibility for (his/her) own work," or "communicate creatively and effectively." What is most interesting about the expectations is their emphasis on qualitative/quantitative analysis, modes of inquiry, and critical thinking. This emphasis seems to be promoting an exaggerated pragmatism and rational that is seemingly ever present in the educational system. However, omitted are any expectations of artistic appreciation or creative spontaneity, ostensibly all part of a well-rounded general education.

Also passed was an agreement about advising. Teachers will convey to students these new expectations through "advising conferences with their students each year based on a self-reflective piece written by the students." If, during these "summative self-evaluations," senior students or faculty come to realize an expectation is not met, will the student then not be allowed to graduate? The final proposal provides no answer.

Most importantly, the faculty passed a curricular restructuring plan. This plan's number one tenet is to have the "dean and faculty experiment with alternatives that provide greater access to quantitative reasoning, science and art". What does that mean? Your guess is as good as mine. What is most troublesome is that this "experimentation" will occur, to my knowledge, without student input or even quorum votes. The second tenet is to create

"cross-divisional programs." These programs will "increase student access to more quantitative reasoning, arts, and science options taught in an interdisciplinary context."

What is most troubling to me is that no one is asking if students should have access to general education at Evergreen. Being that many Evergreen students are transfer students from other more traditional colleges, it can be assumed that many of them have had access to general education and are now wanting to hone their interests on their "major." However, these general education requirements are designed to give "access to... Sciences, Arts and Quantitative Reasoning for transfer and sophomore and above students."

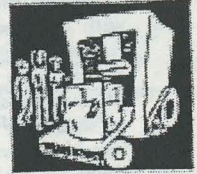
Furthermore, while some might concede that students should have access to more cross-divisional programs or a more broad general education, we must still ask, should it really be a requirement? Are we not just asking faculty to teach fish how to fly? It seems to me that education standards are innately problematic. How can 3000 diversely creative and passionate students all be expected to get the same thing out of their education? We do not pay thousands of dollars for a standardized education. We are in danger of being standardized.

It may be necessary and valuable to reevaluate Evergreen's standards, as well as its access to a more broad scope of education. However, if freedom is truly a component of a liberal arts education, these evaluations should not result in more rigid requirements, but more interesting options. Depth should not be sacrificed for breadth, and the two are not synonyms, as the DTF expectations would have one believe. Most importantly, if general education is to be implemented, it should be fair and unbiased.

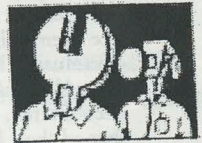
The General Education development and implementation has become the responsibility of the "Academic Growth" DTF. For information on how you can get involved and exercise your voice, contact Provost Barbara Smith.

Question Everything

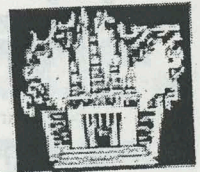
Students are not products



Teachers are not tools



The University is not a factory



HEY GREENER! A Note On The School Industry

Many self-styled revolutionaries are victims of school. They see even "liberation" as the product of an institutional process. On liberating oneself from school will dispel such illusions. The discovery that most learning requires no teaching can be neither manipulated nor planned. Each one of us is responsible for his or her own deschooling, and only we have the power to do it. — Ivan Illich

Quite a few people come to Evergreen for its reputation as a hotbed of radicalism. Many walk away with degrees conferred upon them by the very state authorities that they reject in most of the other circumstances of life. Most end up with the understanding that Evergreen is not what its reputation might suggest. Despite the important educational reforms instituted at (or co-opted by) Evergreen, it is still fundamentally a school in the usual meaning of the term, still plugged into the educational pyramid that selects and rejects those who make it in this society and those who don't. It has an unresponsive and secretive administrative bureaucracy, and a police force—now armed, for your protection. It features an unusually institutional and prison-like approach to architecture (for a school, that is), and there are plenty of the requisite rows of fluorescent lights to make you dizzy. It's located on a wetland several miles outside of downtown Olympia in a thoroughly suburban location, surrounded on one side by parking lots, and on all sides by creeping development. Not a few locals, including the ones who drive by yelling "get a job, asshole!" at demonstrations, think of Evergreen as a bastion of elitist and juvenile rebellion. To them, anarcho-greeners are spoiled hippies who don't have to like them, play by the rules, and have nothing to do but complain about oppression in far-off places. Evergreen is no community learning center. Evergreen is no free school.

All of this notwithstanding, a lot of Evergreen students are exposed to ideas that they otherwise might not have encountered. Many find their voices and discover a means of exposing some of the fallacies and shortcomings that have shaped their lives. After a lifetime of compulsory grading and relentless competition, the pace and educational approach of Evergreen can seem revolutionary. Indeed, the difference between getting a letter grade at the end of the quarter and getting a written evaluation, or the advantage of interdisciplinary studies, shouldn't be understated. Nor should the participation of students in struggles for societal change (300 of the 700 or so people arrested during the counter-WTO actions were Evergreen students, according to Robin Hahnel in *Z Magazine*). For the great majority of students the educational process is nevertheless geared ultimately toward one end... a satisfactory completion of a certain number of credit hours and the subsequent ritual of certification whereby one is graduated (for a small fee of \$25) to one or another niche of our fractured and predatory social dis-order. Preferably not a \$6.50 per hour niche at Barnes & Noble, though.

This educational pyramid is a product of our civilized predicament. In a world defined by social breakdown—a mechanized and soulless technological regime, a highly differentiated division of labor, domestication of and alienation from nature (and each other), large-scale economics and institutions, entrenched and pervasive hierarchy, isolation, suicide, and on and on—the school industry is fundamental to the continued functioning of the whole tottering system. Schools have, throughout history, been designed to reproduce the social systems of which they are a product. Nothing has changed, nor will it, in that respect. And in a world that has no place for its young, what better than a compulsory period of conditioning and mind-numbing, followed by an optional period of 'higher learning' for those who play the game well enough and perhaps are in line for a larger serving of the goods ladled out by our industrialized, earth-sucking system. Evergreen then seems like a minor concession to some good and potentially threatening ideas, co-opting subversive energy and making it relatively safe. Kind of like buying organic food at Safeway.

Of course, most of us deal with the smaller frames of our daily lives, and this involves endless contradiction and, in academic language, "contested terrain." If you want to fight the system on its own terms by, say, becoming a radical lawyer, you must simply jump through the hoops. The challenge is to do this with no illusions as to the ultimate place and purpose of the seemingly-necessary treatment known as education (including Evergreen). You may be reading this somewhere in the depths of A-dorm and experiencing a growing sense of fatalism. The first thing you can do this year is get the fuck out of A-dorm and take the bus downtown. Volunteer at Books To Prisoners. Book an art or music show at the Arrowspace. Fight the Olympia Downtown Association with a marker or some paint, or stickers. Find a non-student and show them a resource at Evergreen that they can take advantage of without paying a dime. Drop out, get your money back, and sit in on classes anyway (if what you're really there for is classroom learning). Encourage your friends to do the same—organize a tuition strike, because learning is free! In the words of an anonymous (student) rebel during the Paris '68 uprising: Demand the impossible!

10 Books To Spur Thought:

-*Freedom And Beyond and Instead Of Education*, John Holt
-*Tools For Conviviality and Deschooling Society*, Ivan Illich
-*Deschooling Our Lives*, Matt Hern, ed.
-*Making It Up As We Go Along*, Chris Scagliano

-*Demystifying School*, Miriam Wasserman, ed.
-*Radical School Reform*, Ronald and Beatrice Gross, eds.
-*Teaching To Transgress*, bell hooks
-*A Primer Of Libertarian Education*, Joel Spring



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FEATURES

★ things to do in olympia ★

(All these places are on the map on the next page!!)

eating

Fagi: Mall-ish japanese fare; rumored to have good sushi \$-\$ \$★

Lemongrass: Very good, fresh, Thai food \$-\$-\$\$\$, V and V options ★★

Mekong: The best Thai, huge portions, V & V (ask w/o fish sauce) mostly \$\$ some \$\$\$★★★★

Santosh: Pricy but good Indian food (samosas, naan, filling main courses). V & V \$-\$-\$\$\$ ★★

The Voyeur: Mostly V & V sandwiches, salads, grill stuff- can be ★ or★★ or★★★. slow service but there's scenesters to watch... \$-\$ \$

New Moon Cafe: Delicious b-fast, (tofu benedict!) V & not as much V open from 7-2 Mon.-Fri only. mostly \$\$★★★

Darby's: Also yummy breakfast (best tofu scramble) and sandwiches n stuff. flamboyant service V and V★★★★ \$ \$

Sweet Oasis: Wonderful Mediterr-anean food (spanikopita, hummus, jalaful baklava) and fries, V & V ★★ \$-\$ \$

Old Skool Pizzas: goood garlic knots and ricotta and broccoli pizza, no V, 80's atmosphere \$★★

Mini Saigon: Vietnamese, Thai, and Chinese fare tons of fake meat V & V \$ \$★★

La Taqueria: Decent Mexican food with good V options. \$ \$★★



V = Vegetarian
Ve = Vegan

Urban Onion: Overpriced and bland V and V food. \$-\$-\$ \$★

Vic's Pizza: Exotic and extravagant ingredients offering V slices, plus ziti and stuff. \$★★★

★ **K24** ★
\$ under \$3
\$\$ under \$7
\$\$\$ over \$7
★ don't bother
★★ make yer own
★★★ real good
★★★★ mmm

Other options...

-Farmers Market: open Th-Su, April - Dec., (located on Capitol toward the water)

-dumpster dive

-table dive

-shoplift

-dine 'n dash at your favorite corporate restaurant



git drunk

Clancys: Irish pub, live music, subpar food. **Ben Moores:** small "barrish" bar with diversity, good fries

The Spar: If yer not boycottin', they have \$1.50 wells 5-7pm every weekday

Thekla: Mostly dancin' (karaoke, Su-80's, Th-queer night) \$1 wells Th-Su, meeeeat market

4th Ave Tavern: 210 4th Ave sometimes has real good shows in the back

Eastside: hippies playin' pool and air hockey, many beers, serious carding, cash only

The Voyeur: Beer only, \$2 pints from 11am-7pm, artsy, smokey back that hosts hit or miss music, fodder for voyeurism

coffee and treats

Traditions: Also a venue for speakers n' stuff, they've got fair trade pricey clothes, good ice cream, and espresso.

Olympia World News: An array of newspapers and periodicals, upstairs space for shows and smokin', sausages, and espresso.

Otto's: Has bagels, tofu spread, good breakfast (free range eggs for you fetus lovers) great table diving and espresso.

Batdorf & Bronson: Where the cool people go to get wired - good organic coffee and lotsa tea.
Blue Heron Bakery: (4935 Mud Bay Rd) mmm fudge bars and spinach feta things, and espresso.
San Francisco St. Bakery: (1320 San Francisco St.) Same treats one would find at Otto's, but surrounded by garden and not city.



WELCOME TO OLYMPIA

Anarchy is everyone washing their own dishes.

★ things to do in olympia ★

Where to buy music, get clothes, and be entertained... Dumpster Values/Phantom City Records: Here you can sell your clothes, buy second hand, trendy, some rare records Rainy Day Records: corner of Harrison Ave. & Division St. Has all kinds of music, one of Oly's best movie selections including clothes at Goodwill which is at 400 Cooper Point Rd. Its huge, kinda pricey with a selection not nearly as cute as Dumpster values, but its fun to dig- they've got furniture too. If yer ever in lacey, you can go to Value Village, which is another store like Goodwill. The Midnight Sun & the Arrowspace both hold all age music shows and other performances like drag shows and such (keep your eyes out for flyers) the Capitol Theater is a restored vintage theater that has ALL kinds of performances, film festivals, and new movies. Get a membership, its \$3 cheaper!



★ places that suck ★

This section is an attempt to help you spend your dollars wisely in Olympia. In a world where business interests exert massive influence over the use of resources and the welfare of workers, we "vote with our money" with every purchase we make. You don't just hand some cash to the store owner when you buy those cool Nike shoes, you also pay for the aquisition of the materials for your purchase (cow hide, petroleum based plastics, pesticide laden cotton, mined minerals, trees for the box), the factory that produced the shoes (in a sweatshop), the shipment from the opposite side of the globe (petroleum and carbon dioxide), and the existence of the company itself (which gets away with all this by using your money to hire lobbyists and make massive campaign contributions.)

In our post-industrial global marketplace it is impossible for you - and even governments and consumer watchdogs - to keep up with the complete details of how a product comes to appear at the store. This being said, some research has been done by students who have come before you, about the activities of the businesses in Olympia, and this is presented below. PLEASE keep in mind that using "consumer power" is not a substitute for grassroots organizing on behalf of the environment and workers. *In the US, 20% of the population controls half of the wealth - "voting with your money" does not follow that basic premise of democracy "one person, one vote."*

SKIP THE CHAIN STORES. You know 'em: McDonalds, Pizza Hut, Target, Sears, 7-11, Home Depot, Top Foods, Safeway, Hollywood Video, etc. The money you spend there leaves the community, the company pays its workers dirt, and they probably find any way possible to bypass or slack on environmental standards.

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Getting Active in Olympia

History will have to record that the greatest tragedy of this period of social transition is not the strident clamor of the bad people, but the silence of the good people.

-Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

You may have heard that Olympia is one of the most progressive and politically active towns in the country. As many as several thousand Olympians attended the WTO protests in 1999 and local events like the May Day protest and street party draw hundreds of people each year. This being said there are still many problems facing our community and our region, and many a good cause in Olympia remains under-supported. Take some time to get settled in, but remember that there is a world out there beyond the bubble of Evergreen, and that there are good and interesting people of a wide variety of backgrounds engaged in a number of amazing activities that you can get involved in.

This section features some history of activism in Olympia and the region and a directory of community organizations in Olympia.

A "readers' digest version" of the history of activism in the Northwest

Early in the twentieth century, the Northwest was home to a very large industrial boom. The need for lumber for the WWI war machine demanded increasing amounts of timber be logged. Conditions sucked ass for the workers who were paid pennies, tipped off by employment agencies, and treated like shit by bosses, cops and just about everyone. They organized with the IWW (Industrial Workers of the World), also known as the Wobblies, and staged a General Strike in the timber industry for over a year. Though they won most of their demands, so many Wobblies were beaten, intimidated, jailed or "disappeared" that they eventually broke the union's strength in the woods and forced many of these militant unionists into some of the more mainstream trade unions... where they promptly agitated for an even larger strike known as the Seattle General Strike of 1919. This had a great ripple effect: helping lead to the Winnipeg General Strike, the Vancouver General Strike, etc.

This obviously pissed off the timber barons and the government since we were at war with Germany and there was money to be made with the blood of the working class (insert meaningful class conscious rhetoric here). Lots of Wobblies and other lefties (not left-handed folks, but commies, socialists, and anarchists) were jailed, deported and in some cases, as in Everett and Centralia, beaten, castrated, lynched and used for target practice by really mean-o groups like the Elks Club and the American Legion.

Unionism was described as being dead in the decade following WWI, buried in a shallow grave behind the Chamber of Commerce, to speak. The state of Washington, the federal government, as well as the government of Canada made it a felony to be a Wobbly under what is referred to now as the Anarchy Sabotage laws.

Lets skip up to the present, overlooking, but not dismissing the importance of the Civil Rights campaigns; the anti-Vietnam War street parties with tie-dye and tear gas;

the anti-Nixon drinking binges at The Corner and the Blue Moon Tavern in Seattle; the American Indian Movement; the Black Panther Party; the Weather Underground; Queer rights; Women's rights; a bizillion communes and utopian experiments; more hippies, yuppies, beats and the like; underground punk, indie; revolutionary hip-hop; political spoken word; the lesbian avengers; Pink Panthers; the Dinosaur Liberation Front; D.B. Cooper Brigade and shitloads more...and move directly into ECO-TERRORISM!!!

Remember about a paragraph or so ago I mention the Anarchy Sabotage laws? Well, they were still on the books up to a couple of years ago. Most everyone forgot about them except a few Wobblies who were pissed off that we couldn't find any info about the union from 1919 on since along with the Anarchy Sab laws there were shitloads of nids that probably made Genoa, Italy look like a DAR picnic. (If I'm using too many references or terms you don't recognize, that's okay, ask other students, maybe a professor. Read a banned book or do an Internet search, check out a site that is sometimes forbidden at public libraries i.e., www.iww.org, www.earthfirstjournal.org, flag.blackened.net, www.indymedia.org.)

Anyways, we (the wobblies) don't have too many records because of government repression... i.e. bonfires. We knew about the laws, which some republican lawmakers read late at night and touched themselves. So along comes the Rainforest Action Network bebopping around Western Washington and seeing how all the trees are being clear-cut and shipped to Japan to be milled or stored underwater for when there are no more trees. No jobs for union workers here, no trees for anyone either. They decide to hang a banner on a ship loaded with logs heading for Japan and wham boom! they are hit with a hefty felony of ANARCHY!!! Well then came Greenpeace and then Earth First! who both got nailed, except that EF! has no "organization" to get nailed,



so the individuals got it in the teeth. I am not sure what happened to these cases, but some ingenious student may want to do the research into this as well. I suppose this was one of the last straws for many of us. We marched into the sheriff's office demanding to be arrested since we were anarchists, we demanded that they arrest Jane Jervis (old prez of TESC) because she allowed us on campus, and we demanded that they arrest the owners of Fish Brewing Company because we had organized the IWW there (not any more, but that is another story). The law made it illegal to advocate the change of government, to have knowledge of anyone condoning this, to use or wear emblems suggesting this, the distribution of literature to these ends, etc. This made spray painting the "circle A" - or even wearing a @ patch - a felony! The Sheriffs all flexed their chest muscles at us, but refused to arrest us. We learned that laws are fairly selective.

Well, enough about the brief history of Anarchy Sab laws. You'll find in your academic careers that people, like me, with history degrees like to tell stories. So here is a list of actions with maybe some descriptions to go along with them. In no case do I suggest that I had insider info on any of this nor do I claim to have participated in any of these actions. I furthermore do not suggest that you try any of these tactics. Lots of times when I type "we" or "I", I do not mean that me or my person actually was there, I am merely embellishing so as to keep with the continuity of the story... remember I'm a historian, I interpret and retell... stories, ya know.

One of the earliest actions I know that took place on TESC campus was in part organized by the then coordinator of EPIC (ask someone). They took over the Admin offices because of faculty staffing issues. The students were also fighting the arming of campus cops for over a decade

We participated in ongoing pickets in solidarity with the United Farmworkers trying to get local businesses to honor wine and grape boycotts. We blockaded Fort Lewis on the anniversary of the Persian Gulf War (don't wait for an anniversary, blockade always). Too many teachers to recall, too many workshops, too many speakers, but they include Angela Davis, Ramona Africa, Utah Phillips, Noam Chomsky, Howard Zinn, Nawal El Sadawi, Jello Biafra etc.

ALF burning down of a vivisection lab in Capital forest, the black clad reception of Marriott representatives for TESC food service, the Native American oc-

cupation of the clock tower, the graduation takeover of the Library roof during Bell Hooks speech, Dosiwallups, Clayoquat Sound, and a ton of other tree sits and blockades. I can't even remember the names, Native fishing rights campaign, The Summit of First Peoples and the Environment, car blockades in front of Kaiser Aluminum. Mumia abu Jamal's speech being played at graduation or Leonard Peltier's speech being read at another graduation. The most successful EF! campaign, which saved the town of Randle, WA: WATCH MOUNTAIN.

Helping shut down the WTO in Seattle. The Oly gang held the NIKE intersection the entire day, fuck the nazi cops, 300+ Olympians arrested. The Union of Student Workers drive that brought over 300 pissed off students to talk with Art Consantino.

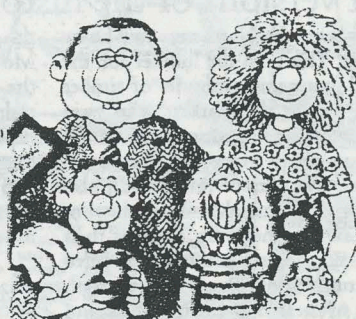
The food service organizing drive that brought a union to the deli, cafeteria and coffee folks at TESC. More banner drops and picket lines then I can remember, Reclaim the Streets parties, May Day Parties, impromptu road blockades and Mall actions. Midnight tripod rehearsals and monkey-wrenching forays.

The greatest action aside from the protests at the WTO and the Watch Mountain Campaign was the solidarity actions with the Kaiser Steelworkers. The IWW and Earth First! as well as members of the Union of Student Workers, Art & Revolution, Food Not Bombs and many others took control of a pier at the Port of Tacoma and successfully held it. A flotilla of boats blocked a ship coming in to bring ore to the Kaiser Aluminum plant that was being run by scabs (if you don't know what a scab is, call the Labor Center on campus or call a local union).

Well I could probably go on forever, but the list is really endless. Well, endless as long as you get involved. Check out the 3rd floor CAB building for student groups and get plugged in. From there, you can go into some community groups that are doing good work, or hell, strike out on your own. Nothing like building an affinity group with some trusted friends. We've done a lot of good here in Oly and throughout the Northwest. We've actually saved towns and lives and jobs and forests. We have stood up for the right things and laid our bodies and lives on the line for those things. There are lots of great things happening here and it is easy to get involved. Life is more than getting the degree and finding a job. Life is not sterile and planned out and controlled by others. Utah Phillips said something like, "You are only as free as the degree to which you resist". Never become the well-behaved observer of life, it sucks.



POPULAR MISCONCEPTION OF TYPICAL ANARCHIST



ACTUAL ANARCHISTS IN REAL LIFE.



Community Groups Directory

The Alliance for Public Transportation (APT)

APT is an Olympia activist group that advocates for safe, green, affordable, accessible and public ways to get around Thurston county. We have been around since 1999 and have used a variety of means to promote and defend public transportation. We believe that private car ownership is bad for the well being of people and the planet. There have been extreme attacks on the public transportation budget in this state the past couple of years and APT has been working hard to build public awareness about transportation issues and support people who rely on bus service that are being cut back. We often have forums, meetings, direct actions etc. Keep your eyes out for us. **AND IF YOU HAVE A CAR PARK IT AND TAKE THE BUS OR BIKE FOR GOODNESS SAKE!!** For more information on APT contact Chris at 357 3795 or via email at publictransit@yahoo.com, or see APT's website at www.geocities.com/publictransit/

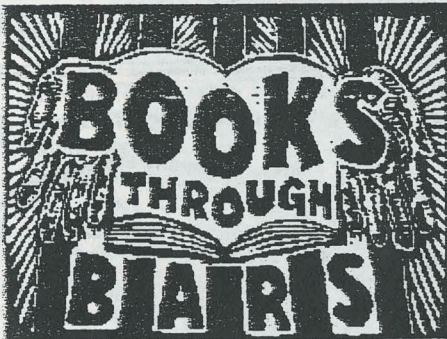


Avanti High School (AHS)

Avanti is recently opened alternative high school within the Olympia School District with a much smaller student body and faculty. AHS is ripe for input from Evergreen students.

Evergreen students have contributed to the Avanti curriculum as students teachers and paraeducators, as well as leaders of mini-units, and hosts of community service projects. With an unfolding program, Avanti is open to community involvement, whatever you have to bring.

Call principal Joy Kawasaki for more information at 664-0135 or by email at jkawasaki@osd.webnet.edu



Books to Prisoners (BTP)

BTP is a non-profit organization, run entirely by volunteers, whose purpose is to fulfil the reading needs of incarcerated adults. BTP is in constant need of volunteers to help fulfill book requests, as well as donations of books, money and stamps. You can contact BTP at 352-7336.

Bread & Roses (B&R)

B&R is a "house of hospitality" offering meals and shelter to the homeless. It was started by a chapter of the Catholic Workers (a politically progressive Catholic organization founded in 1933). B&R is a strong supporters of peace and nonviolence. B&R organized a peaceful march through the Olympia last winter (2001) that included well over a hundred people, for two homeless men who had frozen to death in the cold because all the shelters were filled. Bread and Roses is located at 114 Cherry St. Downtown. Their phone number is 705-1125.

The Cold and Hungry Coalition

Cold and Hungry is a non-profit, volunteer based organization that works to support the homeless and indigent population in Thurston County. The main focus of the coalition is providing emergency shelter for those who do not qualify for shelter elsewhere in an effort in insure safety. However, the organization also works to insure access to medical care, providing emergency supplies like blankets and tents, and other service needs for our clients. We are looking for committed volunteers that are willing to commit to very satisfying, but challenging work. There are opportunities available for everyone. Contact the Cold and Hungry Coalition at 352-2771.



for an excuse to throw them out for years and in November he will get the chance. They could always use staff to work in the drop-in center with cleaning after lunch and dinner. (see page 45 for more information)

The Cold & Hungry Coalition formed this past year. They managed to run an illegal shelter that housed between 15 to 30 people a night. It was shut down when the police found out about it. After that they bargained with the city council to open up city hall to use as a shelter, but that was shut down when the staff accepted people who did not want to go to the Salvation Army. (For obvious reasons). They managed to get it up and running again, but were forced to have stricter rules. When the winter season ended and the cold weather policy was over the Cold & Hungry Coalition switched its efforts to providing blankets and tents for people. At the same time the organization was going through volunteer changes. Around this time conflicts developed within the organization and many people left who had been with it since the beginning. They do need more help to work in the office and could use blanket donations. (see page 46 for more information on Cold and Hungry)

The Emma Goldman Youth and Homeless Outreach Project (EGYHOP) was formed by some of the former staff of Cold and Hungry. EGYHOP managed to provide the homeless in Olympia with a place to stay by opening up a house that a former volunteer of Cold & Hungry was trying to sell but was not living in. The homeless would work on fixing and selling the house as an exchange for staying there. It is a project that tries to give the homeless resources so they can do things themselves. When the house is sold EGYHOP will get a small piece of the earnings. The project has had some ups and downs. It was forced to reduce its numbers when city officials got suspicious with what was going on in the house. One day a member of the city came expecting to find a homeless shelter that was not up to code but discovered a "work and security crew" who were just doing their job fixing up the house. EGYHOP has collected a good deal of blankets and clothes to give out to homeless, especially youth (a population which Olympia has a large number of but no organizational support). EGYHOP needs as much help as it can get and can always use more volunteers and donations. You can contact David, the project coordinator for EGYHOP, at 791-2241.



For those hard-to-reach spots!



The Cascadia Defense Network (CDN) (a.k.a. Olympia Earth First!)

The Pacific Northwest is home to some amazing geography from the rainforests of the Olympic Peninsula to the Cascade Mountain Range. Unfortunately, these lands are in danger of falling victim to the consumerism and greed of a society which glorifies nature but is unwilling to protect it. We are living in Cascadia, and CDN is part of the larger movement here to protect the last of the native forests,

CDN is a decentralized, direct-action group engaged in frontlines eco-defense and grassroots community organizing. CDN focuses primarily on public lands logging and tries to bring an end to commercial logging while working toward creating a society free of global capitalism.

In Western Washington, the Gifford Pinchot National Forest (GPNF) is the forest in gravest danger. The GPNF is located in Southwestern Washington and is home to Mount Saint Helens, Mount Adams and thousands of acres of unprotected old-growth habitat. Currently, the United States Forest Service is trying to log over 24 old growth Timber sales. CDN is committed to insuring that not a single old tree gets cut and that no more roads be built.

In 1999 CDN set up the first tree-sit in Washington State on Watch Mountain. Watch Mountain is located above the town of Randle, in the GPNF. By combining community outreach and organizing with tree-sitting, CDN successfully in stopped the transfer of hundreds of acres of old-growth forests to the Plum Creek Timber Company.

CDN has weekly meetings and anyone is welcome to join in the movement. To learn more please contact us at <wildcascadia@disinfo.net>



The Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador (CISPES)

El Salvador has been in the forefront of the struggle fighting against U.S. intervention in Central America between 1980-1992 and against neoliberal economic policies since the signing of the Peace Accords of 1992.

CISPES is an international organization that has worked directly with El Salvador's labor unions, the leading women's organization-MAM, student and teacher organizations, and former guerrilla organizations for the past 20 years. Activities have included accompanying popular organizations in El Salvador, lobbying, direct action, mass protest, direct material aid, and education for the U.S. population.

Recently El Salvador has suffered devastating earthquakes that have killed over 1,300 people. The Government of El Salvador (GOES) has not helped the majority of the people and in fact is using over \$400 million from the International Monetary Fund to "dollarize" the economy to integrate that country into the U.S. economy. CISPES, in conjunction with its relations in El Salvador, is presently engaged in resisting neoliberal policies in El Salvador, resisting privatization, providing alternatives to globalization, and promoting material aid after the earthquake.

Many of the issues that people protested against during the Anti-WTO demonstrations in Seattle and elsewhere in the past two years are alive and real with CISPES and the people of El Salvador. If you are interested learning more about an effective organization, please come to the meetings on the first Thursday of the month in room Library 1600 at 6:00 p.m. (during the fall quarter). All new and returning students, staff, faculty, and community members are welcome. Your ideas for the future are especially welcome.

If you are interested in future activity or want more information, please call Larry Mosqueda at 867-6513 or email <Lmosqueda@home.com>. More information on CISPES is available at /www.cispes.org/



Community Build-a-Bike

The Build-a-bike project helps build self-esteem by having adults and kids (between ages 8 & 18) work together to rebuild donated bikes for the kids to keep. Build-a-bike also teaches traffic safety, bike maintenance, hand's on repair, and gives away free helmets. You can contact Build-a-Bike at 705-2494.

Copwatch

Copwatch monitors the Olympia Police Department Activity. Call to report abuses or for more information at 705-2726.

Emma Goldman Youth & Homeless Outreach (EGYHOP)

The Fellowship of Reconciliation (FOR):

FOR is a faith based peace and social justice group which produces a newsletter and a program on TCTV. Every week they gather with signs to protest the sanctions in Iraq. They also work on death penalty issues and have marched on the sidewalk outside the post office protesting the prison system. Members of the group have also done tons of letter writing, fought militarization and nuclear weapons, preformed civil disobedience, and organized against corporate globalization. You can contact FOR at 491-9093; ask for Glenn.

Feminists in Self-Defense Training (FIST)

FIST provides assault prevention training to women and teens. You can contact FIST at 438-0288.

Food Not Bombs! (FNB)

FNB has been sharing free vegan meals for many years now to a wide variety of people, ranging from single moms, punk rock travelers, the "homeless," and students. These gourmet meals, absent of any animal products, are composed mostly of food that would otherwise get sent to the landfill. They serve openly, in public space, without permission from the authorities, a philosophy that is proactive and brilliantly simple, and with group dynamics that create lasting community/individual pride and sustained relationships. FNB is a community of international autonomous groups with some consistent norms. FNB cooks only vegan food. FNB is leaderless, decentralized, and when decisions need to be made, they are made by consensus among those currently participating. FNB strives to create a better society by promoting and creating opportunity for community building through the sharing of healthy free food in a comfortable atmosphere.



The name, FNB, describes the basic philosophy of this group, that society and people need to promote food, i.e. life, over bombs, i.e. death. An estimated 26% of edible food is thrown away every year in this country. Meanwhile, people go hungry, eat inadequate meals, AND STARVE. This is completely avoidable, but political, economic and cultural norms demand that people pay for their food, and that superficially, it must be perfect. In 1992, 10% of city trash was composed of edible good. This is roughly 250 million pounds of food unavailable to the hungry. It is estimated that only 50 million pounds of food are needed to end hunger in America.

Therefore, as a reaction to this wastefulness, FNB promotes food recovery. FNB Olympia has been a very loose group, with no formal members, meetings, no bank accounts, no power fights, and no cases of food poisoning. And yet they consistently come with needed food at social action events such as the recent Capitol City Pride Parade, the May Day street party tenant's union conferences, the anti-WTO actions, as well as showing up to Sylvester Park, the corner of 7th and Capitol, every Sunday around 1 pm.

There are many ways to help: on Sundays, one can help cook at 10:30 at Bread and Roses on Cherry St., one can help set up at the park, play music, make art, or help clean at around 1:30 at Bread and Roses. One can donate their half-full spice jars when they move. Once can contact local businesses about food pickups. There are numerous ways to become involved. They welcome anyone interested to show up for a few hours to experience joy of feeding large groups of diverse people healthy exciting food.

For more information, contact Shawn at 753-5357, or at <fnboiy@cs.com>



FreeSkool.....

email us at <freeskool@ureach.com>



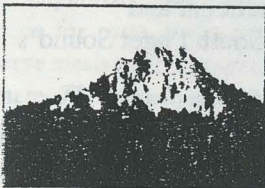
The FreeSkool is a network for free educational opportunities throughout Olympia. We offer a host of work trade and volunteer opportunities as well as a wide range of classes taught by community members.

FreeSkool believes in community-based learning. We believe in a learning process that is experiential, interdisciplinary, and holistic. We encourage learning that circumvents cultural and ideological differences through independent and collaborative study. FreeSkool links theory with practical applications such as work trade, independent study, internships, and teaching opportunities. At the core of our beliefs is our commitment to cultivate a diverse and sustainable community. We believe that education occurs throughout one's lifetime and that we have much to learn from one another within our own communities.

FreeSkool's office space, resource and tool library, outdoor garden, workshop, and classroom are located at Media Island, 816 Adams St. (out the back the door of the downtown Timberland library). We also host classes at other community spaces around town.

There are many volunteer opportunities available at FreeSkool. You can become involved with design work, outreach, fund-raising, special events, technical support, or our internship/work trade program. Get involved, contact us! <http://www.olynetwork.com/freeskool/> or call 1-877-726-4654.

Gifford Pinchot Task Force (GP Task Force)



GP Task Force is a grassroots group based in Olympia dedicated to preserving forest ecosystems and biodiversity within Southwest Washington. The Gifford Pinchot National Forest spans the Cascades south of Mt. Rainier all the way south to the Columbia River including Mt. Adams and Mt. St. Helens. Because of the urban/rural politics of Washington, the Gifford Pinchot has been the "industrial forest" of western Washington and for decades logging has degraded the land in a hard way. Now that the timber communities are watching mills close down from globalization

and over-cutting and science is pointing more and more to the protection of all connected areas and old growth areas the Forest Service has absolutely no excuse to continue logging public land.

The purpose of the GP Task Force is to prevent further degradation to the land by taking an active role in all aspects of Forest Planning and Policy while also engaging in grassroots organizing in local communities. By commenting and litigating on old growth timber sales, the Task Force has helped stop every single old growth sale from being logged in the past four years!

Our Long Term Campaign Goals are 1) shifting from an extractive to a restorative focus on the GP; 2) conserving and restoring southwest Washington ecosystems, 3) Developing sustainable local economies.

We are always looking for volunteers and/or interns to help monitor timber sales, give slideshows, lead hikes, do GIS, community organizing...whatever your passion is. For more information please contact the Gifford Pinchot Task Force by contacting our office at: (360) 753-4185 or Email: gptf@olywa.net or check out our website at: <http://www.gptaskforce.org>



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OlyNetwork began work during the summer of 2001 to promote communication, networking, and accessibility within the Olympia area social change community. We are democratically run by a small, non-hierarchical collective and support all individuals and organizations working for human rights, environmental preservation, and a society free from oppression.

We currently publish a comprehensive calendar of events occurring in and around our area, including speakers, meetings, protests, conferences, politically related art, music, theatre, and other activities. We are also in the process of creating community "kiosks" around town to provide information on local groups and/or events.

Our website features: 1) an interactive community calendar with local meetings, events, and free school classes, 2) a database of local community groups, 3) web links and web hosting for local organizations, 4) interactive news and discussion areas, and 5) a variety of resources for activists, including links to information on various issues and other resources for activists.

We are planning to create a library of information with current releases from local organizations to be located on the information porch at Media Island International and additionally we are in the process of compiling a "yellow pages" of all the South Puget Sound's social change organizations that we hope to complete by Fall of 2002.



In the interest of providing the community with a media tool uncensored by the U.S. Government and corporate interests, we have created a free radio station in Olympia. We have taken notice that free speech is a right, which has been stolen from the people by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), corporate media groups, and other governmental agencies.

The goal of this station is to provide information and education to the community by offering diverse music and alternative commentary and news programs. The content and nature of free radio broadcasting is to be determined by whoever feels the need and desire for expression on the airwaves. Our community is culturally and politically diverse and our station strives to reflect that diversity. In order for radio to be used effectively as a tool by the community, we feel that participation is necessary, as Micro-radio offers the community a means for outreach to both communicate and unify.

We oppose the corporatization of radio as an effort to privatize what should be a community service. In addition, we believe that the FCC's efforts toward low-power FM (LPFM) operations have failed to serve the needs of the community due to the expensive and inaccessible nature of licensing. In the form of direct action, and as a challenge to the so-called "authorities", we transmit without a license over Olympia's airwaves.

Special Feature: Homelessness in Olympia and organizations working with the Homeless

Homelessness in Olympia is a bigger problem than most people are aware of. Many of the organizations that deal with the issue are understaffed and underfunded. It is a sad truth, but many members of the activist community in Olympia fail to make connections between foreign struggles or theoretical ideas and the fights that are occurring in their own backyard. During my first year at Evergreen I worked with almost all these organizations and have become somewhat familiar with the vast variety of mentally ill, squatters, runaways, drug addicts, and ex-convicts, who are homeless in Olympia. This list will hopefully provide people with some idea of how the situation appears and what they can do about it.

The Salvation Army is the largest and most stable provider in Olympia. They have several beds for men and women and serve meals to the people who stay there. *Their resources do not excuse their treatment of others.*

Many members of the homeless community are extremely disgusted with the Salvation Army and some refuse to go so they do not have to take the abuse. The Salvation Army does not allow anyone in the shelter who is drunk, has had a convicted sexual offense, or does not have a form of legal I.D. In other places in the country they have refused people for being queer or for being atheists. The Salvation Army in Olympia has also turned away certain people with disabilities or with pets. One person claimed to be sexually abused in the bathroom of the Salvation Army and was ignored by the staff. Shortly after they were kicked out. The Salvation Army has also lied to the city council in Olympia about the

number of people they have taken in and the number they have turned away.

Saint Michael's is run by a dedicated group of people. It is staffed by a small group of church goers who rotate nights. They do not have a lot of resources and are only allowed to provide spaces for homeless men. There are also restrictions against people who are drunk and people with pets, which is more of a problem than most people realize. There is not a lot of room

for new

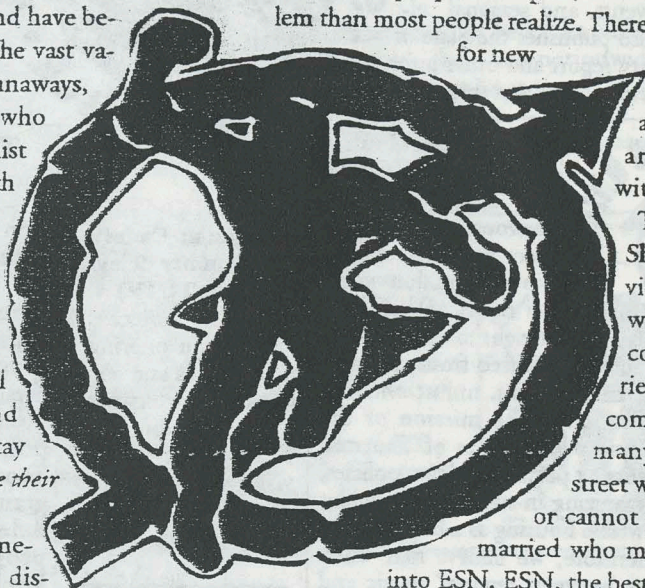
volunteers, but the people who staff are honest and they are good to work with.

The Emergency Shelter Network provides shelter for adult women and married couples. The "married" couples part gets complicated. There are many couples on the street who are not married or cannot prove that they are married who may or may not get

into ESN. ESN, the best to my knowledge,

has also never dealt with queer couples. I believe that ESN can only provide shelter when Olympia is under "cold weather policy," which is a temperature decided by the city council. This may not be true and it is worth looking into.

Bread & Roses is a major resource for the homeless community and are less restrictive than the Salvation Army, although conflicts have occurred between the staff and people who come in. They may lose their drop-in center (a place that provides many homeless people with shelter during the day) due to lease problems this November. Their landlord has been looking



Stonewall Youth

This group provides information, support, and advocacy for bi/gay/lesbian youth. You can contact Stonewall Youth at 705-2738.

Sustainable South Sound (formerly the Sustainable Community Roundtable)

The Roundtable is facilitating a process of dialogue, vision, action, and celebration to help create sustainable community in South Puget Sound. The Roundtable was initiated by the City of Olympia in 1991 and incorporated as an independent nonprofit organization in 1992. The Roundtable organizes roundtable discussions, "nights of the Roundtable" educational events, and seasonal celebrations. It also publishes the State of the Community report and other information on sustainability and initiates and

collaborates on new "steps in the right direction", such as the Sound Exchange local currency program. If you're looking for an opportunity to put your time, energy, and skills to work for the whole community, look no further. The Roundtable currently needs volunteers for a wide variety of jobs.

The Roundtable can be contacted at 754-7842 or at roundtable@olywa.net. Our website is www.olywa.net/roundtable



The Thurston County Tenants Union (TCTU)

TCTU is a grassroots, nonpartisan, direct action, membership organization working together for tenants rights. We believe that all tenants have the right to decent housing at affordable prices, free from excessive and frequent rent increases, unjust evictions and discrimination. The mission of the TCTU is to improve the lives of Thurston County's tenants by promoting laws, policies, and tenant organizing in support of safe, decent and affordable housing as a basic human right. Furthermore, we believe that when conflict arises between tenants' needs and owners' profits, the basic need for decent housing at affordable prices must take priority over the economic interests of the landowner.

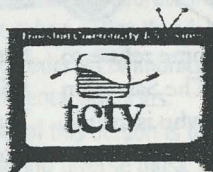
We operate a hotline to answer tenant questions on How to Get REPAIRS done, How to Get DEPOSITS back, and other questions. We have volunteer and intern opportunities.

You can contact TCTU at 943-3036 or check out their web-site at www.tenantsunion.org

Thurston County Community Television (TCTV)

Public Access Television offering free classes and easy access to the airwaves.

You can contact TCTV at 956-3100 or visit their website at www.tctv.net/ for more information.



The Thurston-Santo Toma's Sister County Association (TSTSCA)

TSTSCA is a solidarity organization that works directly with a community in Santo Tomas, Nicaragua. For the last fourteen years Olympia community members have participated in construction brigades, delegations, and educational events that have supported the daily work of organizers in Santo Tomas. Evergreen students have the opportunity to travel and work in Santo Tomas during spring quarter. The program has sent five successful student delegations to work in community projects like the children's lunch kitchen, the farm project, the health clinic, the woodworkers' collective, and the public library. Look for community and campus events in the fall and winter to see this organization in action. Also look for the Olympia-Santo Tomas Quarterly, our newsletter that includes articles about current politics and economics, project updates from our sister community, news from this community, as well as poetry and stories. Call Stephanie at 956-7250 for more information.

South Puget Sound Environmental Education Clearinghouse (SPEECH) / The Green Pages

A community environmental resource center publishing The South Sound Green Pages, a monthly journal of environmental criticism with a focus on regional issues. SPEECH also publishes a directory of local and regional environmental groups and provides a meeting space for environmental organizations. The Green Pages can be found in the TESC library and at the Food coops. You can contact SPEECH at (360) 786-6349, via email at speech@olywa.net. SPEECH's website, which contains a directory of regional environmental organizations, is www.olywa.net/speech/

The Green Party (a.k.a South Sound Greens)

The South Sound Greens are a group of concerned people dedicated to promoting values-based grassroots democracy. We are committed to tackling public policy issues affecting our local and global community. We intend to promote this through inclusive civic participation and local action, adhering to, and applying the Green Party's Ten Key Values: Future Focus, Nonviolence, Social Justice, Decentralization, Ecological Wisdom, Respect for Diversity, Grassroots Democracy, Post-Patriarchal Values, Community-Based Economics, and Personal and Global Responsibility.

There is a new Student Activity group called the Ever-Greens established to be a campus liaison between TESC, the South Sound Greens and the local communities. In addition there is a nationwide organization called the Campus Greens that works to connect Greens on campuses throughout the U.S. and the world. www.campusgreens.org To inquire about the Ever-Greens call Casey at 273-8785.

Check out our web-page at www.southsoundgreens.org/. You can reach us at southsoundgreens@yahoo.com or 705-6517.

The Industrial Workers of the World (IWW)

The IWW is a militant, non-hierarchical, directly democratic union that organizes workers as a class, regardless of their employment status. The IWW believes that the employing class and working class have nothing in common, and seeks to abolish capitalism, while forming a new, more equitable society based on free-association and production for need instead of profit. The IWW was founded in 1905.

The Olympia branch of the IWW meets every second and last Sunday of the month at Bread and Roses (see downtown map page. 36). For more information call us at 367-0419, or E-mail us at olywobs@hotmail.com



Media Island International

Media Island International is a resource and networking center for activists working on social justice, economic democracy, ecological sustainability and peace issues. The center, located at 316 Adams Street, is open, accessible and free to the community. Its resources include meeting space for groups, with an easy-to-use scheduling system, Mac and PC computers open for use, a library of books, publications and videos, and a fax machine and printer.

Media Island does other things too: We run a news website (www.mediaisland.org) which focuses on global struggles for social change. We also umbrella several activist groups with our nonprofit status. Media Island also sometimes works on special projects, which are generally either media or fundraising-related: *Media Island played a major role in establishing the original Independent Media Center in Seattle for the '99 WTO protests.*

VOLUNTEER at Media Island. There are countless ways to help Media Island be a vibrant, healthy institution that supports and strengthens local activism. You can take part in the SpokesCouncil, join the website team, get trained for office shifts to help keep the doors open, join the fundraising, outreach, financial, gardening or maintenance committees, or create your own project.

We are located at 316 Adams Street, the yellow house across from the downtown Timberland library. Our office hours fluctuate with the amount of volunteers contributing office time, but we aim to keep the space opened full-time, seven days a week. You can also call us at 352-8526.

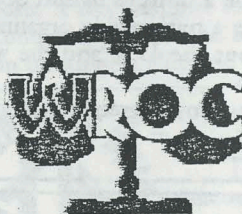


Thurston Union of Low Income People (TULIP)

TULIP is working to create the first state-chartered low-income credit union in Washington. TULIP's mission is to create and maintain an accessible, full service credit union organization, which is owned and managed by its low-income members. TULIP's goals include providing a variety of financial and related services designed to meet the particular needs of the low-income community, operating the credit union in a manner which involves the participation of the low-income community in its management, and operating the credit union using a consensus decision-making process. The credit union hopes to open its doors sometime in 2002. For more information, please call: Kirty Koppelman, Project Coordinator, at (360) 956-9235 or email her at tulipcu@hotmail.com

United Communities AIDS network

The United Communities AIDS Network is a nonprofit service agency for people affected by HIV in Thurston County. Some of the care services include: assessment, buddy/companion program, drop in center, HIV resource library, direct service fund, support groups, volunteer training and placement, a speakers bureau, HIV prevention, and youth outreach. You can contact the United Communities AIDS network at 352-2375.



The Welfare Rights Organizing Coalition (WROC)

WROC is a grassroots organization that brings low-income parents together to challenge and improve welfare policy. Our mission is to affect economic and social justice by educating and empowering low-income people, especially those who receive public assistance, to affect positive change in their communities and in their lives. If you have questions about your rights or want to get involved or do an internship, you can reach us at 360-352-9716 or wrocoly@wroc.org.

Works In Progress (WIP) Journalism with Spunk since 1990

WIP is a free community newspaper sponsored and created by the Thurston County Rainbow Coalition. Established in 1990 to counter the influence of the local Gannett newspaper, WIP, throughout its existence, has been successful in bringing issues and positions to the community that have been ignored by the mainstream press. From the story exposing the state's hiring of out-of-state scab construction labor to stories of local police abuses of power, Works In Progress has continually printed working class experiences and concerns.

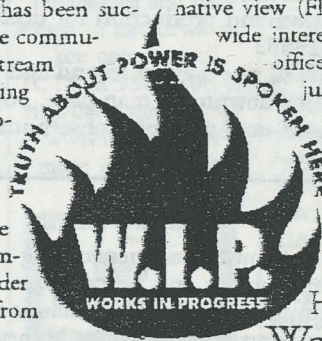
Works In Progress has received the energy of people and organizations in the community and needs to continue to do so in order to be of value. Articles that people send in from this community are its lifeblood.

WIP's primary purpose is to create and maintain a platform from which people can speak. People are encouraged to write their own articles in their own voices. It is a philosophy of WIP that no one can do a better job writing about an issue than those who are directly affected can, and WIP does not believe in the existence of the "unbiased" journalist.

People are interested in hearing what is going on in our community. They want to know what other people think

and experience. Many times the articles in WIP have reached elected officials (no sitting on the sidewalk), influenced coverage by The Olympian (DNR building), provided an alternative view (Fleetwood Project) and sparked community-wide interest and attention (abuse by Olympia police officers). It's very important to write, even if it is just a short note. *To not write is to depend on Gannett to tell our stories (or not) from its perspective.*

You can find WIP at the TESC Library or any number of places around town



How to submit an article to Works In Progress

Please, when possible, e-mail articles to us:

Works In Progress
PO Box 295
Olympia, WA 98507
(360) 943-3036
wip@olywa.net



GETTING ACTIVE IN OLYMPIA



NEWS WEBSITES

A-Infos

www.ainfos.ca/en/

Abya Yala Net

abyayala.nativeweb.org

Alternet

www.alternet.org

Asheville Global Report

www.agmnews.org

Black World Today

www.tbwt.com

Common Dreams

www.commondreams.org

CounterPunch

www.counterpunch.org

disinformation

www.disinfo.com

Guerilla News Network

www.guerrillanews.com

Infoshop News

www.infoshop.org/news/

Inner City Press

www.innercitypress.org

Interactivist Info Exchange

slash.autonomeia.org

LiP Magazine

www.lipmagazine.org

MediaChannel.org

www.mediachannel.org

ZNet

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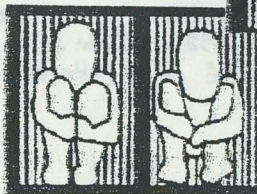
ANTI-WAR

Center for Defense Information

www.cdi.org

NonviolenceWeb

www.nonviolence.org



Independent Media Center

www.indymedia.org

IMC - Chicago

chicago.indymedia.org

IMC - Houston

houston.indymedia.org

IMC - New York City

nyc.indymedia.org

IMC - San Francisco

sf.indymedia.org

IMC - Washington, DC

dc.indymedia.org

GROUPS

Anarchist Black Cross Network

www.anarchistblackcross.org

Black Radical Congress

www.blackradicalcongress.org/

Books Not Bars

www.booksnotbars.org/

Critical Resistance

www.criticalresistance.org/

Deal With It

fruitondesign.com/dealwithit/index.php3

Homes Not Jails

www.homesnotjails.org

Ontario Coalition Against Poverty

www.ocap.ca

Prison Activist Resource Center

www.prisonactivist.org

EARTH FIRST!

PO Box 3023, Tucson, AZ 85702

East Village Inky (radical mom zine)

www.ayunhalliday.com

Ayun Halliday, PO Box 22754, Brooklyn NY 11202-2754.

Ecozine

PO Box 241387, Little Rock, AR 72223-0007

Factsheet Five (www.factsheet5.org)

PO Box 4660, Arlington, VA 22204

Fifth Estate

4632 Second Ave., Detroit, MI 48201

Green Anarchy

POB 11331, Eugene, OR 97440

ALTERNATIVE MEDIA

Alternative Press Center

<http://www.altpress.org/>

Cascadia Media Collective

www.cascadiamedia.org

Democracy Now

<http://www.democracynow.org/>

Free Speech TV

www.freespeech.org

Independent Press Association

www.indypress.org

Pockaxe Productions

www.pickaxe.org

Project Censored

www.projectcensored.org

Radio4All

www.radio4all.org

The Video Activist Network

www.videoactivism.org

POLITICAL

Anarchy for Anybody

www.radio4all.org/anarchy/

Colours of Resistance

www.tao.ca/~colours/

Flag!

flag.blackened.net

Infoshop.org

www.infoshop.org

Killing King Abacus

www.geocities.com/kk_abacus/vbutterfly.html

PR Watch

www.prwatch.org

Progressive Review

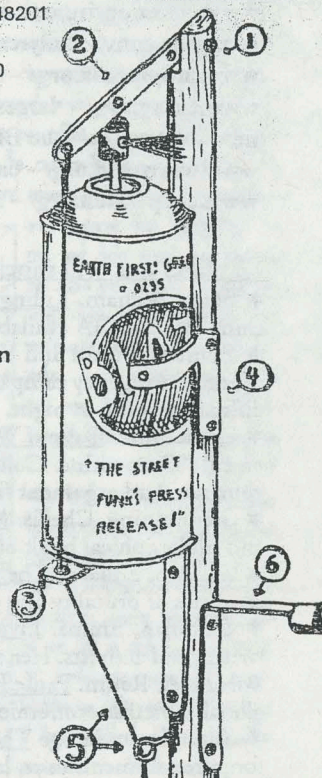
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Spoon Collective

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Spunk Library

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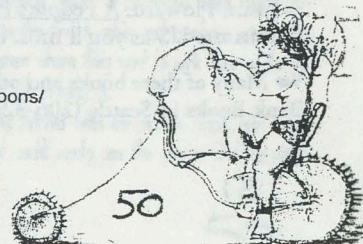
anarchosyndicalism.org

IWW

www.iww.org

Labourstart

www.labourstart.org



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GETTING INFORMED AND STAYING INFORMED

11 resources for keeping up on current issues:

- Works in Progress** - your local monthly progressive newspaper (available in Evergreen's library)
- The Green Pages** - your local almost monthly environmental newspaper (available in Evergreen's library)
- Beyond the Bubble** - weekly news in column in the Cooper Point Journal (see page 22) aka EPIC (see page 18)
- The OlyNetwork Project** - provides a weekly email calender of political events and more (see page 49)
- [/www.commondreams.org/](http://www.commondreams.org/) - daily news from a progressive perspective; best on the web
- [/ens.lycos.com/](http://ens.lycos.com/) - daily environmental news from around the world
- [/www.indymedia.org/](http://www.indymedia.org/) - immensely popular site with unfiltered, "user-driven", non-corporate news
- [/www.zmag.org/](http://www.zmag.org/) - largest archive of progressive and radical research, essays, and information on the net
- [/news.bbc.co.uk/](http://news.bbc.co.uk/) - the BBC is a good bit less slanted and far more comprehensive than US news sources
- [/www.oneworld.org/](http://www.oneworld.org/) - carries press releases from progressive organizations from around the world
- [/www.corpwatch.org/](http://www.corpwatch.org/) - a watchdog on multi-national corporations with daily news and research resources

13 books that will shock, inspire, or just make you think (see pages 57, 58, 60, and 72, for more):

- * Blum, William. Killing Hope. This book offers the best documentation of the brutality of the US military machine and the CIA available, chronicling no less than 55 military interventions since WWII.
- * Churchill, Ward and Vander Wall, Jim. Agents of Repression. This book carefully documents the FBI's massive counter insurgency campaign launched against the Black Panther Party & the American Indian Movement. Makes it difficult to sleep at night.
- * CrimethInc. Days of War, Nights of Love. Extremely popular introduction to the mysterious (partially Olympia based) "CrimethInc. Collective" and their critique of capitalism, government, work, and more. It's definitely not your standard argument for "saving the world" and to some people the book's a joke, but then that's its charm.
- * Glendinning, Chellis. My Name Is Chellis & I'm in Recovery from Western Civilization. This popular historical and philosophical book offers the thesis that mental illness in our society stems from our alienation from nature.
- * Galeano, Eduardo. The Open Veins of Latin America. This book offers a wide-ranging and powerful telling of the centuries of brutality and exploitation perpetrated on the peoples of Latin America.
- * Goldman, Emma. Living My Life. Emma Goldman was one of America's most famous anarchist and feminist writers and activists. Her autobiography is personal, inspiring, and remains wholly relevant today.
- * Hahnel, Robin. Panic Rules! Generally regarded as the best short and up-to-date guide to the problems with the global capitalist economic system available.
- * Katsiaficas, George. The Imagination of the New Left. Though your high school world history class may have forgotten to mention it, large scale revolutionary movements erupted throughout most of the world during the late 1960's. This work examines the revolutionary spirit of 1968 from Sri Lanka to Chicago.
- * Le Guin, Ursula. The Dispossessed. One of the most famous science fiction novels ever written (you don't have to like SF to enjoy it) also contains one of best and most detailed visions of an anarchistic society you'll ever read.
- * Merchant, Carolyn. Radical Ecology. The most influential book on the roots of global environmental problems.
- * Muscio, Inga. Cunt. An Evergreen grad wrote this! It's one of the most informative and entertaining books to come out of the radical feminist movement in recent memory. It examines the cunt and its history over the centuries.
- * Zerzan, John. Elements of Refusal. Zerzan presents a fundamentally different argument than many radical thinkers: that civilization itself is to blame for the world's ills. He calls for a return to primitivism.
- * Zinn, Howard. A People's History of the United States. This book is as close to a comprehensive history of oppression in the US as you'll find. It's indispensable reading.

➤ Many of these books and others can be found at EPIC's library on campus (867-6144), Media Island (352-8526), Left Bank Books in Seattle (206-322-2868), and the Liberation Collective infoshop in Portland (503-525-4975)

Secretly from the Suburbs: Hippies, Hypocrisy, and the Beautiful Art of Finding a home

Welcome to Evergreen, welcome to a world of heady neighbors, late night vegan snacks, and bus rides on the 41 in which you'll soon know every single passenger. Ah, it's a great place here (so great not to have to explain all the time why you're a vegetarian). So nice not to be around people who think organic nails are important, or people who really like TV shows about cats that do miracles.

Where are people coming from when they arrive at Evergreen? Is going to school here a natural next-step after growing up in a cabin on a self-sufficient farm? Or maybe folks are from nice cities, had jobs building eco-friendly houses, and even biked past community gardens on their way to school.

Okay, okay, for some of us this might be true. But, for many of us, um...no. We grew up near some vomitous mass of asphalt and strip malls and subdivisions. I did. I usually say I'm from Populop, going with the custom of saying the closest big city (Baltimore, Denver, Chicago). It just feels too difficult (and perhaps embarrassing) to say it's really a suburb of Baltimore, a 30 minute drive on the expressway out of Denver, an unending sprawl of pavement devouring the landscape outside of Chicago. Are you from the suburbs? Does "Cedrona" on Evergreen Parkway look sorta familiar?

It's not your fault. It's not like hanging out at the mall at the age of 13 forever banishes people from becoming environmentalists that mock consumer-culture a few years later. Our past probably even encourages us to make lifestyle and value changes. And thus, the children of the white middle class seek out a place like Evergreen because they know it can't go on like this.

Often in living in this society we see how every stupid little thing with which we've been indoctrinated is wrong. Here at Evergreen, we have seminars about corporations, environmental protection, workers rights, colonialism, racism, gender issues, harassment, violence, poverty, food systems, pollution, endangered species, etc...

Well, how do we fix it? How do we not stress ourselves out but be able to make the world a better place. By creating better places. By getting to the root of

how we think and feel. By connecting all these huge, abstract issues mentioned above to something real, like the earth or a neighborhood. A town is something we can feel, love, change, and in which we can have roots into the earth.

And the suburbs? Here's a two-second crash course in healthy land-use planning: by focusing the human population into cities, towns, and villages. The surrounding wild lands are preserved and the community spaces can hopefully be encouraged to become sustainable, healthy, and enjoyable. When people are clustered

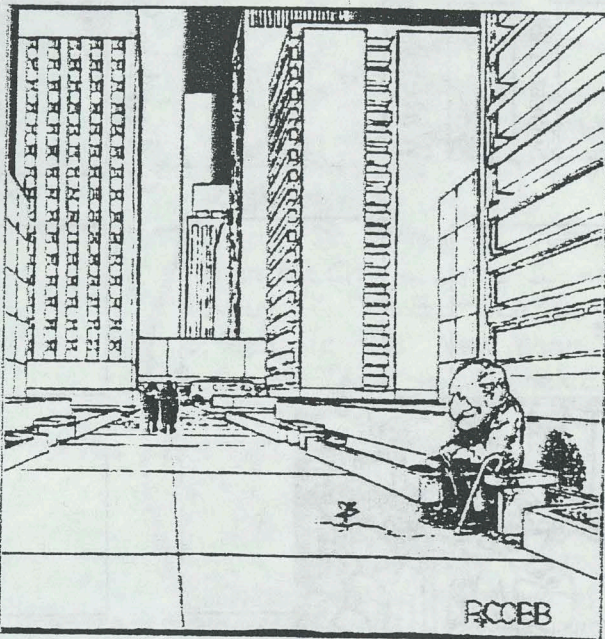
around places they like (cafes, plazas, and daily needs) they take up less space and are more likely to care about their community (have good wastewater, transportation, schools, and parks). In the suburbs people tend to care less about community, but are more likely to want to run away from it. If we can create places that are truly viable and livable in some places then we can start tearing up the pavement in others. Until then, we can start by building community gardens, and putting benches where people can sit and talk to each other, and building eco-friendly homes that are affordable (so folks won't be kicked out of their neighborhoods when wealthier people want to live there).

So personally, I think that changing unjust systems and healing the earth has to do with loving a home.

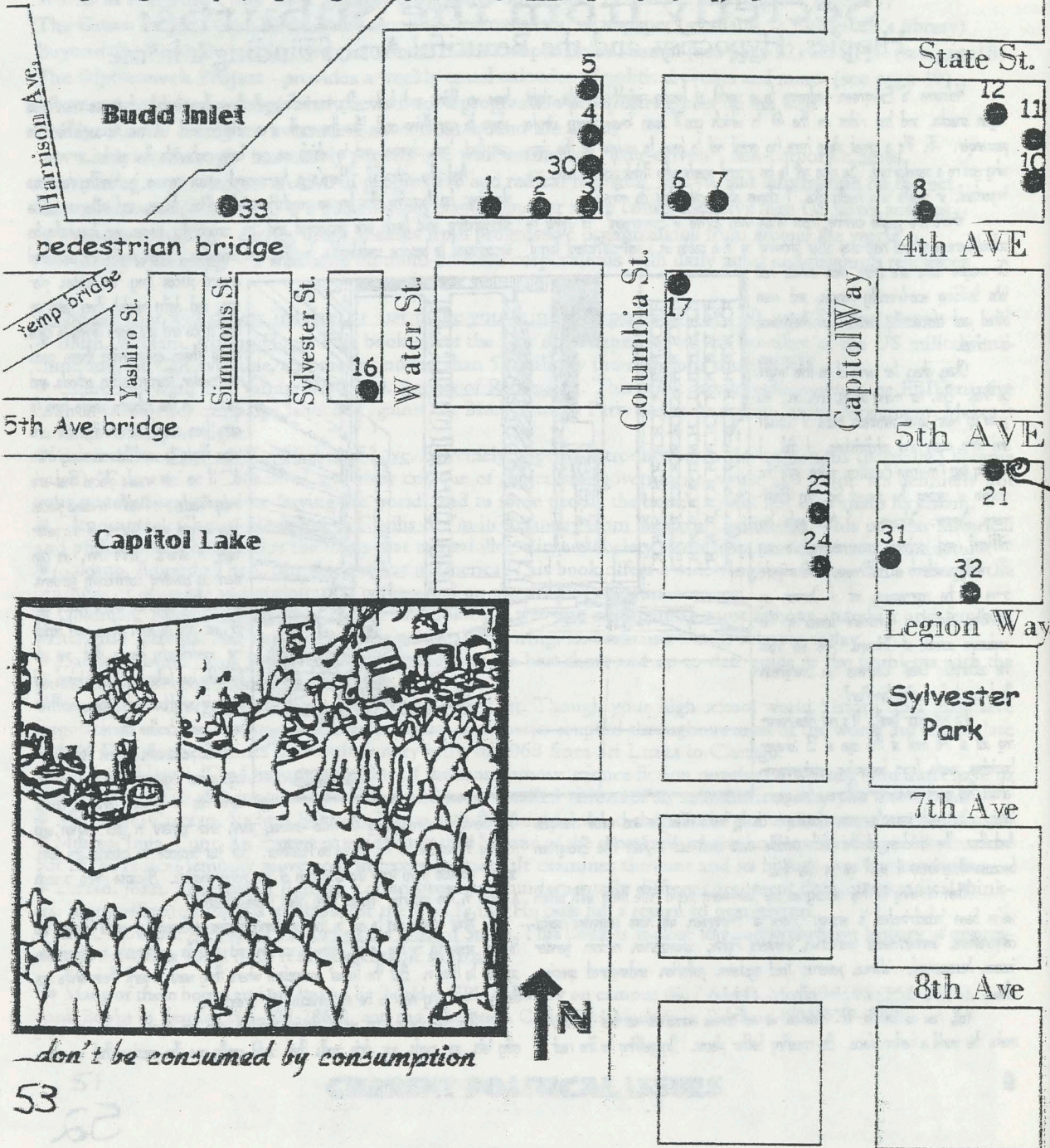
It's bioregional, respecting the life (animal, plant, and human) in your region and making it possible for the life to be healthier. But just because the suburbs are ugly doesn't exclude them from the attention of the bioregionalists. Because there is such a need in the suburbs, maybe they need more attention.

What seems sad to me is that so many hippies at Evergreen would ideally like to buy property in the forest, have a garden and a cabin and create a sustainable system to live in. But the forest ecosystem where they want to park their white ass doesn't need any help to be sustainable. It already is.

It's the places that we've already tainted with our human touch, our empty city lots, our roads, our strip malls that could really use the passion that we give.



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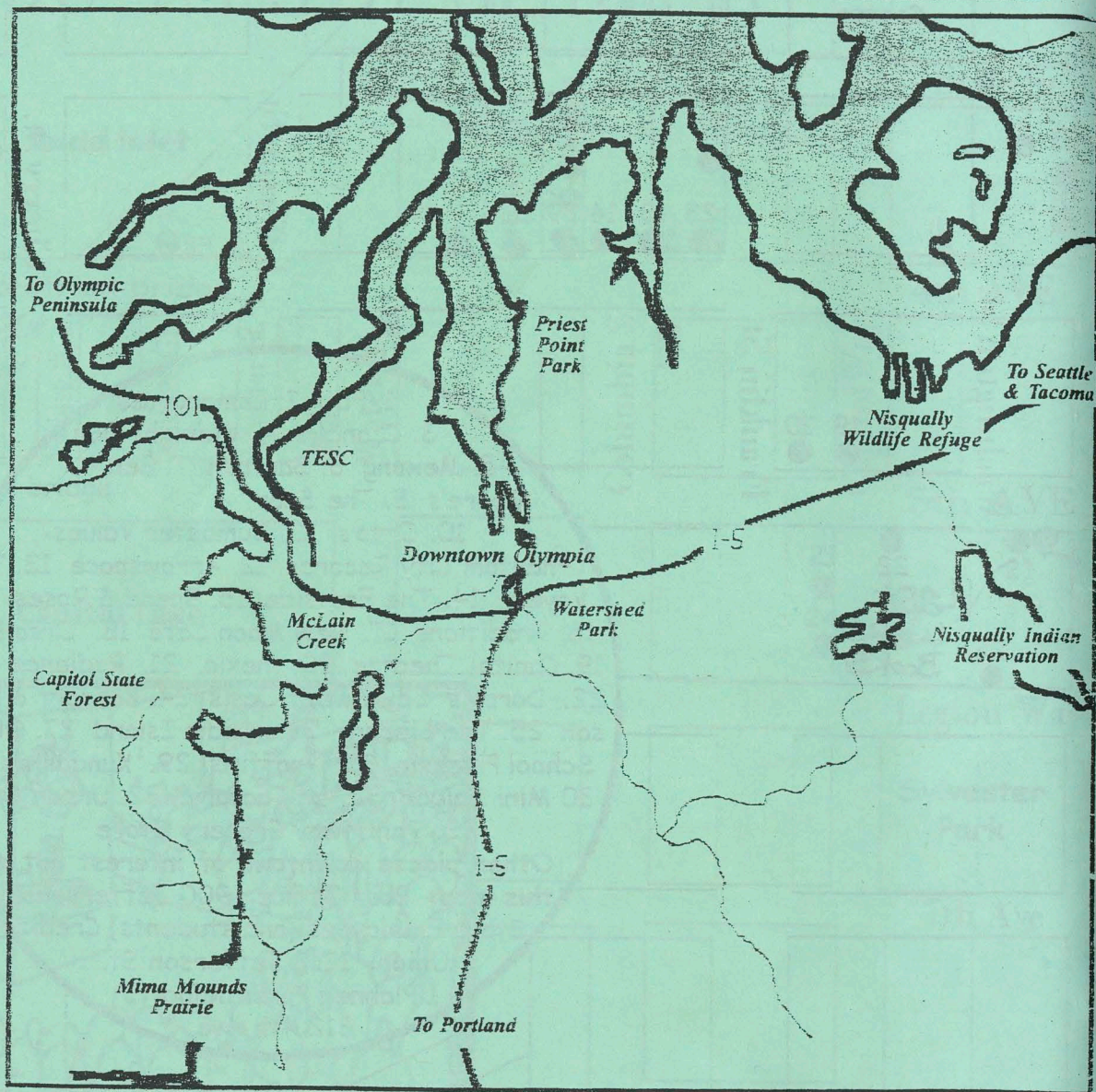
Other places downtown of interest not on this map:
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 State Employees (and students) Credit Union: 1212 Jefferson St.
 Planned Parenthood: 312 4th Ave.

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