

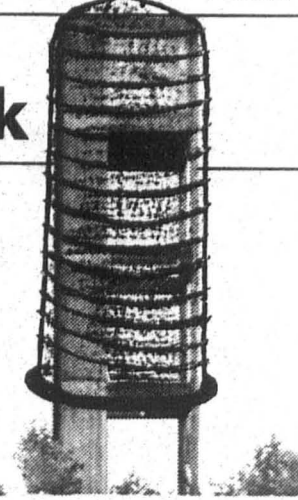
The See Page 2010



Help celebrate National condom week

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endocytosis:
percolating vesicles,
bubbling funny

invisible bits
of chemicals swim in cells,
these machines called life

the enzyme added,
How will the molecules dance?
cheek to cheek, we hope

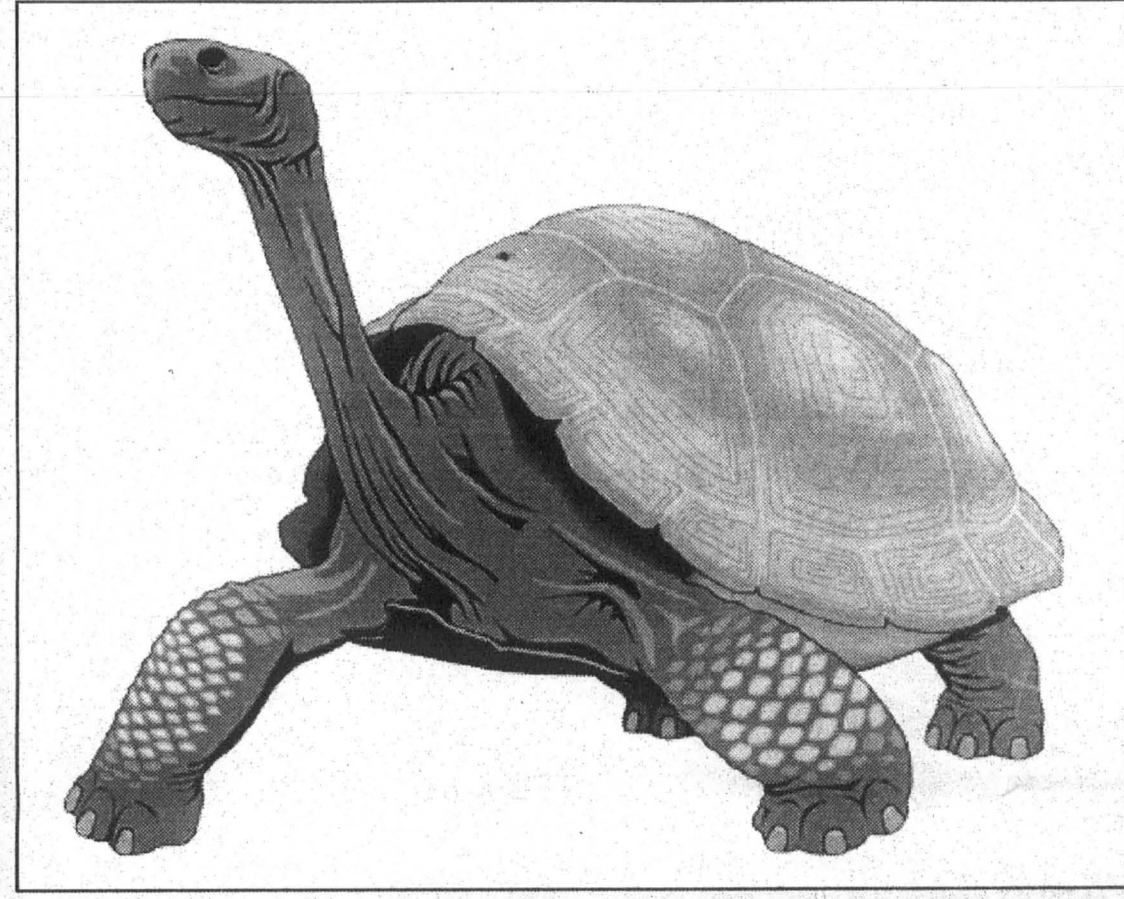
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heart grasping for oxygen
stiff, as in rigor

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contain common subunits
big happy family

The Return of The Great and Powerful Turtle

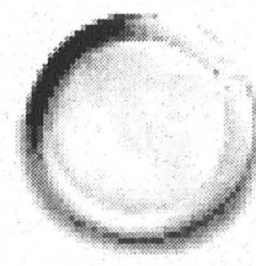


The See Page 2010 staff celebrates the long anticipated return of the See Page mascot who was kidnapped in 1998 by Grand Moff Tarkin. An elite band of rebels broke into Tarkin's palace and liberated the aging turtle. Experiments are underway to return him to his time period. No word yet on what will become of Jub-Jub, the iguana who served as interim mascot for the last 12 years.

Submissions needed!

Rumors that the See Page 2010 will become a non-localized phenomenon are beginning to become true in the wake of yet another week of with no submissions. The last time the See Page suffered from such a long-lasting submission drought was in 1998 when the See Page editor was forced to commit ritualistic suicide in a vain attempt to garner submissions.

To submit to the See Page, drop by the CPJ office in CAB 316. Be sure to leave your name and telephone number



Help celebrate National Condom Week:
**Give your valentine
the gift of protection**

Women's basketball Struggling but learning

by Trevor Pyle
Staff writer

It's an hour into practice, and the members of Evergreen's women's basketball team are scrimmaging, five players against five with few rests and much contact.

Coach Rick Harden watches and gives instructions. Sneakers squeak on the gym floor. During a pause in the scrimmage, Stefanie Baltzell, one of the team's captains, spends long minutes talking defensive assignments with Harden, and as they talk Alex Dagnon, another captain walks closer and listens, then talks; the name 'Amanda,' not a member of the Evergreen team, comes up frequently.

"That name keeps coming up," an observer to practice says. "That must be the one they're afraid of. That must be the bogeyman."

The observer leans back into her folding chair as the practice starts again.

After practice, Rick Harden sits in an office that could only belong to a basketball coach, from the wrinkled Larry Bird to the boxes of women's basketball shoes stacked on a bookshelf. The practice lasted over an hour and a half, and sweat darkens Harden's hair.

The windows behind him look out into the gym, and every once in a while a basketball will float up into view.

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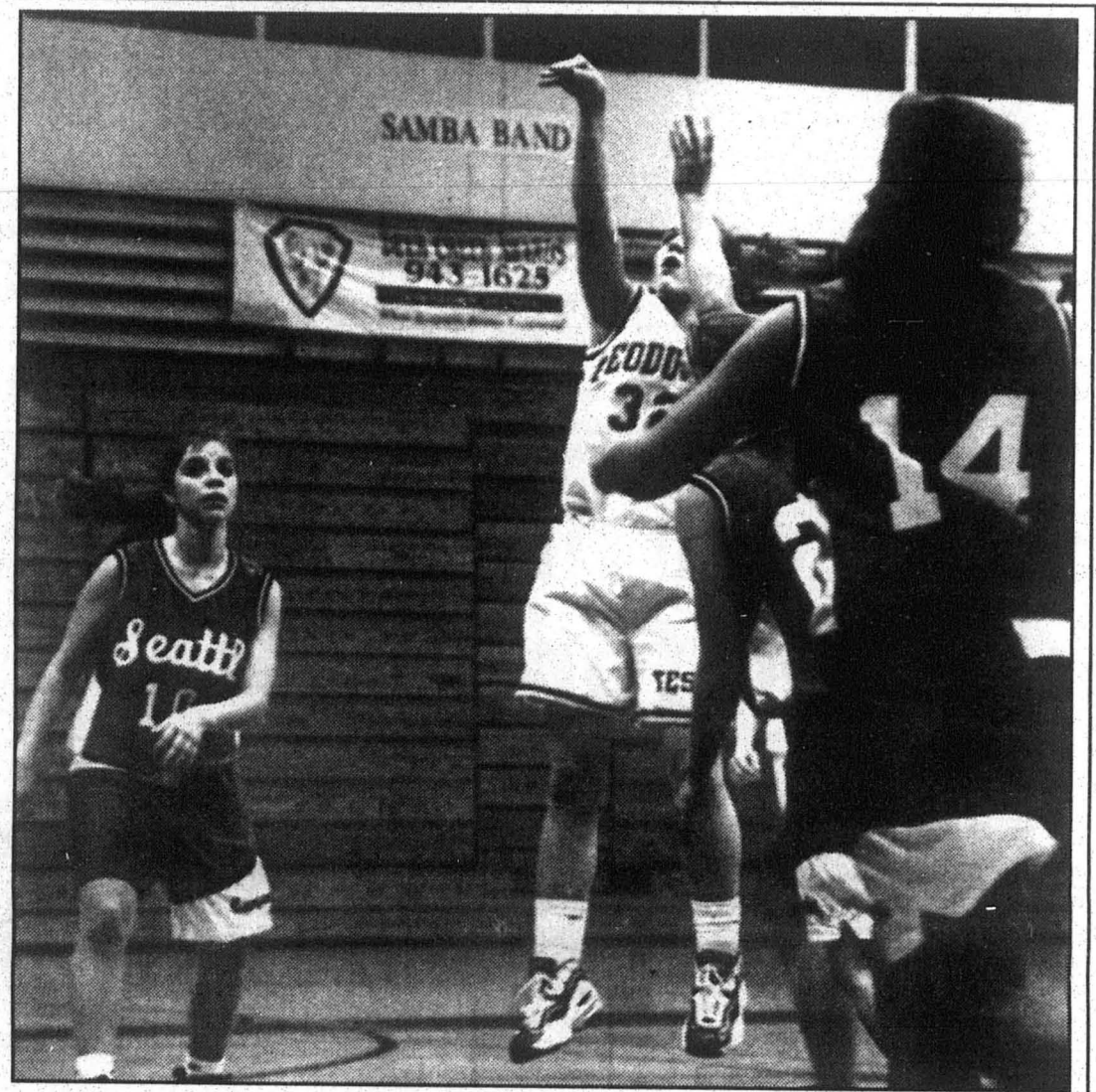


photo by David Boudinot

Food survey Changes ahead for food services

by Leigh Cullen
Staff writer

Beginning two weeks ago, some 300 students living off-campus received phone calls asking for their opinion on what food they like, when and where they eat on campus, and what type of food they think should be served on campus. All Evergreen staff and faculty were sent similar written surveys last Friday.

Chuck McKinney, assistant director for Residential Life, Nancy McKinney, special assistant to the vice president for Finance and Administration, and Andrea Meld from Research and Planning are trying to revitalize food services facilities, "because the one we have isn't working," Nancy McKinney. These surveys are just one step in that process.

They want to make changes in where, what and how food is served on campus. Though most of the changes will probably take two years to complete, some changes in the type of food that is served could be made sooner, said Nancy McKinney.

Meld hired students to make phone calls to about 10 percent of Evergreen's student population. "This is a big investment — we're talking millions of dollars so I wanted to make sure we reached as many students as possible," said Nancy McKinney.

Nancy McKinney also hopes enough faculty and staff members return their surveys to give a good sample opinion.

Nancy McKinney, Chuck McKinney and Meld will take the results from the survey and bring in a consultant to help them design and develop better facilities for food services.

They also plan to form a small group of interested students, staff and faculty to develop ideas and work with the larger Evergreen community.

Beginning last November, Nancy McKinney, Chuck McKinney and Andrea Meld created four different focus groups made up of students, staff and faculty. The survey questions were designed from the information given by these focus groups.

The changes will be designed with the help of Northwest Food Services, the company who runs The Deli and the Greenery. Though Northwest Food Service's contract with Evergreen runs out in the year 2000, Nancy McKinney said the changes have "nothing to do with that—it has to do with getting better facilities."

Green food bank

by Hillary Rossi
Staff writer

Evergreen has a food bank, but keep it quiet. It's already been kept quiet for six years.

The food bank hides out in the Health Center. Darlene Herron, program supervisor for the Health Center, started the food bank with other Health Center employees during the 1992-93 school year.

During the 1992-93 academic year, the staff noticed more and more students physically ill because of hunger or malnourishment.

"We knew we had to do something," said director Liz Nyman.

The staff solicited food from faculty and staff. Primarily, they solicited from people working the Health Center, including some student volunteers.

However, throughout the years, it has been difficult to maintain the food source level.

"We're only one office, and we don't bolster it continuously," Nyman said.

Evergreen students were never solicited for food by the Health Center employees. However, in the past student groups organized events and asked for food donations from students.

"Students are invited to contribute, but rarely do," Herron said.

"Some people have given money for groceries." Occasionally, students will come in for food and find nothing. Last month when such an incident occurred, the Health Center staff took money from their own pockets and food from their own lunches to feed the student.

This occurs sometimes when the food bank has depleted.

The incident last month propagated the dean of academic and support services, Shannon Ellis, to send out e-mail to staff and faculty soliciting food.

"As a response to the e-mail, there has been a large outpouring," Nyman said.

But students who know of the food bank and need its help have mixed feelings about taking food.

"A student will be embarrassed," Nyman said.

During the summer, the Health Center closes. The food bank is then kept in the office for student advising and support services. Students can contribute by dropping off their non-perishable food to the Health Center, Seminar Building 6200.

TO HELP
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Summer jobs

Start planning now ...

by Stacia Lewis
Career Counselor

It's time to start planning for summer! Yes, it's still only February but your potential employers are ready for you to apply. Many summer jobs are being filled now; that way employers know they will be adequately staffed for their summer seasons.

What kind of summer jobs are available? Actually there's quite a variety, including summer camps, retail, internships and outdoor education. Our current listings range from jobs with the American Camping Association, Camp Fire, Mt. Rushmore and Discovery Park. There are also some internship/research positions including physics work at Oregon State University, astronomy in Florida and biological research at U.W. You can lead a bike tour in France, work for social justice through Democracy '98 or do an administrative internship for the Santa Fe Opera. Of course, you can also directly approach employers of interest to inquire about possible positions as many employers

don't formally advertise their openings. For those of you living in the Olympia area, remember this is the season for hospitality, better weather and longer days, so expect outdoor and tourism jobs to increase. Check at local camps, the YMCA, the waterfront, nurseries, parks and recreation departments, City of Olympia, the community center and restaurant and espresso places.

We are still receiving summer job listings on a regular basis, but don't delay as many are beginning to close. Come by the Career Development Center in Library 1407 and take a look. The summer job board is located opposite our full time job board in the hall just past Academic Planning. If you have any questions about summer jobs, please don't hesitate to call our office at ext. 6193 or to stop by. We have drop in hours from 9-11am Mondays and Tuesdays, from 3-5pm on Thursdays, and from 1-3pm on Wednesdays and Fridays. Counselors are also available for appointments from 8am to 6pm Monday through Thursday and 8am to 5pm on Friday. We look forward to working with you.

S&A coordinator needed for 98-99

by Hillary Rossi
Member of the S&A Board

The S&A Board wants a coordinator for the 1998-99 school year. That means we want you to apply.

The S&A Board stands for Services and Activities Board. The S&A Board allocates money to student run and operated groups, KAOS radio station, the Cooper Point Journal, the Child Care Center and the College Recreation Center. The money to fund these programs, groups, and facilities comes from your tuition money.

It's open to any student enrolled for 12 or more credits next year. He or she must recruit board member applicants next fall, and also facilitate the board member selection committee and training the members.

The coordinator must prepare agendas, get a minute taker, and manage the board's operational budget. She/he must disseminate information concerning actions of the board to campus offices, student organizations, and committees, as well as provide information and services for the board and for student

organizations. At the end of the academic year, the coordinator will submit an S&A budget for administrative approval and approval by the Board of Trustees.

An S&A Board coordinator applicant should be (but doesn't necessarily have to be) familiar with the S&A allocation process at Evergreen. The coordinator should have strong organization, communication, facilitation, and budgeting, skills. She/he should also be familiar with computers and should exhibit the ability to advocate for students.

There is no application for the S&A coordinator. To apply submit a cover letter addressing your interest in the position and a resume outlining all related paid or volunteer experience, all related group experience, any experience working with groups, all budget related skills and experience, references, and college background, which includes emphasis of study, year in school, number of years at school, etc.

Turn in cover letter and resume to the front desk in CAB 320 by Monday, March 2 at noon. Interviews will be held on March 4. Call x6221 for questions.

This space is normally reserved for errors made in last week's paper. However, due to a sudden dose of perfection, all we have to report is an errant pie symbol sneaked into last week's errata. Sorry.

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Deadline 3 p.m. Monday. Student Rate is just \$2.00/30 words. Contact Keith Weaver for more rate info. Phone (360) 866-6000 x6054 or stop by the CPJ, CAB 316.

Voting power

Trustees oppose student representatives voting

by Hillary Rossi
Staff writer

When Senate Bill 5517 passed Tuesday evening Evergreen's Board of Trustees held their breath.

The Washington State Senate Bill gives voting power to the student representatives of the Board of Trustees at all Washington four-year public colleges.

Evergreen's Board of Trustees don't want the student representative to have voting power. Neither do the boards at the five other Washington state colleges who will be affected if the bill becomes law.

Kim Merriman, Evergreen's political liaison, spoke and submitted a letter to the House of Representatives and the Senate explaining the three reasons why Evergreen opposes the bill.

The first reason for opposition is that the board doesn't believe that somebody who is affected by decisions should be in on the decision making process. All of the trustees are community members, unaffected directly by decisions made in the board meetings.

Secondly, the trustees represent outside perspectives. According to the letter submitted by Merriman to the House Higher Education Committee, a trustee "should not be involved in the internal operation of the college." A student, even in the capacity of student representative to the board, is involved in the internal operation of the college.

Lastly, if students become voting members on the board, then faculty, staff and administrative representatives would also be entitled to have voting power.

"They're all good points," said Nick Mitchell, Evergreen's current student representative to the board, "although I don't agree that an institution can be run most effectively by people who are not involved."

Mitchell feels his presence at board meetings "provides the illusion of democracy."

"Other voices have an impact more than students'," he added. "At least [if the bill becomes law] there would be recognition that

student voices count in the decision making process."

Bills like Senate Bill 5517 have been tossed around in the Washington state legislature for 25 years, Merriman said. Evergreen's board have always opposed it. However, Evergreen has had a non-voting student representative attend board meetings since 1974. President Jane Jervis said Evergreen was one of the first four-year public colleges in the state to have a non-voting student representative to the board.

Thirty-one states currently have a law creating voting positions for student representatives to the board at four-year public colleges.

According to Senate Bill 5517 as it is now, the student government chooses at least three and no more than five student candidates. From the three to five candidates, Governor Gary Locke appoints one to the board for a year.

Since Evergreen has no student government, the collective student body must select three to five candidates. Jervis is still unclear on how the students will do this if the bill becomes law.

Jervis and Mitchell said not much will change on the board if the bill becomes law. However, Jervis concedes that two past Evergreen issues may have turned out differently if the student representative would have had a vote.

The failed attempt to move from the quarter system to semester system and the decision to arm Police Services were made by the board in a narrow margin. Jervis said that if the student representative had had a vote, the two decisions may have turned out differently.

Senate Bill 5517 now heads for approval or amendment by the House.

House Bill 2374, similar to Senate Bill 5517, passed last week and now heads to Senate to be passed or amended. Eventually, one of the two bills will end up on Locke's desk to sign or veto.

Zapata freedom fest

VIEWPOINT
by LisaNa Read Bear
Native Students Alliance

Hello Humans of Conscience,

We invite you to the "Zapata Freedom Fest" Friday, Feb. 20, 8 p.m. Library Lobby. This is an educational event with guest speakers throughout the night. They will be speaking on current issues concerning the **Zapatistas**, EZLN in Chiapas. There will be music of conscience with DJ captain Rob, and the band **Pure Water** the Essential Reggae Roots Band from Seattle. We hope to spread awareness about this urgent issue, so bring a friend. The event is free, all ages welcome. We ask that folks bring high quality natural

fiber clothing items and or medical supplies for refugees of the Indigenous communities. There has been a large outbreak of scabies, due to the donation and transfer of unclean blankets and clothes etc. (sounds familiar to smallpox huh) People need lavender oil and tea tree oil to combat these bug type parasites, they also need our solidarity to combat the human parasites. This is the end of the 20th century and the war-genocide against Indian peoples continues, no more blood shed for profits! For more info call 866 6000 x6105.

In the words of Sub-comandante Marcos in response to the Dec. 22, 1997 massacre of 45 indigenous peoples in Acteal, Chiapas. "Why? How many more? Until When?"

Chlorine free paper

ERC calls for a change in policy

VIEWPOINT

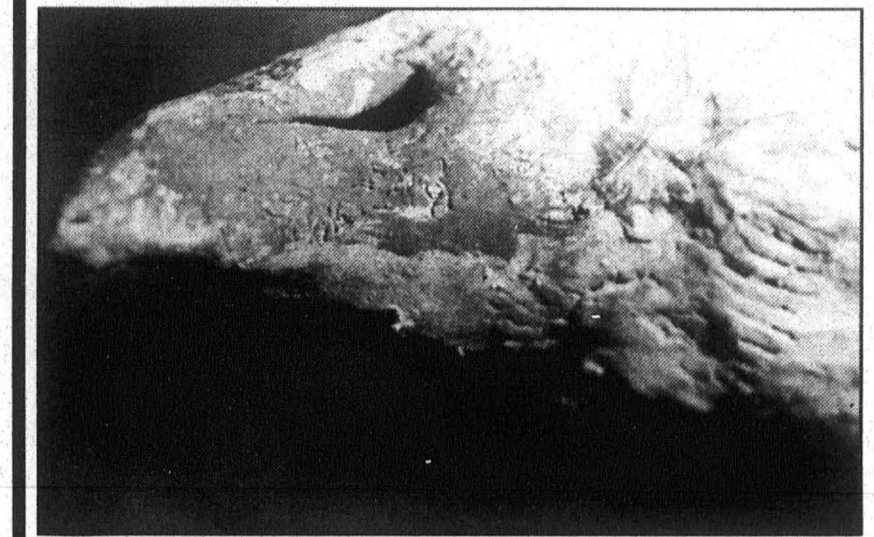
by Shoren Brown
and Sara Lamo
Environmental Resource Center

Hello fellow Greeners. I realize by now that many of you are already quite aware that our campus is using paper that is bleached by chlorine and composed of 65 percent virgin pulp. The faculty and administration are willing to make the change to 100 percent recycled—chlorine-free paper, but they need to know that the student body of this school is supportive. The actual implementation of this new paper will take a considerable investment of time and energy from nonstudents, so NOW is the time to show our support. Presently

Evergreen uses roughly 18,000 sheets of paper each day and each sheet we use is adding to the severe environmental degradation caused by chlorine effluent and clear-cutting. It is time for a change in our paper purchasing policy and on a broader scale, a change in the environmental psyche of this institution. This is the first step in a change that is desperately needed at Evergreen, so let's get together and show that we can effect change. The best way to show your support at this point is to write to administration, (whose e-mail accounts are listed on the TESC webpage) and to come to the Environmental Resource Center, offer support for our paper policy draft, and sign the petition. For more information, please contact us at the ERC at x6784. Thanks.

A CLOSER LOOK

at Evergreen by Amber Rack



HINT: Hor. I have heard, The cock, that is the trumpet to the morn, Doth with his lofty and shrill-sounding throat Awake the god of day; Hamlet, Ii, I. 149-152

Last week, we took a closer look at ...
The Singing Swing
The swing next to the COM building is a piece of art that was purchased around 1989. It was funded together with a new addition to the CRC. The college worked with a committee from the Washington State Arts Commission to select the piece, created by artist Alan Story. The swing was designed to make noise when it moved, but a mechanism at the top broke shortly after it was installed and arrangements for its repair were not convenient with the artist. Consequently, the swing no longer sings.

Got leadership experience? Want leadership experience?

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Strong organizational, interpersonal communication, facilitation and budget skills preferred. For more information call 866-6000 x6221 or pick up application information in CAB 320

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Submissions are due Monday at noon prior to publication, and are preferably received on 3.5" diskette in Microsoft Word 6.0 formats. E-mail submissions are also acceptable.

All submissions must have the author's real name and valid telephone number.

Newsbriefs

Crisis Clinic needs volunteers

The Crisis Clinic of Thurston and Mason Counties needs volunteers. When you make the choice to answer the phones at the Crisis Clinic, you not only make a difference in the lives of others—you become part of an experience that will enhance your life. You will receive 56 hours of training in crisis intervention that kicks off with an intensive weekend, March 20, 21, and 22. After training, they ask for a commitment of one four-hour shift per week for a year. Volunteers overwhelmingly say that their experiences at the clinic are educational and satisfying.

To apply call 754-3888 or send a self-addressed stamped envelope to Crisis Line Volunteer, P.O. Box 2463, Olympia, WA 98507. Application deadline is Mar. 13.

PFLAG presents

Tuesday, Feb. 24, join Equality Washington for *Civil Rights Issues in the Legislature*. A panel of legislators will be present for discussion.

The event begins at 6:30 p.m. at the United Churches, 11th and Capitol Way. For more information, call the PFLAG helpline at 866-0511.

Women's Studies symposium

The Women's Resource Center is hosting a Women's Studies symposium and potluck in the Longhouse on Sunday, Mar. 1 from 2 to 5 p.m. This is an opportunity for anyone interested in Women's Studies to make connections for contracts, jobs, and internships. The symposium will consist of short, informal presentations by students and faculty regarding their research and interests in Women's Studies, followed by an hour-long discussion on Women's Studies at Evergreen.

Please contact the Women's Resource Center if interested in bringing food, attending, and/or speaking at the Symposium. They are located in CAB 206 (next to the Deli), x6162. E-mail can be sent to paprika@elwha.evergreen.edu.

Tacoma Art Museum show

The Tacoma Art Museum will be showing *Graphic Imagination: Modern Multiples and Old Masters* through March 22. This exhibition draws primarily upon two large and distinguished collections of the Northwest: Jordan Schnitzer from Portland with contemporary prints and Albert A. Feldmann from Seattle with historical prints.

For more information, contact the Tacoma Art Museum at (253) 272-4258.

Alice Derry at Organic Farm

A *Sense of Place* and *Slightly West* literary arts magazines are sponsoring a poetry reading on Wednesday, Feb. 25. Poetess Alice Derry, author of *Clearwater*, will read from her works. This will be followed by local poets whose work appears in the winter issue of *Slightly West*.

This free event will be held in Organic Farm beginning at 6 p.m. For more information, call *Slightly West* at x6879.

Henry V at Washington Center

Harlequin Productions' third show of the season is Shakespeare's *Henry V*. It will run from Feb. 19 through March 21 at the Washington Center, 512 Washington Street. Cost for tickets ranges from \$14 to \$21. Student discounts are available.

A special pay-what-you-can show will be on Feb. 25 at 8 p.m. Contact the box office for tickets and information at 753-8586.

The Moving Edge colloquium

The Moving Edge, a symposium on digital technology, computer arts and the moving image, will host nationally known speakers as part of an annual series on developments in the computer field. 1998 is the first year this symposium has been devoted entirely to computer-generated Media Arts and Animation.

On Feb. 23, Jane Veeder presents *Artistic Transitions from Analog to Digital*. Scott Snibbe presents *Visual Music and Interactive Geometry* on Mar. 2. Both events will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in Lecture Hall I.

Welfare discussion

Associated Ministries of Thurston County presents *A Day of Awareness: The Human Face of Welfare Reform*. Featured speakers at this event include Lyle Quasim from the Department of Social and Health Services and Senator Lisa Brown. The purpose of this event is to develop an action plan for response to the impacts of welfare reform in Thurston County.

A Day of Awareness will take place on Saturday, Feb. 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 1224 East Legion Way. Reservations are required, and a light meal will be provided. To attend or get more information, call the AM office at 357-7224.

Evergreen Student Arts Council needs your art

The Student Arts Council is seeking student music, performance, or visual work to display in their annual campus art walk, *Visitation*. The art walk will take place this year on Thursday, Feb. 26.

If you have completed any projects that you would like to include, call 866-6000 x6412.

Evergreen CD-Release party

The Evergreen CD Project is throwing a party at the Longhouse on Saturday Feb. 21. This benefit show will help pay for the production of the yearly Evergreen CD. The headline band will be *Maktub* from Seattle. Other bands scheduled are *Drowning by Numbers* and *El Serioso*. DJ Lotus and DJ Eddie will be spinning more tunes.

Tickets will be sold at the door: \$2 for students with ID and \$5 for non-students. Doors open at 9 p.m. and close at 3 a.m. Call Sarah at 709-0972 or x6278 for more information.

Multilateral Agreement on Investment presentation

National critics of a little-known but far-reaching trade agreement will present at the Olympia Timberland Library on Feb. 22 at 2 p.m. The Multilateral Agreement on Investment (MAI) is currently being negotiated at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in Paris. The goal of the MAI is to create a single standard for international investment laws. Critics are concerned with the effects that the MAI may have on labor, environmental, and human rights issues.

Keynote speaker will be Lori Wallach, an international trade attorney with Global Trade Watch (founded by Ralph Nader's Public Citizen). Wallach will be joined by Chantell Taylor of Global Trade Watch and Dan Seligman of the Sierra Club.

An activist training will follow the presentation from 4 to 5 p.m. For more information, contact Olympia MAI-NOT! at 754-9585 or 357-6053.

Win \$100 in Library contest

The Evergreen Library has set aside \$1,000 to \$2,000 in an endowment trust and needs your help to spend it. Therefore, they've set up a contest, and the winner will receive \$100 and special recognition appropriate to the entry.

You can suggest any addition to the Library's collection: books, media such as music, CD's, film or video, rare books, material from unrepresented authors or genres, maps, reference materials, or whatever your mind feels it needs. Entries will be judged on usefulness, reasons for the idea, clarity, practicality, completeness, creativity, and originality by members of the Friends of the Library.

The deadline for submissions is March 31, 1998. Drop off your entry inside the main entrance of the Library in the specially labeled box. They must be in writing and no longer than two pages. Include your name, number, address and how best to reach you. If you have any questions, please call Sarah Pedersen at x6647. You can enter as many times as you wish, with different ideas each time, of course. You must be a registered student at Evergreen to enter.

The winner will be announced at Super Saturday on June 13, 1998.

National Condom Week

In case you haven't frequented the CAB lately, we are currently in the midst of National Condom Week, designed to raise awareness of the importance and usage of said prophylactic. The Health Center and the Wellness Resource Center are both handing out condoms, dental dams, finger cots, lube, informative pamphlets and other items important to conducting safe sex. The Health Center is even handing out samples of Reality, also known as the female condom.

Free condoms are always available in the Health Center in Seminar 2110, outside the Wellness Resource Center in CRC 113, near your RA's place of residence, at Planned Parenthood in downtown Olympia, and other places around town. Use them responsibly and in good health.

Sports

BASKETBALL

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For a while, Harden talks about the practice. The team is preparing to play Western Washington University in two days. Last time the two teams competed, Western won 79 to 31.

"Western is a strong, physical team," Harden says. "They have a lot of players that spend a lot of time in the weight room. It's hard for us to prepare for them, because we're not as strong."

After a while, Harden talks about the Geoducks themselves; the team is in its first season and, before the Western game, had only one win.

Still, Harden thinks the season has been a success.

"It's gone great," he says. "It's tough to compete in a Division II league. You can look at it two ways; by wins and losses, or by playing hard and improving, and from that point of view, improving, we've had a great season."

He names some of the improvements: "Defensive play, playing together, people who haven't played in a while..."

The team had special challenges in the last category; many of TESC's players hadn't played competitive ball for at least one year, sometimes more.

Harden names them.

"Stefanie (Batzell) and Heidi (Haynes) hadn't played in two years," Harden said. "Angie (Maricle) also hadn't played in two years. Ann (Schoenberger) hadn't played in a while, either. I don't think Mugs (Loudon) had played competitively since junior high."

Harden says the biggest surprise was Haynes, the 5'10" junior.

"She improved the most," he said, "especially when you consider she played center in high school. We've asked her to play on the wing a lot, and she picks up fast."

Another player of note is Alex Dagnon, The junior, a transfer from Lower Columbia Community College, has played exceptionally for the Geoducks, and ranks high in many of

INFORMATION
The last home game of the season for the Women's basketball team is Thursday, Feb. 19 at 5:30 p.m. against cross town rivals St. Martins. The game will be followed by the Men's basketball game at 7:30 p.m.

the Pacific Northwest Athletic Conference's statistics, including second in assists, third in rebounds, sixth in free throw percentage, and sixth in blocks.

She is one of the team captains, along with Baltzell and Maricle.

"It's been harder than I thought it would be," Harden said. "The competition was harder. We played eight top 20 teams, we played in a tournament in Oregon with only five players in a couple of games."

"The game we won, against Northwest College, we came back from a 17-point deficit. That's something I hear a lot from other coaches, that we play hard the whole game."

The comment is echoed in something Harden says later, about the community's reaction to the team.

"It's been a positive reaction," he says. "But still, I wish a few more students would come out. We lose, but we're fun to watch."

Harden has one more bit of information about Western:

The dreaded Amanda is Amanda Olsen, a 5'7" guard from Anacortes. She is first in the PNWAC in three-point percentage, and has twice been the league's player of the week.

The game against Western is on Valentine's Day. About 50 people are in the stands, many of them Western fans.

Evergreen plays hard (at one point, Heidi Haynes jogs to retrieve a ball that has rolled 20 feet out of bounds), but is down by 20 at halftime.

Amanda Olsen doesn't score in double figures (she averages 14.1 points a game), but Western continues to pull away in the second half and wins by 42 points.

The most lively moment comes in the second half. On one play, Evergreen captain Baltzell gets called for a technical foul that is questioned—loudly—by Evergreen fans.

The announcer warns the fan to be civil.

The next trip down the court, Baltzell grabs a rebound and swings her elbows back and forth to ward defenders off.

The Evergreen fans, few and scattered through the bleachers, murmur in appreciation.



photo by David Boudinot

Security Blotter

by John Evans

February 6
1259- A student in the Library is notified that his welfare check has arrived. A student in the CAB is notified that her CD Club catalog (10 CDs for a penny apiece!) is ready for pickup at Police Services.
1525- Theft of state property (a VCR) from the Graphics Imaging Lab.
1949- School personnel attempt to punish a parking violator with a "boot" (wheel lock), but the vehicle successfully resists their efforts.
February 7
0219- A student in Housing requires medical assistance for an, ahem, "alcohol related" illness.
1356- Fire alarm in S-dorm is caused by burnt food. Hey, some people like their mac and cheese EXTRA well done! Live and let live, Mr. Fire Marshall!
February 8
0028- A bike rack in front of D-dorm gets run over by a motorized vehicle when an Exxon loyalist gets hinky over the bicycle's eco-friendly alternative to Mom's gas-guzzling, wood paneled grocery-getter.

0933- Offense police coded "vehicle prowler," or "senseless evil," perpetrated in F-lot.
1000- Drug paraphernalia found in F-lot. That F-lot thug may be laughing about the stereo system he just boosted, but he won't be so chipper when he realizes he left his favorite crack pipe at the scene of the crime.
February 9
0627- Someone is rousted for using the stairs in the Library as a bed. They must have been hogging the covers.
0648- A window is broken at the Longhouse when Little Leaguer Rusty Keebler belts a line drive over the outfield fence. Congratulations, Kwikee Kar Wash is going to the regional semifinals!
1025- Motorcycle towed from C-lot. Man, the Evergreen chapter of the Hell's Angels isn't gonna' take this lying down....
1105- A resource book is stolen from APEL. It's good to see that even larcenous sleaze-bags plan to pursue graduate degrees.
1852- Report of a nude male on the beach. In February? Guess the guy just couldn't wait until the warm weather came back to flash Mr. Winky around.

February 10
1758- In Housing, RA Tim reports for duty and I, for one, feel safer.
1927- Fire alarm in R-dorm for burnt food gives new credence to the old Estonian proverb, "Never shake a stone at an angry bear."
February 11
0816- A T.V. set is hurled off the third or fourth floor of the Library. It's unknown if it was the act was a statement by the Kill Your Television movement or the more militant Kill Pedestrians splinter group.
1012- Dog tied up outside CAB. Doggie-bondage: NEXT SPRINGER!
February 12
1025- A vehicle is towed from the dorm courtyard and somewhere in the world, a small man named Nemo feeds his sparrows a handful of mealworms.
2334- The main entrance to the CRC is left unlocked. Fortunately, Police Services apprehends the fifteen men with panty-hose on their heads before they can load all the Nautilus machines and Stairmasters onto a truck.

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Bill Watch

A weekly feature that profiles proposed legislation during the 1998 regular session



Getting education hooked on phonics

by David Simpson
Staff writer

Add education to the list of issues that the state Senate has attempted to tackle during the 1998 legislative session.

Senate Bill 6509 seeks to improve the much-maligned state education system, and specifically the reading ability of the state's elementary school students. In its opening paragraph, it declares an "emergency" (and frankly, it's a bit distressing how frequently the senate seems to use that word to describe problems). It takes a variety of approaches to the problem, the most controversial of these being the increased emphasis on phonics as a teaching tool. In past years, the value of phonics as a tool has been hotly debated.

In its first provision, the bill would establish a grant program designed to instruct teachers in the art of teaching reading skills to students. This instruction would be provided by "nonsectarian contractors," and include "systematically explicit phonics instruction, phonemic awareness, sound-symbol relationship, decoding instruction, word-attack skills, spelling and vocabulary instruction, and explicit instruction of comprehension skills." These grants could be used only for training programs which take place during the summer of this year. Under the bill, all teachers would then be required to be certified in these training programs.

The bill also requires that "starting in the 1998-99 school year, school districts must administer a standardized, nationally norm-referenced test to measure second grade

reading skills of second grade students. The state-wide second grade reading test, in addition to reporting in other formats, shall report student reading levels in terms of grade level and monthly increments." The stated purpose of this is to provide parents, teachers and the system with a way of measuring how much a student learns during the year.

The test results would be made available to parents at the winter parent-teacher conferences.

To ensure that the programs are executed effectively, the state board of education would oversee the process thoroughly. It would "approve or disapprove the program of courses leading to teacher, school administrator, and school specialized personnel certification offered by all institutions of higher education within the

state which may be accredited and whose graduates may become entitled to receive such certification." Every five years the board would essentially re-evaluate the entire process.

The bill ends with a justification of its existence. "This act," it says, "is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect immediately."

The bill was originally sponsored by Senators Hochstatter, Benton, Zarelli, Rossi, Swecker, Deccio, Johnson, Oke, McCaslin, Stevens, Morton, Roach and Schow. (Don't hate them because they're Republicans.) Since then, it has been remodeled by the Senate Committee on Ways & Means. The committee can be reached at (360) 786-7715.

Fate of therapeutic cannabis still in limbo

by Toby Schroder
Contributing writer

Patients and advocates who support the use of marijuana for its therapeutic value suffered another set-back last week when Senate bill 6271 died Friday in the hands of a Senate committee. The bill was chastised by the lieutenant governor and law enforcement representatives. Yelm's Chief of Police Glenn Dunnam was among those who testified against the bill. Dunnam mentioned that future proposals might face opposition from prosecutors and law

enforcement officials due to its federal classification as a Schedule 1 controlled substance. It has been rumored that the government is possibly on the verge of re-scheduling marijuana to a Schedule 3 substance, making it legally prescribable. This action would make the arguments of opponents to therapeutic cannabis instantly obsolete.

With this in mind, it should be noted that the feds have recently dealt the leaders of compassionate use of pot in California a hefty blow. In early January, six of the 37 medical cannabis dispensaries in California were served

papers by Federal Marshals. This maneuver is seen by proponents of medical marijuana as a desperate, last-ditch attempt to regain control of the issue. Jeff Jones, executive director of the Oakland Cannabis Buyers' Cooperative said, "We are disappointed with the government for trying to keep control of the distribution of medical marijuana, while denying it to all but a select few. Basically keeping a monopoly on medicine." California voters in 1995 showed overwhelming support for legalization of medical cannabis. Proposition 215 was passed with over 60 percent approval statewide and almost 80 percent in the

major metropolitan areas.

Jo Anna McKee, a patient/advocate and director of Green Cross, a cannabis distribution network in Seattle, has sent a new initiative proposal to the Secretary of the State's office which should be returned for revision this week. McKee worked with other patients to draft the initial proposal. The proposal is aimed at bringing together all of the state's advocates in a united effort. Voters will be given a chance to show their support for medical marijuana Nov. 3 if proponents can gather the 179,248 valid voters' signatures needed by July 2.

Features

Prison Awareness Week

February 23 to 27 at Evergreen

Probing into the prison system

by Sonja Sivesind
EPIC co-coordinator

In the US each week, over 1,227 people are committed to prison. Although news stories about violent crime have skyrocketed in recent years, actual cases of crime have not increased. Over 200 new prisons are being constructed. In the state of California, the education budget is \$4.7 billion and falling, while the money spent on jails and prisons is \$5.2 billion and rising. Well over half of all prisoners are convicted of nonviolent crimes. White collar crimes exceed the loss of all burglaries, car thefts, larcenies, and robberies combined. Yet those in positions of power, the 0.5 percent who control over 30 percent of the wealth and the 10 percent who control 80 percent are misleading the rest of the country, as over five million Americans are homeless, 37 million have no health care, 30 million are illiterate, one million are in prison, and most of us are a few pay checks away from being without shelter. Are we locking up the real criminals?

We must ask the questions: Who is being sent to prison? Why are they being sent to prison, and why is money being spent on the construction of new prisons rather than employment programs or education? What is happening to the rights of prisoners? How are the media, governments, and corporations justifying the slashed social spending, the building of more prisons, the criminalization of the poor, privatizing the prison industry, and attempting to silence those whose radical analysis of these very players inspire others to act in resistance?

The political, economic, and social dynamics of today's society are especially apparent in the context of prisons. Prisons can act as an indicator of where we as a people are headed, and can act to expose the realities of our culture and political economy. "In a sense, prisons can be seen as a barometer for all that is ill at the core of our society, described most succinctly by bell hooks as 'white supremacist capitalist patriarchy.'" (Elihu Rosenblatt)

Who is being sent to prison is determined greatly by race and economics. African American males comprise six percent of the US population, yet nearly 50 percent of prisoners are African American men. This is not because African American men are more prone to commit crimes. In 1796, the New York legislature voted

to free all slaves living in the state, and on the very same day, authorized the state's first prison. After the Civil War, the 13th Amendment officially abolished slavery for everyone but those convicted of a crime. This followed with a tremendous increase of African American convicts. Now standing in an area of town or walking at night became the criminal acts of "loitering," and "breaking curfew." Imprisoning African Americans was a way to maintain the power, economic, and race relationships that had existed under slavery.

Such institutionalized racism continues today. The California Youth Authority imprisons over 9000 youth, 75 percent are youth of color. In the Federal prison system, sentences for African Americans are 20 percent longer than whites receive for similar crimes.

Along with racism, class also plays a huge role in deciding who goes to prison and why crimes are committed. In 1990, 58 percent of the people in prison were unemployed at the time of arrest, and 68 percent earned less than \$15,000 a year. Women, for instance, are predominantly convicted of shoplifting, prostitution, or other economic crimes.

In a 1978 study, The National Urban League claimed that "the top priority of the federal government's agenda to deal with the crime problem should be a national policy of full employment." The same solution is being demanded for today.

On top of all this, one study found that 53 percent of low-income defendants received prison sentences compared to only 26 percent of high-income defendants.

Since 1980, the male prison population has increased by 160 percent, while the increase of women prisoners is 275 percent. The few cases which are violent and not economic, are often acting in self defense against an abusive partner. Between 2.1 and 8 million women are abused by their partner each year, and thousands of women nationwide are in prison for killing their abuser.

Within the prisons, human rights are being taken away as conservative politicians attempt to dehumanize prisoners so that their basic human rights are seen as privileges. Health care is one

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—Elihu Rosenblatt

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Brown speaks at Longhouse

by Stephanie Guilloud
Member of EPIC

People in this country do not like to believe there are political prisoners, tried and convicted, and locked away to serve large prison terms. It is an affront to our democracy, that magic word we hold as the reason we can bully and bomb other, less fortunate countries. Political prisoners are an affront to democracy, to our constitutional rights, and to the rights of human beings. However, the democracy of the United States allows the justice system to imprison over 100 prisoners of conscience.

Bo Brown is a former political prisoner who worked with the George Jackson Brigade in the '70s and '80s in Seattle. She worked inside the women's institute outside of Olympia, providing job training, self-defense classes, and educational activities. The authorities took away opportunities for the women prisoners, claiming no one wanted to learn. She is now a member of *Out of Control: Lesbian Committee to Support Women Political Prisoners*.

Her work and experiences are an amazing opportunity for the students of Evergreen. She will speak on various topics with another activist, Troy Buckner-Nkrumah. Buckner-Nkrumah has worked on prison issues in California and was a member of the Free Mumia Abu Jamal Campaign. Current political prisoner Jalil A. Muntaquin has called for a national march on the White House to demand amnesty for political prisoners called Jericho '98. Buckner-Nkrumah works on the committee to plan Jericho's events in Washington D.C. and San Francisco. He will be able to fill us in on the details of this monumental event. A group of students are planning to trek across the country to offer solidarity and presence in D.C. in the face of these horrendous crimes.

Brown and Buckner-Nkrumah will speak on Wednesday, Feb. 25 in the Longhouse, Room 1007 at 7 p.m. The evening event will be on fantastic experience. We will be showing a film on Puerto Rican women political prisoners at 3 p.m. that day in Lecture Hall 1, and we'll also show Brown's film on Norma Jean Croy and other Native American women prisoners after the speaking event for interested people.

Speaker sheds light on female prisoners

by J. Murphy
Member of EPIC

Judy Greenspan will visit Evergreen to speak on women living with HIV in prison. A pioneering activist in the fight for compassionate release of terminally ill prisoners, Greenspan is a founding member of the California coalition for Women Prisoners, a group supporting women in prison and opposed to "medical neglect and abuse at California's women's prisons."

An aggressive public speaker, Greenspan has spoken at five national conferences on AIDS, and has appeared before the California State Assembly and Senate Hearings concerning compassionate release legislation. She is an authority on AIDS related issues, having written extensively on the topic, and will detail the conditions which have forced the public to accept inferior treatment of HIV positive women in prisons, and provide suggestions for how individuals can make changes.

Greenspan has spent years trying to obtain humane treatment for an easily ignored minority. She is leading the fight against incarceration of non-violent people who are dying in the prisons of neglect.

It's a cop-out for people on the "outside" to say that prisoners deserve what they get; human beings are being abused in prisons, and it's time to stop ignoring that fact.

Check out what Judy Greenspan has to say.

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Schedule of Events				
Monday 3 p.m.—LH1 Two films: <i>Shutting Down the Revolving Doors</i> and <i>Act-Up</i>	Tuesday Noon—Lib. Lobby Women and HIV in Prison Panel with director/activist from the HIV/AIDS Prison Project 4:30p.m.—Lib. Lobby <i>The Last Graduation</i> 5 p.m.—Lib. Lobby Education & Prison Panel: educators, students, prison counselors	Wednesday Noon—Lib. Lobby Women and Prison with Lesley Phillips and two members of CA coalition for women prisoners 3 p.m.—LH3 <i>Puerto Rican Women Political Prisoners</i> 7 p.m.—Longhouse <i>Political Prisoners</i> Bo Brown and Troy Buckner-Nkrumah	Thursday Noon—Lib. Lobby <i>Ten Myths about the Prison Crisis</i> with Elihu Rosenblatt from Prison Activist Resource Center CAB Film: <i>Mumia Abu-Jamal International Day of Action</i> 7 p.m.—Longhouse Racism in the Prison System: Greg Jackson	Friday 3 p.m.—L1316 <i>Youth & Prison</i> Panel and Film 7 p.m.—Liberation Cafe Elihu Rosenblatt

Losing sleep over false alarms

by David Ball
Contributing writer

It's 3:55 in the morning. It's a school night. You're nestled, all snug in your bed (alone ... sorry), covers pulled up under your chin. Sweet dreams? Hardly. A foghorn is irrigating your eardrum, droning over and over and over. But you're not at the shore, you're in your dorm ... and that's no foghorn, it's the fire alarm. You weren't asleep, after all, this isn't the first time tonight this has happened. It isn't the second either. You know it's a waste of time, but you have to pad your way to the exit. Outside, looking quite sharp in your jammies, you are hit in the face by a blast of frigid air. It's pouring rain of course (doesn't it just have to?). You see that campus police are already here as you and your neighbors are herded away from dorms which are suspiciously NOT engulfed in the mother-of-all-conflagrations. The approaching wail you now hear is the fire engine - its oh-so-pretty red lights blustering your bleary retinas. Volunteer fire staff are searching your room. They know these dorms. They've been here before. Earlier tonight, in fact. As you stand there, hair slicked back, rainwater tears crawling down your cheeks, it hits you ... the only obvious conclusion ...

Whoever is doing this ...
... this scum must die.
The only remaining question careening around your sleep-deprived mind is HOW?

At 2:45 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 26 the general alarm for A-dorm was pulled. Two fire trucks and an aid car from McLane Fire District #9, and TESC Police Officer Bob Bird, the only campus officer on duty that night, rushed to the scene. The fire staff visually evaluated the dorm, and noted there was no smoke coming anywhere from the building. The fire staff, consisting of eight people, then conducted a floor-by-floor search of A-dorm, visually checking each hallway. In the process, they found that not all the students in A-dorm had evacuated the building, several had disregarded the alarm. The staff concluded that this was what they call a "malicious pull" - a prank. No fire, no smoke. The alarm panel indicated that one of the manual pull-boxes on the first floor had been the source of the alarm. After 15 minutes the students were allowed to return to their rooms. The fire staff reset the alarm, asked the necessary questions for their report, and headed back to the fire station in hopes of recouping their lost sleep.

... Wasn't there a lot of talk a few years back about water-borne flesh-eating bacteria? How about a nice fresh pot of java?

Then, at 3:30 a.m. that same night, the general alarm for D-dorm was pulled. Again, the fire trucks, aid car, and Bird responded to the scene. The fire staff was becoming concerned that there was a problem with the dorm alarm system. This time, they and Bird

performed not just a floor-by-floor search, but a room-to-room search of D-dorm for a fire they would not find. The staff knocked on each door, announced, "Fire Department," opened the door, asked anyone present to leave the building, then locked each door behind them. Twelve people were found still in the building. The search took 20 minutes, and resulted in the evacuation of everyone from D-dorm. It was determined that this was another malicious pull. The alarm was reset, and the emergency vehicles headed back toward the fire station.

Bird kept a close eye on the crowd, taking careful note of who had gathered. His suspicion was aroused when he noticed two faces that he had seen milling about after the first alarm had gone off. Two men, not Evergreen students, were so interested in the alarm situation they even approached Bird with questions at one point. While not students, these two individuals evidently live on campus "mooching," in Bird's words, off kindly students willing to offer them a place to sleep. Bird, anticipating that this could go on all night, arranged with the R.A.s to set up a perimeter around the dorms in hopes of nabbing the culprit if a third alarm occurred. But Bird himself decided to offer them a place to sleep. Bird, anticipating that this could go on all night, arranged with the R.A.s to set up a perimeter around the dorms in hopes of nabbing the culprit if a third alarm occurred. But Bird himself decided to offer them a place to sleep. Bird, anticipating that this could go on all night, arranged with the R.A.s to set up a perimeter around the dorms in hopes of nabbing the culprit if a third alarm occurred. But Bird himself decided to offer them a place to sleep.

... Why didn't you think of it before? A dental drill! The culprit could probably use a few fillings, maybe a root canal ... Hey, might as well put in a shelf and a couple of cabinets while you're at it.

Five minutes after the emergency vehicles left, at 3:55 a.m., the general alarm for C-dorm was pulled. The fire trucks and aid car literally had just backed into the driveway of the fire station when they had to answer yet another Evergreen alarm. After the C-dorm alarm was pulled, Bird reported seeing a woman "tiptoeing out from behind C-dorm." She looked suspicious, so Bird instructed an R.A. to grab her. She slipped past the RA, but Bird continued to pursue her on foot around B-dorm and into the woods, where he lost her.

When the fire vehicles arrived for the third time the fire staff left the sirens on, as Deputy Chief Mike Patti explains, "because we weren't sure what was going on with the alarm systems." At this point, all four dorms were evacuated as the fire staff swept through performing floor-by-floor, room-by-room



searches, even searching A- and D-dorms a second time. The entire search took 40 minutes. Patti, determined never to be complacent, still considered that there could be a problem with the alarms. "Initially, my concern was that we'd have to close the buildings, because if we have problems with alarm systems, they can't be occupied." He was considering the option of locking all students out of all four dorms until the morning. The alarm panel indicated that another pull-box, this one near the elevator, had been the source of the alarm. Since each time the alarm had been activated by a manual pull-box, and since the staff was able to successfully reset them, they decided that there was no real chance that the pull-boxes had all sequentially failed. Again the students were allowed to return to their dorms.

Afterward, Bird returned to B-dorm to check on his suspects. He was not completely surprised to discover that the woman he had chased into the woods, an Evergreen student, had arrived to join his two original suspects and the other woman who had been so carefully observing C-dorm moments before its alarm rang.

... Didn't you read somewhere about do-it-yourself guillotine kits? Better go check the ads in those back issues of Popular Mechanics.

Malicious pulls are a tremendous waste of the county's resources. According to Patti, "We end up having to split resources, and it takes those resources away from somebody or something that actually needs it... our resources were tied up looking for a problem in the dormitories that didn't exist - in essence, a wild goose chase." While fire staff are wasting their time investigating a prank, fire trucks and aid cars have to be diverted from other fire stations, often farther away, to handle actual emergencies. Patti summed up the attitude of the fire staff this way: "We feel betrayed. It's not good to cry wolf."

When the suspects were questioned, they denied having any responsibility or foreknowledge of the events that had taken place. Bird claims that he is "80 percent positive" that these suspects were involved. The investigation into this incident is still pending, and no charges have yet been filed. The TESC Police are still interviewing their suspects.

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example. At least 100 prisoners at the Central California Women's Facility are known to have HIV, but there is no HIV/AIDS medical doctor; and women who are HIV positive or have full blown AIDS receive no routine exams or clinical follow-up.

As corporations attempt to privatize the prison industry, rehabilitation is placed lower on the job of prisons. When prisoners act as laborers for private companies, those companies want a full work day, eliminating the few programs designed to give the prisoner skills. This also acts as a blow against workers on the outside who lose their jobs to prisoners who aren't allowed to organize and don't receive a minimum wage. These private interests would profit both from overcrowding and lengthy prison terms.

Another example of the horrid treatment of prisoners takes place with the severe physical and psychological abuse in the maximum security prisons. These prisons use beatings, control units, mind games and solitary confinement. It is a myth that solitary confinement is used for only short periods of time. It is usually a period of months and most commonly years that prisoners are confined to what academic literature calls "the most individually destructive, psychologically crippling, and socially alienating experience that could conceivably exist within the borders of the country." These prisons are not intended for rehabilitation, yet over 40 percent of the adult prison population is confined here.

The most frequently disciplined groups of prisoners are those with mental handicaps, Black prisoners, and jailhouse lawyers. Political prisoners, including persons incarcerated for actions in support of self-determination struggles opposing the illegal policies of the US government as a direct result of political action, affiliation, belief, and for defending and fighting abusers, are also targeted for harsh treatment. Speaking about women prisoners confined to a behavior modification unit, the director of the Bureau of Prisons said the conditions of sensory deprivation, extreme isolation, and sexual degradation were necessary to provide security. "Their radical politics made them a threat to the community and 'escape prone.'" Women were told by other prison officials that their only way out of this unit was to renounce their political associations.

The US government, while claiming to have no political prisoners, clearly rules against those fighting the systems of power. For example, in 1986, a man convicted of planning and carrying

out bombings - without making any warning calls - of ten occupied health clinics where abortions were performed was sentenced to ten years in prison and paroled after 46 months. In contrast, Raymond Levasseur was convicted of bombing four unoccupied military targets in protest against US foreign policies and sentenced to 45 years in prison.

Even if the facts that racism, poverty, and radical activism fills the prisons were discounted for a moment, the prison system still is not working. In 1991, 34.8 percent of prisoners who were released were rearrested for a felony or serious misdemeanor within three years. There are no jobs for people when they get out. They have not been allowed education, skill training, or rehabilitation programs. Such intense violence has been used to break their spirits and individuality that, when released, they have few social skills and are unfamiliar with alternative methods to violence. The Minnesota Assistant Commissioner of Corrections even said, "There is no evidence of a relationship between the incarceration rate and violent crime. We're in the business of tricking people into thinking that spending hundreds of millions [of dollars] for new prisons will make them safe."

Analyzing the prison industry must be done under the greater realization that we must radically change the economic and political system which we currently live under and create a new society where

punishment and violence are not used to justify building more prisons, while ignoring issues of rehabilitation, respect, and the root causes for crime. We have to expose the myths surrounding prisons and educate each other about the real dangers including unemployment, lack of access to education and health care, poverty, the government prioritizing corporations over people, and police abuse.

Prison Awareness Week, Feb. 23 to 27, is a chance to educate ourselves about these issues. With education, we can begin to debunk the myths surrounding prisons, and recognize who the real criminals in society are: those continuing to criminalize people of color, the young, the poor, and the radical. By working to understand the connections of our struggles as they relate to prisons, we can strengthen our movement against the injustices of the prison industry and in society at large.

The Prison Action Committee meets on Wednesdays at 3 p.m. at Evergreen in CAB 320. Books to Prisoners is located at the Liberation Cafe, and gives orientations on sending books on Thursday afternoons. Call x6144 for questions. Please get involved in this week's activities:

Statistical facts for this article are from *Criminal Injustice*, edited by Elith Rosenblatt, published by Southend Press, 1996.

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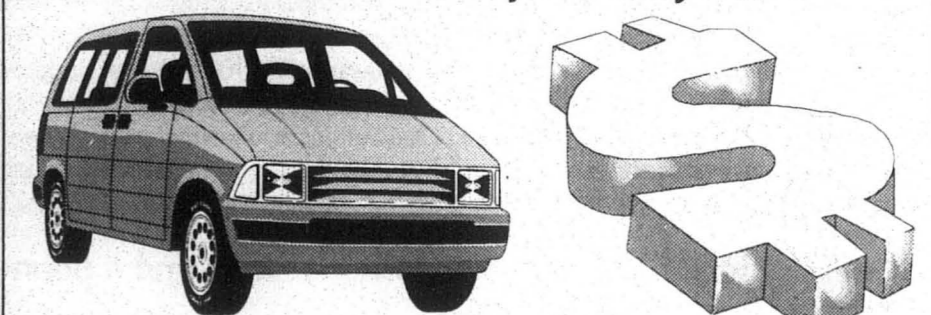
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The pitfalls of interactive democracy



I knew the free press was in trouble the day I noticed that *Newsweek* and *Entertainment Tonight* were covering a lot of the same stories.

It had been obvious for some time that the line between news and mass entertainment had been blurred, but at that moment I was forced to face the possibility that the line no longer even existed. Numerous events had begun to qualify to most people as both news and entertainment.

The truth is that we should have anticipated such an eventuality. It's been inevitable for some time.

Numerous public figures, notably Newt Gingrich, have long touted the coming "third wave" of interactive democracy. With all information available to anyone at all times via the internet, just imagine the new heights to which democracy will soar! We can all play an active and immediate role in the shaping of public policy! Power to the people!

It would be nice, but the truth is that we have already arrived at the third wave, and it doesn't exactly work.

As I write this, people are being exposed to greater amounts of information than at any other point in history. It would be possible for us to know massive amounts of information about most everything, if not for the fact that the human brain really is not equipped to handle such a task. So we fall back on the defense mechanism of selective absorption. We choose which information we want delivered to us.

Large numbers of people, for some reason, choose information which is not only irrelevant to their lives, but also none of their business: the O.J. trial. The sex lives of politicians. The funeral of Princess Diana. Meanwhile, other events, in which these people take no part, nevertheless continue to shape their lives.

I'm not sure which is a more frightening conclusion: the idea that the press delivers these things because the public clamors for them, or

the notion that perhaps the public has decided it likes this stuff because the press sells it to them so effectively. It's important not to forget that in a capitalist society, "sell" is exactly what the press does.

We've all heard the tirades against the "mainstream liberal news media." Those who rail against it come equipped with statistics showing that newspaper editors are, on average, 20 percent further to the left than most Americans. (It would be interesting to know precisely how one quantifies this.)

This argument completely misses the point. The media is, by and large, apolitical. No "liberal" cause is aided in any particular way by a press which panders to the public's basest whims. Major news outlets are, lest we forget, also capitalist ventures. They want to turn a profit.

And, lest we forget just whose news we receive, remember that over half the media outlets in this country are owned by a mere handful of large corporations. Corporations, by definition, want to turn a profit. A corporate-owned media, therefore, is by definition uninterested in ideas that might not sell as well as others.

A second pitfall comes inherent to corporate ownership of the media. The tirades of Rush Limbaugh should need no introduction. Mr. Limbaugh uses his talk show to rail against feminism, environmentalism, the homeless, etc., and his words reach millions of people all over the country. Limbaugh has, for years, presented himself as "equal time," balancing out the extreme liberalism of the rest of the media. Imagine, however, a true liberal counterpart to Limbaugh: a talk show host who would rail against things like corporate abuse. Since major media outlets are almost universally corporate-owned, it's difficult to imagine corporations funding commentators who might hold them accountable for their abuses. Feminists, the environment and the homeless, however, don't pony up cash for talk shows.

Where is this leading? To the inevitable question: does the media pander to the lowest common denominator merely because it's what people demand to hear? Or are we given a glut of sports, sex and celebrity gossip because the corporate sponsors know it will distract us, and prevent us from discovering things which might not be in their best interests? I suspect it might be some of both.

That's an unsettling way for me to close this, but don't forget: outside of television, there are few easy endings.

Jewish identity on the Evergreen campus

Today, the existence of Jewish people in America is in danger. While there is an increasing amount of anti-Semitic acts—physically and verbally—being carried out in American society, this erosion of the Jewish people's survival is fundamentally occurring within the minds, hearts and souls of an overwhelming majority of Jewish-American individuals. Psychologists have labeled this mental disease as "internalized anti-Semitism," an inferiority complex that commonly results in minority peoples who have attempted to "assimilate" and live in a white supremacist culture and society.

This "internalized anti-Semitism" is not something one can always physically see or realize. It is not as visible as poverty, hunger, or overt physical suffering, but thrives on the spirit and soul of individuals who have either consciously or unconsciously forced out and denied any understanding or acceptance of their identity. In other words, they are denying their own existence as human beings in order to "integrate" and "assimilate" into a hostile non-inclusive, white supremacist environment.

There are numerous non-Jewish people today who have no comprehension of Jewish history, religion, or culture. Likewise, there are

plenty of Jewish people who have no understanding of their Jewish history, religion, or ethnicity. This ignorance leads to misunderstanding, indifference, stereotypes, an ultimately creates a void in association an solidarity with other peoples who share common experiences through out their histories.

It is becoming very rare to find "assimilated" Jewish-American people who will acknowledge their Jewish identity. Many will only do so when someone is talking about the Holocaust or directly threatening their existence with an anti-Semitic attack. This creates a Jewish identity based on negativity, ignoring any other positive associations with Jewishness and Jewish people.

Like many of the West European Jews before the Holocaust, these "Americanized" Jews today feel that by "assimilating" their values, religion, language, food, music, and all other aspects of their cultural and ethnic identity, they have been, and are, accepted by mainstream culture—a mainstream culture that thrives and survives on an existing institutionalized system of white supremacy. Many of these West European Jews before the Holocaust truly thought that they could, and had, assimilated into the

society/culture of their time. However, with the coming of the Nazis, they discovered that their efforts to "assimilate" were for naught, and they died as JEWS in the death camps.

It seems that the lesson has not been learned. As long as white supremacy is that foundation in a culture and society, Jewish people will never be accepted for who we are, because our identity is in direct opposition to the existence of that society.

Have you ever wondered why the vast majority of economically, socially and politically successful Jews in America have little, if anything at all, to do with Jewish values, culture, or people? Many of these "successful" Jews in America have fundamentally become "successful" because they changed their names, adopted European values and beliefs, and disassociated themselves from any connection to their Jewish ancestry and people. A similar comparison to this today in the African-American community is that of Clarence Thomas.

The point is, however, not to wait until it is too late to "accept" or embrace your Jewish identity. Accepting your Jewishness does not necessarily mean that one must be religious. While the Jewish religion is a major basis for Jewish values and beliefs—as the Torah is

basically a guide in how to live one's life—there are many other aspects of Jewish culture that individuals can embrace. For those who do not enjoy the formal organization of the Jewish religion, there exists an entire branch of ancient Jewish mysticism, spirituality, and meditation that is accessible. For those who are politically and socially conscious, there exists a huge movement in this country called "Tikkun Olam," or "Repair of the World," based on a fundamental foundation in Jewish values to leave the Earth in better condition than when you entered it.

To all Jewish students, professors, and individuals, I highly recommend attending at least one of the upcoming two workshops on Jewish identity at the Evergreen campus on March 4 and 5 in order to explore and talk about your experiences and feelings about your Jewish identity with other Jewish people. (Please contact the Jewish Cultural Center at x6493, or on the third floor of the CAB, for more information.)

For if you don't know where you're from, you'll never know where you're going.

Shalom,
Seth Rubinstein

Rugby trip thwarted

Tuesday morning, Rosedanie and I went to inquire about the tickets with Pete at the CRC. He told us point blank that our trip was canceled because of the timing issue and because we did not have the 80 percent we needed. We also found out at this point that 80 percent meant the entire cost of the trip, not just the airfare. He further told us that the money was supposed to have been made before the beginning of winter quarter. This was absolutely necessary information that we were never made aware of until that day when Pete sprung his decision upon us. With a slight reconfiguration of how much money we spent on food, we still had the money to go. As we were trying to talk to Pete, John Barbee, and Deborah Miles, financial coordinator for the CRC, jumped in to explain these vital new facts. After a few minutes of getting nowhere, Pete excused himself to attend a meeting, still insisting the trip was off and that there was nothing we could do about it. We were left feeling the trip was canceled due to miscommunication and disorganization at the CRC.

At this point, Rosedanie and I rushed over to Art Costantino's office, where we were fortunate enough to see him after a 15 minute wait. He listened to our story, and said he did not have enough information to override Pete's decision. After the meeting, Art walked over to the CRC and personally got us a meeting with Pete, John, and Deborah for 1:30 p.m. The agreement was each side would send him a memo outlining the results of the meeting. I took time off from work, and Rosedanie from her obligations to attend it.

Unfortunately, the meeting was merely a longer version of what had happened that morning. We spent most of our time proving we had the money and that the time constraints had arisen because no one at the CRC had bothered to communicate with us. The only new problem that came up, which was ultimately used to cancel our trip, was the issue of liability. They indicated that they doubted our ability to appropriately represent Evergreen at the Mardi Gras tournament. We informed them that one responsible coach and two responsible captains could easily watch over the nine remaining trustworthy players. The meeting ended, and we were told to wait outside. Pete came out a few minutes later to tell us that Deborah was calling to see if the \$212.00 seats were available. If they were, we could still go the trip. It is obvious to

me that we must have convinced all three people in that meeting that we were correct both in our numbers and reasoning, or they would not have bothered to make that phone call.

We did not hear from them that day. Rosedanie went to fundraise at a basketball game that night, and there she found a copy of a memo to Art Costantino in the rugby mailbox, stating the trip was off. Their main reasons were the insistence that we did not have the funds after they looked over the numbers, and that we had apparently violated some regulations.

The memo listed three options for the trip. Option one was the trip with \$212.00 airfare, which was impossible to do due to lack of seats. Option three was the tickets we had found ourselves, which shouldn't have been included because we were not allowed to purchase airfare outside the state agency. Option two was the only feasible option, which meant we had to come up with the money for tickets through the state at \$420.00. In all three figures, the CRC refused to count the men's donations as part of our budget. In options one and three, this made the difference between having the eighty percent and not having it.

We sent our own memo to Art stating that we did not have the money because the CRC had procrastinated in reserving the affordable seats when they had the chance. Any violations we may have made were only because John, our direct contact, was unaware of many of the policies that we needed to know, and no one who knew them bothered to inform the rugby team.

It was now Wednesday. We had a meeting with Art to hear his final decision. We also had another meeting with the S & A complete with a newly reworked budget asking for 3000 dollars to cover the new cost of the trip. We did not have the money but if we got Special Initiatives support, it would be covered.

The meeting with Art went absolutely nowhere. He sounded like a voice recording of Pete, citing the same reasons. We told him Special Initiatives could not give us money without either Pete's or his approval. What did he have to lose by allowing us to go ahead? If S&A approved, we were going, if they said no, it was a lost cause anyway.

Andrea Taubman
Lia Gilbert-Bardeen

The rest of this letter will appear in the next issue. Email taubmana@elwaha.evergreen.edu for more details.

Students' role in campus governance

Another Board of Trustees meeting has come and gone with little impact on the lives of students at Evergreen. The meeting was pretty much standard fare. Some new resolutions were adopted, the trustees reviewed a chapter in the college's self study, and they approved a design for remodeling the Lab I building. They also passed a somewhat weak but well-intentioned statement on diversity meant to affirm Evergreen's commitment to Affirmative Action policies.

Towards the end of the meeting, the trustees discussed House Bill 2374 which would give voting power and actual trustee status to next year's student representatives on the governance boards of Washington State schools. It would allow those students to participate in executive sessions which all students are currently excluded from. The trustees decided to re-adopt their standard position: that students are a special interest group that are affected by board decisions and thus should not be able to participate in governance as trustees. Evergreen's legislative liaison testified before the legislature on Jan. 22 against the bill.

At each meeting I make a short presentation on a few key issues that concern students and, in this meeting, I presented information on the campus child care center. Having watched its institutional funding dry up over the years, the child care center currently cares for 37 children and has 52 children on its waiting list. They do not have the space or the funding to provide any infant care for the children of students or faculty. I asked the board to put campus child care on its agenda for a subsequent meeting to discuss Evergreen's policy and hopefully come up with some ideas to address our lack of accessible child care. I got little response from the board members and was eventually told by the chairwoman that I was not working the right channels.

I was perplexed the next morning when I ran into the Director of Student Activities who told me that in a phone call from the Vice President for Student Affairs he had been told that my presentation on child care was somehow inappropriate for a board meeting. Now this had me stumped. While it had been obvious that the

board did not want to address this issue in that meeting, I found myself wondering why the Vice President would call up the Director of S&A to complain about my presentation. First of all, don't report to either one of them. I'm the student representative, right? That means that I am accountable to students, and my role is to represent our concerns as I see them. So, why was an administrator attempting to control my presentation?

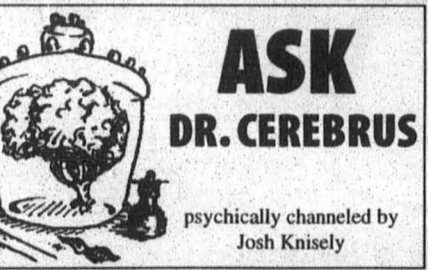
Maybe I misunderstand my role in that board room. Maybe when I signed up for that position, instead of being told that "at each meeting you will have time to make a short presentation on student concerns," I should have been told that I would have time to present student concerns so long as they weren't "inappropriate." That way I would have known that I was filling a token position right off the bat rather than waiting a whole half year to find out. Sure, students are represented on the board. At each meeting, the student rep. brings up some issues, the board usually ignores them, and they adjourn for a nice catered lunch. It's a modicum of democracy at work.

As I look back on this meeting and think about what I learned, some questions come to mind. Why is Evergreen so afraid of student being empowered to make decisions for themselves? Why has Evergreen, the school that works so hard to sell itself as being consensus based and community governed, fought against the bill that would enable students to participate on the Board of Trustees when other school around the country embrace students on their boards? In short, why is Evergreen so afraid of democracy?

I don't have the answers to these questions. I raise them to generate more of a dialogue about students' role in governance on campus. If you have thoughts, questions or insights to share please contact me at studentrep@elwaha.evergreen.edu. Any e-mail or messages to the board can be sent through me as well.

Nick Mitchell
Student Rep. to the Board of Trustees

Superheroes not the same



Dr. Cerebrus is a retired supervillain who lives in a compound a half-mile beneath TESC. The Cooper Point Journal does not endorse nor condone his views, nor those of any other supervillain.

Hey Doc, *Where is my right shoe? I wore it last night, but I can't find it this morning. The sooner I find it, the sooner I can continue my plan of world domination through tainted frozen vegetables. Thanks!*
Broccoli Man, Olympia

Hey Broccoli Man, *This is my third "help me conquer the world" letter in as many weeks! Truly, as Tears for Fears once sang, "Everybody wants to rule the world."*

But anyway, Broccoli Man, if that IS your real name, the question you should be asking is not "Where is my right shoe?" but "What makes this shoe so right?" As an aspiring world dominator, you should know as well as anyone that right and wrong are as objective as whether you can believe it's butter or not.

I really think you need to stop futzing over this footwear favoritism and re-assess how you evaluate your personal articles.

As for your plan to dominate the world via tainted vegetables, perhaps you should rethink your approach and take all variables into account—as any vegetable-lover knows, former President George Bush is staunchly anti-vegetable and eliminating his competition would simply serve to bring him back into power. I, for one, am not going to stand for that!

Dear Dr. C., *As someone who has taken over the world before, I'm curious as to how you managed to thwart the superhero population. If T.V. and comicbooks are correct, superheroes are far more numerous than once thought.*
Brooke, Mossyrock

Dear Brooke, *Snuh. Superheroes. Let me tell you something Brooke, the media has way overplayed the role of superheroes in modern society. The field hasn't been the same since its hey-day of Captain Marvel and the Nazi-Smashers of the 1940s.*

Nope. Superheroes are workin' folk like anyone else. They'll succumb to the employ of anyone who offers decent wages and benefits (though admittedly, it's a lot cheaper to hire superheroes from Central America and Korea). It's a thoroughly exploitable workforce, considering they've yet to form a functioning union. Don't get me started on the Justice League of America—they haven't been a legitimate operation since the late '70s when it was discovered that they had deep Mafia ties and they started inducting so-called superheroes like Mickey "The Hammer" and "Fingers" Giancarlo.

So, the term superHERO becomes a bit misleading as well. A lot of these usually unemployed slobes become less heroic and more like the more common "superjerks." Sure, once in a while you'll get some crackpot raised in the conservative Midwest who fights for "Truth, Justice and the American Way," but this definition of "The American Way" is usually confined to white supremacy and absolute control by the moral minority.

To write to the doctor, e-mail drcerebrus@hotmail.com or send a postcard to: Dr. Cerebrus c/o the CPJ, CAB 316 TESC Olympia, WA 98505

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Please note: the CPJ does not check its e-mail daily; the arrival of e-mailed letters may be delayed and may cause the letter to be held until the following issues. We will accept typed or handwritten submissions, but those provided on disk are greatly appreciated.

All submissions must have the author's name and a phone number.

Investigation of Housing requested

Dear Editors: *Considering the fact that Police Services upon searching the dwelling of Evergreen student Dominic Baylon found absolutely nothing pertaining to the "big" drug bust in his apartment, I find it surprising that he found himself in the office of the campus Grievance Counselor Helena Meyer-Knapp. If he was in fact thought to be a suspect in the bust, then it should have been a matter to be taken up by the Olympia Police Department. But that's not why I am writing.*
Baylon is accusing Meyer-Knapp of threatening him with suspension from school and expulsion from Housing for not singing like

a canary and risking his safety in the community. That is, if he knew anything, which he says he does not. I would like to ask The Evergreen State College administration and student body if they find this behavior acceptable because I do not. This is a shocking and unethical abuse of her authority and harmful to the Evergreen community and general public. I am calling for, on behalf of Baylon and the community at large, a full investigation of Meyer-Knapp's conduct and appropriate corrective action to be taken immediately by the appropriate authorities. Perhaps the school's president would like to comment on this matter.

Nicholas Stavish

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Arts & Entertainment

"Although our information is incorrect, we do not vouch for it."
 — Erik Satie

by Jonny Fink
 Punk Rock Correspondent

There's something kind of comforting about listening to music by people with whom you have something in common. You start to think that, hey, they have the same problems as me, and maybe if we met would even be friends. I mean, don't get me wrong, I might enjoy music by Brian Wilson or Puff Daddy, but I could never see myself getting together with them for a drink and ever having anything to say that wasn't related to their music. And there's nothing wrong with that. But Gaze, on the other hand, I've met. I have two band members' home phone numbers. I'm not saying that I'm just gonna call them up out of the blue just to chat, but I could if I wanted to. And there's something appealing about that.

I mean, if I were in a band, I would probably want to play upbeat, poppy songs about crushes gone bad due to misunderstandings and miscommunication. That's what Gaze does, so I feel a connection.

Who are Gaze, you might be thinking at this point in the article? (If so, congratulations on sticking through a review of a band that you've never heard of which so far has said very little about that band itself.) Well, I'll tell you. They're from Vancouver, BC, and they just released their first album on K Records called *Mitsumeru*. Gaze also happens to be Miko Hoffman, Megan Mallett and Rose Melberg. Rose you might recognize from her other numerous bands (the Softies, Go Sailor, Tiger Trap, and a solo album will be out in about a month), but Gaze is really Miko and Megan's band. They both sing, write the songs and are the two people standing up when the band plays.

I talked to Miko last week about the release of the album, and though she was getting over a cold and seemed tired, she answered all my questions diligently. It turns out that the band has been together for about four years now; Megan and Miko met in high school but never thought of starting a band until they got to the University of British Columbia and started to work at the campus radio station (Miko is editor of the station's paper, *Discorder*). Almost everyone who worked there was in a band, and it was a very encouraging atmosphere. Miko describes being in a band as "something I never thought of to do, but I realized there

was nothing stopping me." So they got some instruments and learned to play. (Megan still doesn't own the bass that she uses.)

They went through a couple drummers with dissimilar tastes in music during the first year and a half before Rose came along. As it happens, they were about to record some songs when the drummer left. Miko was friends with Bill Baker of Mint Records, who is married to Rose. Rose, though not known for her drumming, filled in and

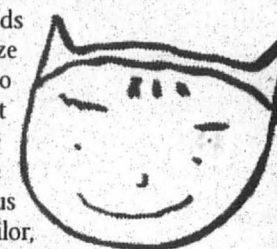
became a permanent member. They knew Rose through her music and "there was a bit of a stars in my eyes thing" when they first met, but they soon got over it.

They continued to play together locally, but never really found a following in Vancouver, which Miko described as not terribly supportive of pop bands. That changed when they came to Olympia and played at the Midnight Sun last Valentine's Day. Candace from K was there and liked them; she said

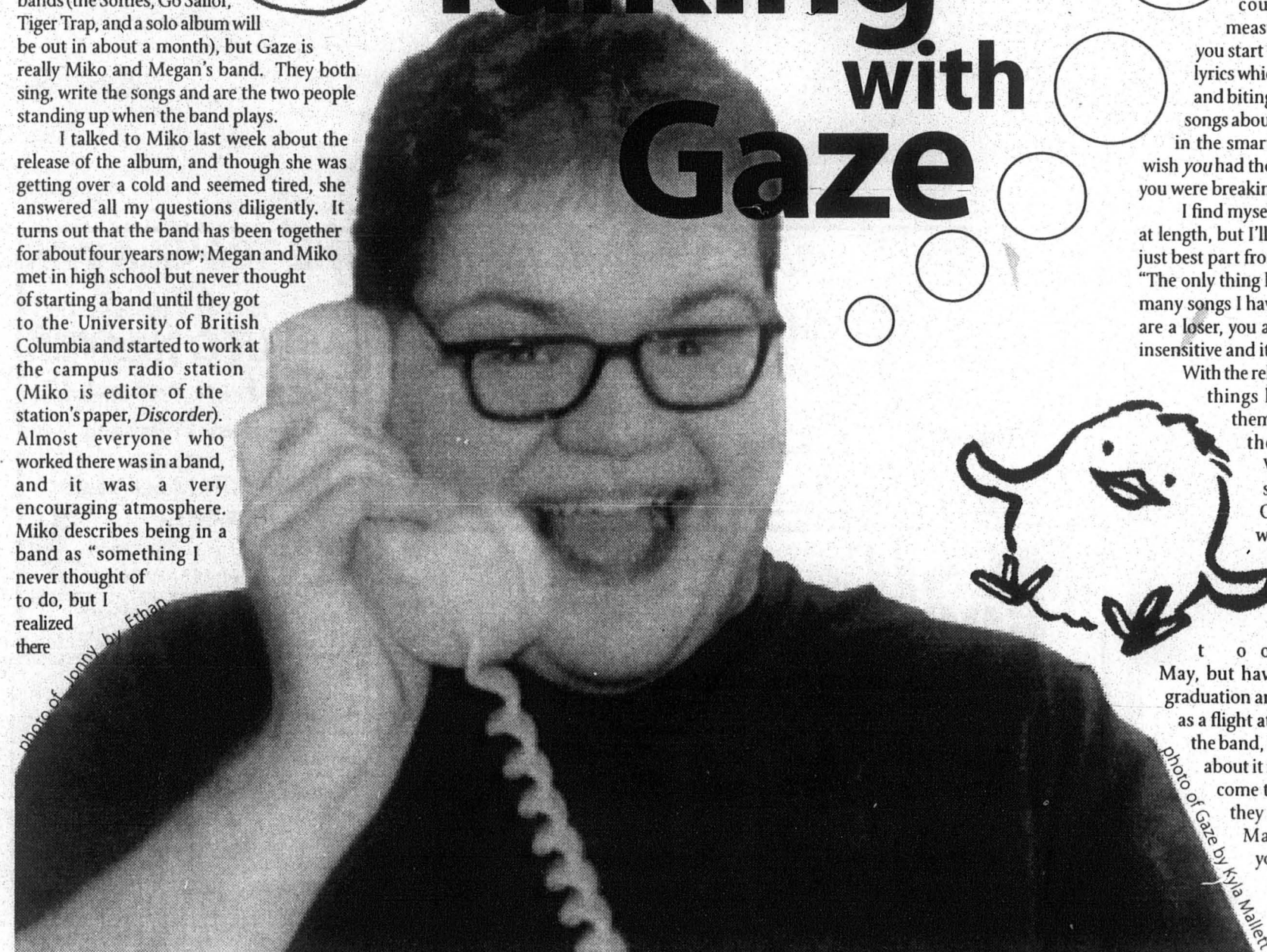
they should do a seven inch sometime, but it was still a bit of a surprise when it actually happened.

"Being in a band with Rose, it was pretty much assumed that we might end up working with K — but I like to think they like us too. Because it took four years for things to start happening for the band, when they did it was a little anticlimactic."

They had some songs recorded, but had to do a few more to fill up an album. "I never realized how short our songs were



Talking with Gaze



until I saw the total time count on the CD."

Still, with 14 songs it's only 35 minutes long. But it's 35 minutes of fine, fine music. Calling it *Mitsumeru*, Miko explains, is their attempt at being clever, but still being self-titled: it's Gaze in Japanese.

The album is for the most part bouncy, poppy and seemingly very happy (with a couple slow songs for good measure), but after a few listens, you start to hear more and more of the lyrics which are in turn clever, insightful and biting. Gaze seems to write a lot of songs about breakups or heartbreak, but in the smart sort of way that makes you wish you had thought to say that the last time you were breaking up with someone.

I find myself wanting to quote the lyrics at length, but I'll contain myself and give you just best part from the song "Anyway": "The only thing left to like about you / is how many songs I have written that are new / You are a loser, you are a jerk / you're completely insensitive and it would never work, anyway."

With the release of the album this month, things have started to pick up for them, and then even opened for the Violent Femmes in Vancouver last month. We should feel honored here in Olympia because their grand world tour kicks off tomorrow at the Capitol Theater and concludes the following day in Seattle at Velvet Elvis. They're trying

to organize further tour dates in May, but have to work around Megan's graduation and her upcoming summer job as a flight attendant. As for the future of the band, Miko says they haven't talked about it much, but they wouldn't have come this far if it wasn't something they all wanted to continue doing. Maybe you should ask them yourself at the show tomorrow night.



Why not do this? Ranga Pravesh

by Ethan Jones
A&E Editor

This Saturday, the Olympia Chamber Orchestra will be presenting a special concert with guest pianist Tina Kouratchvili. Kouratchvili, pictured to the right, will accompany the local chamber orchestra for Mendelssohn's "Piano Concerto No.1." The concerto is difficult to navigate on the piano, and Franz Liszt - no slouch on the piano himself - praised it as one of the best piano compositions of his era.



originally from Georgia, in the former Soviet Union. She has been a featured performer with a number of nifty musical organizations, such as the Georgian Symphony Orchestra and the Georgian Opera and Ballet Theater. Also featured will be "Pavane pour une infante defunte" by Ravel, and two works by American composer David Diamond. The concert will be held at the Washington Center on Feb. 21 at 8 p.m. As an added bonus, Evergreen faculty Terry Setter will host a preshow discussion at 7 p.m.

Haiku about LAL

by Ethan Jones
A&E Editor

loud as bad headache
Love as Laughter's new record
really pretty good

It has a title
it's "#1 USA"
came out late last month

more songs than listed
kind of confusing, charming
no just confusing

I like the riffing
like if "Brown Sugar" was punk
I jump around house

Sometimes sound just like
punk BTO or Skynyrd
but in a good way

Where do they come from?
Outer space? Olympia?
Sam Jayne writes real nice

playing this Friday
with Dub Narcotic and Gaze
check them out real soon



LAL is pictured in the picture that is placed above.
photo courtesy K records

An evening of Orissi Dance featuring our own Meg Hunt.

by Ethan Jones
Arts and Entertainment Editor



Margaret Hunt, commonly known around the Evergreen campus as 'Meg,' will provide the Evergreen community with an evening of classical Indian dance this Friday, Feb. 20. The performance will commence at 8 p.m. in the Communication Building Recital Hall. Admission is free.

The performance will be her debut, or Ranga Pravash, as an individual Orissi artist. Orissi is an ancient form of movement that originated in India and continues to be practiced by the artists of today. Ms. Hunt, as she is less commonly known around the Evergreen campus, will perform eight dances.

She studied Orissi in India with Guru Ramani Ranjan Jena and with Dr. Ratna Roy in America.

Meg has taught dance and interdisciplinary arts at Evergreen for years.

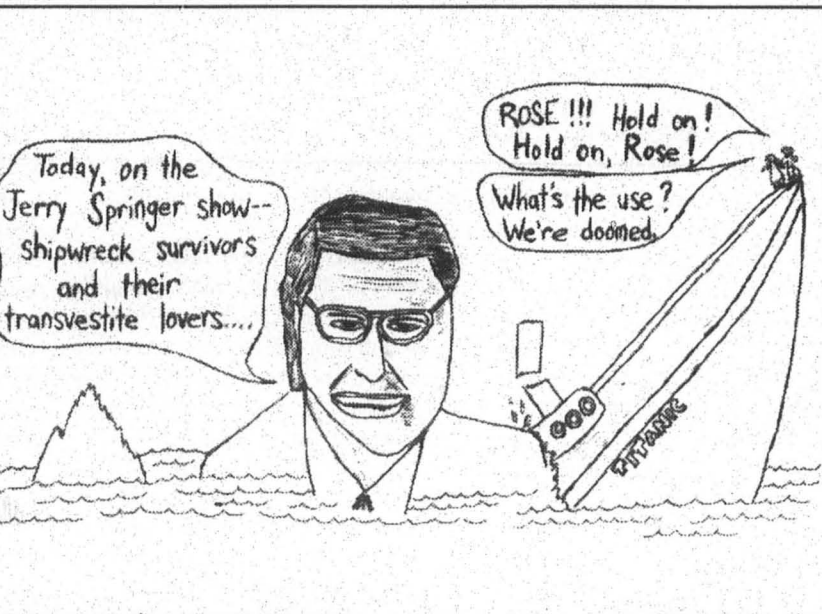
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Slummin' it with Jerry Springer

Too hot for TV, but not for the Cooper Point Journal

by Dan Scholz
Comics Editor

For the life of me I can't figure out why I have this lurid fascination with the Jerry Springer Show. At least I'm not alone in my twisted journey through talk show hell. Jerry's the #2 rated talk show host in the nation, having just surpassed Rosie O'Donnell but still behind Oprah Winfrey in ratings (it's tough to beat the queen). Still, I'm curious as to how Springer has managed to cast his sleaze-ridden spell on the American viewing public with such success as to render a video cassette chronicling the uncensored exploits from some of his most bizarre shows.



To be fair, Jerry Springer is not the first character without any scruples to bust onto the talk show circuit. Morton Downey Jr. made quite a name for himself in the '80s by blowing cigarette smoke into the faces of any guest who disagreed with his ass-backwards views. Hell, he even got an Iranian fella to come out on stage to profess his hatred for the United States, and followed up by forcing the poor guy to kiss the American flag! Now that's low.

And who can forget the beating Geraldo Rivera took at the hands of a vicious group of white supremacist skinhead Nazis? These were the humble roots of talk show violence. Imagine Geraldo backstage after that particular show, blood flowing profusely from

his broken nose as he discusses the situation with his producer... "Shit Ger, I don't know how to tell you this, but we registered our highest ratings ever from this show. The switchboards are lighting up like crazy - I think we've got something here..." No doubt about it, the humanoids out there in T.V. Land want violence in its most pure and unadulterated form. Oh yeah, they

brings us to the video... Jerry Springer: Too Hot For T.V. promises die-hard fans of the show a glimpse of some of the original uncensored footage that was cut in order to make the program suitable for network television. As you'd expect, there's plenty of topless women (sorry, no studs) and enough senseless violence to make the Ultimate Fighting Championship look like a quilting bee. It's also gratifying to not have to listen to those annoying 'bleeps' which they persist throughout a good portion of any given show. We are able to listen to the guests' grievances in the manner in which they intended (e.g. "At least I didn't drink a bottle of Everclear and fuck five guys!").

most disturbing talk show fodder imaginable, but regardless of all that, it's hard to deny the entertainment value.

And no critique of the video would be complete without touching on Jerry's "Final Thoughts." Springer wraps the whole thing up by getting up on a soapbox in order to defend his daily freakshow, stating, "While these lifestyles or manners are not particular ones we would choose for ourselves, how boring life would be if there were none among us who would push the edges of the envelope." He continues his rationalization, saying, "The politicians or companies that seek to control what each of us may watch are far greater danger to America and our own treasured freedom than any of our guests could or ever would be." Gosh, is Jerry Springer the Free Speech defender that we've been waiting for so long? Yeah, right.

Despite Jerry's hollow rhetoric, he makes a valid point. It's hard to take his schtick too seriously, and there are scores of critics out there who contend that the show is actually staged. Whether or not this is true I can only speculate, and it wouldn't make a damn bit of difference to me, anyhow. I don't think folks watch this crap for its educational value. It's escapism. It's a chance for us to see fellow human beings make complete jack asses out of themselves by watching them put their personal garbage on display for all of us to see. And whether you want to admit it or not, it makes us feel superior. Because no matter what problems or uncertainties we may face in our daily lives, we still haven't sunk that low as to have appeared on the Jerry Springer show...

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Madigan

by Ethan Jones
Arts and Entertainment Editor

Here is something I can tell you: I don't know a whole lot about Madigan Shive's music. Well, that's not entirely true - I know she was in Tattle Tale. Anyway, I recently had the pleasure of listening to a cassette of hers, called, I think, *Madigan*. I got it from K Records and it's quite good and really interesting. She's got a new album coming out soon and she's currently touring to promote it. The new record will be *Bonfire Madigan* and it'll be worth looking into. She'll be playing here in Olympia at Arrowspace on Feb. 26, so if you've got time, you should check out her show. Sometimes her cello sounds like rainbows.

Aries: (March 21 to April 19) Without having to stand there and watch it all be destroyed, for now, we just let it slide, letting it ride. Letting the Big Boys control the destiny of this planet because they got what talks, they got big balls and big bombs. Our good friend Nostradamus has predicted WWII of May, 1998. Will we learn from this destruction? Will the hearts of the greedy and selfish cry out with peace and love for the miracle of life? Let your essence of fire warm the hearts of others.

Taurus: (April 20 to May 20) Being the strong bull, carrying the filtration of the planet, the evening night sky holds truth in meditating on what can help you, help you find that the struggle is within yourself. You should know by now, growing as the flower, hold the mind inside the flame, above the ocean waves, surrounded by your glorious charm. Thank you Miriam for getting the girls to Mardi Gras.

Gemini: (May 21 to June 20) One might have more control over the other, except, in a world of equality and brotherhood, love is forever together as one. However mutable your feelings of wanting something new in your life, the change will occur with several options. Don't get distracted in believing something is impossible, if anyone could accomplish a dream ... Gemini's are simply unstoppable.

Cancer: (June 21 to July 22) Water everywhere, on the streets, on the roofs, trickling down the tree roots... Starting something big would be a good idea. A project for the self, let school try and tell you what to do, but begin something for yourself. A



Astrologically Speaking

by Mason James McGraw



painting, a poem, a basket, a fort, a new passion that fills your spirit with joy. Throughout the land, listen to the sound, the ocean waves, caressing the sand.

Leo: (July 23 to August 22) "Who is Buddha? What is the Buddha? Here are some of the answers given by various masters to this question: The one there in the hall. He isn't Buddha. The mountains are traveling over the sea. The mouth is the gateway of woe. Look at that three legged donkey. Dry shit. The best artist doesn't know how to paint him. The bamboo grove out back." Zen Buddhism, The Peter Pauper Press. Practicing music this week will bring a peacefulness and clarity.

Virgo: (August 23 to September 22) Sitting in the chair, way up high, way up there. The tree holds your heart, beating in your chest, looking over the edge, is this a test? Not wanting to go further, and yet climbing to the top, you can see yourself smiling, above the nest, above the top. There she goes, with the peacefulness of virtue, with the amazing ability to rise above the past. I know I'll love thee forever, your kind earth sign, sweet gentleness, the warmth you give, becoming the shine, of compassion, of beauty.

Libra: (September 23 to October 22) "When Yamaoka was a brash young student, he visited the master Dokuon. Wanting to impress the

master, he said: 'There is no mind, there is no body, there is no Buddha. There is no better, there is no worse. All that is real is Emptiness.' Dokuon had been sitting quietly smoking his pipe, saying nothing. Now he picked up his staff, and without warning gave Yamaoka a terrible whack. Yamaoka jumped in anger. 'Since none of these things really exists,' said Dokuon, 'and all is Emptiness, where does your anger come from? Think about it.'" Zen Buddhism, The Peter Pauper Press. A dozen roses for Rosalinda.

Scorpio: (October 23 to November 21) The fierce desire for anything you wish will easily help you accomplish what you believe to be the best for you. Your cool ability to impress others with sharp ideas that lead to the answer, supply evenings with plenty of fun things to do. Sleep is a very important element this next week, so focus on your health and not so much on what the world is asking of you. Patience with pets is the solution to what you have already envisioned.

Sagittarius: (November 22 to December 21) The hills, the mountains, the rivers, the clouds above, all that shines, all the treasures you find, have truly encouraged the self in having as much fun as possible. Your sexiness has attracted the masses, try not to let too many fall in love with the heat of your fire. Not finishing what you started could bring more

duties in the long run. Like a master cook, you have got all the sweetest spices a lover could ask for. Hubba-Hubba, cool daddy-o.

Capricorn: (December 22 to December 31) Getting anxious to start planting already? Yes, the sooner the better. We need more flowers, more colors in the city. Don't let someone ruin your day with ignorance, just let them create their own opposite and equal reaction. The energy they create will land foul circle upon themselves. Don't add to their jealousy, breathe in the colors, exhale the darkness.

Aquarius: (January 20 to February 18) Creating something new each time, searching for a formula, a path to follow, smoothing out the details, becoming stronger with your craft. . . These are all things that reveal and determine what you can and cannot do at this time. Don't get tough on yourself, the wheel turns slowly, and a new love could bring more complication in your life if the answers in your mind don't fall in alliance with the true feelings of their heart. "Don't let it bring you down, it's only castles burning. Just find someone who's turning, and you will come around." — Neil Young

Pisces: (February 19 to March 20) The splashing truth of what is real and what is a simple misconception of reality could lead you to a new doorway of flashing new discovery. With the answer in your hand, knowing now for sure, having always understood, and yet yesterday, you felt as though it would never end. "Hello Jesus, Jesus children, Jesus loves you, Jesus children, hello children Jesus loves you of America." — Stevie Wonder

the weekly calendar

Weekly meetings!

Mondays—
7:30 a.m.—Bird walks with Freaks of Nature in front of the Library

2 p.m.—Women of Color Coalition in CAB 320
3 p.m.—CISPES in Lib. 2204
—LASO in CAB 315
4 p.m.—ERC in CAB 108
—S & A Board in CAB 315
—Rape Response Coalition (SHAPE) in CAB 320
—PCUN in CAB 315
5 p.m.—Eagle Claw Kung Fu—call x6220
—Evergreen Medieval Society in Lib. 2218
6 p.m.—Toxins group in LH 10
—ASIA in CAB 320
7 p.m.—Hunger & Homeless group in LH 10
—Bahai Faith Gathering in Longhouse

Tuesdays—
3 p.m.—LASO in CAB 315
4 p.m.—Native Students Alliance in CAB 320
—WashPIRG in LH 10
—EQA: Bisexual group in CAB 314
5 p.m.—SEED in Lab II 2242
—MPA in the MPA Lounge
—Eagle Claw Kung Fu—call x6220
5:30 p.m.—Pre-Law Circle (Alt. Tues.) in CAB 315
6 p.m.—EQA: Bisexual Women's Group at Women's Center
7 p.m.—MindScreen (Alt. Tues.) in LH 3
7:30 p.m.—Students for Christ in Lib. 2116

Wednesdays—
noon—AISES in the Longhouse
—Brown Bag Christian Fellowship in Lib. 2221
1 p.m.—Middle Eastern Resource Center (MERC) in CAB 320
—Jewish Cultural Center (1st & 3rd Wed.) in Lib. 2221
—Evergreen Math & Science Network in Lib. 3500
—Naked Words in Lib. 2220
—Talking About Race Lib. 2218 (two part, video and discussion)
1:30 p.m.—EPIC in CAB 315
—Student Workers Organization in CAB 320
2 p.m.—Women's Resource Center in CAB 206
—Students Arts Council in CAB 315
—Talking About Race in CAB 315
2:30 p.m.—ASIA in CAB 320
3 p.m.—PHAT in CAB 320
—Amnesty International in Lib. 2126
3:30 p.m.—Gaming Guild- Geocoin in CAB 320
—Homeopathy Study Group in Lab I 1051
4 p.m.—S & A Board in CAB 315
—Punk Rock Prom Meeting in Lib. 2220
—Endangered Species group in COM 2nd Fl. Lounge
5 p.m.—Eagle Claw Kung Fu—call x6220
6 p.m.—Environmental Education in LH 10
—Water Watch group in LH 10
7 p.m.—Women's writing group - Women's Resource Center

Thursdays—
11:15 a.m.—Union of Students with Disabilities in CAB 206
noon—Umoja in CAB 315
3 p.m.—Slightly West in CAB 320
—Freaks of Nature in front of the Longhouse
—Nature Lovers Unite in the Longhouse
—M.E.Ch.A.: Cinco de Mayo planning meeting in CAB 320
3:30 p.m.—M.E.Ch.A. in CAB 320
4 p.m.—APEC in Lib. 2126
5 p.m.—Evergreen Medieval Society in CAB 108
—Eagle Claw Kung Fu—call x6220
—Students for a Free Tibet in CAB 315
—EQA: Coming Out group in the Counseling Center
6 p.m.—EARN in CAB 315
—Action Meeting in Support of Big Mt. (2 & 4 Thurs.) in 3rd Fl CAB
6:30 p.m.—Camarilla in Lib. 1508
7 p.m.—Women's Pet Circle in CAB 206

Fridays—
noon—Science Lecture Series Lab I 1047
2:30 p.m.—Students of Color Anthology in CAB 320
3 p.m.—EQA: Men's group in CAB 314
5 p.m.—Eagle Claw Kung Fu—call x6220
6:30 p.m.—Zazen Meditation (1 & 3 Fri.) in LRC

Sundays—
9 a.m.—Chess in the Housing Community Center.
1 p.m.—EQA: Volleyball in CRC Gym

Thursday 2/19

Evergreen State Basketball-Women's @ 5:30p.m., Men's vs. St. Martins @ 7:30p.m. in the CRC. **Students get in FREE w/ ID.**

Friday 2/20

Zapata Freedom Fest-Live reggae and funk bands, Chiapas clothing drive, 8 p.m. in Library, **FREE.**

Joanne Rand and Timothy Hull- Celtic inspired accoustic ritual, Studio 321, Olympia @ 8 p.m. **admission is \$6.**

Evergreen Expressions-An Orissi Dance Performance at the Recital Hall.

Science Lecture Series- Environmental Geologist Ken Tabbutt speaks about Sedimentary Basins and The Earth's Field Notebooks, 12 to 1 p.m. in LAB 1 room 1047, TESC, **admission is FREE.**

Saturday 2/21

Kagami Butoh-Contemporary Japanese Performance: Tonglen 8 p.m. at the Nippon Kan Theater in Seattle. **Admission is \$5 for students and \$10 general.** For info call (206) 224-0181.

Evergreen State Basketball-Geoducks vs. Simon Fraser @ 7:30 p.m. in the CRC, **Students get in FREE w/ ID.**

The Women's Resource Center-Quilt Mural project, Bring materials or not. More info x6162.

Sunday 2/22

Capital Area Youth Symphony Association presents- Chamber Ensemble Recital, 7 p.m. @ The Worthington Center, St. Martins College, **Donations accepted.**

Monday 2/23

The Moving Edge Colloquium-Jane Veeder presents a symposium on Artistic Transitions from Analog to Digital, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Lecture Hall 1, **free to public**, cost of parking \$1, info @ 866-6833.

Anyone who would like to submit events to the calendar should contact the Calendar Editor at x6213.



Weekend Weather

The weekend weather forecast is the newest addition to the exciting calendar page. The forecast is based on various scientific methods and backcountry techniques developed here in the Pacific Northwest. The Cooper Point Journal is not liable for any error in the forecast.

Friday



It looks like Friday will be cloudy with brief afternoon clearing and then showers into the night.

Saturday

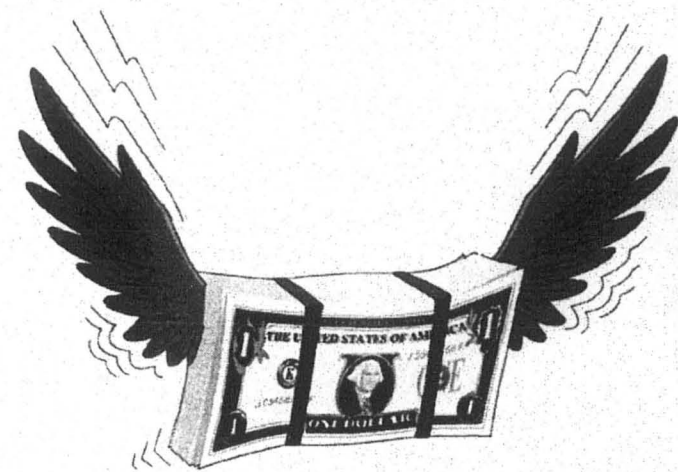


Saturday will be dry but the ground will be saturated with Friday's rain. It will be extremely cold Saturday night as no heat will be trapped by afternoon clouds.

Sunday



Sunday will be sunny and chilly in the morning, but cloudy and raining in the afternoon and evening.



does your student group have

money problems?

Now is the time to act. Budgets for all Tier II groups are due March 9 at noon.

Budget Timeline

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Requests due	March 9 at noon.
Presentations	April 7, 8, 13, 15, 20 and 22
Deliberations	April 29
Decision Appeal Hearings	May 6

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Comics



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"To Protect and to Serve" by Mikel Wheeler
2-17-98

Sarge! We caught this dead junkie but we can't find any drugs on him.

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Sarge! We tried but we can't break through the thick tartar buildup!

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Josh Knisely

YOUZA! A Move back into your parents' basement free card! Stick that in your pipe and smoke it, Daddy-o!

Bohemian Rhapsody

DR. NIHL'S DREAMS OF ATOMIC DEATH by Lee O'Connor

1976

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Planeta de la Tierra

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¡Hola persona! Somos extra terrestres.

LOOK Ma, Aliens!

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Ozy & Millie

by David Simpson

POETRY NIGHT

★ AHM... GOOD EVENING. MY NAME IS AVERY. IN THE INTEREST OF CULTURAL ENRICHMENT, I'VE BEEN ASKED TO SHARE A POEM.

POETRY NIGHT

IN BITTER STORMS MY SOUL IS TORN AND DASHED UPON THE ROCKS THE WIND IS COLD MY STORY OLD...

POETRY NIGHT

UM...

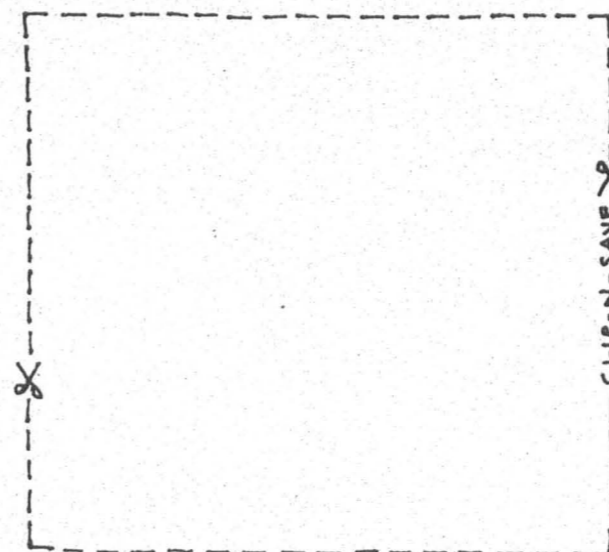
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- use this space here!
- NOTES:



FABLED TRUTHS charlie O.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SON! and when you turn 5 we'll get you a real gun.

Gee thanks DAD.

FATHER SON BONDAGE

Leepin Ladybug C-bell Fowler

Vital Stats

Name: Lenny
Age: 5 going on 22.
Favorite color: green
Favorite Spice: Horned
Favorite critter: Ladybug-duh.
Favorite sport: Ice dancing
Favorite Band: The Beatles
Favorite food: Aphids in garlic-butter sauce

SAL JOKES '98! FRESH FROM OUR NON-DIGITAL COWS TO YOU BY SAL, OF COURSE.

DOES THE SECOND AMBULANCE ON THE SCENE STILL CALL THEMSELVES FIRST-AID?

NAW, THEN THEY'RE PAIR-A-MEDICS!

Onyx Towers
by Colin Helsley

STOP THE INJUSTICE! NO MORE

NO MORE

No. The protest is tomorrow. He is just practicing and said he needed help.

Why did he chose you?

He said he need an authority figure to add atmosphere.

Hey! Come on! Work with me! Now try and look oppressive.

Kid Anus and the Secret of Curly's Gold by Dan Scholz

Well, that's another story altogether. One of my cousins Hans "Loose Lips" Flamingo was working as a courier for a Corsican Syndicate running a major heroin lab out of Marseilles. Hans gave me a call one day and asked if I wanted a piece of the action.

So how'd you get mixed up in the narcotics business?

I took him up on the offer, and it wasn't long before I earned the respect of those French bastards. They sent me to Laos, where they needed someone reliable to secure large shipments of refined opium from the Hmong tribespeople.

As the French withdrew from Indochina, we began to lose a lot of our clout in the Golden Triangle region. I hooked up with the C.I.A., who at this point had begun providing air transport for most of the shipments, in exchange for military assistance in their counterinsurgency campaigns against Communist guerillas along the Laotian border.

they have this open space
that's free for me to vandalize
thought i'd use it to desecrate your name
to shatter this illusion of you

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Relocation Authority and the Number 9.

your valentines day present
was getting high on coke
and kissing the red dressed man
you made it easy to give your clothes back
and walk away

we listen to
the techno grooves
but it's the spaces without sound
that i will poke at
that's where the wounds are

space over the east river
i burnt your letters

penn warner

here
i break your photo

never reshape the past
too much space there
let go of the future though
and i can happen

you think you're god
i realize you are mistaken
tearing the nails from your cross
i lick the wounds

you said you wanted space
now you're lost in brooklyn
two thousand miles of room

you are trapped

you got your space
i destroyed your name

worlds away from you
my record has played on
picked up new rhythms

dancing to the heart beats
i learned some new steps