

Special Note:

This is the first of two stories you will receive on Evergreen's Founders Festival. With the next story, we'll have a complete schedule, accompanied by a special ten-year report on the college. We think the report may prove useful to you in developing possible feature stories tracing Evergreen's development. We hope you'll join us for the Festival and celebrate with us yet another major milestone at Evergreen. If you'd like more information before the May 12 release, please feel free to call Judy Annis, 866-6128.

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Preview of the last of the major academic buildings at The Evergreen State College and celebration of the first ten years of Washington's twentieth century collegiate pioneer will draw distinguished citizens, educators, legislators, alums, students, and friends to the Evergreen campus May 20 and 21 for two days of commemorative festivities.

Evergreen President Charles McCann says "the dreamers, builders and recipients of a decade of commitment to higher education" will begin gathering at Evergreen the afternoon of May 20 to enjoy activities ranging from theatrical productions to an historical pageant, from art exhibits to film festivals, campus tours to a medley of Evergreen musical hits.

Founders Day festivities begin at 2 p.m. May 20 when Dr. Emil Dandenberg, president of Oberlin College, headlines the preview ceremonies for the nearly complete Communications Laboratory Building. His address highlights the role of performing arts in higher education and acknowledges the contributions innovative education institutions make to the many public they serve.

Organized by Evergreen Faculty Member Dr. Charles Teske, Founders Day Festival also features an open house in the Communications Building from 3 to 5 p.m. May 20, followed by a 7 to 9 p.m. concert in the new Recital Hall. Evergreen alumni will present a number of classical recitals, followed by a piano recital by Dr. Dandenberg, a concert performer. Three hours of foot-tapping bluegrass, jazz and rock music will complete the May 20 activities.

Award winning Evergreen student films will be shown both days along with continuous art and historical exhibits, dramatic productions by Performing Arts students, library displays and receptions for campus guests.

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Formal celebration of Evergreen's tenth anniversary opens activities May 21 at 10:30 a.m. under the direction of Hal Wolf, Yelm businessman and member of the Evergreen Foundation Board of Governors. Campus tours will follow, along with production of an historical pageant by the Chautauqua Players, an 8 p.m. concert by the Evergreen Jazz Ensemble, and three more hours of varied musical entertainment.

All the Founders Day activities are free and open to the public. President McCann says the event is planned as "a tribute from Evergreen to the state's citizens who have supported their new college from its inception to full accreditation and national recognition as a leader in innovative, high quality undergraduate studies."