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Ralph Nader speaks at Evergreen

by EMILY WEISBERG

As Ralph Nader, political activist, author and four-time candidate for president, prepared to take the stage at Evergreen, over 300 people filled the CRC on Saturday, May 8, in anticipation of hearing his speech. Nader was here to speak about one of the most pressing problems of our time: health care.

Having often been called an 'unreasonable man,' it seemed fitting that he started his speech with a quote from George Bernard Shaw, "The reasonable man adapts himself to the world; the unreasonable one persists in trying to adapt the world to himself. Therefore all progress depends on the unreasonable man."

THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION

And indeed it was progress he spoke of, criticizing Obama and politicians at large for not enacting real change. Money and power makes all the difference, Nader explained, saying that once Obama was elected, he turned his back on people who had supported him and instead turned to the corporations who had not supported him in the past, simply because they had the money and power to "go somewhere," and the low-income families who had supported him during his election were not going to go anywhere. At least not anywhere that matters to Obama, was Nader's point.

He criticized health care, saying, "10 people will die from not having health care during the course of this speech. What kind of gutless president - what kind of gutless Democratic party - lets these people die?"

If the politicians won't make progress, the people themselves must do it. "There is enough people in this room, that if you were to organize, you could make a difference that would surprise you," he said.

Again and again he stressed the important of regular citizens making a change. In an interview after his speech, he elaborated on this, talking about how college students are no longer as politically active as they used to be, and emphasizing that this needs to change. College-aged citizens "are able to get more information faster, but outside of that, I don't think they march as much, demonstrate as much, litigate as much or teach each other as much, person to person...it has to be person-to-person, you can't do it all through screens."

This was only one of Nader's remarks on technology, a phenomenon that he mentioned with sarcasm

many times: "Americans define freedom as using their remote control," he said, in regards to how much we as Americans have lowered our standards.

How much our standards have changed for the worse was a point Nader brought up often, particularly in regards to who we elect and allow to act as our leaders. "If you always go for the 'least worst' you lose all bargaining power," he explained. "We're very good as a people at making excuses."

ISREAL AND PALESTINE

Students in attendance were pleased when Nader showed interest in and commended the Evergreen divestment initiatives, which were brought up during the Q&A following his lecture. The initiatives, which will be on the upcoming GSU ballot, call for divestment from companies profiting from Israel's occupation of Palestine.

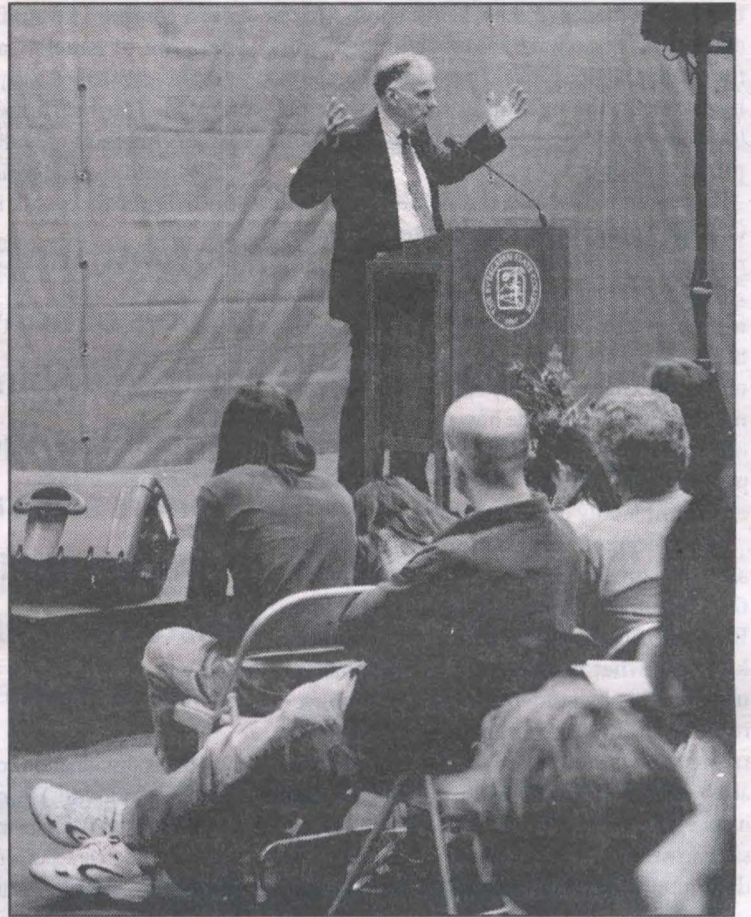
In the post-lecture interview, Nader expressed praise for the initiatives, saying, "it should be done because what is going on in the Occupied Palestinian Territories is a violation of international law, a violation of Geneva conventions and is brutalizing the people when there is a two state solution that the majority of Israeli's and Palestinians desire."

He went on to say that divestment and boycotts "educate a lot of people, express the moral sentiment of people and for the people who it is designed to help, it is a tremendous moral lift. Especially when you're dealing with corporations who will sell anything to anybody for a buck, including some of the most heinous weapon systems."

The crowd seemed to soak up his words, cheering wildly both when he first walked on stage and when he left the stage. His parting comments in particular seemed to resonate with the audience, many of whom were part of the Evergreen student body:

"Your 20s are your most rebellious decade. Who led the civil rights march? People in their 20s... You are the leaders on the front line. Your American dream shouldn't be money, it should be justice...you are the last generation that has to give up so little, to achieve so much."

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PHOTOS: RALPH NADER SPEAKS WITH EXTREME EMOTION ABOUT HEALTH CARE AND THE STATE OF AMERICA TODAY. MAY 8, 2010 [TOP]. PHOTO BY EMILY WEISBERG.

Changes for Credit Card Users at Evergreen

by ASHLEY WALDRON

On May 10th, Colin Orr, Director of Business Services, sent out an email announcing that on June 2nd, the Evergreen State College will handle all credit card transactions through a third-party processor. Although Visa credit cards will no longer be accepted, MasterCard, Discover and American Express can be used for paying tuition, fees, and room/board. This applies to online payments, as well. Cash, checks and debit cards are payable at the Cashier's Office. Checks can be sent to the college through mail. Evergreen does not currently take payments over the phone. These changes will be made in effort to reduce costs for credit card processing, which costs the college over \$300,000 a year.

Evergreen BOT approves summer tuition increase

by BRIAN FULLERTON

Even after a request by a student named Noah to increase the size of their hearts and not vote to increase tuition for the Summer school session, the Board of Trustees voted to increase tuition for the summer session. The vote was originally scheduled to take place on the Board meeting March 9, but the decision was deferred to this one. Summer tuition for resident undergraduates will increase 12% (after an original recommendation of 14%) and non-resident undergraduate summer tuition will increase by 10% (originally 14% as well).

About 70 people attended the public comment portion

of the meeting. About ten people actually addressed the board. Of them, two people decided to use their time to address the room instead of the Board and one student decided to let the Board know that they, "don't fucking care what they think."

Early in the meeting, before the public comment portion and when the majority of the people showed up, the Board members expressed frustration that students, from the Board's point of view, did not have an understanding of why tuition needs to be increased.

Evergreen student, Rene Soto, however, brought up during the public comment portion of the meeting the information being made available is too dense to be adequately understood by the layman. Student Board Member, Dixon McReynolds III, grew frustrated. He tried different times throughout the year to organize budget meeting and submitted an article to the Cooper Point Journal to help students



PHOTO BY BRIAN FULLERTON.

get involved with and informed about the decision making process. Late in the meeting, McReynolds asked the group if any of them had reached out to him.

A student responded: "We don't know who you are."

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Stand with Desmond Tutu, Support the Initiatives

by ERIN GENIA and other members of the Evergreen community

Although we were not old enough to have participated in the movement against South African apartheid, we do have an opportunity to work for similar justice today. There are two exciting initiatives in the upcoming student-wide ballot that the Evergreen community should be proud to support.

The first initiative calls for the Evergreen State College Foundation to institute a socially responsible investment policy. Although Evergreen is perceived as a progressive institution, it falls behind many other colleges in social responsibility. Other colleges and universities have socially responsible investment policies that guide how they invest their money, to stay away from corporations that profit from war, human rights violations, and environmentally destructive practices.

The Evergreen Foundation, which operates on campus and in conjunction with the school, has no such policy. In fact, the Evergreen Foundation is not interested in knowing what it invests in, as attempts to uncover this by students in past years have resulted in little accountability. This lack of transparency should be a concern for everyone advocating for human rights, environmental justice, and fair labor practices. Socially responsible investment helps punish corporations for their unethical practices, reduces our complicity in those practices, and forces corporations to become more accountable.

As part of instituting a socially responsible policy, the initiative calls for the Evergreen Foundation to divest from companies that profit from Israel's illegal occupation of the Palestinian territories. In doing so, we would be joining a worldwide nonviolent movement to work toward an end to the Palestine-Israel conflict, in which the US is so deeply entrenched.

The second initiative calls for Evergreen to end the use of Caterpillar equipment on campus until Caterpillar ends its involvement in human rights abuses. The Israeli military employs weaponized versions of Caterpillar D9 and D10 bulldozers, fully armored and equipped with heavy machine guns, to demolish Palestinian

homes and markets, destroy farmland, and even commit extrajudicial killings. The latest iteration of Israel's Caterpillar arsenal is the remote-controlled weaponized bulldozer, code-named "Dawn's Thunder," which was used in Israel's invasion of Gaza in 2008-9.

Although the Caterpillar Corporation claims both ignorance and innocence, Caterpillar

Boycott and divestment are tools of nonviolence that we can all participate in for social change, and it both honors and supports those in the conflict who have resisted and suffered to bring about peace and justice.

has been put on notice for years by Amnesty International and Human Rights Watch, who have called on CAT to suspend its sales to Israel, and who accuse CAT of being complicit in war crimes and human rights abuses. Without economic pressure, CAT will continue to ignore these calls.

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We remember Bassam Abu Rahme (aka "Phil"), who was killed by Israeli soldiers one year ago, as he nonviolently demonstrated against the expropriation of his village's farmland. His relative Abdullah Abu Rahme, a leader in the nonviolent resistance, was arrested by Israel last December. He is currently in solitary confinement. There are many more like them.

Israeli peace activist Ezra Nawi, a plumber by trade, faces a prison term for attempting to pre-

vent the demolition of Palestinian homes. Our colleague Rachel Corrie was killed by a weaponized Caterpillar bulldozer in Rafah when she tried to do the same. There are many more like them.

Recently, after students at UC-Berkeley initially passed a similar divestment resolution, Desmond Tutu sent a letter of support. He wrote, "You, students, are helping to pave that path to a just peace. I heartily endorse your divestment vote and encourage you to stand firm on the side of what is right."

When we hear that prominent South Africans who suffered under apartheid – such as Nozizwe Madlala-Routledge, Fatima Hassan, and Mondli Makhanya – find the conditions of Palestinians comparable to, or even worse than apartheid, we must take notice. If divesting from South African apartheid was necessary, then divesting from the illegal occupation of Palestine is necessary. We must send a message to the war profiteers.

Many people have asked, "Where is the Palestinian Martin Luther King?" There are many Palestinian Martin Luther Kings; but where are we? Civil rights leader Ella Baker reminds us that "the movement made Martin rather than Martin making the movement." Let us be part of that movement.

It is time we end our complicity. We are both proud and humbled to stand with Desmond Tutu, and we are proud and honored to follow in the footsteps of amazing people such as Rachel Corrie, "Phil" Abu Rahme, Abdullah Abu Rahme, and Ezra Nawi. Our actions may pale in comparison to theirs, but it's the least we can do for them—for what we've done to them.

by Erin Genia, MPA student; Nathan Schurr, sophomore; Nigel Weiss, senior; Phan Nguyen, senior; Andrew Meyer, incoming Evergreen student; Janae Choquette, alum; Rochelle Gause, alum; Tessa R. Wyllie de Echeverria, alum

Vox Pop question: What do you look for in an academic program?



Benjamin Hayden, Sophomore Program: Current Economic and Social Issues
"Economics, business classes, entrepreneurship, that type of stuff."



Escenthio Marigny Jr., Sophomore Program: Independent Contract
"Something that's academically rigorous, very into interdisciplinary, you know, which Evergreen's about but very very much so... something very rigorous not just hugging a tree for five hours."



Star Bjorge, Senior Program: We Are Here
"I like a program that's got some structure so that I know what's coming up ahead but there's enough looseness that if we want to spend an hour and a half talking about like the structure of stars or something really abstract or not related we can just do it. I like dynamic discussions. I like field trips."

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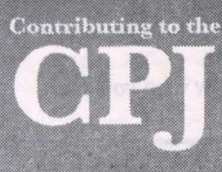
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Evergreen track sets sights on conference championships

by DARREN WOODS

Geoduck track and field has put together one of the most storied seasons in Evergreen State history going into this weekend's Cascade Collegiate Conference championships in Gresham, Ore. on the campus of Mt. Hood Community College. Competition is set for May 13-15. The following are the Geoduck speedsters representing The Evergreen State College in championship competition at Mt. Hood.

Brian Rakestraw- Rakestraw is ranked fourth in the conference in the 10k race that boasts five national qualifiers. The Evergreen senior looks to improve on his personal best and school record time of 31:38.12. Rakestraw has laid claim to eight school records and is ranked number one in the NAIA with his 1:09:46.69 in the half marathon.

Emma Loftis- Primarily an 800 meter runner, Loftis sprinted her way into the company of the best 400 meter runners in the CCC. Her time of 62.61 is a Geoduck best. The Eatonville native leads E-State track in the 200, 400 and 800 meter races.

Connor Abdelnoor- In his first season as a Geoduck he has set and broken school records a combined six times in the 110 meter hurdles and 400 meter hurdles. Abdelnoor has run his way into the fast heat of the 400m hurdles at the conference meet and has a great chance of scoring points in both the 110m and 400m hurdle races.

Jasmine Horton- In just two meets, two sport star Jasmine Horton has qualified for two


events for the championships. Also starring on the Evergreen basketball team, Horton's 4-10.25 high jump is a school record that ranks her seventh in the CCC while her triple jump effort of 31-08.75 is tenth in the conference. Horton like Abdelnoor has a very realistic chance of scoring in both events.

Darren Woods- Coming off the shelf after a hamstring injury that has kept him out of the last two weeks, Woods looks to put points on the board for the Geoducks in two events. The junior sprinter from Tacoma is ranked third in the 200m and fourth in the 400m.

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Evergreen track by the numbers

- 13 The number of school records broken this season
- 5 The number of Geoducks ranked in the top 10 in the conference
- 15 The number of returning athletes on Evergreen roster out of 18



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Eco-Fascism: The Way of the Future



by JACK NOE

Environmental movements have been popular in these United States for at least the last decade and a half. But there's one movement that hasn't seen much support either locally or in the media due to, I believe, a lack of exposure. The movement I'm addressing is called Eco-Fascism. I am by no means a fan of dictators or tyrants, and this movement is purely an ecological stance that needs to be taken worldwide. Eco-Fascism aims to completely eliminate, without mercy, industrial pollutants from our Earth. And this, my faithful readers, is why it must be adopted in its entirety as the US government's environmental policy. This adoption is imperative, especially in the wake of the ecological disaster

that's threatening to sicken and kill thousands of adorable sea creatures off the Gulf Coast. If we don't take the initiative to clean up this mess and destroy the perpetrators behind it, we may find Florida engulfed in a hurricane of fire. It is commonly known that if a hurricane sweeps through the gulf, it may suck up the oil-slicked water, rain it down on Florida, and ignite itself with lightning. This would create a literal firestorm that would destroy a hotbed of conservative support, as well as many homes and lives. This outcome will be impossible if our government adopts Eco-Fascism now, and holds the environmental murderers responsible through harsh penalties and an iron fist of environmental sensitivity.

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The Tyranny of Typefaces

by TEZ STAIR



We all know Times New Roman, Arial, Courier, etc. and those of use using Microsoft Office 2007 or 2010 beta are familiar with Calibri, but what really makes a good font? For those of us who pay attention, the act of choosing which set of letters we choose to represent ourselves can be one of the most difficult decisions faced when constructing something as important as, say, a final project report, a love letter, or a curriculum vitae. Whence cometh this conflict?

If, while reading this, you think to yourself "Why should I care what some font nerd thinks about which font I pick for my report on the ecological consequences of 19th century African colonialism?" The answer is, quite simply, that I am not the only font nerd at Evergreen, and I'd bet that you know more people who will notice the fonts you use than you realize. Trust me, you don't want to be in a peer-review group expecting someone to critically analyze your scientific paper when all they are thinking about is how much it irritates them that you used Impact for your title.

I bet by this time you are wondering what kind of advice I have been leading up to with all of this scenario-building, and in fact I have a few general tips up my sleeve to satisfy the font nerds among you: Never use more than 3 different fonts in any single document. Limit "Fancy" fonts to front pages and titles, you don't want your audience to squint or get nauseous attempting to decode your thesis. Find out which fonts are liable to irritate the more stuck-up font nerds (Papyrus, Comic Sans, Arial, Broadway, etc.) and avoid them. And finally, browse a website offering free fonts to download and get a feel for the variety of fonts available to you, the website dafont.com is a good place to start.

My intention isn't to persuade you to go straight from Times New Roman to Bleeding Cowboys, but if it isn't too much trouble, the next time you go to write a paper in TNR, Arial, Calibri, etc., change the font to something like Garamond or Caslon (The font used for TESC's logo) and see how you like it.

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Endangered Rights



by MARK CICCONE

After three days of investigation, FBI agents arrested Faisal Shahzad, a Pakistani-born American citizen, as the primary suspect in the failed Times Square car bombing plot on May 1st. According to the NY Times, in the early periods of his detainment Mr. Shahzad was interrogated without having been read his Miranda rights, in accordance with a public safety exception to this arrest requirement, but was later read them after no "imminent threat" had been discerned; he waived the rights and continued to cooperate.

However, as the Times article further details, a number of Republicans (and independent Joe Lieberman), have begun urging the administration to classify Mr. Shahzad and all other terrorism suspects as enemy combatants; Mr. Lieberman and Mass. Senator Scott Brown have also sponsored a bill that would revoke citizenship for all terrorism suspects. Just as disturbing, as a Times follow-up piece this past weekend details, members of the current Administration, namely Attorney General Holder, seem to be taking these urgings seriously by suggesting that Miranda rights could possibly be revoked for all suspects believed to be involved in international terrorism. As yet there has been no definite confirmation as to whether President Obama himself supports such an action, though the NY Times of May 10th mentioned him as be-

ing "open to" modifications to the existing law which would extend the amount of time interrogations could be made without suspects being informed of their rights.

Put quite simply, revoking protections such as those encoded in Miranda, and revoking citizenship for Americans suspected of terrorism or aiding terrorists, is one short step towards expanding these restrictions to include all Americans, and towards creating a police state. Indefinite detention, denial of contact with a lawyer or even with family members, and stripping of citizenship for assumed and real crimes, to say nothing of extraordinary rendition and torture, are the core aspects of regimes which this country and its leaders over the past century have claimed we are fighting to eliminate around the world, in both principle and fact (though the last eight years have obviously been a major deviation from this stance). If we are to restore and maintain our role as the prime example of individual rights and freedoms in the world, we must fight against such measures as Lieberman and Brown have introduced. Though the Conn. Senator has insisted that the proposed law would only affect those American citizens who commit terrorist acts in the future, and overseas to boot, it doesn't take a genius to see that even such a (presumably) watered-down version of the Lieberman-Brown legislation only lays the foundation for knocks on the door at 4am.

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"Without ice, please."

by ERIK MOEN



You are being cheated, every time your server includes ice in your drink. With very few exceptions, having ice in your beverage only serves to reduce the satisfaction that you would otherwise be getting out of what you are paying for. Do you really want a smaller, diluted drink?

Most beverages are stored cold anyway, so unless you're lingering over the subtle nuances of complex flavors, you probably won't take so long consuming your drink that the ice is really stalling it from warming up. If the ice isn't keeping it cold, it's just taking up space

where more of your drink could have been. If the ice actually is helping to keep your drink cold, then the ice is also melting and just diluting whatever it is that you paid to enjoy. Personally, I don't find it worth getting a worse drink in order to get a slightly colder drink.

But before I go on, let me interrupt myself here to acknowledge that some drinks actually are improved by being chilled. To name but a few, there's Champagne, cocktails, beer and so forth. The flavors of this group of beverages...

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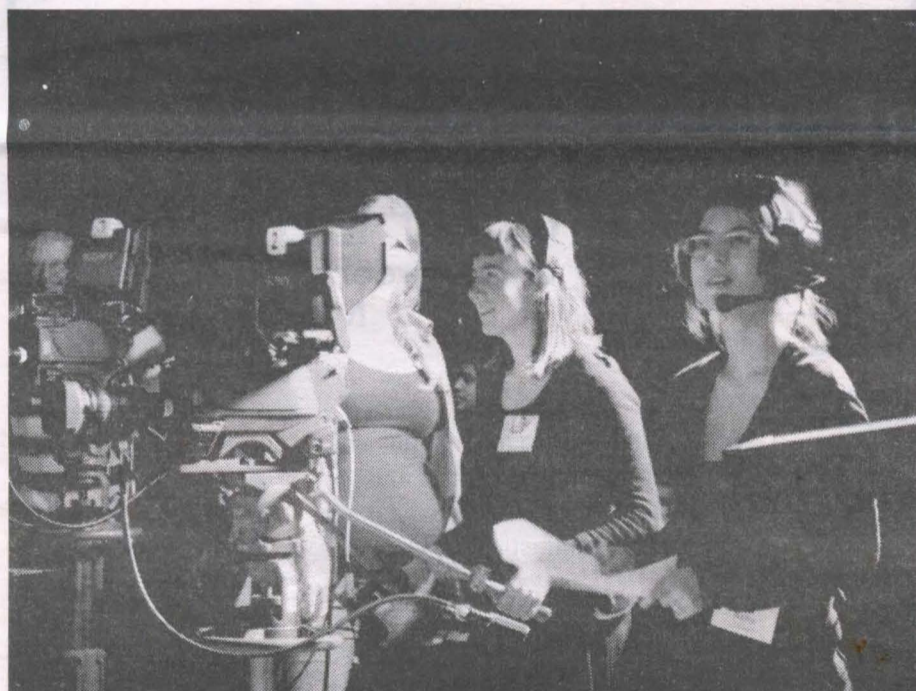
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Upgraded CCAM holds open house

by MADELINE BERMAN



An open house was held on Tuesday May 11 in the Center for Creative and Applied Media (Ccam) as part of the dedication ceremony to honor Lynda Weinman and Bruce Heavin, whose donations of \$500,000 will kickstart an ongoing effort to keep the Ccam on the cutting edge of technology.



Having opened in Fall quarter 2009, the Ccam is considered a resource to the Evergreen community, according to a flyer available at the open house. With the Ccam, Evergreen will be able to continue its commitment to media education through hands on experience and use of professional grade equipment.



Cheap Date: Greek Epics are where you find them

by JASON TRENT

Some people just don't get the Coen Brothers. They switch between tragedy and slapstick peripatetically, it is sometimes hard to figure out if we are meant to identify with or laugh at their protagonists. They are persistently and unapologetically Jewish. "O, Brother Where Art Thou?" (2000) is Joel and Ethan Coen in quintessence. The movie has a great story because they stole from the best. In its first moment "O, Brother..." quotes Homer's Odyssey and soon gives us a story with a cylops, sirens, and a blind fortune-teller. It's a quest for lost love and treasure. If you get distracted picking out the allusions to Greek epic poetry you might miss the heart of the movie. Three convicts escape



from a chain gang and time and time again escape violence and the noose at the hands of bigots and greedy opportunists. They befriend a blues man, they meet a one-eyed bible salesman who turns out to be a capably murderous con man, and George Clooney's character must win his true love back from an upper class dandy. Clooney hams it up and the interplay between the four odd Odyssey-ers is an ode to the kind of Marx Brothers, Three Stooges comedy that people were consuming in the real Depression.

Set the Wayback Machine to 1973 and we have another movie that owes a little to the Classics. "Chinatown" (dir. Roman Polanski) at first reading seems like an ultra gritty version of the tried and true film noir formula, which it is, but more. "Chinatown" takes the elements that Raymond Chandler invented in novels like "The Big Sleep" and "Farewell, My Lovely" that have been imitated in everything from "Who Framed Roger Rabbit?" to "The Big Lebowski". The 'Chandlerverse' takes place in the sleazey Los Angeles of the 1930s-40s where cheap detectives become stand-ins for the moral center of the universe and leggy blondes hide secrets that unravel and reveal the duplicity of human

nature. "Chinatown" is beautifully filmed (note: The Evergreen Library copy of Chinatown is VHS format) and the intricate plot is just an excuse to highlight an A-list cast that includes Jack Nicholson in one of his career defining roles. "Chinatown" is commentary on greed and vice, it has at its heart, a Greek tragedy. The district of "Chinatown" has little to do with the plot. it serves as a symbol of lawlessness and the unknown. It's the story of Oedipus and the riddle of the sphinx; the land made waste by a dark, carnal secret, the unraveling of which leaves more questions.

"O, Brother Where Art Thou?" and "Chinatown" are available at the Evergreen Library.

Starry Night

by GABRIEL RIGGS

Your voice protrudes from your mouth. The pain to say.
 provision to my. Mouth. To mouth.
 A profane procession of Melancholy the words prostitute your breathing.

silent.

Under your eyes sags souls ache-- the weathered and beaten Child.
 An old child your mouth so tender quiver and shrink beneath the smoke.

I am a pedophile.

Preparing to penetrate that body.
 Bruised to pink purple. Your mouth.
 Primordial sin these words
 prisoner to passion.

your cheeks are rosy with the ash from the fallen apples.
 This world all a rubble from those apples.
 All I can do is preoccupy myself with your pain. Your mouth. to. mouth.

Scream as I scream for peace.

-- written by an American soldier in Palestine

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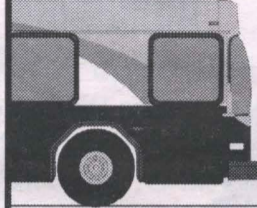
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Applicants for the Citizen Advisory Committee must reside within Thurston County. Applications are available by calling (360) 705-5856, at the Olympia Transit Center, at the main office (526 Pattison SE, Olympia), and online at www.intercitytransit.com. Applications are due May 28, 2010.

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StandWithUs

**2010-2011 Academic Year
Emerson Fellowships Available**

Are you a supporter of Israel? Would you like to help ensure a fair presentation of Israel on the Evergreen campus?

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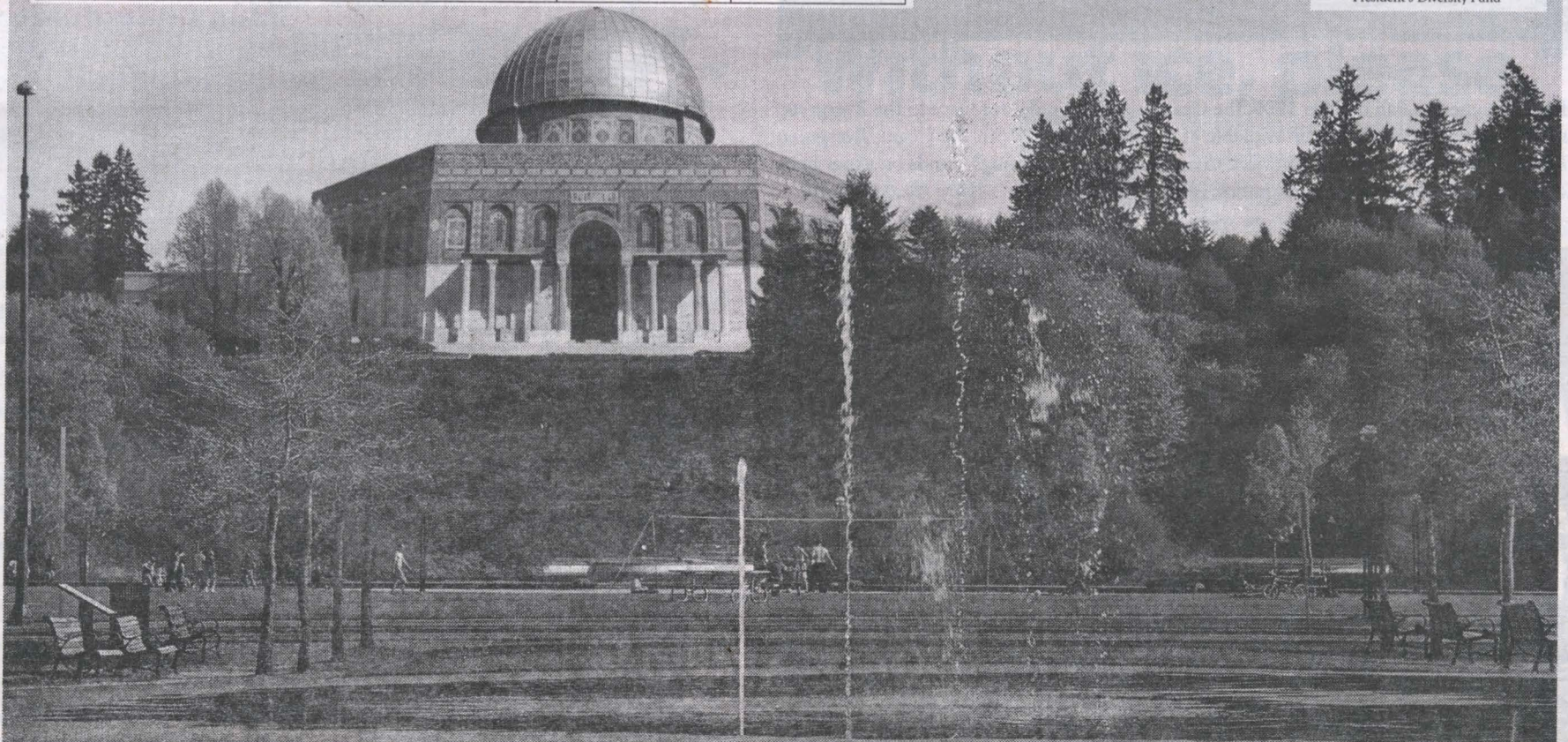
Email CampusNW@StandWithUs.com to apply or for additional information.

SEVENTH ANNUAL MIDEAST FILM FESTIVAL

The Evergreen State College
May 5-14, 2010

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3	4	5	6	7
		Defamation Lecture Hall 3 at 6 pm (followed by discussion with Yonatan Aldort and Sky Cohen)	Life After the Fall Lecture Hall 2 at 6 pm (followed by discussion with Sgt. Josh Simpson and Sgt. Joseph Carter)	Afghan Stories Lecture Hall 1 at 6 pm (followed by discussion with Therese Saliba and Zoltan Grossman)
10	11	12	13	14
Ajami Lecture Hall 3 at 6 pm	I am Gaza This Palestinian Life Seeds of Peace Lecture Hall 3 at 6 pm	1 Hour-99 Years Lecture Hall 3 at 6 pm (followed by presentation with Mohja Kahf)	Inside Out Lecture Hall 1 at 6 pm	The Queen and I Lecture Hall 3 at 5:30pm (followed by discussion with Negar Mottahede)

All events free. Program guide available at the S&A offices and throughout campus. Also available at www.mspfilmfestival.org



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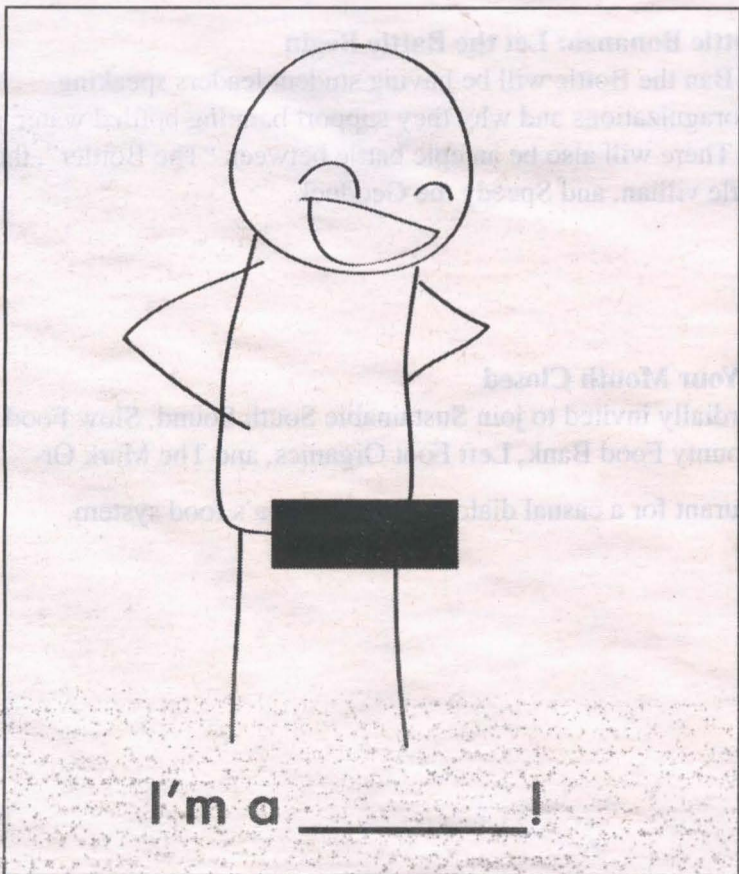
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STUDENT GROUP MEETING TIMES

Thursday, May 13

7:00 am: Evergreen Students for Sustainable Animal Agriculture (Lab I 3033)
 3:00 pm: Numerical Society (Sem II D3107)
 5:00 pm: Russian Club (Sem II B2107)
 5:30 pm: Common Bread (Longhouse 1002)
 6:00 pm: Circus Resurgence (Library 3rd floor 3000)
 6:00 pm: Socialist Alternative (Sem II E2109)
 6:00 pm: Generation Friends (Sem II C1107)
 8:00 pm: Student Video Gamers Alliance (Sem I Student Activities TV Lounge)

Friday, May 14

5:00 pm: Pep Band (Organic Farmhouse)

Saturday, May 15

10:00 am: Developing Ecological Agricultural Practices (Organic Farmhouse)
 12:30 pm: Capoeira Angola (CRC Gym 117)
 2:00 pm: Generation Friends (Lecture Hall 1)
 2:00 pm: G.R.A.S. (HCC)

Sunday, May 16

10:00 am: Developing Ecological Awareness Practices (Organic Farmhouse)

Monday, May 17

3:00 pm: Geoduck Union (Sem II D1105)
 3:00 pm: Geology Club (Lab II 2207)
 3:00 pm: Law Society of Evergreen (Sem II C2109)
 3:30 pm: Evergreen Students for Sustainable Animal Agriculture (Lab I 3033)
 4:00 pm: Student Green Energy Association (Library 1003)
 4:00 pm: Students for Sensible Drug Policy (Sem II A2105)
 5:00 pm: Student Video Gamers Alliance (Sem I SA Office TV Lounge)
 5:00 pm: Cooper Point Journal Organization Meeting (Sem II C3105)
 5:15 pm: Invisible Children (Lib 1003)
 6:00 pm: SDS (Sem I SA Office Conference Room)
 6:00 pm: We <3 Go (Library 1003)
 6:30 pm: Riot to Follow Productions (Sem II C1105)

Tuesday, May 18

5:00 pm: Hip Hop Congress (Sem I 3rd Conference Room)
 6:00 pm: G.R.A.S. (Sem II E1105)
 6:30 pm: Generation Friends Improv (Lecture Hall I)
 7:00 pm: Wonder Collective (Longhouse Cedar Room)
 7:00 pm: Greeners for Christ (Sem II B1107)
 7:00 pm: WashPirg (Sem I SA Office Conference Room or Community Lounge)

Wednesday, May 19

1:00 pm: Geoduck Union (Sem II D1105)
 1:00 pm: Environmental Resource Center (Sem II E2107)
 1:00 pm: The Evergreen Chemistry Club (Lab II 2211)
 1:00 pm: The What If? Film Society (Sem I SA Office Conference Room)
 1:30 pm: Womyn's Resource Center (Sem I 3rd floor SA Office Room 3131)
 2:00 pm: Capoeira Angola (CRC Gym 117)
 2:00 pm Hillel (SEM II E2105)
 2:00 pm: Middle East Solidarity Project (Sem I 3rd Floor SA Community Lounge)
 2:00 pm: Wonder Collective (Sem I SA Office TV Room)
 3:00 pm: Center for Sustainable Entrepreneurship (D2109)
 3:00 pm: The Evergreen Queer Alliance (Sem II B1107)
 3:00 pm: Health Society (Lab I 3033)
 4:30 pm: WashPirg meeting and internship class (Sem II C2109)
 5:00 pm: WRC Survivors Circle (Lib 1005)
 6:00 pm: MEChA (Student Activities Sem I 3123)

CALENDAR

Thursday, May 13

Straight to the Gonads

Straight to the Gonads is the product of the bazaar theatrical experiments that have been taking place in Objects in Performance Spring quarter. It includes installation art, puppetry, interactivity and video experiments.

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7:30pm

Free

Friday, May 14

Chat Roulette Improv Show

Come watch us play with Chat Roulette and do scenes based on suggestions from strangers from around the world!

Lecture Hall 1

8pm

Free

Saturday, May 15

Forest Clean Out in the Evergreen Woods

Come help zero waste and soak in some sun!

Meeting at F-Lot

12 - 2pm

Free

Evergreen Tacoma Spring Fair 2010

Through the use of informational booths, stimulating workshops, demonstrations, and films, visitors can learn about and participate in community projects designed to break old cycles and create new cycles that will empower the community.

Evergreen Tacoma at 1210 6th Avenue, Tacoma, WA

1 - 4pm

Free

3vs 3 Break Dance Battle

Featuring Seattle's Circle of Five

\$1,200 Prize

TESC Recreation Center

Doors: 5pm

Show: 6 - 11pm

Free

Wednesday, May 19

Ban the Bottle Bonanza: Let the Battle Begin

WashPIRG Ban the Bottle will be having student leaders speaking about their organizations and why they support banning bottled water on campus. There will also be an epic battle between "The Bottler", the campus bottle villain, and Speedy the Geoduck.

Red Square

12pm

Free

Talk With Your Mouth Closed

You are cordially invited to join Sustainable South Sound, Slow Food, Thurston County Food Bank, Left Foot Organics, and The Mark Organic Restaurant for a casual dialogue on Olympia's food system.

Longhouse

6 - 9pm

Free