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Geoduck Union update: Wednesday 11/04

by CANDICE CULLITAN

This Wednesday marked another action-packed Geoduck Union meeting. Key subjects were the Clean Energy Committee, campus governance committee appointments, and revisions to the Student Conduct Code. The union also accepted resignations from representatives Josie Jarvis and Sky Cohen and heard from Dixon McReynolds, the student trustee.

Dani Madrone spoke to the Geoduck Union seeking approval of herself and the current outreach coordinator as coordinators of the Clean Energy Committee. The union voted to approve. Madrone also requested help organizing an election to expand the Green Initiative, to take place after Thanksgiving break. The union was receptive to this, as well as Madrone's request for shared workspace. The Geoduck Union seems to be committed to working with the Clean Energy Committee for a greener Evergreen.

The Geoduck Union has started to appoint candidates to governance committee positions. Interviews will continue at next Monday's union meeting; applications are available online at www.geoduckunion.info and

in the Student Activities office. The list of appointees will be published on the union's website. The union also discussed how to address an email they had received from Sharon Goodman stating that she did not need help from the Geoduck Union to find students for her committees. Representatives were concerned that Goodman is bypassing the union's appointment process, and chose representative Colin Bartlett to talk to her and explain the importance of making sure students are able to screen committee candidates.

Of great interest was representative Patrick Walsh's report on proposed revisions to the Student Conduct Code. The report recommended "that the Code define, explicitly, the sole instances in which the Code may be applied beyond College premises" and that the Code avoid "threaten[ing] the right of students to acts of civil disobedience." Wendy Endress, chair of the Student Conduct Code Disappearing Task Force and executive associate to the vice-president for student affairs, addressed representatives' concerns about whether the DTF will heed students' input. The union moved to attend the DTF's 4 p.m. meeting; it is clear

they intend to pursue this issue vigorously.

Still in the works is a Geoduck Union addendum to the Disorientation Manual. This addendum will be a guide to student involvement and powermapping at Evergreen. Other proposed projects include a winter quarter kick-off event and the creation of a student union library. Watch for further updates as the quarter continues.

The meeting closed with a word from Dixon McReynolds, Evergreen's student trustee, who announced that the next trustee meeting will be Nov. 11 at 9 a.m. He also expressed concern that he had sent out a three-question survey to all students, and out of 4,000 students he had received 30 responses. Students with concerns for the board of trustees should be sure to respond to McReynolds' survey.

The Geoduck Union meets Mondays at 3 p.m. in Sem II C1105 and Wednesdays at 1 p.m. in Sem II D1105.

An update of the GU's Monday meeting is on the web at cooperpointjournal.com

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Greener bookstore seeks to increase revenue

by MADELINE BERMAN

You may have noticed that Last Word Books is no longer selling books outside of the library. You may also have noticed that the Greener bookstore is buying and selling more used trade paperbacks. And you may have noticed that the Space Scheduling and Usage policy is under review. There is a reason for this.

Because the Greener bookstore has operated at a loss for the past several years, and because of recent budget cuts, bookstore manager Ken Dannis has decided to make a larger effort to increase revenue this year.

In addition to buying and selling more used trade paperbacks and textbooks, a moratorium has been placed on allowing outside vendors to come to campus that would compete with the school bookstore. This summer a proposal was made to revise the Space Scheduling and Usage policy, which covers vendors allowed on campus.

According to a July memo from John Hurley, vice president for finance and administration, to Paul Smith, co-chair of the space management committee, the

policy was under review during the summer and a revised draft would be submitted to the vice presidents and the board of trustees in the fall.

"In the interim, the committee has recommended that 'Until the Space Scheduling and Usage policy is approved, no vendors will be allowed on campus that compete with any of the college's auxiliary services, for example, Bookstore, Copy Center,'" wrote Hurley in the memo. The policy has not been revised since 1989.

The Evergreen bookstore needs to generate revenue in order to be able to buy supplies to stock the store and to keep the store staffed from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. most days of the week. They have lost money four out of the last six years, and being relocated to the portables behind Sem I during the CAB renovation has not helped the situation.

These are excerpts of the full articles, which can be seen at www.cooperpointjournal.com/news.

Sky Cosby comments

Due to a decision to place a moratorium on campus vendors that might compete with Evergreen's bookstore, Sky Cosby, manager of Last Word Books, is no longer allowed to vend on campus.

Though he graduated from Evergreen and sold books on campus for nine years, Cosby only found out about the moratorium when he was dropped off on campus on the first Tuesday of the school year with a van full of books and was told he could not be sold a vendor's permit.

"I felt sick to the stomach and heartbroken," says Cosby when he was told he could not get a permit. He talked to Colin Orr, director of business services, who gave him permission to vend for that day only.

Cosby has not been seriously impacted by the moratorium and states that the reason he likes selling on campus is to keep a connection to his alma mater and interact with students.

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OUTDOOR & RECREATION

Geoducks tie in Warner Pacific game

The Geoducks faced Warner Pacific College with a tie of 1 to 1 Tuesday evening at the Evergreen soccer field. Although the Geoducks scored their goal early in the first half, it became a defensive match to say the least for the home team. To watch the Geoducks in action, check them out on the soccer field at Saturday's game at 2 p.m., where they face off against College of Idaho.



~ BRIEF AND PHOTOS BY NICK PACE

STUDENT VOICE

Christian Community at Evergreen: Greeners 4 Christ

by BOBBY WILLIAMS

A unique part of the Evergreen experience is the way in which groups that are normally the majority now become the vast minority. This is what led me to sit in on a club meeting for Greeners for Christ.

"Our mission as a group is to explore Jesus and the scriptures. We want to seek out what Jesus wants in our lives, and seek truth," said Alex Mahy, the group's student coordinator. The group starts every meeting with a praise and worship session. They sing songs for the most part specifically directed at God. It's as if they are praying through song with lyrics such as, "Hallelujah, hallelujah, your love makes me sing!"

The meeting for the most part is led by Greg Smith, the campus minister. Each week he leads the group in reading a specific piece of scripture. While many Greeners are spending their time reading the work of Marx, these students instead are reading from Mark. This past week Greeners for Christ discussed issues behind family and community. "What role does your family play in your life, and how do they influence you?" asked Pastor Smith as copies of the New Testament were passed around the room.

The group started at Mark 3:7. The story describes a situation where crowds are gathering

around Jesus. Some believe him to be the son of God, while others think he's a tool of Satan. The main focus of the discussion was how Jesus' family had felt the situation had gotten out of control and came to "rein him in," in the words of Pastor Smith.

For the Greeners for Christ, this is their spiritual family. It's a place for them to go and worship together, dig deeper into the Bible, and give each other support. They are a group of friendly, like-minded people together to praise Jesus.

"In general I feel like the message of Christ is in line with the spirit of Evergreen. The message of the gospels makes sense here because Jesus was a person who stood up to the authority of his day," said Mahy.

Next week's Greeners for Christ meeting will feature a guest speaker addressing the apocalypse. If you are interested in joining the meeting the group meets at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays in Seminar II B1107.

If you would like to gain exposure for your group, and be covered in a future CPJ issue, submit it to the website, www.cooperpointjournal.com.

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November news from Evergreen's organic farm

Hey Folks!

As the weather gets chilly and drippy, many of your friends and neighbors are out at the organic farm working and studying to make the Evergreen organic farm a better and more sustainable place. We are currently working on dreaming up big ideas for the coming year(s) and trying to create a big, beautiful integrated system of fertility and production! Some of the exciting things we are working on getting off the ground are: rainwater harvesting off our roofs, bio-swale construction and a duck pond, expanding the diversity of the orchards and nut trees, building a mobile chicken house so our layers can eat more tasty grass, emptying out the greenhouses and planting cover crops, and bringing

food to the local food bank! Most days we work, talk, laugh, and eat lots of tasty, farm fresh food! We love being here on campus and getting to share all of the information exchange and vital energy, as well as educating students about the importance of sustainable agriculture and its far-reaching implications for our society! If you feel the need in your knees to get up from your seat and go for a good stroll, come down and visit us - over the river (not really) and through the woods to the organic farm you'll go! The trail starts just behind Lab I!

~ MELISSA BARKER

Work study at OlyYoga

by NICK PACE

Located off 4th and Quince on the east side of Olympia, in the same building complex as Gravity Beer Market, is what looks like a small yoga studio. From the inside as you exit the thin lobby is a yoga studio which reveals a larger atmosphere, which has been serving the Olympia community for 10 years. Historically this facility has trained a number of Evergreen students in the work/study of Vinyasa, Shakra, Hatha, and other techniques which have created a number of current teachers who have graduated from Evergreen later in life.

It makes sense that Greeners would be so interested in yoga, considering the next wave of American graduates will be entering the world during a stressful economic recession, not to mention the possibilities of tuition hikes which might require more student loans to pay. Students turning to exercise, meditation, breathing exercises, and other stress-reducing factors have been known to progress a little further in organizing themselves, not to mention keep their health routinely balanced. What students may not realize is there are no shortcuts to stress and anxiety reducing exercises. Training is almost required, and can be rigorous under the right teacher.

OlyYoga is the creation of Ray Grace, a multi-talented individual who studied the fine points of yoga, meditation, breathing exercises, and other healing techniques in India and other locations. For 10 years, Grace has been instructing students based upon their abilities and routine activities. According to Jaime Petrozzi, OlyYoga's public relations manager, athletes who have specific body types and needs are familiar scenarios to Grace, who makes it a priority to keep the student's body in mind. According to Petrozzi, Evergreen students who come into the studio are ones who desire a deeper sense of physicality, and

often students involved in related practices such as Ayurvedic medicine have been active participants.

There is also a great relationship between the teacher and student at this center of learning, which strongly emphasizes the benefits of apprenticeship. The bottom line for yoga and breathing exercising is that it cannot be taught by just anyone, just like weight training or driving a car. OlyYoga is open to the community, and encourages anyone to participate, but if students wish to teach they must go through six months of commitment through a separate teaching program. Often students who have become teachers at OlyYoga do so after a year away from Evergreen. There also have been a number of Evergreen students who have been taking active roles in maintaining the integrity of OlyYoga's studio. It is through this that often students find a sense of productiveness in between studies. In India it's often known as "seva," or selfless service.

Students who come out of OlyYoga, just like anyone involved in physical activities or sports, often have a greater sense of their body's mechanics and gain a sense of self-awareness. In addition to reducing stress and anxiety, an instinctual serenity is often gained in day to day activities, which can be even more effective than through sleep or food.

OlyYoga's outreach to the public also appeals to low-income individuals. Any individual who wishes to engage in the work/study can apply for a low income card if their annual income is less than \$20,000. Evergreen students with families have often found this to be advantageous.

For more information go to www.olyyoga.com.

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Open textbooks! Training session from WashPIRG

by KELSIE MELTON

Students, on average, spend \$900 per year on textbooks, according to a US Government Accountability Office report. In public colleges textbooks are worth one-fifth of the tuition and in community college textbooks are HALF the cost of tuition.

So do you think you are paying too much for your textbooks? We think so too! There is a solution: open textbooks! Open textbooks allow teachers the option to assign their students books online for free. The idea is to provide free and accessible textbooks online. But if you don't want to read a book on your computer you have the option to print the book for a price anywhere from \$30 to \$60. This option is still much cheaper than buying a textbook. Publishing companies overcharge for their books because they don't have any competition. Open textbooks provide that competition. The idea is to pressure the companies and to have free textbooks that students can access instead of buying the overly expensive textbooks.

Open textbooks are more affordable and accessible. But in order to achieve the goal of having a variety of textbooks provided through this service, we need signatures - signatures from your professors. The more support from the professors and the more that write books the better that this program will become giving professors more opportunity to use open textbooks!

If you as a student want to help support open textbooks, come to a training session provided by WashPIRG on Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. in the Sem 2 café or go to www.washpirgstudents.org/evergreen. WashPIRG is organizing this event on campus and encourages any other groups on campus to join and help this cause.

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Correction:
The article about the Geoduck Union that appeared in the 10/29/09 issue of the print CPJ incorrectly referred to Josie Jarvis as a former representative on the GSU. Her resignation was not in fact official until this week.



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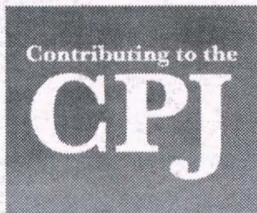
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Ode to an Orange

by HILARY STEVENS

A premiere of intensity: Evergreen Women's BB vs. Cal Maritime

by NICK PACE

The first home game of the women's basketball season Oct. 30 was an intense one, not just because it featured the arrival of a number of new players (see roster at Evergreen athletics website) but because although the Geoducks seemed to drag in the middle of game only to gain momentum as the clock started to run out resulting in a close score.

In the end the Geoducks lost to the Keelhaulers 63-59. However there is plenty of consideration with this close score indicating that the new roster of new and returning players aren't going to lose without a fight this year.

Initially within the first five minutes of the match, players appeared evenly matched, as their scores remained at par. As the first half moved to a close, Evergreen began to be at a tactical disadvantage as it dropped about ten points on average. This caused Coach Monica Heuer and Associate Coach Mychael Heuer to pull their players to a number of time-outs to make the team work better under the pressure.

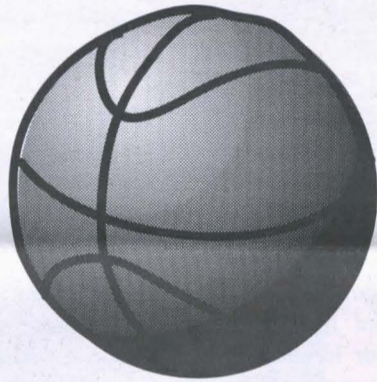
These tactics worked to a degree; the next half of the game is when the momentum began to build up. Around ten minutes on the clock of the second half, Evergreen scored a number of straight points and numerous three pointers to put them close at par with Cal Maritime. In particular, junior Latrina Williams scored a cool 14 points for Evergreen during the game.

With Cal Maritime's sense of perhaps losing gas as the end of the game seemed

Cal Maritime stood their ground, despite Evergreen's comeback, and managed to keep Evergreen at bay. The heat of the last minute of the game was intense, not only for the players and the fans, but for the coaches and the referees with perhaps more time outs in the last quarter of the last half than ever seen at a women's basketball game.

Though Evergreen lost this initial match, there is still plenty to look forward to in upcoming games. Evergreen included a genuine mix of new and continuing players on the court, most if not all were played in the game, indicating that each teammate has something to contribute. At the last alumni game, the women's team was able to beat the Geoduck veterans the day after showing promise in future matches. It goes without saying that the new players are ready to jump into new territory with intense matches such as this one.

~ Nick Pace is a senior enrolled in Japan Today



Her body, so
Gently rounded
Veins softly thrumming
Life-song,
Sensuously mounded
Between rubied lips,
And starfish hands,
Which grasp her
For salvation.

Sensation flowing
Sumptuously,
With craving eyes
Glimpse her curled layers
Flowering in
Glorious passion,

Pillowed lips sip,
Savor her bursting
Over tongue,
Smell her tangy nectar
Oozing to her surface
The shining jewel—
Like flesh, soft citrine skin,

Tender beneath your
Teeth, those pale swords
Slicing open, peeling more
Flesh bare, smell the hot yellow
Sun bleeding translucent
Tears, along your cheek,
Trickle down your chin
Spiced, exotic joy,

Summer's last, heady drop
Born from Autumn's zesty kiss,
Erotic, salty, sweet
Glowing,
Ensnared in citron flame,
Paradise.

Hilary Stevens is enrolled in Art of Conversation

close at hand, several defensive strategies were enacted to stop the continuous points that were racked up by Evergreen. Towards the final two minutes, Evergreen was only two to three shots away from defeating Cal Maritime at the last moment.

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Steamy in Seattle: Steamcon takes city by storm

by HOLLY IRONS

From Oct. 23 through Oct. 25, SeaTac's Marriott Hotel housed the first Steamcon, a steampunk-inspired convention made to spin your cogs and turn your gears. Steampunk, a subgenre of science fiction set in the Victorian era, has been around for almost three decades, but has skyrocketed in the past 10 years thanks to new literature (including works by steampunk author Tim Powers), movies (Steamboy and League of Extraordinary Gentlemen, which began as a comic in the 90s), music (Abney Park and many under Gilded Age Records) and newly "improved" machines and accessories (steampunk laptops and flat screen TVs!).

I ended up going not for my love of the subgenre, nor my fan-girl crush on the violinist of Abney Park, but for research on the fashions, technological alterations, and for an idea on how big this subgenre is in the Seattle area, since this was the first steampunk convention. The event coordinators and the Marriott were planning on roughly 400 people, and that was with fingers crossed and wishful thinking. The grand total ended up being at least three times that amount and going, essentially selling out by 4:30 p.m. on Friday! I ended up being there from Thursday night until Sunday evening, seeing the setup and breakdown, and helping out by volunteer-

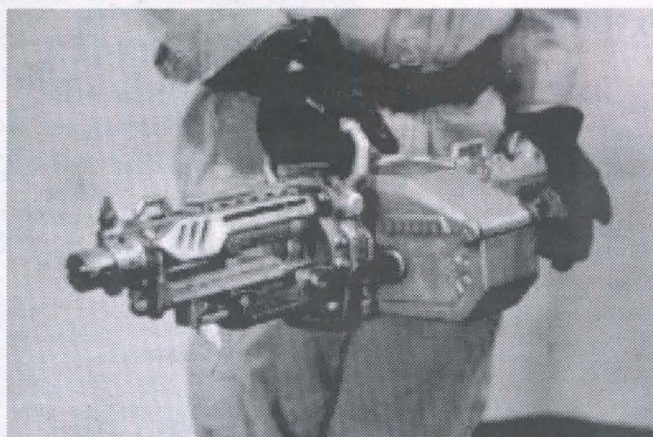
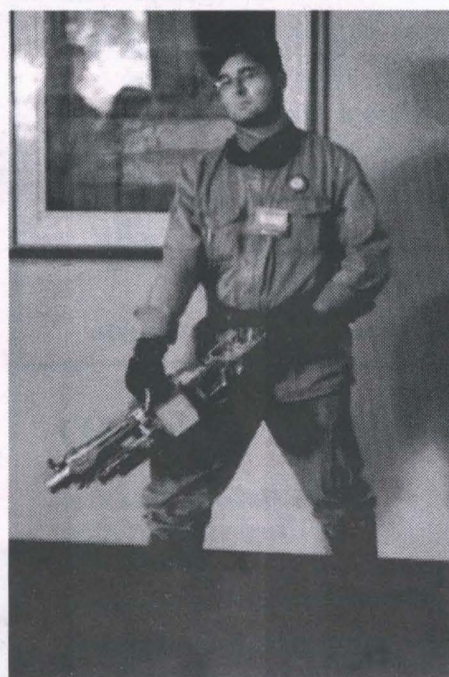
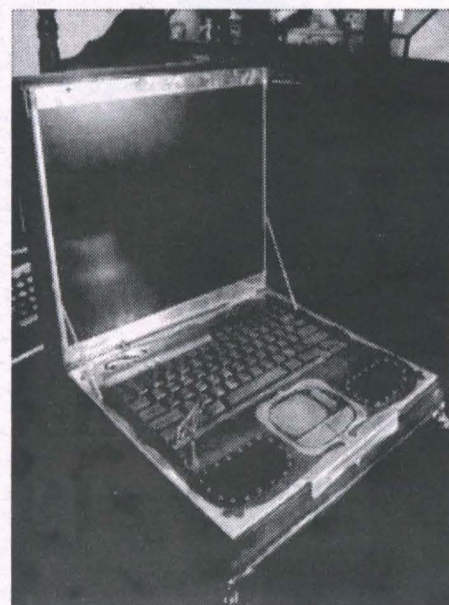


ing during the event, since they were a little shorthanded for 1500 people. Photos were taken; steampunk "celebrities" were there, including authors Paul Guinan and Tim Powers, and musicians Abney Park, Unwoman, and Vernian Process. The only issue, and the one thing I can't shake off for the life of me, was the service.

WHEN 1500 PEOPLE SHOWED UP ON FRIDAY ALONE, THE EMPLOYEES GREW A LITTLE UNEASY

The Marriott, like Steamcon, was only planning for 800, maximum. So when 1500 people showed up on Friday alone, the employees grew a little uneasy, not to mention most of the Steamcon guests were running around in weird costumes with even weirder gadgets! The food was overpriced, parking was an abysmal nightmare, and for a couple of the events, including a dance, underage guests were not allowed in since the hotel had seen the opportunity for an open bar and gladly swooped in for the extra cash. This was settled, stating that the bartenders needed to check identification. Another thing that irked me (and this is the poor college student talking) was that there were no free continental breakfasts! You could pay \$4 for a bagel and cream cheese, but with a convention going on and running on only the little money you have per month, you can't spend \$16 on something that at other hotels would be free. Though I am anticipating next year's Steamcon, I am hoping for a new hotel.

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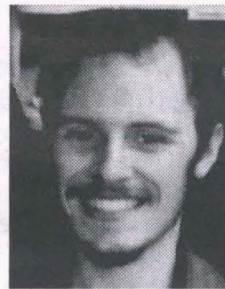


STEAMCON PHOTOS BY HOLLY IRONS

Bright and early on voting day

by NICK PACE

It was a morning I knew I had to face class, cross country practice, and so forth, but there was also something I know I needed to do before noon. I got up a little earlier than usual, and made my way to my ex-residence, because I hadn't told the state of my current mailing address, which was my fault. The reason I had to do this somewhat hastily is because this morning was Nov. 3, Election Day, and I needed to fill out my election mail with only a few hours before the votes would be tallied.



As I waited for the bus to arrive, I hurried to write in my decisions on which candidates should go into state office. I confess I didn't research much on the candidates, so I had little clue which one to vote for, so I did it on a whim - again, my bad. There were two sections, however, that I had done some research on, and that involved Referendum 71 and Initiative 1033.

Referendum 71 seemed like a good thing to submit an affirmative on, considering it would move gays, lesbians, and seniors within more legal protection for rights. I particularly see the benefits of this referendum for people who were raised by gay or lesbian parents to receive just as many rights as people who were raised by straight parents. Some newspapers such as the Seattle Times mentioned that this referendum's intention of recognizing Washington's gay and lesbian families and

their rights is a crucial step, according to individuals such as State Sen. Ed Murray, D-Seattle, primary sponsor of the domestic partnership bill, and Anne Levinson, chairwoman of Washington Families Standing Together.

In regards to Initiative 1033, the result was to reject this measure, which I replied with a negative vote as well. However, the initiative's motives to me are still a little hazy. The first time I heard about it was actually on Facebook, and how the initiative's goal was to counter inflation by taking revenue from certain institutions such as Washington colleges and universities to create higher tuition rates. Most news of the results of Initiative 1033 was positive, considering this initiative could put caps on educational spending as well as other institutions, while trying to put

THE INITIATIVE'S MOTIVES TO ME ARE STILL A LITTLE HAZY

in an anti-property tax measure. I'm a senior this year, and I plan on delaying grad school for at least a year, but thinking about tuition costs for younger college students made me decide to vote against this. Nevertheless, the criteria still is unclear to me as to the other motives this initiative entailed, and perhaps I should have taken the time to do more research on this.

Since America is in a recession, and I think education is a critical factor in the future of the economy, students should probably take the time to vote on these key events whether state, federal, city, or community related. Oh, and don't be like me and vote at the last moment.

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SATURDAY, NOV. 07

Millersylvania Knap-In
November 7 and 8 will be the 13th annual Millersylvania Knap-In. All are invited to this end-of-the-season potluck with the Puget Sound Knappers. Flintknapping is the craft of creating tools/knives/art from rocks, flint, obsidian, and more. Potluck lunch at noon on Saturday. The Knap-In is held at Millersylvania State Park south of Olympia. (I-5: Exit 95: follow signs to park.)
8:00 am.

Giant Robot Appreciation Society
Do you appreciate giant robots? Then join the Giant Robot Appreciation Society!

The Giant Robot Appreciation Society is Evergreen's anime club. Meetings usually have free popcorn and are every Wednesday from 6-9 p.m. in Sem II C1107 and Saturdays from 2-4 p.m. in the HCC. For more info, visit <http://academic.evergreen.edu/groups/animeclub/>.

SUNDAY, NOV. 08

Write!
Every Sunday from 7-9pm the Writing Center and Slightly West host Write! in Primetime (Room 220) located in the A-dorm. This weekly event focuses on developing and creating writing. Come join Write!
7:00 p.m.

MONDAY, NOV. 09

Poetry Writing Circle
Every Monday at 5:00pm in the Lecture Halls Rotunda. Please bring a pen and a notebook.
5:00 p.m.

Geoduck Union meeting
Mondays at 3:00 p.m. in C1105

TUESDAY, NOV. 10

Unity Jam
UNITY JAM is a weekly musical gathering to lighten the spirit and set the heart to singing. OPEN TO ALL! This gathering is mega-flexible around the themes of music, unity, and wild truth. Everyone is welcome - musicians who want to perform a piece for a small audience of appreciative listeners; poets who want to try out a new (or old) poem; singers who want to jump in with the group and work on harmonies, etc...
Library 1412, 12:00 p.m.

Truth and Consequences: One Man's Fight to Openly Serve His Country
Lt. Dan Choi was kicked out of the military for being gay! He's coming to talk about it at the University of Puget Sound.
University of Puget Sound; Rotunda. 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11

Gateways for Incarcerated Youth
Do you have any interests in juvenile justice, social work, or education? Gateways for Incarcerated Youth is looking for male-bodied volunteers for one hour a week. The challenge program provides educational support to incarcerated youth by partering them with college students and community members to develop and reach their academic and life goals.
Sem II E2125, 4:00 p.m.

Geoduck Union meeting
Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. in D1105.

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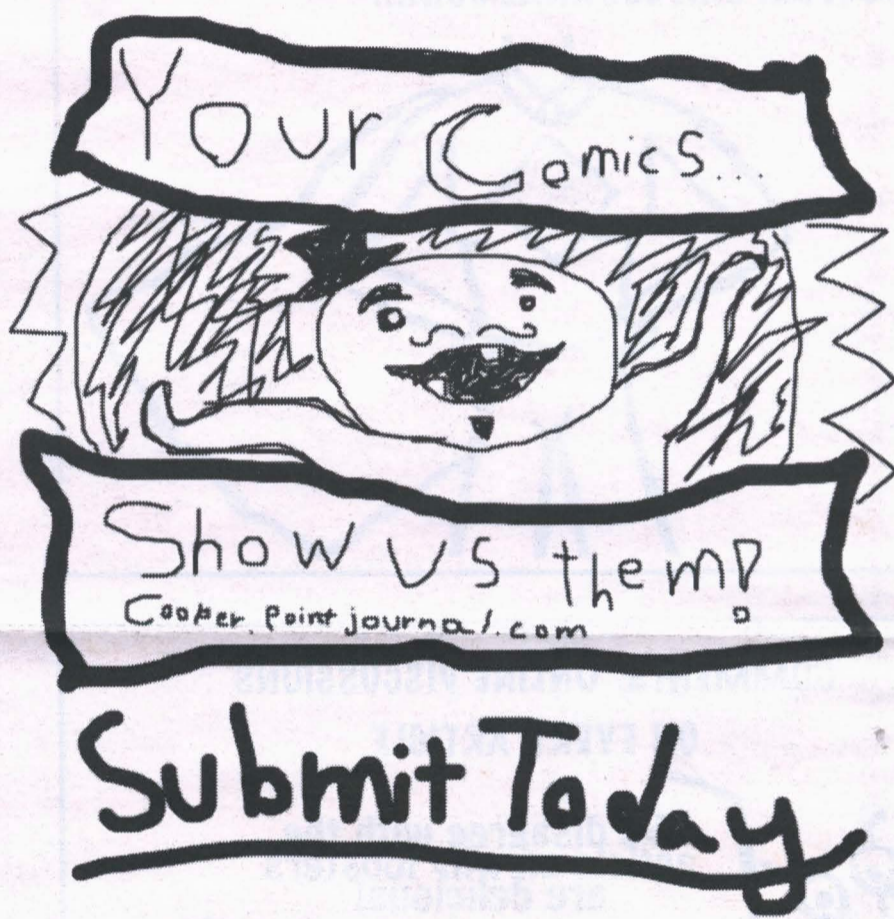
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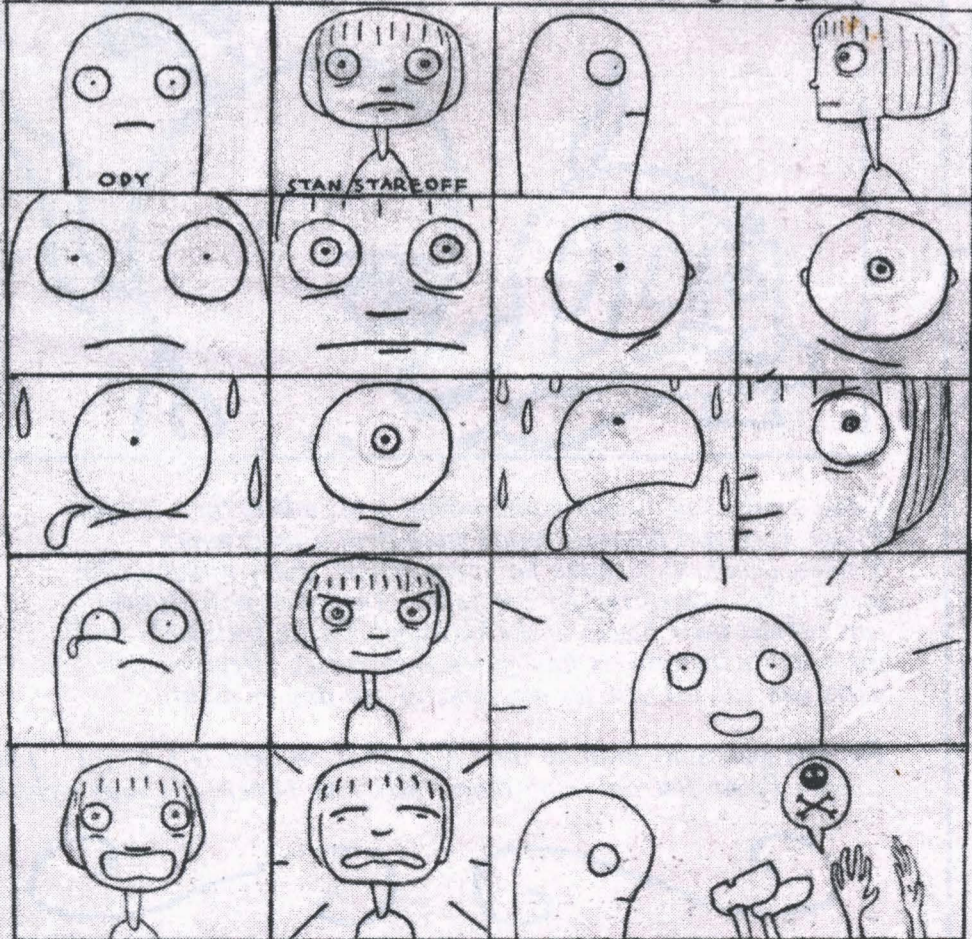


Coordinators note: A comicjam is an experimental comic where different cartoonists take turns drawing individual panels for a strip. So you see kids, there is a method behind all the crazy!



Cody McKinstry

THE ADVENTURES OF ODY THE FUNGUS SLUG



Ryan Buck

THE SPACE RAIL



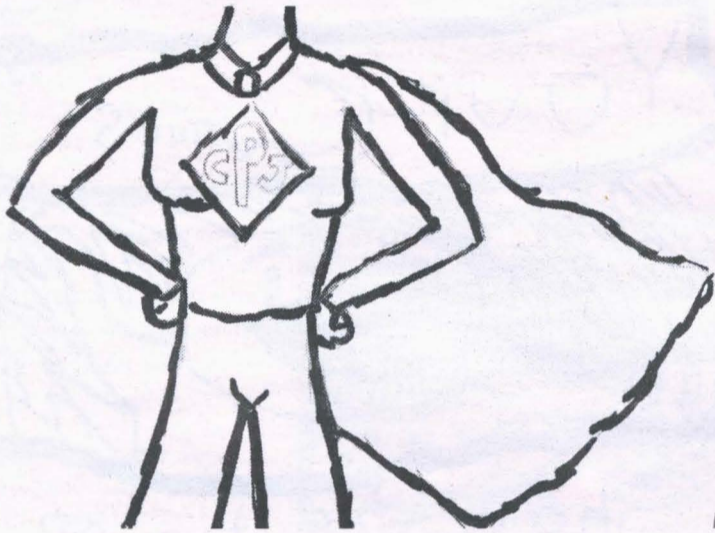
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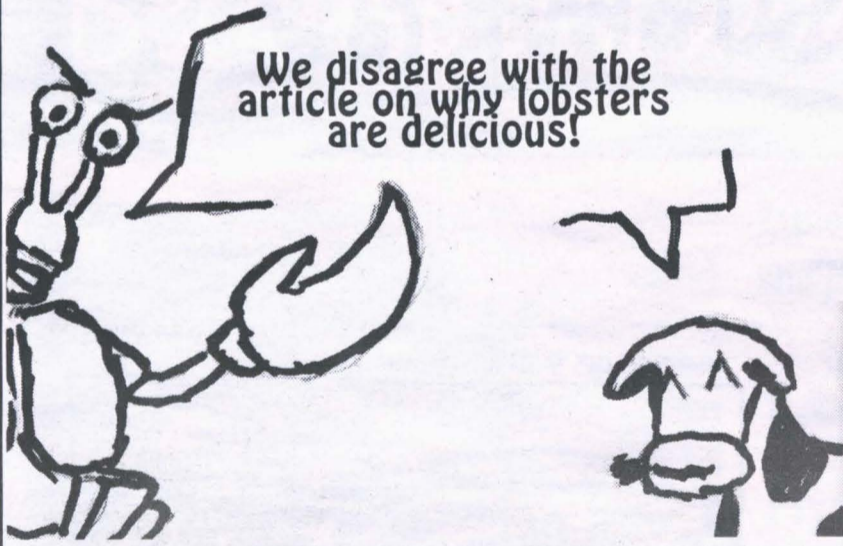
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