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Route changes raise concern



Intercity Transit has added roughly 1500 annual hours of service to routes 41 and 48 serving The Evergreen State College.

Erin Finch

CPJ Staff

As of Feb. 6, Intercity Transit (IT) has changed the bus routes serving The Evergreen State College, increasing the official coverage. However, some regular riders are worried about the alterations.

The new schedule adds four morning and four evening routes to the 41, which leave downtown at 15 and 45 after the hour, effectively doubling bus service to campus during peak hours. Students riding the 41 route in the morning report that the 9:15AM bus usually pulls into Evergreen nearly empty, while the 9:30AM, which is the last bus to arrive in time for 10:00AM classes, is often so full that student must be turned

Students of Evergreen collectively pay \$216,809 to allow them to use their college IDs as bus passes. The mandatory student fee of \$13.20 that sup- run a second bus as 'back-up,' ports this service is folded in said Dennis Bloom, Planning with other tuition and fees paid Manager for IT, in an email to each quarter.

In an election held in spring quarter 1996, 41 percent of the Evergreen students voted, and 97 percent of those respondents supported bus passes.

IT Route 41, which runs between Downtown Olympia and Evergreen, averaged an estimated 10,700 riders each week during the 2009-10 school year. During peak hours, when students flood the campus to get to morning classes, or when they return home, crowding has been commonplace onboard the 41.

For many years, IT has addressed the overcrowding issue by running a 'back-up' 41 bus during peak hours, allowing students who simply cannot fit on the first bus to make it to campus on time. These backup routes do not appear on the regular schedule, and are run informally to relieve pressure on the

"Basically, if the 'regular' trip got full (past the standing room only, sardine stage) we'd See BUSES Page 2 Spring quarter Academic Fair



On Wednesday, students and faculty gathered in the Evergreen CRC for the Academic Fair, where each program for the following quarter has a table set up. This is a good opportunity for students to preview classes and talk to teachers, though many find the atmosphere is too crowded and hectic.

Campus open despite the weather

CPJ Staff

When Evergreen students woke up on Thursday the 24th, their hearts leapt at the demulcent blanket of snow on the ground and the flakes still falling from the sky.

They hoped that it signalled at elusive dream of students that they still had class that day, tions and the forecast for the day.

and many more expressed confusion when campus was closed at 2:30 that afternoon.

John Hurley, the Vice President of Finance, in conjunction with Art Costantino, the Vice President of Student Affairs, made the decision around noon to close campus after conditions took a turn for the worse.

But some staff and students young and old, the snow day. question why they were asked to proached campus. Costantino Many were disappointed to find come at all, given the road condi-

The decision-making process began at five in the morning when Costantino, who is in charge of deciding to close campus outside of regular class hours, left his house in Shelton to drive the roads and survey the conditions.

He says that they appeared fine near his home, but admits that they grew worse as he apthen called the campus police,

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Tom Mercado, Evergreen's Director of Student Activities.

Mercado has managed the contract with IT since the first stu-"Route dent vote. changes have mostly been done on the basis of complaints or suggestions," said "That's Mercado. how the Nightline service got started; students expressed concerns, and Intercity Transit responded."

Mercado that he had not heard any comments from students about the change. "We rarely hear any complaints about the bus service, but now that we have, it's time to go to work," he said.

Mike Harbour, General Manager for Intercity Transit, ex-

plained the changes, citing rider complaints about the back-up system. "The problem with that backup bus system is that people were getting confused and trying to get on the first bus, not realizing that there's a second," he said.

Harbour hopes that the new routes will begin to function properly once students get used to the schedule. Harbour says that IT will begin collecting data on the new service plan immediately. "At



Students are forced to deal with overcrowding or ride buses that get them to campus either too early or too

this point, it's too early to know how people are going to use the route," he said. He mentioned the possibility of a rider poll to assess the reaction to the

Asked whether Student Activities might conduct an independent poll, Mercado seemed interested, but unsure. 'We would need help coming up with the questions to ask," he said.

Intercity Transit will not alter the

current coverage until the next schedule change on June 12, but Harbour says that they are unlikely to do anything major at that point.

"The next change after that is October 2, 2011 and that date would be when we would make any needed significant changes," said Harbour. He said that IT generally lets changes run for at least six months, to give the community time to adjust.

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who are responsible for compiling weath- mented. er reports to help decide whether a closure is necessary.

Despite the fact that the Washington State Patrol advised against commuters driving unless it was necessary, it was decided that Evergreen would be open for the day.

One question that has been asked is why Evergreen stayed open even though the other colleges in the area, South Puget Sound Community College and St. Martin's University, were closed for the day.

In an email sent out on TESCrier, Costantino said, "While we are mindful enough not to ask of the decision made by other institu- people to come to tions...our situation is not the same as campus, particularly other institutions."

Costantino later explained that the administration believes Evergreen's focus on small classes and singular programs allows for teachers to make the decision on whether or not to hold class on a case by case basis.

He admits that "Evergreen is more reluctant than other institutions to close

However, when it became apparent that conditions were going to grow worse over the course of the day, the decision was made to close campus for evening courses.

According to John Hurley, forecasts showed that the highest temperatures of the day would be around 2 p.m., and this appeared to be the safest time to send staff and students home.

Several issues have been raised with the process and the innefficiency with which it appeared to have been imple-

For instance, if buses couldn't even make it to the dorms on the icy roads, was it ethical to ask students and staff to risk taking the icy, winding roads to campus?

Some cite the State Patrol's advisory to stay off the roads as reason with forecasts for the day calling for more snow. Costantino replies that staff and students are always welcome to stay home if they believe conditions are too unsafe to brave.

But if the school is open, and staff cannot make it out to campus due to the weather, then they will have to use a sick day or vacation leave to cover the ab-

sence, which means that the college does not have to pay their regular wages.

These complaints, along with frustration over the amount of time it took to clear campus of snow and ice, have prompted the administration to say that



Evergreen students treck their way through the unforgiving

they will review the school's suspended operations policies, so as to avoid future situations that put staff and students indanger. For now, Greeners will just have to wait and dream of the next time snow

What do you think about the new bus system?



Asia Casebolt
Freshman

I think it is unreasonable.



Matt Donovan
Sophomore

What changes?



Freshman

I don't know, I guess I'm for



Kimberly Huesman

I haven't actually noticed because I don't take the bus very often.



By Ray Campbell and Nick Strite



This is the first time I have taken the bus from the mall to here, but I am not a fan of it.



RJ Jensen

They piss me off in the morning. It is taking me a while to get the routine down. It's just not what I'm used too.

Senior



st Escopedo

They shouldn't do it. It's a horrible idea. In the mornings your gonna have to wait 15m if the bus is full, then be late for class.



Jimmie Lo

EF Student

I think its okay. Its easier to go to the mall on Saturday but for example in the evening you would have to change the bus' to get there, which is difficult.

Thoughts on the Academic Fair

Sabra Chandiwalla

CPJ Staff

With tiny tables all smashed together, a confusing number system corresponding to programs, and hundreds of students rushing in to the CRC to talk to their designated professor, navigating through the gym was more than a little difficult.

The Academic Fair, hosted at the end of every quarter, is meant to show-case the programs for the upcoming quarter and give students a chance to meet and talk with the professors of the program.

This idea is good in theory, however, when a lot of professors either don't show up or leave early it leaves the majority of students to either rush to the Fair immediately after it starts-which leads to crowded program tables and very little chance for a one-on-one chat with the professor-or leaves students with a feeling of frustration.

"It's kind of bullshit," says sophomore Ray Campbell, "[having] half the professors show up late and leave early. I think they should make more of a concerted effort to show up to the Academic Pair."

Attention! Student groups

Kayla Mahnke

Student Contributor

Attention, everybody! Attention!

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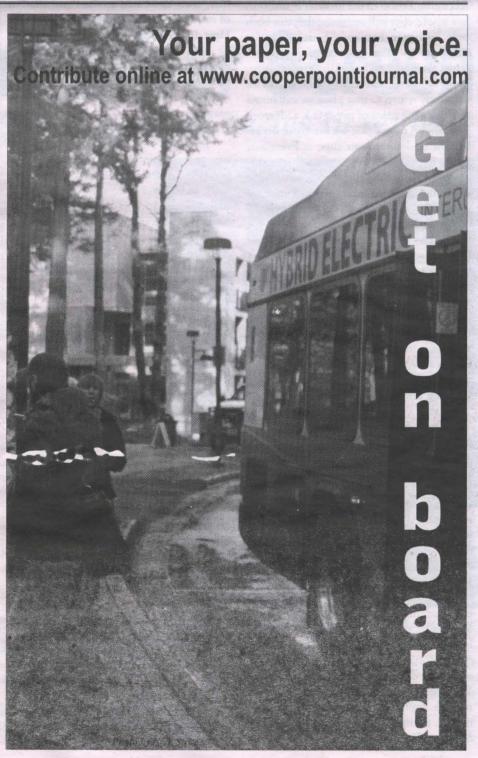
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If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the S&A Board Office; via phone at x6221, via email at SABoard@evergreen.edu, or in person within the Student Activities office.

We hope to see you soon!



Grab your rakes The Wider World:

Gabrielle Hamilton

Student Contributor

If you have not already, I encourage you to read my previous article, "Why do we Need Leaf Blowers at Evergreen?" This is my official follow-up, where I will present a possible solution to the noisy and environmentally unfriendly conundrum on our campus. Something to keep in mind is that it will take some work, on your part and mine, and it will be well worth it. Here with me today is the person who first planted the idea in my mind, Joe Zeman. Joe coordinated Community Gardens all last year (summer included), and is this year's coordinator of both the Community Gardens and DEAP (a.k.a. Demeter's Garden).

Gabrielle: Joe, how do you feel about leaf blowers?

Joe: Well, if you're talking about sustainability, we should recognize first that it is a continually evolving process. Evergreen is not necessarily sustainable just because it's got "green" in its name. Leaf blowers are a technological solution to the problem of London Plane trees on Red Square. They're not the greatest to hear at 7:30 in the morning, but they get the job done. I think if we are trying to find a solution to this, it's going to take student engagement.

G: How do we get students engaged?

I: Hmm. It's tough. Students need to have some sort of connection to this place that they're going to school. They need to care about it; not only their classes and the fact that they're paying for school. If they feel a connection to the broader institution as a whole, they will recognize they can both help Evergreen become a better place for people to go to school, and prepare themselves for living and working after college. Many of us aren't from Washington and we will likely return to that place we call home after we get a piece of paper (a.k.a. degree). This shows to me that we are naturally reluctant to dedicate our time at Evergreen trying to make it a better place-better not only for us but for those who come after us. I'm afraid that most of us simply are not interested in dedicating time to eradicating noisy, unhealthy leaf blowers. We are interested in getting drunk, running around in the woods and holding tight to our few passions in life, which do not include going to facility meetings and writing letters to the Administration.

G: I understand that you have an idea for an alternative to our current campus management system, and that it also includes an evolved structure for student involvement and possibly food sovereignty. Can you tell me more about this?

J: First of all, it's not my idea. Warren-Wilson College in North Carolina has already implemented student service as a part of a student's academic work. As a student there, you must have a certain number of service hours to graduate: this service is done on campus or in the community. RAD (Residential and Dining Services), here at Evergreen, does this quite well by using students to accomplish building maintenance, remodels, and cleaning. However, simply requiring students to volunteer is not enough; if we want to find real sustainability we must have faculty who teach us-not only in the classroom but also on the farm, in the steam plant, on the construction site, in the forest, and of course dealing with the waste streams. We need holistic learning that relies on real life application of what we are learning by doing degree-applicable work on campus. This will mean Evergreen will



continue to become less of a traditional learning institution (i.e. pumping students out in 4-6 years) and become more of a learning community focused on merging teaching, learning, and work (or service). All students will also be staff by providing food, landscaping, basic building maintenance, and in-office secretarial jobs. Faculty, along with their teaching job, will be the directors of facilities, sustainability coordinators, and any other long-term positions within the administrations. That, of course, means President Les Purce will have to teach students about educational management. Eventually, if this model was embraced fully, Les Purce would teach and train his successor, the next President of The Evergreen State College.

G: Wow, Joe, that's fascinating. That could completely transform our campus into a self-sustaining closed-loop community, truly dedicated to the continuation of our ideals and an ever-changing world. How do we start?

J: We need students to be motivated, and at the same time show the Administration that this is important to us. We need activism and legitimacy. We need coordination.

G: Can you give me an example?

J: I would say that since it's around that time to start planting food, a great first step is discreet guerilla gardening. Find a bare patch of soil and plant some food! Give it attention and love. If enough people start doing that, it could be a call to the Administration for more official food-growing space on campus (not just on the Organic Farm)! This could even potentially lead to providing a student-based food source for the Flaming Eggplant.

G: That's a great example of personal activism. How can we also take on this issue in a professional manner with our Administration?

J: Addressing budgetary concerns tells the Administration that we mean business. Budget cuts mean many things to the higher-ups, but particularly staff members are affected. Student Service would help us to continue to get necessary work done even as positions are being cut. Don't think that I want students to take the place of a staffer; student work will supplement the work of already existing staff allowing them to accomplish more long-term complex tasks. That being said, there are plenty of examples of students and faculty voicing their disagreement with administrative decisions and the Administration doing nothing (i.e. biomass, Israel divestment). As long as the people in power don't listen to us, the people who pay their salary, then nothing is going to change. I say we use activism as our primary force for change.

How does this translate into the topic of leaf blowers? Grab your rakes. If this is going to become a reality, we need to start putting in the work. I'm ready. Are you?

The Wider World: Walker, Wisconsin Ranger

Mark Ciccone

Student Contributor

Last Saturday (2/26), I went down to the rally at Capitol Square in support of the Wisconsin workers and students protesting the anti-Union, financially eviscerating budget bill still being pushed by Walker.

Between 2,500 and 3,000 people showed up, many wearing the trademark cheese hat of Packers fans, carrying signs and banners with such slogans as "Ich Bin Ein Wisconsinite," "We Are Tahrir Square West," and one of my personal favorites: "Never Have So Few Ignored So Many."

Later, after coming back to campus, I learned that more than 75,000 pro-Union supporters showed up that same day in Madison for the latest round of protests (see The Cap Times, 2/26/11), part of a total of nearly 130,000 people nationwide expressing opposition to the Wisconsin bill and to similar measures being pushed in Ohio, Indiana, and elsewhere.

Meanwhile, in DC and in statehouses across the country, the Right is clinging white-knuckled to its demand for ever-deeper cuts, regardless of their economic impact, (see Washington Post, 2/28/11) in any and all spending that they view as unnecessary—which, if one looks closely at the logic the Tea Party has or is trying to ram down throats as of late, includes just about everything both they and the average citizen needs to avoid ending up in a flophouse with abhorrent medical care, no pension and no savings: Medicare, Social Security, Medicaid, workers' benefits, and banking regulation.

To me, the message couldn't be clearer: with the so-called "Governor" in my home state alienating even his closest allies both in-state and out with his no-compromise attitude, and the 2012 GOP hopefuls all embracing the idea of a Federal shutdown overspending in the idiotic belief that it will propel them into the White House,



the only way to make the everyday citizen's voice heard anymore is through nonstop direct pressure, particularly through such means as the massive Madison protests and Capitol occupations.

These methods have already had some effect in several states—particularly Ohio, Florida and Michigan, where GOP governors and legislators have either backed away or toned down their assault on public workers—so now is the time to apply them on a much broader scale: local, state, and national demonstrations, constant lobbying, refutation and vigilance with regards to GOP behavior and rhetoric, even nonviolent occupations in DC if necessary.

Nothing less will force the Right to heed the real people's will, not that which it claims under its farcical "popular mandate," or that of the TP, the Koch Brothers, and anyone else who would throw the rest of the country over the side if it meant saving their own prosperity.

The Right's comments and most visible figures as of late make it vitally important that anyone who wants anything resembling a paycheck, decent health care, and civil rights must work to make sure that these are not undermined, if not eliminated altogether.

The protests I witnessed in Capitol Square—and those in Madison and elsewhere—give me hope that the will to demand these basic rights is out there. Now it's time to make sure that that demand is heard by those in the halls of power.



Comedy Central Comedians humor Evergreen

Sabra Chandiwalla

Politics, self-touching and comedy-what more can a person ask for? On Wednesday, Feb. 23, the Asian Pacific Islander Coalition (APIC) hosted a comedy night featuring Comedy Central comedians Amy Anderson and Hari Kondabolu.

"Comedy is one of the few jobs where you can feel yourself up at work and it's okay," said Anderson, 38, explaining why she loves her job. After graduating from Westminster Choir College with a B.A in classical music and working a multitude of odd, interesting, and sometimes just plain bad jobs, Anderson found her calling as a comedian in her hometown.

Born in South Korea, Anderson was adopted by a Swedish couple and raised in Minnesota. With three older brothers all adopted from various parts of Europe and surrounded by a mostly white, wealthy community, Anderson said, "[I] was the diversity in my town. It was always: white person, white person, 'oh look, there's Amy!"

Starting with a "Brangelina" joke, Anderson informed the audience that they were the first to know her exciting news: Brad and Angelina, effective as of that afternoon, had officially adopted her.

Anderson's comedy sketches, dealing a lot with Asian stereotypes, kept the audience entertained and laughing most of the time. She even fell in love with the Evergreen mascot repeating, "The Geoducks - I love that! I am so all-over that."

There were a few hiccups, like when one of her sketches reinforced a Mexican stereotype and a few audience members gasped in outrage. Anderson replied, "It's



Coodinators Jayanika Lawrence, Celi Tamayo-Lee, and co. with comedian Hari Kondabolu (center) after Comedy Night.

a comedy sketch. Get over it." Or when she made a joke about having a penis, but then quickly followed up with, "I'm just joking guys, really. I don't actually have a penis. It's all vag down there," making some wonder if she's transphobic or just didn't think about her audience when she said that.

Overall, however, Anderson is a great Asian comedian activist, shedding light on some of the harmful effects of Asian stereotypes. You can watch Anderson on Comedy Central, Showtime, ABC, and various other channels, or visit her website at www.amyan-

Following Anderson was comedian Hari Kondabolu. With well-written and

delivered politically-based comedy sketches ranging from ethnicity to police brutality to climate change and environmental issues to health care, Kondabolu was a big hit with the audience.

Beginning with an observation of racial distinction in newspapers, Kondabolu pointed out that, "In this country, a person in either automatically perceived as white unless otherwise specified. Like, if you're reading a newspaper...they always specify [if a person is] Asian or Indian, but never white.'

APIC coordinator Celi Tamayo-Lee explained why, with a B.A in comparative politics from Wesleyan University, and a Mas-

ters in human rights from London School of Economics, Kondabolu was a perfect candidate for their comedy night. "All of his humor is very intentional and meant to be anti-racist," said Tamayo-Lee.

Currently, Kondabolu is a video blogger for WORLD COMPASS, co-hosts a monthly talk show titled The Untitled Kondabolu Project with younger brother and hip-hop member of Das Racist, Ashok Kondabolu. This past month Kondabolu also launched his debut show, Comedy Central Presents, on Comedy Central.

During one of his sketches, Kondabolu shared with the audience his idea for getting healthcare in this country. "If we treat all the rich people like free range chickensfeed them organic produce and grains, let them walk around their large estate," explained Kondabolu, "and then humanely kill them and harvest their organs for food, money, and other survival needs. Had this been our first option, America would have had the public healthcare option by now!"

In the end, Comedy Night was a huge success. With lots of laughs, and brutally honest truths, the audience left feeling satisfied and happy.

APIC coordinator Jayanika Lawrence said they chose Kondabolu and Anderson as their comedians because, "we wanted to bring people who identified as Asian or Asian Pacific. And both of them talked about race in a different way than people are normally used to... I think humor plays a really big part in people surviving and continuing to survive through everyday struggles." Celi Tamayo-Lee adds that it was important to the group to have both male and female comedians that identify with Asian ethnicities represented at the event.

Treasures of the Silver Screen

"The Addams Family" 1964-1967 Television Series in review.

Student Contributor

Dear readers,

This column is intended as an experiment on the common film review column found in typical newspapers and magazines. The twist is that in our modern times, it occurs to me that numerous people have forgotten or are unaware of the ancient treasures of the silver screen. My goal is to introduce the public to some of these treasures.

I have decided to begin with a television show that may appear to modern-day film critics to be as kooky as my idea to write about older pieces of film and television in a newspaper. I am, of course, referring to the creepy and kooky Addams Family.

While the Addams Family continues to write its way into the history of media today through its numerous spinoffs, movies, videogames, and even a new musical, the original 1964-1967 television series has largely flown under the radar.

The original Addams Family is based on a bunch of crazy, kooky New Yorker comic characters in the comic strip that was created by Charles Addams and ran from 1938 until his death in 1988.

For those who do not know, the cast includes a wonderful witchy woman, Morticia, who has deep passions for the arts and growing carnivorous plants, and her husband Gomez, whose only real job appears to be watching the stock market and blowing up his model trains. Uncle Fester is a literal live wire who can power and blow up just about anything the family owns. Grandma practices fortune telling and alligator wrestling. The children are Pugsley and Wednesday, both of whom own a rather unique collection of pets including a lion, spiders, and Aristotle, the family octopus.

Other regular characters to the show include the servants: the family's helping hand, Thing, and Lurch, their Frankenstein-like butler with an ear for music. Late during the show's first season, Gomez's cousin IT appears, and becomes a more regular character during the later seasons of the show. IT is often called the family's intellectual which is somewhat ironic, considering throughout most of the show, you can't understand what he is saying.

What makes this show a true treasure is not the creepy and kooky characters in the family, but rather that they all firmly believe they are a normal modern American family.

The only exception to this rule is when Gomez develops amnesia near the end of the first season, giving him a view of the family from the eyes of an actual normal

Thus, the family's continuing battles with every day life, such as taking their children to school, exploring new hobbies, planning holiday parties, discussing politics, and helping relatives, etc., all look extremely strange and laughable to any viewer who enjoys crazy eccentric characters or feels bored going through the drills of life.

Indeed, the wonderful wackiness of the Addams Family and their view of the world

can only be matched by their taste in décor. During the early era of television, it was very rare to have large film sets, and almost unheard of for a show to be shot in more than one or two locations at a time.

Thus most of the action would take place in a small series of rooms, sometimes even using just one, as most of the shows were taped live, some even with a live audience.

Thus the design of the set for "The Addams Family" was extremely detailed, with many weird wonderful props, including a harpsichord, Thing's box, a chandelier, swords, giant plants and plentiful stuffed

Truly, there is so much stuff to look at, it is almost impossible

to get bored, even with such a small number of set locations.

I invite you to watch a lovely family show that is a little bit odd, different, creepy and kooky. Spend it with a wonderful fam-



Promotional photograph of the cast from "The Addams Family" television series.

ily who loves everyone, even when most everyone else is afraid of them. For as little Wednesday so keenly observes, "It's so nice and gloomy."

Sports

Athletics & Recreation looks forward with new budget request

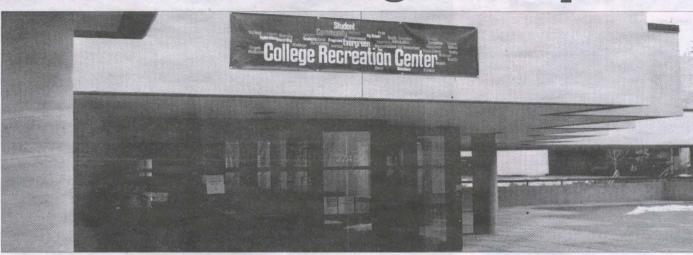
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On March 5th, the S&A Board faces a huge task: deciding whether or not to accept the Sports and Recreation budget request for 2011-2013. If it is approved, there will be even more opportunities for Evergreen Students to enjoy Sports and Recreation at Evergreen.

The budget requested by the Recreation Department seeks to increase the 2010-11 budget by 78%. This may sound shocking, but a number of areas requesting funding in 2011-13 received no funding in 2010-11.

The recreation program is asking for funding for three things: an Aquatics Program Coordinator, Goods and Services, and the Outdoor Program which did not get funding last year but is hoping for funding over the next two years.

The Aquatics Program Coordinator's main goal is to maintain an aquatics program on campus that is beneficial to Evergreen students as well as the community at large. The specific duties of the Coordinator are outlined in the 2011-13 Recreation & Athletics Budget Request Appendix B, which says the coordinator should "create, implement, supervise, and promote organized and informal aquatics programs."



The S&A board will deliberate the Athletics and Recreation budget request this Saturday.

Photo: Nick Strip

Goods and Services will help support the intramurals and the club sport teams: crew, mountain biking, rugby, and wrestling would all receive funding to help maintain the organizations and allow them to continue recruiting new students

Finally, the Outdoor Program, which has been shut down for a number of years, is ready to make its mark again. The program will sponsor students' outdoor trips and provide the necessary equipment for them to enjoy the outdoors at their leisure. Funding in this area could help reopen the ropes course for students.

Another funding hopeful is the Athletics Program. They have two areas that went unfunded last year but are hoping to recieve allocations from the proposed budget. For the sports teams, they request assistant coaches and an assistant Athletic Trainer. These positions will help make lives easier for the coaches and trainer who are already stretched with their duties. Aside from the areas that did not receive funding, other Athletics and Recreation programs are not up to par. As interim Director of Athletics and Recreation Wendy Endress said, "I do know what basic service should be and I know that we are not providing that."

The idea behind the budget request is not to become overwhelmingly centered as a sports and recreation hub, but to allow Evergreen students to learn and have fun away from class. As Endress said, "You can't [be in class 24/7. You have to do some other stuff to be a well-rounded person and recreation can be an important piece of the whole person."

Coaches' last words of season



Head coach Arvin Mosley observes one of Evergreen's basketball games this season. Lewis Mikkelson

CPJ Staff

With the last men's basketball game played on Feb. 19, head coach Arvin Mosley shares his thoughts about his first season and his coaching methods throughout the year. With a rather difficult season finally over, Mosley is waiting for the regular season to start next Fall.

Lewis Mikkelson: What drew you to the head coaching job at Evergreen?

Arvin Mosley: I was hired here as an Academic Specialist in April 2008 after serving 5 years as head coach and Academic Success Coordinator at Tacoma Community College. For two seasons, I worked as a high school basketball referee and was prepared to try and make the college level as an official. When the coaching position opened in July last summer, I spoke with my family and we decided that this was an opportunity that I couldn't pass up. So I applied and put my best foot forward! I really enjoyed Evergreen as an employee in Student Academic Support Services (SASS) and was excited to work in Recreation and Athletics.

L: What were your main goals for this season?

A: On the court, we wanted to be the type of team that fans enjoyed watching and appreciated [for] our effort. We wanted to make the playoffs and get a taste of the postseason for all the new guys. Off the court, we wanted to create a culture that was representative of our institution and reflective of my beliefs behind being successful team; respect, selflessness, SHARE-ing (Simply Helping Another Rewards Everyone) and HIT-ing (play Hard Intelligently and Together).

L: What surprised you the most when you first arrived at Evergreen?

A: The freedom to experiment and try new things; The "Greener" lifestyle of conservation and sustainability. Three to four different cans for garbage, glass, compost and recycling! [laughs]

Finish the interview at www.cooperpointjournal.com



Women's basketball coach Monica Heuer guides some plays during a time-out.

Lewis Mikkelson

CPJ Staff

With women's basketball concluding their season on Feb. 19 against Eastern Oregon, head coach Monica Heuer shares her thoughts about how she got the team to prepare both mentally and physical for each game.

Lewis Mikkelson: What were your goals for the team before the season started?

Monica Heuer: My goals included everyone getting better individually, players learning and applying, having good team chemistry, working hard everyday, making playoffs, and as a team we also set goals. During [the] six months, my hope was that players would learn from each other especially regarding what it takes to be a successful student athlete and how to manage the demands. I wanted them to learn about themselves as individuals, what it takes to function within a team environment. I believe this only enhances the educational piece of learning outside the classroom and across differences.

L: How did you get the team to focus for this season?

M: I believe players come in ready to focus and work. It is a transition coming from high school and some community colleges because everyday we are teaching and working on different phases of the game. Different parts of the season will dictate what we focus on as well. One of the things we do is watch film and review stats. For the week prior to a Friday game, we pick out two areas on defense we want to focus on for a particular team (example: going over the top on ball screens and fronting the post). We try to break our focus down to preseason, conference, and playoffs. Then within each of these areas we break down each week and each practice session.

L: What were you looking forward to the most when your team was about to start a game?

M: Getting off to a good start! We wanted everyone to remember their assignments and stick to the game plan. Every game is like a test.

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Smith and Woods inseparable

Darren Woods

Student Contributor

Now that senior Geoduck basketball players LaTrina Woods and Cambria Smith have played their last game at Evergreen, perhaps it would be a good time for them to reflect on the journey they started six years ago as juniors in high school... together.

Togetherness has been the motto of this dynamic duo, dating back to the day they met at basketball practice at Meadowdale High School in Edmonds, Washington. It seems fitting that a pair as inseparable as they are would be joined by a little divine intervention.

"I was new and didn't know anybody, and I didn't drive, so coach made [Cambria] give me a ride home," Woods recalled with a smirk. The Geoduck seniors have been best friends since the day they met on the hardwood at Meadowdale. From that day, the pair has been joined at the hip, and they wouldn't have wanted it any other way.

At the conclusion of their senior season, Woods and Smith decided to attend Bellevue Community College, a local school that would grant them the best opportunity to play together. In their first year, the two led the Bulldogs to a second place finish at the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges (NWAAC) Championships.

After success at the community college level, the friends had a decision to make: where to continue their education. It didn't take long before they made the decision to head south where they would have a chance to walk on at La Sierra University in Riverside, California.

Both Smith and Woods made an immediate impact on the team. In their first year at LSU, the twosome played their way into starting roles. But just as it seemed these two had found a place they could call home, their plan came to a screeching halt.

As a member of NCAA Division III athletics, La Sierra was not able to offer Smith or Woods a full athletic scholarship.

With the expenses of a private university mounting, the pair was forced to leave the school and figure out another course of action to accomplish their goal. While chances are they could have found places to play separately, it was a no-brainer to them what they would do.

'We made the decision to sit out a year. We just took a year off," said Woods, recalling their decision. Meanwhile, the Washington natives worked and kept their skills sharp at open gyms and after a couple attempts to get into California schools fell through, they chose to move back to Washington for one final chance to play together before they graduated.

to Washington, didn't have very much time to find a team and there was a very real chance they wouldn't find one at all.

"Trina and I are kind of notorious for being late, so it was a last minute rush to find a school," Smith said with a smile. "Most teams already had their rosters set or had no money to put into the program." But the determined duo, as usual, would not give in so easily.

Woods said of the pursuit of a spot on the Evergreen squad, "I emailed coach [Monica Heuerl and asked about open gym. We drove an hour and a half and did a couple open gyms. I just wanted to finish and play. I didn't want to regret anything," added Woods.

Then came the day head coach Monica Heuer had to decide on the two. "Coaches don't like to be put in the position to be forced. I like to judge for myself and that's what I did," said Her decision Heuer. was monumental for both the Geoducks and the friends. Woods and Smith had a new place to call home and coach Heuer added talent to an already big roster.

During the 2009-2010 season, Woods earned Cascade Collegiate Conference Newcomer of the Year while leading the Geoducks in five statistical categories, including scoring (13.7/g) and rebounding

Smith added depth to the post position and was one of the best players off the bench seeing action in every game, averaging 16 minutes per game.

In their senior seasons, both players have done nothing but improve their standing on the team.

Both Smith and Woods started every game as seniors and have contributed invaluably to the Geoduck basketball program. Smith is described by her coach as the team's workhorse.

"She will not be denied. She's a blue-By the time they decided to hike it back collar worker and she's gotten the most out

of what she has." Woods brings a level of raw talent that is admired by Heuer. "She is one of the best players in the conference." Reflecting on Woods' development over the past two years Heuer added, "[LaTrina] is a very special player with the things she does on the court. You don't get those players very often."

LaTrina Woods (L) and Cambria Smith (R) enjoy an offseason basketball tournament together.

Another thing you don't get very often is a pair of friends that have meant so much to one another's development. Woods is hardly at a loss for words when describing how integral to her life her counterpart has

"I wouldn't have gotten this far without Cam, I would have just given up." For Smith the feelings are mutual. "[LaTrina] was there for me at my lowest. We both want the same things. If one of us goes in the wrong direction, the other one checks

them. She's like a mother."

Considering the pair's history, it should be no surprise that they have big plans after graduation this spring to go into business together.

While Woods has been invited to play in Ireland this summer as a member of the USA Athletes International basketball team, the ultimate goal is for Smith and Woods to open a business together geared toward fitness.

Smith and Woods will be moving on from Evergreen this spring. While they will have to say goodbye to the coaches and teammates they have come to know along the way, when they walk across the stage in Red Square in June, this persistent pair will know they have succeeded at their ultimate goal of staying best friends and teammates while graduating together.



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Thursday

Common Bread: Taize Chants 5:30pm Rotunda

Ancestral Wisdom Common Bread Dance Matrix Coll. Evr. Stu. 4 Sus. Animal Ag Freewave Dance Coll. Law Society
MidEast Solidarity Project Sabot Infoshoppe

Sem II C2105, 3:30 – 5:30 pm Longhouse, Cedar Room, 5:30–7:30 pm Sem II B1107, 6-9 pm Lab 1 3033, 7–8 am C1107 & C1105, 7:30–9:30 pm Sem II D2109, 4-6:30 pm Sem II B2105, 5 – 8 pm Sem II A2107, 5-6 pm

Friday

Challah Tasting shabbotluck 5:45-10:00 Sem 2 E2105 A tasting party sponsered by Evergreen Hillel

Capoeira Angola Circus Resurgence FreeWave Dance Coll. Knitting and Crocheting Club SCNM

CRC 177 2:30–4:20 pm LIB 3000, 5–9 pm CRC 116, 6-9 pm CAB 313, 1-3 pm (New Music) The Flaming Eggplant Cafe, 12-1 pm

Saturday

Sci-fi Collective SVGA

LH 2, 5:30-9 pm (Video Games) CAB 301, 3-6 pm

Sunday

All day singing 9:30am-3:30pm The Longhouse folk singing for anyone

with vocal chords

Organic Farm 11-3 pm

Monday

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Monday Nights in Happy Land Annex Featuring Fuse 7:00pm-9:00pm CAB 2nd floor lounge

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CAB 313, 1–2 pm CRC 117, 2:30–4:30 pm CAB 332, 4-5 pm Lab 1 3033, 12:30–1:30 pm Sem II C3109, 3:30–5 pm Sem II C 3109, 3:30-5 pm CRC 116, 3-5 pm Lab I 3033, II:30-12:30 pm (Transgender Resources) Sem II D2107, 4:30-6 pm (Ban the Bottle) Sem II C2107 5-6pm

Organic Farm, 6 – 8 pm Sem II C1107, 7–8 pm

Tuesday Sem II B1107, 6-9 pm (Anime Club) Sem II E1107, 6-9:30 pm Dance Matrix Coll.

The Great Fires Greeners for Christ Wednesday

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Bicycle Maintanence Class: Wheelbuilding part 2 of 2 4:00pm-6:00pm CAB 135 (Bike Shop)

Auditions for Romeo and Juliet 6:00pm-9:00pm Com 210

Coalition Against Sexual Violence Conscious Cooks Chemistry Club Dance Matrix Coll. Ever. Gaming Guild Evergreen Queer Alliance Funny Bones Geoduck Student Union Geoduck Campus Games Geology Club Greeners for Choice Icarus Project Latin Am. Solidarity Org. MidEast Solidarity Project Native Student Alliance Photo Club Slightly West Socialist Alternative Student Vet Org WashPIRG

Cedar Room, Longhouse, 7-10 pm Lib 2207, 1-2 pm Organic Farmhouse, 3-5 pm Lab 1 3033, 2-3 pm CRC 116, 3-5:30 pm CAB 2nd floor, Quiet Lounge, 6 – 9 pm Sem Il C1107, 3–5 pm Sem Il C3109, 2–5 pm Sem II D1105, 2-4 pm CAB 301, 6-7:30 pm Lab II 2211, 3-4 pm Sem II A2109, 3:30-4:30 pm Sem II A3105, 3-5 pm CAB 313, 3-4 pm LIB 1005, 5-6:30 pm LIB 1003, 5–6:30 pm Longhouse Lounge, 4-5 pm LIB 1412, 1:30–3:30 pm Sem II E 3107, 1:30–3:30 pm Sem II E 2107. 4-5:30 pm CAB 313, 1-2 pm Longhouse 1002, 5–6 pm WRC, CAB 321, 1:30-2:30 pm



