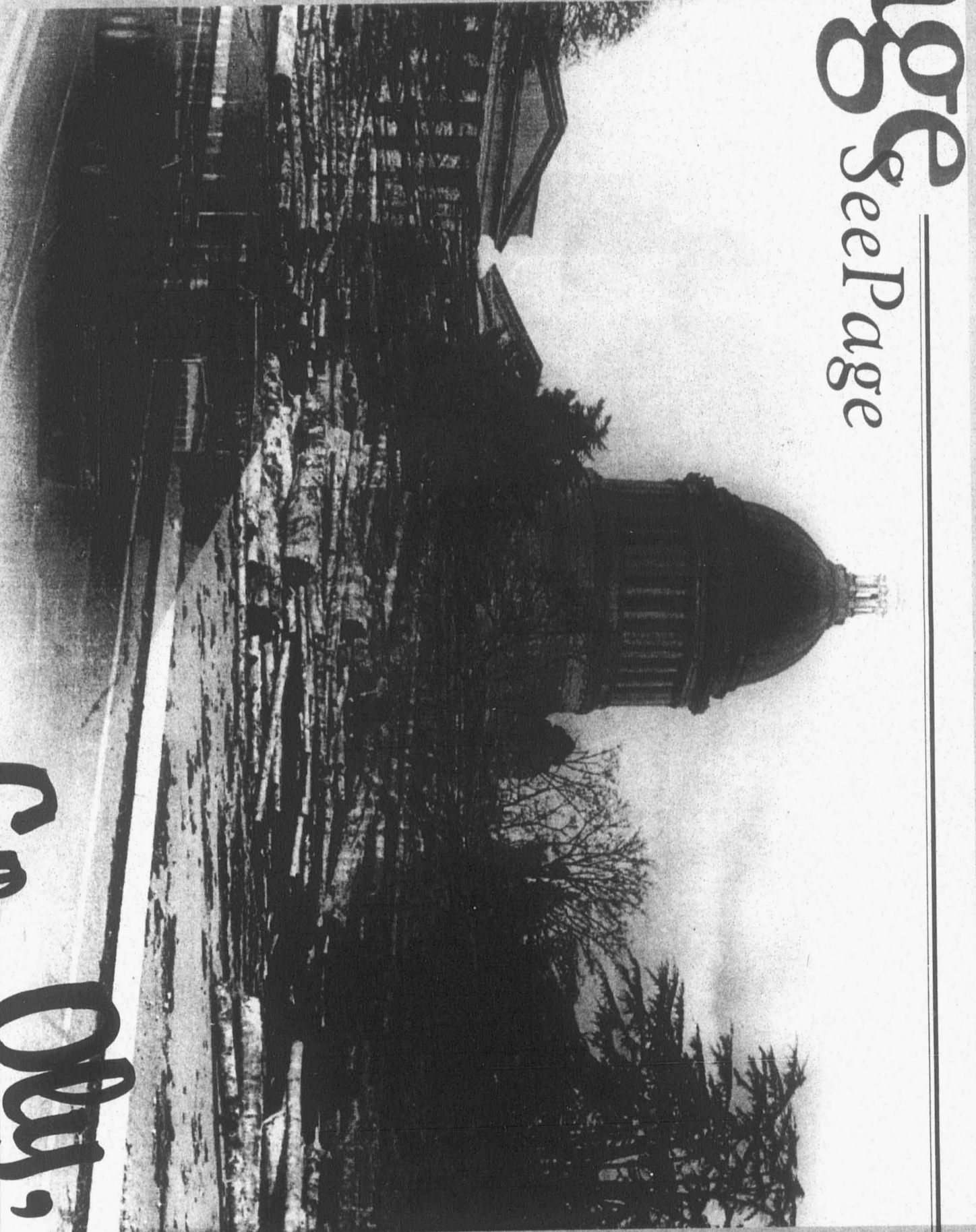


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Go, Oh, Go!

Ezra Smalle

photo by:



MY TURN

Students attacked in their home

by Marisa McKelvey and Molly Bukovec

Last week, three unknown men entered an apartment in Alphabet Soup. They were asked to leave, and even after a female resident called the police, they refused. When the officer arrived, three of the women living in the apartment and their male neighbor had been assaulted by the unknown men. One woman was repeatedly kicked in the head and back. Another woman was punched in the face, the force of which threw her into the wall and knocked her unconscious. Still another woman was slammed into a sharp object. The male neighbor was choked and hit in the face. Two of the women went to the emergency room with sustained concussions. The woman kicked in the stomach and back returned to the emergency room the next day to check for potential kidney damage. All victims had large, visible bruises, some in the shape of the offender's hands.

This incident raises several important issues. First and foremost, our campus tends to believe that we live in a safe, contained bubble. The reality is that the Evergreen campus is not as safe as we or our administration would like to think. In fact, assault and other violent crimes have happened many times in our community without our awareness or regard. Sure, we've heard about what happened to "those" women on that one night in that one place, but there are no hard facts corresponding to the rumor. No safety bulletins, no building meetings, no public outrage. Female residents continue to leave their doors unlocked and walk alone at night.

The work of the female victims after the assault revealed just how entrenched Evergreen is in silence. After two days, the police had yet to follow up on the case. That is, none of the victims were called or visited, and no public warning was issued. The women involved had to press for their story to be heard and taken seriously. The authorities evaded taking any responsibility. Questioning whether or not the police were conducting an investigation and suspecting that the police report contained errors, two of the female victims paid a visit to TESC police services themselves. In the police report, the descriptions of the offenders were incomplete, and one woman's phone number was incorrect. Omitted also was the fact that one woman was knocked unconscious and that the perpetrators were actually loitering in front of the dorm when the police officer arrived. Interestingly, the original call had not been tagged as an emergency. The response of the police on the day of the crime and on the day of inquiry remained consistent: unprofessional and indifferent.

Housing, school authorities, and peers were just as remiss. Only after much pressure from the victims was a safety bulletin posted in a few obscure places around campus. Unfortunately, its author made the mistake of referring to the incident as a fight, rather than an assault; it used non-gendered language, left violence against women out of the picture, and failed to detail the extent of their "minor injuries." A meeting with housing's resident director was called only after one of the victims went to her and revealed that many RAs do not know their residents and vice versa. Several peers expressed disappointment that this incident may discourage "partying."

The Friday night following the assault, February 16, two suspects returned to campus to attend a party in an adjacent dorm. Two of the witnesses from the previous weekend were at the party, recognized the perpetrators, and called the police. When the police arrived, they identified and arrested the perpetrators. But since the charge of simple assault constitutes a misdemeanor, they were arraigned, escorted off campus and barred from returning.

None of the victims feel any safer, especially after one of the criminals, burglarized his sister's house in search of a gun and then led police in a high speed police chase.

We are coming forward to confirm rumors of assault, to give a voice to those women on that one night in that one place.

How to make My Turn your turn

In order to foster a better community forum, we'd like to offer the left-hand column of the cover for in-depth discussions of campus and student-related issues. If you have an issue you want to address and have published on the Cooper Point Journal cover, please come to the CPJ (CAB 316) and talk to Whitney or call our office at 867-6213.

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GenEd DTF Shot Down

By Erica Nelson

The faculty voted down the current proposal made by the General Education DTF at a meeting on Wednesday. The final vote tally was 44 against the proposal, 37 in favor, and 10 abstaining.

Though they voted down this proposal, the faculty is advised to approve some kind of policy to address general education concerns soon. The accreditation committee's site visit is on April 23, and a policy is to be submitted to the committee in writing five weeks before this visit. However, some people feel that a deadline is over-emphasized and that the college is not in danger of losing accreditation if it is not met. The feelings over the deadline, along with the voting numbers, reflect a division of the faculty on how this issue should be

handled.

Reasons for rejecting the proposal varied. Many faculty members felt that the model needed to be restructured and that it was too hastily put together. Others were more opposed to the idea of making a set structure of required general education courses. In addition, some concerns were expressed over the language of the proposals.

"[It] sacrifices depth for breadth," one faculty member said at the meeting. "People should vote for this if they think this is good . . . and if they understand it," another said.

Faculty in favor of the proposal stressed that it was an experiment and would be up for review in five years time.

"It addresses the key issues . . . enables us to offer more programs with quantitative reasoning," one faculty member in favor of the proposal said.

Providing more opportunities for student's exposure to quantitative reasoning (math) was a main concern of the accreditation committee.

The proposal that they voted down was a combination of the two models previously proposed by the DTF, "Spring Festival," and "Cross Divisional." It also included some amendments made at previous meetings. The proposal provided a new structure that would require 40 percent of the faculty to teach programs with more breadth of subjects and emphasis on general education. The other 60 percent of the curriculum would remain unchanged.

More discussion of the issue is scheduled for a meeting next week, and they will vote on the new advising proposals made by the DTF soon.

Siphon high, squirt it out



photo by Kevan Moore

Like Totally — Sarah Taylor, Alicia Webber, and Whitney Buchman wanted to be Evergreen cheerleaders so they could "be cheerleaders but make fun of them at the same time." That, Webber said, "is pure beauty." For more sports info, turn to pages 15 and 16.

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"How do you feel about the penis and vagina sculptures around campus?"



Carrie Zanger
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"I think this is a sexual awareness issue that needs to be spoken about; however, I think communication between the women's and men's centers needs to be thoroughly addressed."



Josh Blue
senior
"Who has the time to make those things and why? It just looks like a bedraggled slug or something. I do, however, enjoy watching the prospective freshmen and their parents looking at it."



Kristin Minto
junior
"The end result was good because it started discussion. It makes people talk about stuff that needs to be talked about."



Steve Goritta
junior
"Art can be used to get people thinking and can be presented in a way that brings up issues that can't be put any other way. I'd like to see the artist push the limits of [the sculpture's] presentation."



Vanessa Lemire
22
"It doesn't bother me ... I'd like to see more random art placement on campus, but I don't think genitalia should be a war."

Silent Victims
In response to last week's Vox Populi question: *Is sexual assault an issue on campus?*

by Cara Elliot-Seres

Since the start of this academic year, there have been five known incidences of sexual assault on the Evergreen campus. These are just the ones that have been made known to the Housing staff. 75% of sexual assaults go unreported; that means that there have been at least 20 assaults on campus since September. To say that Evergreen's student body is made up of "a bunch of fun-loving hippies," as stated in the February 8 Vox Populi column, that would never harm another living thing is a gross misconception. Victims of sexual assault don't report their attacks because they know how difficult it is to prove it. Faced with doubt every step of the way, they are the one crime victim that is pegged as guilty from the first. Victims don't come forward at Evergreen for the same reason, yet here the doubt is reinforced by the "peace-loving hippie" state of mind. The false sense of security that is common

among Greeners is what allows more assaults to occur. Here, just as on any other campus or town, we need to watch out for each other and ourselves.

The danger most likely isn't in walking along unlit pathways, although they are best avoided. Danger lurks in your living rooms, at parties and in your bedrooms after a night out. You are more likely to be assaulted by someone that you know. Only 29% of rapes are committed by strangers and 90% of all sexual assaults involve drugs and/or alcohol. Legally you cannot give consent unless you are sober.

"If you're not aware of it [sexual assault] going on then you haven't been paying attention or listening, because people talk about it all the time on this campus," said Ashly Wilkie, a transfer student. "I wouldn't let my friends walk alone at night if they weren't sober. You can't trust

WAYS TO AVOID BECOMING A VICTIM

- Know your strengths and weaknesses
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- Have a sober friend walk you home
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- Party with people that you trust
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- Educate yourself about the real dangers
-
- Correct the myths
-
- Get involved in sexual assault prevention groups

people on this campus. I know too many people that have been in violent situations and I don't want anyone to have to go through it."

For more information about sexual assault or ways to get involved, contact: Coalition Against Sexual Assault at 867-6749 or email us: casv2000_2001@yahoo.com; our office is located in CAB 320, office 17. Another campus resource is the Office of Sexual Assault Prevention, which can be reached at 867-5221.

Who's making the decisions around here?

By Erica Nelson

I have decided to begin printing information concerning Evergreen's Disappearing Task Forces, Review Boards, and committees weekly in the CPJ. These organizations are the only venues (besides the student trustee position) in which students can be directly involved with the governance and administration of our college.

The system of Disappearing Task Forces is relatively unique to Evergreen. Here's a general idea of how they work: The vice presidents, presidents, and the Agenda Committee commission DTF's, usually in the fall quarter, to address issues that need to be dealt with that year. The DTF's are made up of administration, faculty, students, etc. ... Each year, faculty are assigned to a DTF. The call for student volunteers happens in the fall, which is the best time to get involved. The DTF's meet, get responses from the college community, research, and write recommendations. The person who commissioned the DTF then responds to recommendations in writing, approving or disapproving some or all of the recommendations. They also must provide an explanation if they decided not approve some or all of the recommendation. Sometimes, it ends there, but some larger issues need approval from the president and/or the Board of Trustees.

The DTF's still need student participation. If you are interested in getting involved in any DTF, get in touch with Art Costantino's office at ext. 6296. Or, you could just show up at a meeting. The CPJ will try to have a comprehensive list of meeting times soon. Also, if you are currently involved in a DTF, I invite you to contact the CPJ with information concerning your projects, meeting times, and anything else you think the campus needs to hear about. Hopefully, this will help make involvement in the college more accessible for everyone.

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Lib 2220
Nancy McKinney ext. 6501

Graduation Planning
Help plan June 2001 events
Jesse Welch ext. 6310

S&A Fee Review Board
allocation of student act. funds
Mon./Wed. 4 - 6 p.m. Full
Jaime Rossman ext. 6221

Student Conduct Code Hearing Bd.
Hears student appeals of grievance officer decisions
John Carmichael ext. 6296

Faculty Hiring Committees
Screening and interviews for all positions
Faculty Hiring Office ext. 6861

Enrollment Coordinating Committee
Develop approaches to recruitment/retention
Michele Elhard ext. 6310

Drug & Alcohol Abuse Prevention
Reviews and develops policy and prevention efforts
Liz Nyman ext. 6200

Campus Land Use Committee
Michele George ext. 6115

Deadly Force Review Board
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John Carmichael ext. 6296

Peer Health Advisory Board
Joanna Hurlbut ext. 6724

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Nancy McKinney ext. 6501

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Nancy McKinney ext. 6501

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Susie Seip ext. 6131

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Liz Nyman ext. 6200

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Twice Quarterly
Tom Mercado ext. 6220

Master Plan Update
Michele George ext. 6296

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Hey!

This is not a complete list! If you know of more info or want your DTF listed, contact Erica Nelson at ext. 6213.

"Fish Hatcheries: The Silent Killer"

By AFISH

On Tuesday, February 27, 2001 at 3 pm in the Library Lobby, Leo Baldwin will be coming to campus to talk about the ineffectiveness of fish hatcheries and salmon issues in the Northwest. His talk is entitled "Fish Hatcheries: the Silent Killer." Who's Leo? He knows the ins and outs of salmon like the back of his hand and wants others to know too, so they can do something about it. He spent time in the 70's touring Alaska and talking about aquaculture with a grant he won from National Endowment for the Arts. He ran his own radio talk show and had an interesting hand in the establishment of the 200-mile marine protection zone now in place around

the coast of the U.S. He co-invented a contraption for salmon spawning called the "Bionic Mother Fish Probe" and wrote grants for the United Native Indian Tribes. He also had a hand in establishing the first fish hatcheries in Alaska.

After this feat, Leo started having questions about the hatcheries. Are fish hatcheries good for fish? Are they good for the ecosystems they become a part of? Why do areas with hatcheries have fewer returning fish? He moved his family down to California to study these questions. What he found while doing his research surprised him. He realized that hatcheries don't help salmon; they hurt them and even cause the decline of wild stocks. (Among many other interesting things he'll talk

about next Tuesday) He's spent his time since trying to figure what else we can do to help restore salmon and advocating the extinction of hatcheries. He's locally involved

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understand and protect the local habitats they live in and use. His talk will be in three parts, focusing on the past, present, and future of salmon in the Northwest region. An abstract of his speech will be given away to anyone interested and he'll be available to sign free copies of his poem, "Old Salmon Friend."

This event is sponsored by AFISH, a student organization whose goal is to raise students' awareness of salmon issues and their impending extinction. New members are welcome! Note: We have two coordinator positions opening up for Spring quarter, four hours a week. Give us a call or stop by the office.

Education Requirements usurp liberal arts point, are too hastily made

By David Marr

The traditional purpose of the liberal arts was to investigate the ends of life. That purpose has survived the historical eclipse of the liberal arts college in industrial societies. Study of the liberal arts (the arts and sciences) instills in the student habits of self-criticism and reflection. These habits of mind enable the student to understand the legacy of the past even as they prepare him or her for life after college. The centerpiece of this course of formal study is the student's hard-won discovery of his or her own work: what it is, why it is this and not some other, and what it could become. This discovery is a major achievement and, in fact, may be the only coherent basis for the award of a college degree—the only "outcome" worth crediting. A student pursuing meaningful work, moreover, simultaneously discovers something else: his or her limitations, arguably the most useful lesson of all. It is the servile man or woman, not the disciplined one, who believes the sky is the limit.

Over the years, Evergreen's faculty, administrators and students

have worried their collective way through the thicket made of their own conflicting educational purposes. It became clear to me in 1971-72 that there simply was insufficient interest on the part of the faculty and administration in walking out of the thicket; instead, we would make our home in it. In hindsight I believe this (non-)decision was probably right. Policy and procedures, not educational "philosophy," would have to be the common ground on which we would meet and work and, over time, build the college. What life in the woods required, however, was a widely-shared experimentalism together with a firm collective resolve that we would not allow Evergreen to turn into Southwest Washington State College. From the beginning, there were powerful interests in the Legislature and in the larger economy eager for exactly this outcome. What is often overlooked in public discussions is that the very same opposition to experimentalism and the same desire to refashion the College along more conventional lines have had, from the beginning, strong adherents within Evergreen.

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News Editor's Note:

I hope that by printing these letters, we will invite a public discussion by faculty and students about the issue of general education at Evergreen. This is just one perspective on the issue, and I encourage others to write their point of view on this subject. To make a submission, head on up to the third floor of the CAB and drop it off in the CPJ office. ~Erica Nelson

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Campus Democracy: Who's in Charge?

By Brian Frank

David Smith raised great points two weeks ago in his article "Student Gov. Anyone?" in the CPJ, which discussed the lack of power students have over anything and everything at Evergreen. Having worked on and seen friends and acquaintances

working on dozens of different campaigns to change things at TESC, I can tell you that it is extremely challenging. In general, the administration, either from laziness, understaffing, disorganization, lack of concern, or whatever else, is very reluctant to change anything at the college that they do not judge to be

an extremely pressing concern. Furthermore, campus activism is a field of activity that is only an option for a certain sector of TESC's student body: namely those with enough tons of time to do it.

The idea of "Student Government," in one form or another, has been tossed around at TESC for

years. It's a concept that has excited some, has frightened others afraid of creating still greater bureaucracy on campus, and left others disillusioned at the failure of efforts to reach even preliminary agreement as to what the ideal student democracy should look like. The issue is complex and does not seem to be one that most Greens lack an opinion on. There is good reason for this: elected representatives can be faceless dictators or benevolent and accessible; direct democracy can be empowering and invigorating or combative and tedious.

In order to confront and explore these issues a new group has been formed on campus, tentatively called the "Campus Democracy Working Group." Our first project is creating a survey which we hope to get as many students to fill out as humanly possible. In order to arrive at information in as non-partisan and non-dogmatic a manner as possible, we will be starting from ground zero with basic fundamental questions. We will be asking questions like "Do you feel you have enough power over how things are run at TESC?" and "What would you anticipate as the pros and cons of a student democracy at Evergreen?" We will also be looking for responses to a variety of different models for student democracies (direct democracy, an elected student senate, a non-voting student union, and everything in between) and looking for suggestions for other models. We are also examining models of student government at other "progressive/alternative" colleges around the country.

Our intention is not to install or promote a model of student government that we like best, but rather to test the waters, hear what people have to say on the issue, and hopefully get people thinking and discussing options. We hope to publish our data in the CPJ and possibly hold a forum or series of forums to discuss the results as well. This is not an issue that is simple enough for a small group of people to create a referendum and try to get a yes or no vote on it. If a campus democracy is to be a success at Evergreen, it must be something that the vast majority of students support and feel ownership in. Anything less would suck.

I hope that, if you haven't already thought about the possibilities of a student democracy, reading this article and David Smith's article has raised your interest in the issue. I would like to encourage, cordially invite, and honestly welcome all Greens to come to our meetings. They are every Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. in Library room 2129. You can contact us at tescdemo@hotmail.com.

Campus Democracy Working Group Survey #1

The subject of student democracy is a controversial one. Organizations of this sort have run the gamut from unpopular rule-makers who make curfews for dorms, to ineffective and inaccessible bureaucracies created by popularity contests. They also can be useful intermediaries between students and administration and have at times formed the basis for popular revolutionary movements for seizing control of campuses. This survey was designed to gauge how students feel about student democracy in general and to gauge student opinion on specific models. It was produced by the Campus Democracy Working Group, an open discussion group that is interested in exploring the possibilities for democracy at TESC. When you complete the survey, you can turn it in at the Campus Bookstore, in the box near the entrance. All are invited to our meetings Wednesday afternoons at 2:30 P.M. in Library Room 2129. You can reach us via email at tescdemo@hotmail.com.

General Questions:

1. Do you feel that students have enough say over the management of the college? Do you feel that you have adequate information and are able to influence various issues currently facing the campus (food service issues, the "sweatshop" issue, tuition, housing issues (locked doors, privacy issues), course requirements/general education DTF, forestry on campus, what types of research are performed on campus, hiring of professors/staff, affirmative action in admissions)?

3. If there was a student democracy of some sort on campus, how much time would you be willing to invest in participation (i.e., attending meetings each month, educating yourself on issues, talking to other students about issues, etc.)?

Two final questions:

What might you fear or dislike about a student democracy?

2. Are there positive impacts you could see coming out of a student democracy on campus? What are they?

Does Evergreen need a student democracy or not?

Are you interested in working with the Campus Democracy Working Group or receiving updates on our research?

Would you be willing to present this survey to your class with us?

Name: _____ Email: _____
Class Name: _____ Phone: _____

(Please be sure to include name and phone)

Please indicate which model(s) you think are closest to ideal and would work best at TESC (circle a few!)

1. **Status Quo:** Power resides with board of trustees, campus administration, and state government. Students can participate on various administrative committees, in student activity groups, the student group allocations committee (S&A), and can initiate voting referendums (a very lengthy and complicated process).

2. **Direct Democracy:** One student, one vote. Would likely take the form of massive town meetings or a vastly simplified referendum process.

3. **Centralized Representatives:** Individual representatives elected from the general student body.

4. **Decentralized Representatives:** Individuals elected from smaller groupings (e.g., from course seminars or some other affinity group)

5. **Student Forum:** Regularly scheduled community dialogue meetings which would have no authority to represent student opinion or negotiate with the administration.

6. **Other:** What do you think the ideal form would be?

7. **Steel Cage Death Match:** Gladiator-style tournament, taking place in Red Square at the beginning of fall quarter each year, where the last student remaining standing is appointed dictator of the college.

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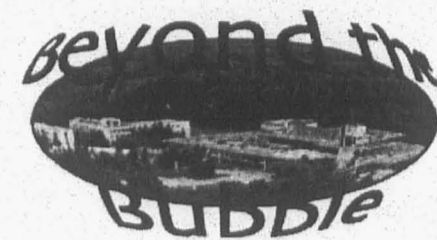
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This week's top stories:

- **US Criticized for Bombing Iraq**
- **Global Warming Fears Substantiated**
- **Activists Clash with Police in South Korea**

Domestic

• Napster offered a \$1 billion settlement to the music recording industry last week in hopes to prevent being shutdown by the government. The courts ruled earlier this month that Napster must remove all copyrighted material from its service, an action that would essentially destroy Napster. Napster also unveiled a new plan in partnership with discount CD company BMG, which would change Napster so that users would have to pay membership fees for uses of certain songs. Napster is a music trading "community" where users can access up to tens of thousands of songs from other users' computers for free. (more at www.napster.com)

• A new study shows that more people were sent to prison under Clinton than Reagan or Bush, says a report by the Justice Policy Institute, an arm of The Center on Juvenile and Criminal Justice. The surge in prison populations has been attributed to former president Clinton's "tough on crime" policies. The incarceration rate at the end of the Clinton administration was 476 per 100,000 citizens, versus 332 per 100,000 at the end of Bush's term and 247 per 100,000 at the end of Reagan's administration. Current president George W. Bush has commented that the surge in the number of prisoners in recent years "is a necessary and effective role of government - protecting our communities from predators." (more at www.yahoo.com)

• George W. Bush continued appointing former Reagan and Bush Sr. officials to defense and national security posts this week. His choices include Richard Armitage as deputy secretary of state under Colin Powell. Mr. Armitage is a Pentagon veteran of the Reagan and Bush Sr. era, during which he played a role in the Iran-Contra arms smuggling scandal. Mr. Armitage worked closely with Colonel Oliver North in the secret Reagan White House effort to trade arms to Iran and siphon some of the profits to Nicaraguan Contra rebels in defiance of an arms

ban. Vice President Dick Cheney appears to be the key man in both domestic and foreign policy, and is reported to be hiring his own team of foreign policy staff and to be building "the nucleus of an alternative national security committee." (more at www.commondreams.org)

• Outreach agencies, shelters, and soup kitchens in Washington D.C. are reporting a growing number of adults in need of services, signaling an increase in what is already one of the highest homeless rates in the nation. The situation in the District appears to play out in other major metropolitan areas. Experts point to an array of reasons for the worsening problem. The causes include the decline of affordable housing due to the economic boom, a breakdown in government services for substance abusers and the mentally ill, and other reductions in public assistance. (more at www.commondreams.org)

Environmental

• A 1,000-page report by the U.N.'s Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), which links nearly 3,000 experts in dozens of countries and has been studying the warming problem since 1990, warns that global economic activity will have a devastating impact and steps should be taken immediately to reverse the trend. "Projected climate changes during the 21st century have the potential to lead to future large-scale and possibly irreversible changes in Earth systems, resulting in impacts on continental and global scales." the report said. The scientists said they foresaw glaciers and polar icecaps melting, countless species of animals, birds and plant life dying out, farmland turning to desert, fish-supporting coral reefs destroyed, and small island nations sinking beneath the sea. (more at www.ens.lycos.com)

• Several new reports on contaminants in supermarket fish have led Consumer Reports to warn against eating a wide array of seafood. 50% of swordfish sampled found methylmercury in excess of one part per million, and up to 8% of a wide variety of fish had high E. coli levels. University of Wisconsin-Madison scientists said they have found high levels of a common chemical flame retardant in Lake Michigan salmon. (more at www.ens.lycos.com)

• A new study from the University of North Carolina finds a close correlation between birth defects and infant mortality with pesticide exposure in pregnant mothers. The study indicated as much as 120% increase in miscarriages for mothers

living near areas where pesticides are used. The publishers of the study claim it is the first to thoroughly document these effects. (more at www.ens.lycos.com)

• Federal courts ruled last week that the four hydroelectric dams on Oregon's Snake River violate the Clean Water Act by raising water temperatures and increasing dissolved nitrogen levels above allowed water quality standards. The Court ordered the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to make moves to protect threatened and endangered salmon and steelhead living in the river within 60 days. (more at www.ens.lycos.com)

• Shell Chemicals of Brazil was ordered yesterday by the Sao Paulo State Environmental Protection Agency to clean up an area 90 kilometers east of Sao Paulo where it spilled pesticides manufactured during the 1970s and 1980s. Aldrin, dieldrin and endrin, the three pesticides produced at the plant, are all highly toxic persistent organic pollutants. Shell had denied the spills until earlier this month. (more at www.ens.lycos.com)

• House Republicans launched an informal review of the 19 new national monuments and monument expansions enacted during the Clinton administration with the goal of creating legislation to overturn the measures. (more at www.ens.lycos.com)

• Chevron has agreed to pay penalties of over \$800,000 for violating the Clean Air Act at three of its facilities in Hawaii. The EPA alleged that Chevron failed to install air pollution controls and limit emissions at its bulk gasoline terminals, and failed to inspect and file reports on equipment leaks and wastewater systems at its petroleum refinery, both of which led to greater emissions of smog creating organic compounds. (more at www.ens.lycos.com)

• People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) is suing the EPA for its use of tens of thousands of rodents in tests which attempt to identify chemicals that effect the developing central nervous system. The tests have been criticized within the scientific community as irrelevant to human children. (more at www.ens.lycos.com)

International

• France and Russia criticized the United States and Great Britain for the bombing of Iraqi targets within "no-fly zones" set up after the Gulf War in 1991. Iraq does not recognize the zones, which are not specifically authorized by the United Nations.

Foreign Minister Hubert Vedrine of France commented that there was "no legal basis" for the strikes and that Washington should rethink its policy toward Baghdad. Both France and Spain have called for a review of the UN sanctions program against Iraq, arguing that they are harming the population and are not destabilizing the current regime as intended. (more at www.yahoo.com)

• Activists hurled gasoline bombs at club-wielding riot officers Tuesday during a protest against a police raid on striking workers at a Daewoo Motors plant a day earlier. Protesters burned two empty police buses while marching toward the plant at Bupyong, 18 miles west of Seoul. The rally, which drew about 600 people, was organized by the Korea Confederation of Trade Unions, a historically moderate trade union. (more at www.mediajunkies.net and www.labourstart.org)

• The second earthquake in a month to hit El Salvador has left at least 237 dead, adding to the January 13th quake that killed 872. The 6.6 magnitude quake hit just as reconstruction was underway from the January 7.6 magnitude quake that left 1.2 million homeless. (more at www.ips.org)

• A Palestinian bus driver on his way to an Israeli army base ran through a crowded crosswalk, killing eight people and injuring 20 others. The driver, Khalil Abu Olbeh, was then shot in the pelvis and in the legs. Seven of the eight who died were Israeli soldiers. It was Mr. Olbeh's first day back after a week-long layoff; his relatives described him as brooding over the Israeli sanctions placed on Palestine and the constant wounding of Palestinian civilians. (more at www.guardian.co.uk)

• Another bus incident in Israel left one Palestinian dead and another seriously injured last week. A minibus carrying Palestinian day laborers was blocked by Israeli soldiers and asked to turn around, and then the retreating vehicle was

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LETTERS

Sweatshop concerns and administrative response *Students Against Sweatshops call for definitive action ...*

Three Months Certainly Was Not Worth the Wait on Sweatshops

Well, it was about a week after our last article when we received a response to our proposal to have the apparel in the bookstore not be produced in sweatshops. Although we had been waiting for three months for this response, the wait was certainly not worth it. We, the Evergreen Autonomous Students Against Sweatshops, strongly disagree with the administration's response. In essence, their proposal revolves around the creation of an advisory group, a process we feel is exclusive and extremely limiting of the voices and views on the issue. We need to know where the Evergreen community stands on this issue. Please come to the Town Hall Forum on Thursday, February 22, at Noon in the Library Lobby. We will be explaining where we are coming from, the administration will be explaining where they are coming from, and hopefully, folks can hear both sides and explain where they are coming from. Please, please, please, come if you have any available time.

And now to our brief

critique of the administration's response to our proposal:

The Problems With Vague Responses

It is reassuring to know that the administration relied heavily on recommendations contained within a letter sent to the college from over 200 concerned economics professors. This pro-free trade/globalization group of economists call themselves the Academic Consortium on International Trade (ACIT). This letter warned colleges not to join any sweatshop monitoring organizations and to carefully weigh out their options. One option not represented in our proposal but mentioned in this letter from ACIT was the Social Accountability Standard 5A8000. Interestingly enough, Jagdish Bhagwati, one of the members of ACIT's steering committee, also happens to be on the advisory board of the organization responsible for creating 5A8000 — was this letter simply an advertisement for 5A8000? Jagdish referred to the University of Oregon's decision to join the WRC as "a sin." Is it a sin to decide not to work with the garment industry on the sweatshop

issue?

The administration also makes reference to the fact that "to the best of their knowledge" (which is very little to none), "the bookstore is not purchasing products from sweatshops." Would you consider a factory that asks women if they are pregnant during interviews and refuses to hire them if they say 'yes' a sweatshop? What about working mandatory overtime or having no toilet paper in the bathroom? What about a factory where three union organizers have supposedly been fired? These are some of the conditions reported by Verite (an independent factory monitor) during an inspection of a Costa Rican garment factory producing MJ Softe products. Yes, that's right, MJ Softe, the same company producing the zip-up green and gray hooded Evergreen sweatshirts. The presence of these sweatshirts within our bookstore attests to the ineffectiveness of the Fair Labor Association, an organization which regards all corporate factory information as confidential and acceptable to withhold from the public. How are we supposed to know which factories are producing

Evergreen garments?

Their Proposal: Stalling, Stalling, Stalling ...

The administration has decided to create a bookstore purchasing advisory group, which is a fancier name for a disappearing task force (DTF). Conveniently, this group will make its recommendation about a month after the bookstore does its purchasing for the next school year. There is no timetable set for how long the administration will hold on to this recommendation before taking action, and therefore, there is no timetable for Evergreen to withdraw from the Fair Labor Association. Our guess is a decision will come sometime in the summer when most people are gone (a TESC tradition).

Words of Wisdom from Art Costantino

In conversation, Art Costantino, the Vice-President of Student Affairs, mentioned, he thinks there is something to be gained by working with corporations who are profiting off the oppression of people (in this case, the garment industry). Hey, Art, were U.S. companies in South Africa helpful in ending apartheid? How about

the Holocaust? Have you ever heard what happened at Bhopal? Peabody Coal and Fine Host are really making some headway on their oppressive business operations. The garment industry has no desire to end the sweatshop industry, and our administration has no desire to end their relationship to, and support of, the garment industry through its membership in the FLA.

Don't worry, though; sometime in May, an exclusive advisory group of six people will represent everyone on the campus and advise the vice presidents on how to fight sweatshops. The advisory group is an attempt to create a "broader campus dialogue on the issue." Good luck; the process is co-opted, exclusionary, and will require efforts that have already been done. For those not wanting six people to decide this issue for all of us in May, our meetings are Wednesdays at noon on the fourth floor of the library in front of the gallery. Let's figure out what we are going to do about this unacceptable DTF proposal for fighting sweatshops; it might be time to take matters into our own hands. --by Neal Ahern, Lora Clem, and ESAS

Administration to form bookstore purchasing study group ...

THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE
 Office of Operational Planning and Budget
 February 6, 2001

TO: The Evergreen Students Against Sweatshops (ESAS)
 FROM: Steve Trotter, Executive Director of Operational Planning and Budget
 SUBJECT: Response to your proposal dated November 14, 2000.

Thank you for your efforts this past fall quarter that led to the proposal that the college end its affiliation with the Fair Labor Association (FLA) and join the Workers' Rights Consortium (WRC). As you are aware, I have had many competing demands for my time over the past several months that have left me unable to respond to your proposal until now. I want you to know how much I appreciate your understanding and your continued tolerance of my situation.

As we have discussed on numerous occasions, I share your commitment to promoting the welfare of workers in an increasingly global society. I also recognize that the college can take steps to express its support of fair working conditions and am aware that there are differences of opinion about the best steps to take. In the case of sweatshop monitoring organizations, many colleges are members of the FLA, some are members of the WRC, and a few belong to both.

A letter recently sent to the college by more than 200 economics professors associated with the Academic Consortium on International Trade warned the college against precipitous decision-making about the choice of monitoring groups. These professors

expressed concerns about the effectiveness of both of the newly formed WRC and FLA organizations and suggest participation with other certifying and monitoring organizations. They state, "We believe that the decisions on these matters by universities and colleges should be made only after careful research and discussion and debate in a manner appropriate to informed decision-making."

As you have already learned from our bookstore manager, our bookstore has a history of supporting workers' rights in its purchasing practices. The bookstore currently belongs to several memberships, including the National Association of College Stores, the Independent College Bookstore Association and the Fair Labor Association. All of these organizations share a deep concern about sweatshop activity and a commitment to provide the bookstore with valuable information about vendor activity. To the best of our knowledge, the bookstore is not purchasing products from sweatshops and, unlike other colleges, we do not have licensing agreements with apparel companies. The bookstore requests written statements from each garment vendor that the apparel is not produced in sweatshops. We do not purchase any product that carries the Nike label.

Should the bookstore discover that garments we acquire are in violation to statements of agreement made by the supplier, we immediately notify the supplier of this violation and let it know that its business is no longer welcome at Evergreen.

Since we do not purchase sweatshop products that we are aware of, and don't have the leverage of licensing agreements to directly influence the behavior of the garment manufacturing industry, we are left with an issue that is primarily political action in international affairs. Simply stated, this is not a local operational issue concerning our Bookstore and, therefore, requires a higher level of campus-wide attention because the issue immediately becomes larger than what particular membership we join. We need to articulate a full expression of our ideals, values and common purpose.

It is in this context that I believe that we must take the time to proceed in a deliberate, thorough, and informed manner as recommended by the Academic Consortium on International Trade. I appreciate that you have already made significant contributions toward this end. Your work included presentations to 13 different academic classes, various town meetings, the posting of flyers campus-wide, and collecting responses from the campus community. As I understand your survey results, only nine respondents were alumni, six were faculty and 13 were staff members from a campus population of nearly 5,000 faculty, staff and students. Although your work is

impressive, I do not believe that the entire campus community is ready to make an informed decision on this matter.

As you recall, we also discussed the need for the college to take full ownership of this decision and how best to make known Evergreen's concerns about sweatshop activity to those outside of our campus borders. I believe we have general agreement that we need to continue to work together to accomplish a goal of more fully educating the entire campus community about sweatshop activities. That work must include gaining a better understanding of what constitutes a fair living wage in various regions around the world, and a greater appreciation of all the options available for the college to express its values concerning the practices of the garment industry.

I will ask for the convening of a bookstore purchasing practices study group to be composed of two faculty members, two students, the Bookstore Manager, and the Dean of Student and Academic Support Services. This group will be convened no later than the end of February 2001. The chair will be jointly appointed by the Vice President of Finance and Administration, whose responsibility includes the bookstore, and the Vice President for Student Affairs, whose responsibilities include all of the various student support services. The purpose of this group will be to provide an advisory report back to the Vice Presidents. We expect the report

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LETTERS & OPINIONS

Thick, Cold Water Thoughts on snow from a tropical refugee

by Gwen Gray

One of the most difficult things about writing for a weekly newspaper is that you have to write something every week. This probably seems self evident to you, but it catches me off guard every time. How can it be time to write again? I just *did* that. So I am always pleased when an idea drops into my lap and spares me the effort of creativity. This gives me an extra reason to rejoice in the recent presence of snow in our lives; which is exciting, since I already consider it a minor miracle.

I was raised in Hawaii. There is snow there sometimes, on top of Mauna Kea (which means white mountain; the Hawaiians were fairly straightforward thinkers), but it isn't very good for playing in. Also, it's difficult to get to. As a child, I thought of snow the way most people think of the ocean. It was a strange and wondrous thing that you saw occasionally when you went looking for it. Although I have lived on the mainland for years since then, the idea of frozen water that falls from the sky still seems improbable and exotic to me. I find snow extremely exciting.

When I looked out my window a few days ago and saw Olympia impersonating a Christmas card, I jumped up and down with glee. Quite literally. Then I ran to my roommate's room to share the news.

"Heidi-rose, Heidi-rose! There's thick cold water falling outside!" Heidi-rose, who was raised in the frostbitten wastelands of Minnesota, looked at me like I'd just told her our carpet was still beige.

"I'm going to hear about the stupid snow all day, aren't I?" she asked in a sad and tired voice. She was seriously clamping my glee, so I went out into the living room to watch the snow fall in peace.

I sat with our cats, transfixed by the swirling downward glide of the snowflakes. I envied the cats their ability to twitch their tails to release the suppressed excitement involved in watching. I love to watch snow

fall; it's like some elaborate dance, or a flock of small birds settling on the ground. I can watch for hours. Unfortunately, school required that I leave my apartment and actually touch the snow, which I wasn't nearly as enthusiastic about.

Despite how fascinated I am by the idea and appearance of snow, I am cautious with the reality. I love to stand in snow, and watch it fall. I love the way it tastes. I don't like walking through it, and I hate ice and slush. I also hate the way snow looks when it melts, but I like snow that melts the same day it arrives so that it's scenic without being inconvenient. This is partly because cold is my least favorite physical sensation but mostly because the idea of snow just seems bizarre to me. Why doesn't snow melt once it reaches air that isn't freezing? How come, if snow is frozen water and ice is frozen water, snow is light and fluffy and ice is hard? Why is snow opaque and ice clear? Why, since snow is cold, does it make such good insulation? Why do we call it a blanket of snow when it's cold? Why does it look like it ought to be warm? There are logical, scientific answers for all of those questions (except maybe that last one) but none of them satisfy me. It just doesn't seem right. On a fundamental level, I don't think snow should exist. At least, it shouldn't be all over the place like this.

People from the mainland who visited me in Hawaii used to ask how I could live on an active volcano. There were logical, scientific answers about how safe it was, but the answer that satisfied them was that I didn't think about it. The possibility that molten rock would eat my house was a fact of life, and not a very exciting one. I understand their confusion better now. Snow reminds me that most of life is a matter of perspective, and that therefore, no matter how many weeks there are, there will always be more to write about. I wish I found as much comfort in the rain.

Fluoride/Fire/Napster bad. Metallica/Losers Good?

by Aerin Tolbirt

"Fluoridation is the ultimate triumph of Madison Avenue advertising and public relations 'engineering of consent.' How else could the most educated people on the face of the Earth be conditioned to clamor for their daily dose of a cumulative enzyme poison which [has been] classified as a violent poison to all living tissue?" - Gladys Caldwell and Philip E. Zafagna, MD. This makes me angry, so you get to hear about it.

The fall of 1998 was my first year at Evergreen, and Housing had kindly placed me into a six-bedroom apartment with 5 people so disparate that we're lucky to have survived. One day, one of them used our living room as a paint shop to create a banner encouraging Olympia residents to vote against fluoridation. That banner was

later found on a West-side billboard. I don't know how it got there. On December 15, 1998, the citizens of Olympia voted down the measure. Although Evergreen is not part of the voting district that included the measure, we are part of the water district that would have been affected. We are lucky.

The history of fluoridation is dark and twisted. Fluoride, an ion of the highly reactive element fluorine, is a waste product of the aluminum and fertilizer manufacturing industries. In 1944 an unknown amount of it was released in a gaseous form from a Dupont plant in New Jersey that was manufacturing something for the Manhattan Project. Subsequently, the federal government paid scientists to falsify information that claimed the fluoride was not only not harmful, but actually good for people. This was done simply to provide evidence against poisoned

New Jersey farmers who sued for damages after their crops and animals died. Between the government and the major aluminum manufacturer ALCOA, which provided its own doctored information and plenty of the toxic waste that was about to become a valuable additive, the idea was born that it was essential for all children to get more fluoride. About two-thirds of the municipal water in the United States is now fluoridated. It is known to cause joint and bone problems, to impair learning and lower IQ, and, with aluminum, may be a major factor in Alzheimer's disease. The known safe amount is about 1 milligram per day. Almost everyone ingests that amount or more at breakfast, and heavy tea drinkers may get up to 14 mg per day. After about 50 years of soaking up these high amounts of fluoride, many people develop a chronic condition called skeletal

fluoridosis. The early stages are indistinguishable from arthritis, and it progresses into osteoporosis. Remember that the next time you think about swallowing toothpaste.

There is a lot of anti-fluoride information on the Web. The international site, fluoridealert.org, is one of the most accessible and has a lot of information from both sides of the issue. Some citizens of Mountain View, California have an excellent site called nofluoride.com, which takes a more locally active view. Other worthwhile sites include: fightfluoride.com, fluoridation.com, and sonic.net/~kryptox/fluoride.htm. I'd have been more irverrent, but my teeth are stained and crumbly so I'm a bit cranky.

Why You Are Not Living in a Police State

E. Rose Nelson

We've all heard the rhetoric, some of it appearing in these very pages. The cops are The Man. The cops are only there to bring you down. The cops will beat you because they're bored. My personal favorite was the graffiti appearing on the side of P-Dorm over Thanksgiving Break—"end gang violence/abolish police." (No one who had ever lived with gang violence on a day to day basis would have written this, in my opinion. Certainly no one who went to my high school would have). In contrast, I have spent Thursdays this quarter learning about Northern Ireland and years studying Nazi Germany. I have read about the perils of the Stalinist regime. These are police states.

In Northern Ireland—in England

in general—the police have the legal right to beat you. In the United States, you have recourse. You can sue the police officers. You may not always win (I lived in LA County during the Rodney King trial, thank you), but you can try. In Northern Ireland, the country is literally under martial law. Tanks roll through the streets, and soldiers shoot first and ask questions later. There is a war going on, and the IRA members captured and imprisoned were treated like criminals, not prisoners of war (For an excellent study on this, see the movie *Some Mother's Son*). A handful of police officers, armed or unarmed, are nothing compared to troops carrying machine guns.

Last week, an article compared Fine Host's prosecution of a stolen doughnut to Nazi Germany. There is no

comparison possible here (I can say this; I'm part Gypsy). Tens of thousands of my people were shot outright, never even making it to the concentration camps. There is an estimate of twelve and a half million dead. One hundred thousand Gypsies are estimated to have died, as well as the better-known six million Jews. People were killed for their ancestry, a thing they had no control over. Whether they went along with the Nazis or not, they were doomed. The Nazis were hardly providing escorts home at night.

Hitler's crimes, however, pale in comparison to the horror that was Stalinist Russia. Josef Stalin killed an estimated twenty million of his own people. An unknown number were imprisoned. The Gulag system in Siberia was nearly a death sentence. Stalin starved his citizens with his policies. His

own daughter defected to the United States. There was no freedom of speech, no freedom of the press. There was only one candidate per office on the ballots; there was only one party. The average vocal Greener would have, at very least, ended up in the Gulags. It is likely that most people writing editorials to the CPJ would have died for their beliefs.

Is Evergreen perfect? No. No system is perfect, because all systems rely on humans to implement them. What interests me is that people who decry prejudice in all its forms will be prejudiced against someone because of their job of choice. There are no bad cops; there are bad people who happen to be cops. Further, if Evergreen is compared to actual police states, it can clearly be seen that we are living in luxury.

Cosby's Harangue was wrong

By Selby

This letter is in response to Sky Cosby's column, "Harangue: Minor in Possession," on Feb. 15. I take issue with several of the points that you bring up in support of under-age drinking. I also take umbrage with your portrayal of the Evergreen police force.

First, your rather dismal view of the police. You accuse the police of "accosting" the students; "maliciously singling out students to fuck with for no apparent reason"; and metaphorically (I hope) saying, "Bend over kid, this is just the beginning." As for the latter statement, I find it un-based in reality, personally offensive, and homophobic. Unless you have hard evidence that one of the Evergreen police officers has a history as a sexual offender, let's drop the name-calling and mud-slinging and stick to the facts. I also doubt whether you could find any substantial evidence to support your first two claims, either. Additionally, please don't insult the time and commitment that the police have given to this

campus by honestly suggesting that they become florists. Perhaps the whole situation can be remedied by addressing a problem that you yourself admit to: "I don't even know who you are." Maybe if you were willing to take the time to sit down with and get to know an officer, you might change your mind or at least open your perspectives a little.

Secondly, I find your reasons for wanting to drink and at the same time avoid arrest rather astonishing. "Why can't I have a goddamn beer after I get out of class?" Well, you're a minor, correct? Maybe you can't have a beer because it's illegal.

Granted, I'm no angel myself; I am a minor, and I have done my share of drinking. But, when I drank, I was also well aware of the risks involved. Anyone who decides to drink as a minor is also well informed of the potential consequences.

Those high fees that are levied against your friends, up in the triple figures—they're in the

triple figures as a deterrent. The whole point of getting cited for a M.I.P. is that the activity is against the law; it subsequently follows that the judicial system doesn't want you to do it again, but how effective would it be if you only had to pay \$20? Of course the fines are going to be high. Moreover, your theory that students shouldn't be arrested merely so their parents won't find out—I'm not going to even bother rebutting that one.

But, above all else, don't blame the police for something they have no control over. They don't make the laws; it's only their job to enforce those laws. It's not up to the police which laws they will enforce and which laws they may want to ignore—the very nature of the job is that they have to enforce them all. If you don't think the legal drinking age should be 21 and you want it to be lowered, write to your legislators—don't slander those who chose to serve our community.

Where's the Responsibility?

by Aaron Anderson

Whatever happened to the ideas of honor, integrity and personal accountability? Everywhere I look, whether in the CPJ or standing in line listening to people talk, it seems as though these ideas are foreign concepts. Whether it's an MIP, or a donut that someone "forgot" to pay for, it seems as though there must be someone else to blame. It certainly isn't our fault.

Stealing is stealing, people. If you don't own it, don't eat it. That doesn't seem to be a difficult concept, but aside from Evergreen's own, beloved "Captain Kung-Fu", who "forgot" to pay, people here seem to think that surely those clearly posted signs regarding shoplifting can't apply to them. If your personal sense of integrity doesn't keep you from being a thief (and you are a thief, don't kid yourself), then at least take responsibility for your actions. Surely, it isn't a surprise when you get busted for stealing. Take it like an adult, and quit crying. You knew the risk when you tried to steal.

Is anyone at Evergreen so stupid that they really think stealing is not a crime here? Maybe a few, but they are the same ones that honestly believe that marijuana is legal on campus. I am so sick of people saying "Since the food sucks, it's OK", or "Since it's a corporation, it's OK." If it doesn't belong to you, it's not OK. Didn't we learn that in Kindergarten?

Also, don't compare anything that happens on this campus to Nazi Germany. If, in your sheltered, privileged mentality, you think anything here can be compared to that nightmare, you need more education and less pot. If you get busted for a MIP, be more careful. Sure, it's a lousy law. Do something about it. Don't whine. Don't cry. Accept the fact that you chose to break a law, and you got caught. Use the experience to grow and learn, and maybe you can work to change the law.

Just don't pretend that you didn't bring it on yourself. You knew it was illegal before you opened the drink or stole the bagel. You got caught. Now stop your damn whining, you child.



Fine Host: daring to practice due process

Now, I don't know enough about Fine Host and the various conflicts that have arisen between staff, students, and the company to attack this issue from an all-encompassing point of view. But, as a regular reader of the CPJ, I feel fairly informed and sensitive to the currents of discontent with the food service. The prices of food are high, I agree. The cafeteria food is disgusting; I will gladly agree to that as well. And I most definitely would

THINK BEFORE YOU ACT

My name is Catherine Tagnak Rexford. I am Inupiaq. My family comes from Kaktovik, the only village which lies within the boundaries of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR). WASHPIRG's latest campaign to "Save the Arctic" concerns me.

To begin with, the land is not wilderness and never has been. "We use and occupy this country, its associated waters, and the sea and have claimed it since time immemorial by virtue of both aboriginal rights and our continued and undisplaced use and occupancy. Wilderness is defined as a place without people; we are deeply insulted by those who proclaim any of this country wilderness, as if we were not considered real people" (Kaktovikmiut, "In This Place").

The current situation and debate on the exploration for oil within the ANWR is not a black or white issue. It is much more complex than WASHPIRG representatives have described in their absolutist campaign.

"We are constantly asked if we are 'for' or 'against' oil development. These are outsider positions, commitments by outside interests, to be for or against whatever the industry does... the one we choose is to be responsible, as we have always been, for the well being of our people and the well-being of this country to which we are attached. Others talk about the impact of oil development, as if it were a given, as if it might be anticipated and measured and somehow mitigated. Some say there will be no significant impact. Some say that the impacts will be massive, overwhelming and disastrous. We do not see the world, our country nor our responsibilities in such simplistic, polarized terms. Instead, we seek to find a politically, economically and ecologically sensible balance in the mix of forces which bear on us, and to do that so we protect our people and the lands and waters which are essential to us" (Kaktovikmiut, "In This Place").

The recent push for the Inupiaq people to enter into the cash economy has complicated the issue of development. The current tax base for the municipal government (The North Slope Borough), of which Kaktovik and seven other Inupiaq villages are a part, comes from the revenues of two oil companies (Phillips Petroleum & BP) in their development of North Slope oil at Prudhoe Bay. This tax base provides the money

to heat and electrify our homes, to provide domestic services such as water and waste disposal. This money provides for our schools and our jobs.

You, who have elected to cease exploration and development at all costs, will remove this tax base, along with the right for the Inupiaq to survive economically. WASHPIRG has decided to take upon itself the responsibility to "Save the Arctic" without understanding all aspects of this issue. Well, WASHPIRG, your job has now become more complex. It is not as simple as picketing ARCO one day of the year, writing letters to your legislators, and making signs of caribou and polar bears. Your job, if you are truly determined to halt exploration of ANWR includes, but is not limited to:

*Examining all aspects of this issue thoroughly before persuading others to join your campaign.

*Be willing and present in the creation and implementation of plans for alternative economic development for the occupants of the North Slope, who currently depend on oil development for economic livelihood.

*Be willing and present in the creation and implementation of plans for National and International use of alternative energy.

How well informed are you about the real issues of ANWR? What are YOU personally doing to encourage alternative energy? You are taking the position against opening ANWR to oil exploration but are not participating in the establishment of alternatives. You are dictating to the Inupiaq people how they should govern and control their lands. Have you engaged in dialogue with any Native person from this area of Alaska? You are imposing YOUR will based on YOUR definitions, values, and arrogant justifications onto a people whose economic survival is dependent upon the oil tax base. Your efforts of conservation at all costs (including human survival) can be categorized as a wave of colonialism in this new millennium. Eco-colonialism.

Think before you act. Quyanaq (Thank You).

not put it beyond any employer to be guilty of unfair treatment of employees. However, it seems that recently the source of the uproar has been the stricter security and anti-theft precautions that have been enacted in the deli.

Perhaps I haven't spent enough time at Evergreen, and I definitely don't feel as though I have a good concept of what communal living is. I live in A-Dorm; I cannot see my sink, kitchen table, or floor. There's nothing communal about that. Despite all these setbacks, I am trying to understand why the deli is at fault for trying to prevent their products from being stolen. Isn't the act of stealing generally illegal and must therefore be done surreptitiously? I thought that was the whole idea. I can understand being hungry, wanting food, and being tempted by the "come and get me" atmosphere of the deli.

I offer no condemnation for people who get away with stealing food from the deli; that's practically our job as indoctrinated capitalist consumers: fuck the system, get free food. But if you get caught, it's not necessarily unfair, and it doesn't really give you a right to whine about it. Even if you did "forget" to pay for the item, which is probably a common excuse but not a common mistake, the deli still has a right to punish you—

you have broken one of their rules. In a perfect world, you wouldn't have to pay twice the amount for your Odwalla C-Monster, and all surrounding food establishments would prepare complimentary gift baskets of delectable foodstuffs just because you're you. But this is not a perfect world, and stealing a muffin on our happy Evergreen campus will result in the same punishment as stealing a muffin at Safeway; go figure. So by all means, steal—but know that the deli does reserve the right to try to stop you— it likes food and money just as much as you, and, as unfair as it seems, they have the law on their side.

If Fine Host is such an unfair, fascist establishment (which it very well could be; I don't know enough about it to argue that one) then don't go there.

Go to the co-op, where you can get cheaper, better food, and the people are nice, too. It's that simple. Ultimately, it doesn't matter how many letters you write or uproars you initiate, actions speak louder than words.

LETTERS

Pissed at The Man

by Susan Rudisill

So what's the deal? Why are the American people so pissed off at the man who is currently in charge of ruining - excuse me, I mean unning our country? And no, it isn't because he's a man. Well, I am a tad miffed at the idea that middle aged white men run our country and that I have to see their smug, fat faces staring back at me every time I read the newspaper. But this man, this man was never even elected president. He was chosen - not by me and not by hundreds of thousands of U.S. citizens, but nevertheless chosen to take office. (Does this not bother anyone?) Before so much as allowing our anger to cool, Mr. Bush (and I will always refer to him as Mr. Bush because he is not my president) cut funding for medical clinics that perform abortions. He did that on his first day in office. Guess he owes those right wing Jesus freaks big. These clinics were already hurting for funds. In fact, in some impoverished cities, family planning clinics are virtually non-existent. What this means is that women who already can't afford health care must travel to get treatment. Therefore, if these women are simply in need of having a checkup for STDs and cervical cancer or obtaining birth control, they are most likely to do without because they have no means of getting to a facility.

Many organizations are on top of the situation, campaigning heavily to keep these clinics open and to keep abortion safe and legal, but they need our help. I'm sure you've seen some of the commercials of late, produced by some of these organizations in immense efforts to inform the public that our rights are being threatened. This is a very real and serious issue. We need to pull together and do everything in our power to help these organizations. Also, this is not just a women's issue or responsibility; it's everyone's. Women don't make babies on their own, you know. In addition, there was a rumor floating around that next on the Bush agenda is a bill requiring mandatory parental consent for teenagers to obtain birth control. Didn't we try that already? We cannot let these things happen. If you want to help, CARE 2000 (Campaign for Access and Reproductive Equity) is hosting a film fest and discussion. Check the calendar for times and numbers.

Pro-forestry:

the timely debate over the life & death of our trees continues...

by David Weyte

In response to Shoren Brown's "Save Our Trees" article in the last CPJ, I would like to point out several inaccuracies and bring to light some omissions. I am a student in the Sustainable Forestry program, and Mr. Brown and I spoke at some length. Although he says in the letter that he was "horrified," I thought we were communicating well. Mr. Brown complains of being told "blasphemous lies," which I will address in turn.

Mr. Brown states that he was told by a program member that "if we don't log, the State is going to build a stadium of some sort." The student's remark was unfortunate in that it mixes two different things. The allusion to a stadium comes from an old Campus Master Plan. At the time the college was built, enrollment was expected to be much higher than it is now, and there were plans for a wide variety of buildings and facilities, including a stadium, that do not exist today. To my knowledge, there are no plans for a stadium currently being discussed. What the student was trying to express was my belief, based on a conversation between a high ranking public official and the dean of the Evergreen campus, being state land, was in danger of being developed by other state agencies. This is not true to the extent that it was relayed to us. There is little or no threat at this time of other state agencies building on campus. The board

of trustees must approve such plans.

Mr. Brown states that one student said, "Most of the people we have talked to have been supportive." Having been present at the outreach table for both Wednesday sessions, I had the opportunity to talk to many people regarding our campus proposals. If he asked that question of me, my answer would have to be "Yes." To be sure, there were no students pounding the table calling for the cutting of trees, as two students did for their protection, but in all honesty, the majority of the people I talked to have been for it, some tentatively and some only conditionally. Mr. Brown came to our outreach on January 31. At that time, few of the collected surveys had been entered into the data base, nor had I had an opportunity to view them; so it is possible that my response, based on verbal communication with students, will not be reflected in the final count which is being made available, along with the hard copies, to the Campus Land Use Committee.

Mr. Brown raises the question of when tree harvest becomes a clearcut. First, let's get some numbers straight. The stand in question has an average of 298 trees per acre. But what trees are we talking about removing? Mr. Brown makes the same mistake that industrial foresters have made for over a century in this country: he focuses

International Conservation Efforts Abound

by Shoren Brown

On January 10, British Columbia's Premier Ujjal Dosanjh announced the creation of 49 new protected areas totaling 303,845 acres (122,963 ha!) in the Okanogan Region. This action means that British Columbia has protected more than 12 percent of all of the land in the province.

One of the most significant parts of the announcement was the creation of the 65,000-acre Snowy Provincial Park, which sits on the B.C./Washington border. Of particular importance is the park's location connecting to the 25,000-acre Loomis Natural Resources Conservation Area, which was protected last year through a private \$16 million fundraising effort, and which is some of the last known lynx habitat left in the United States. Mitch Friedman, head of the Northwest Ecosystem Alliance, which led that effort, said, "This impressive and farsighted act by British Columbia compliments what we achieved on the Loomis State Forest by completing protection of a critical wildlife habitat corridor."

Premier Dosanjh acknowledged the action by Americans to save the Loomis as an important reason that he acted to designate the Snowy Provincial Park. The Snowy Provincial Park and Loomis protected areas add to numerous existing parks and

wilderness, including the North Cascades National Park, Manning Provincial Park, the Pasayten Wilderness Area, and many more. Combined, they total almost 3 million protected acres.

While this is great news for both Canadian and American citizens, as well as the creatures that depend on well-connected, protected areas for their survival, George W. Bush has gotten off to a blistering start on developing his own environmental legacy by vowing to undo the roadless area policy that was recently signed by Clinton.

Although Bush has said he wants to reach across the political aisle and find common ground in a deeply divided Congress, an early test of his will to honor that sentiment has come with his administration's reaction to the new Forest Service rule to protect nearly 60 million acres of wild forest land across 39 states. The roadless forest protection measure included more public involvement than ever witnessed in the history of federal rule making. The American Petroleum Institute, the American Mining Association, the American Forest and Paper Association, and other assorted extractive industries have been invited by the Bush transition team to help undo the Clinton administration's environmental protections, especially on public lands. This is

a replay of the Reagan administration. Gutting environmental protections didn't sit well with the American public then, and it won't sit well with them now (Seattle Post Intelligencer Editorial, 1/14/2001).

The corporations aren't the only ones in on it either. On Nov. 20, 2000, Larry Craig (R-Idaho) and Frank Murkowski (R-Alaska), plus Reps. Don Young (R-Alaska) and Helen Chenoweth-Hage (R-Idaho) sent a letter concerning the roadless rule to Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman, stating that they plan to use the "Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act" (a relic of the Contract with America) to stop the policy from being implemented.

While it is easy for many of us to laugh these statements off, there is a strong possibility that there will be efforts made by conservative Western officials and resource extractive corporations to overrule the roadless ruling using any means possible. While it is not productive to become enthralled with the "environmental legacy" that Clinton left behind, there is also a need for us to stay aware of the actions taken by the Bush administration to undo the piecemeal attempts at conservation that Clinton advocated. Stay strong and educated. For the trees!

on what is removed rather than on what is left. What Mr. Brown didn't tell you is that the 298 trees per acre only account for those trees greater than 6 inches in diameter. The proposal submitted to the CLUC describes the heaviest thinning to retain at least 80 trees per acre. By way of comparison, old-growth stands average only 10-16 trees per acre. His cry of "Clearcut!" would have been muffled had he informed the reader that the 80 trees per acre that will be left will be the biggest and the best trees that grow there. His argument is further reduced when the reader learns that in addition to the biggest and best trees left standing, nearly all the snags, as well as nearly all live trees less than 6 inches in diameter, will be retained. Certainly, there will be some trees, shrubs and other vegetation that will be harmed or even killed during the extraction of the logs; however, the use of horses should keep this damage to a minimum. In addition, there is the special case of that stand of trees whose tops were broken off above the live crown in the ice storm a few years ago. These trees provide a wonderful opportunity for cavity nesters if the tree can grow as the center rots out. They will be

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DEFINITELY NOT A CLEARCUT!

In paragraph six of his article, Mr. Brown quotes a student projecting global demand for wood products and claims the statement is "devoid of rational economic theory." Really? The author states, "as a supply of a good decreases... competing goods will enter the market." While it is true that alternatives to wood fiber will appear in the market place when the price of wood makes such alternatives economically feasible, Mr. Brown has left three things out of his equation: time, trends, and power.

"As the supply of a good decreases..." Let's talk about

the diminishing supply of wood fiber from our national forests in terms of time and what it means to forests on a global scale. In the late 1980s and 1990s, much-needed environmental legislation was passed; along with a strong activist community, it finally slowed unsustainable and harmful forestry practices on federal lands. This has caused the annual "cut" on federal lands to be reduced by 70% from 1987 to 1997. This was good; it was time to put on the brakes. But what has happened as a result of the reduced cut? Exactly what Mr. Brown said would happen: as the supply of old growth and second growth timber dried up, private timber companies were able to sell smaller diameter logs (a competing product) for a profit. But the quality of the lumber produced by such trees simply did not meet U.S. consumer expectations and opened the door to another competing product, foreign old growth and second growth timber, to enter our markets. Since 1990, Canadian imports have risen from 12 to 18 billion board feet (MacCleery 2000).

The point of all this is that we live and consume in a global market. If we are not cutting the trees here, rest assured they are being cut somewhere. Mr. Brown, in your estimation, how long will it take, how many forests will be liquidated, before the "supply... decreases" to the point where

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Vaginas Speak; Oly Listens

by Selby

Yay for vaginas! What else is there to say, except hurrah for vaginas? This past Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, as part of a nationwide presentation, "The Vagina

Monologues" was performed to a packed Capitol Theater.

"The Vagina Monologues" was originally produced in an Obie Award-winning run in 1996 in New York. Since that time, it has toured the country and internationally. The world tour of "The Vagina Monologues" initiated V-Day, a global movement to stop violence against women. V-Day and the V-Fund were established in 1998 in an effort to raise funds for anti-violence causes. All proceeds from the Olympia production will benefit Safeplace: Rape Relief and Women's Shelter Services.

"The Vagina Monologues" came about as a result of Eve Ensler's interest in how other women viewed themselves and specifically their

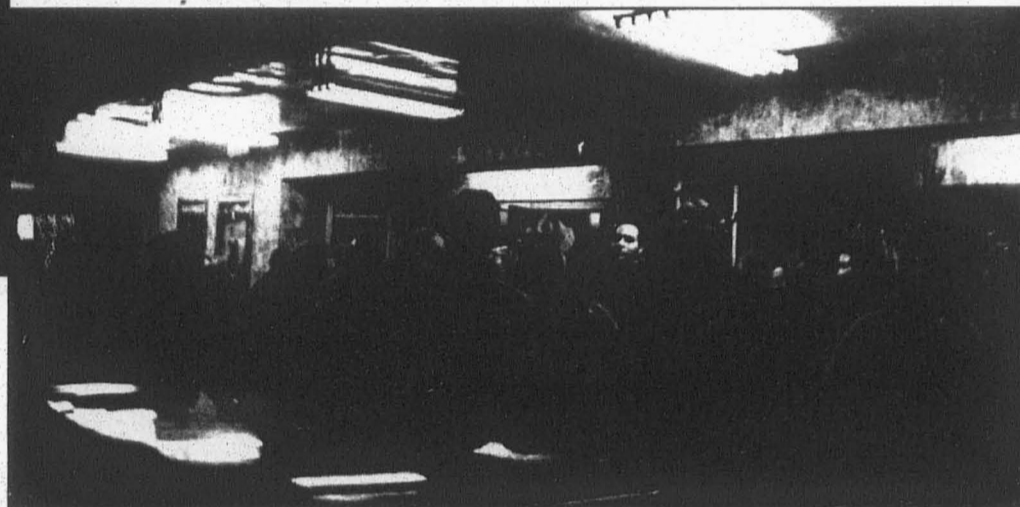
vaginas. It is based on interviews Ensler had with women of different ages, creeds, socio-economic backgrounds, religions, races, sexual persuasions, etc.

This is the second time that Olympia has had a V-Day performance, and moving the show to the Capitol from the Library Lobby made it a much more enjoyable experience. In addition to the show itself, there was a kissing booth, sex education information, and an artistic vagina self-portrait booth - again, all benefiting Safeplace.

Best of all, the performers in "The Vagina Monologues" did a stellar job and they most definitely deserved the standing ovation from the ecstatic audience.



▲ Natalie Nicklett performing "The Woman Who Loved to Make Vaginas Happy." The monologue is based on an interview Eve Ensler had with a dominatrix.



▲ Eliza Steinbock performing "The Little Coochi Snorcher that Could."

▲ The lobby packed full of vagina enthusiasts, proud feminists, and Safeplace supporters.

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"competing goods" will "out-compete" wood fiber? The answer? It depends.

It depends on the two other factors Mr. Brown left out in his assessment regarding wood demand. Trends and power. When analyzing market trends, it pays to realize that any projection of the market is subject to error, fortunes are gained and lost every day on the basis of such predictions. Considering that nothing is certain, allow the following; despite current "environmental awareness" of U.S. citizens, consumerism is remaining stable if not increasing, and the overall path of consumerism in this county (now exported around the globe) is simply the logical extension of policies enacted long ago. Furthermore, various organizations such as GATT, and the World Bank serve to perpetuate the colonial state scenario where developed countries gain from the liquidation of natural resources in developing countries regardless of the negative externalities sustained by the latter (Mayer 1998). This condition

accentuates the disparity between economies even more in the name of "free trade." While the environmental movement has made some headway, in this county as well as others, so has the other side.

So, long story short, how should we respond to the projected demand for wood fiber and alternatives for our course of action? Should we find comfort in the fact that we have thankfully protected large tracts of timber in this country as a hedge against future (global) shortages? Or should we attack the demand side of the equation, reducing our consumption while simultaneously practicing a forestry in our own backyards that leaves a standing, functioning forest intact after each entry and provides a modest fiber harvest for our now modest needs? The problem isn't as simple as basic supply and demand theory but complicated by the fact that people drive markets, and people are in turn driven by social, political, and economic needs. We

can change, but it will take time, intelligent use of resources, and environmental ethics, not rhetoric.

As a member of the class and the on-campus thinning project, I speak for the class when I say that our aim is not to alienate anyone or run roughshod over any group or discipline, but to provide a demonstration of how to manage a forest in a sustainable manner for wildlife, native vegetation, education, and to provide a moderate but significant fiber yield. What we are modeling in sustainable forestry are ways to extract some wood (suitable for human use) while maintaining and even enhancing forest structural development, wildlife values, and carbon accumulation. We are not here to "clear cut Evergreen."

The discussions that our project proposals have initiated are important. We are attempting to demonstrate responsible, sustainable forest practices, and include the larger campus community. Thank you all for your interest and input.

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to discuss whether we should join any sweatshop-monitoring organizations, and if so which one or ones, and decide whether other organizational affiliations position statements would be appropriate for the college. We would expect the study group to create a broader campus dialogue on the issue of fair labor standards abroad by sponsoring workshops, contracts or other learning opportunities.

It is our expectation that the advisory group conclude its work no later than May 2001. I will ask that their first order of business be to develop a recommendation regarding if we should join the WRC during the interim as the advisory group proceeds with its work. In the meantime, if you are concerned about any bookstore purchasing practice or wish to be further informed about bookstore purchases, we encourage you to continue to talk with our bookstore manager and/or the Bookstore Advisory Committee. We see in the issue of global labor standards an opportunity to exercise critical thinking and support important institutional values. We hope that you will continue to work with us as we move forward on this important topic.

SPORTS

THE INTERVIEWS: AARON STARKS

by Shasta Smith

I'm talking with Aaron Starks the head coach of men and women's crew teams here on campus. Aaron has been involved in rowing, competing and coaching for the past 16 years. Recently, he coached at Washington State University, and did very well there. Now, he's the head coach here at Evergreen; let's get to know him.

CPJ: So, Aaron, tell me a little bit about yourself.

Aaron: Well, I'll stick to the rowing parts. I started with rowing sixteen years ago at Everett and found that I was really enjoying this coaching thing, and I got the opportunity to get involved with that.

CPJ: And that was early on in your career?

Aaron: Yes. Early on, when I was a high school student, I'd ride with the coaches whenever I could. So, shortly after high school, when I was getting my Associates degree, I got the opportunity to coach novice women at Everett for two years, and did that and had a lot of success.

CPJ: Where did you go to college?

Aaron: I was going to Everett Community College at the time. I went to Western to get my Bachelor's degree and got the opportunity to coach an Everett varsity team. Following that, I went to Washington State to coach their lightweight men for two years and had moderate success with them.

CPJ: Were you competing while you were doing this coaching?

Aaron: No. Coaching and being a student were my vocations.

CPJ: So how did your Wazzu teams do?

Aaron: The first year we competed as lightweight novice and got second place on the Pacific Coast. The next year we took third place on the Pacific Coast.

CPJ: So you've had some really good success at the college level.

Aaron: Yes, but it's easy to take success as a coach. What it really boils down to is the athletes. I've been very fortunate to always get a number of top-notch athletes interested in this sport. And there's no difference here. We've found a group of dedicated individuals who are looking for something different than many of the traditional sports, and they're willing to go all out at it. Again, I'm very lucky. I'm guessing about 100 people have come to practice, decided whether or not it's for them... most of them decided it's not. We currently have a roster of 30 people both men and women, and they've come in from all sorts of backgrounds, all sorts of experience levels in the sport, and they're coming in at different times of the season. The team really wants to put out the effort and make a commitment to each other.

CPJ: So what kind of a coaching ethic do you bring to a group like this?

Aaron: It was a bit of a transition for some of these students to deal with me. I come straight out of a PAC10 program where competition and excellence are assumed, that's just the basis. To come into a program in its very first year and decide to build it along my lines, which weren't necessarily the lines of what some people were expecting...how could I be any more vague with this...I'm a hardass, and that took a lot of people by surprise. Just because these students go to Evergreen doesn't mean they aren't also athletes. We compete with similar schools with strong athletes, and to spend nine months practicing to get into a race and not plan on winning is absurd. So we go hard and go strong and we intend to try and win, and if anybody beats us, we're gonna make them work hard.

CPJ: In all your years of coaching, what's the most memorable moment you've had?

Aaron: My most memorable moment in rowing was as a new rower--and

every rower will be able to tell you a similar story--you're out in this long 60 foot boat traveling backwards through the water for about a month, some guy in a motor boat yelling at you saying, "Do this, do that, lift your hands." And you're dropping your hands, and you're doing everything wrong. Then all of the sudden everyone in the boat just stops thinking and everyone puts their blade in the water at the same time, they pull, open up the body, swing together, the boat moves, and there's this feeling of rushing water under your seat and...I've got goose bumps just thinking of it...It was such a magical experience, and you say to yourself, "What just happened?" And all of a sudden you realize all the things you have been taught were for a reason, and that you can do them right, together. So you try and do that again, and it's the worst stroke on the next stroke because you're trying again...And that's the secret of rowing. People see rowing on TV at the Olympics and say, "Wow, they make it look so easy; it's such a beautiful, graceful sport." Well, those are people who have been rowing for twenty years and they do make it look easy as all professional and Olympic level athletes make their sport look easy. It's a very difficult sport and if you try and just go through the motions, it doesn't work. You just have to relax and let your body do it...That's my favorite, you can probably tell.

CPJ: In your experience as a coach, how do you think this team will match up against the competition?

Aaron: We've turned the heads of the rowing community in the Northwest already, and that's something most new programs don't do. The first year of most programs, to finish the race is a big achievement, and we're coming in the middle of races. We're beating programs with a twenty-year history, and that's really amazing. The athletes...I can't say enough about the athletes, they want to go fast and the faster you go the better you place. So I think we're gonna do quite well, but I don't wanna jinx it.

SHASTA'S CORNER

THE DOUGHNUT

by Shasta Smith

President Nixon once said, "I'm not a crook." Well, I'm not. Nixon was, I'm not. The guy tearing down Shaolin Aerobics posters is. People who steal doughnuts for fun or protest are. What do you do when you're telling the truth and some people in power won't believe you? I am in such a position. I really forgot to pay for a doughnut in the deli while the Gestapo was watching. I really didn't steal it. They said, "Yeah, yeah, yeah, everybody says that." But it's true; I didn't. Grievance doesn't believe me either. It's like, "Yes, of course you didn't, you're all innocent, but you must pay your debts to society." But it's true, I didn't steal it.

Beside the fact that Fine Host is weird and vindictive and on a witch hunt. Beside the fact that lots of students routinely steal for fun, protest, or just because it's the way things are done. It is beside the fact that the grievance process is flawed, confusing, vague, and subjective. Beside the fact that the prosecutor doesn't want to deal with this at all. The truth is, quite simply, I did not steal the doughnut. What would you do; it could happen to you?

CPJ: Is there anything else you would like to tell the students?

Aaron: If you're interested in rowing, find a rower and talk to them, but give them a time limit because they are not gonna shut up 'cause they love the sport so much. If you're up in the CRC and you see someone who looks like they know what they're doing on the rowing machine, talk to them; find out about the program. Go to the web page on the Rec Athletics page; find a link to us. If you're interested in rowing, email me; my link is on the page. We're not taking anyone new this year, but next year, we're looking for a team. People can let me know they're interested, and I'll keep their name and number, and we'll get in touch probably late summer, so...we're looking for rowers.

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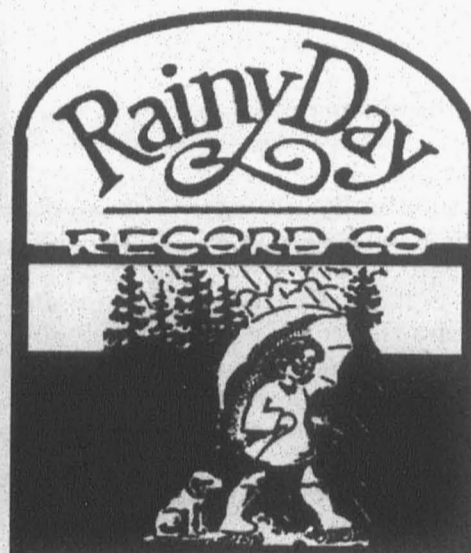
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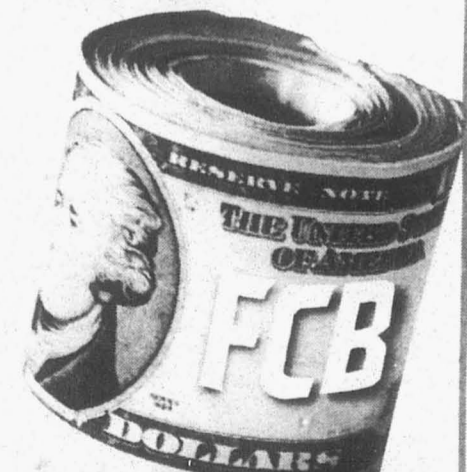


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MEN'S BASKETBALL

by Gin Harbold

On the 13th of February, Evergreen played Concordia on their home court. The three point win, 66-63, boosted Evergreen's 3 game winning streak to 4. This win was hard-earned, with Evergreen rallying from an 11 point second half deficit.

Andre Stewart, the NAIA Division II National Player of the week, continued to put up big numbers with 27 points, 8 rebounds, and an exceptional 7 steals. Trelton Spencer, of course, also made a big contribution with 20 points, 5 assists, and 3 steals.

Coming off of a 4 game winning streak and some excellent games for several of its players, the Evergreen basketball team began its final weekend of regular season games energized and ready to win. The first game on the 16th was against Albertson. With a record of 13 and 4, they were expected to be tough competition.

Andre Stewart continued to lead the team in scoring with 28. He also had 6 rebounds, 3 assists, and 2 steals. Trelton Spencer had 22 points, 7 rebounds, 8 assists, and 5 steals. Greg Johnson had 11 points.

With 15 minutes and 52 seconds left in the game, Evergreen led by 14 points. Unfortunately, Evergreen could not stop the Albertson rush as they went on a 16 point streak. This put the Yotes back in the game, and eventually led to their last-second lead of 2 points. Despite their effort, Evergreen was unable to retake the game, and it ended 72-70. Hopefully, Evergreen will get a chance to rematch Albertson in the playoffs.

The next game of the weekend, and final regular season game, was played at home on the following day against Eastern Oregon. The gymnasium was filled with energy, having triple the usual attendance at 600, a squad of cheerleaders, a mascot, a halftime dancing show, and three fired-up Evergreen seniors making their last appearance on their home basketball court.

All five starters, A.J. LaBree, Garrett Zwar, Jimmie Richardson, Jackie Robinson, and Trelton Spencer, put up impressive numbers. All of them scored in the double digits except A.J., who came up 1 point short. Greg Johnson had 6 points and 8 rebounds, and Abel Koeltzow, who had 9 points, also made great efforts.

Evergreen dominated the entire game finishing the season with a 9 point win, 82-73. The fans roared in support as, Trelton "Tuggie" Spencer walked to center court in the last 10 seconds of the game and kissed the hardwood, saying goodbye to the Evergreen gymnasium. This was followed by a standing ovation as he walked off of the court for good. Good luck, Trelton, Garrett, and A.J. with whatever comes next.



The Evergreen Dance Team showed their stuff during halftime of the last men's home game

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

by Gin Harbold

On February the 13th, the women's basketball team played Warner Pacific in Portland. The game was a good one with Evergreen pulling off an upset and coming back from a five point deficit in the first half winning 59 to 52.

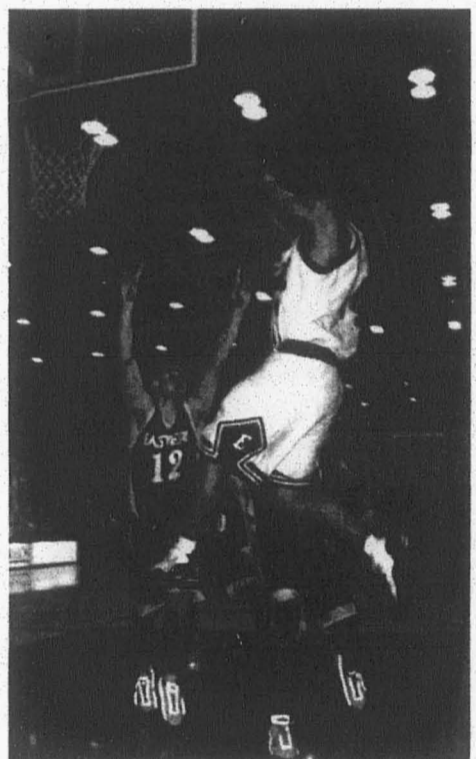
Michelle Ramsgate led the team with 20 points and 9 rebounds. Heather Johnson had 18 points and 9 rebounds. It was a big night for Heather Johnson, who became the first woman at Evergreen to score 500 points in a season.

Three days later, Evergreen played Albertson. Unfortunately, the team's winning streak did not continue, and they lost 80 to 36.

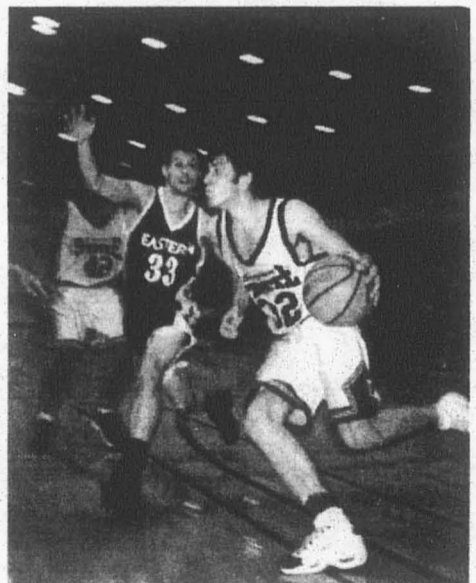
Heather Johnson had 14 points and 6 rebounds. Michelle Ramsgate had 11 points, 5 rebounds, and 3 steals. Lindsey Lawrence had an impressive 5 blocks.

The girl's basketball team played their final game on the 17th. Unluckily, however they were not able to finish the season with a bang as they had hoped. They lost 55 to 33.

Heather Johnson had a double double with 16 points and 10 rebounds. Michelle Ramsgate finished with 13 points and 6 rebounds.



Trelton Spencer using the opposition in his final regular season home game



Jimmie Richardson driving strong to the hoop

WOMEN'S SOCCER

by Shasta Smith

Recruitment is a huge part of collegiate programs, and with the advent of some scholarship money to bring in athletes (albeit a small amount), The Evergreen State College has an opportunity to bring in some incredible talent from the West Coast and even spots around the country.

Most notable in the field of recruitment is Women's Soccer Head Coach Arlene McMahon. She put together a field day for potential transfers and incoming freshmen. There were even some junior and sophomore high school students out. The day was an opportunity for Coach McMahon to see her potential players, and for the players to see their potential school.

The field day was a reality check for some of the returning women on the women's soccer team. The speed, confidence, and young talent showed some of the women what the team could become. There is much excitement among the women as they realize their game play could be brought to a higher level in the upcoming 2001 season. There will be fierce competition for those starting spots and fiercer competition for the wins as the women get prepared for the next soccer season.

SWIMMING

by Shasta Smith

For the Northwest Conference Championships, we were guests in our own pool, and, fittingly enough, the men's and women's swim team broke eight school records. Misty Westphal broke half of those on her own. The swimmer phenom broke her own records in the 500-free, the 200-free, the 100-free, and the 1650-free. Coach Bendock said Misty was miffed that the announcer claimed another competitor had faster qualifying times in all the events, and that gave her more incentive to win. In the 500-free Westphal beat the entire field and beat her old record by four seconds (5:11.79). The 200-free record was smashed as Westphal became the first Evergreen female swimmer to record a sub two minute swim (1:56.88). The 100-free was a personal best time for Westphal at (54.32). In the 1650 free, she beat the field by an astounding 15 seconds with a time of (18:02.72).

Ryan Miyake beat his own record in the 200-fly with a (2:00.40). He had his fastest 1650-free time of the season as well at (17:07.03). The sophomore from Bellevue has now qualified for the National meet in 5 different divisions: the 200-medley, 200-fly, 400-medley, 500-free, and 1650-free.

The women's relay team, consisting of Bonnie Martin (breaststroke), Amber Tutz (butterfly), Alison Aylesworth (backstroke), and Misty Westphal (what goes here?), broke the last three records. The 200-medley was brought down to (2:00.29), the 400-medley to (4:25.29), and the 800-free to (8:48.06).

The swim team is now preparing for the National NALA swim meet in Burnaby, hosted by last year's champions Simon Fraser. The women's team is looking to improve on last year's 14th place finish, and individual members have an opportunity to place extremely well.

EVERGREEN ATHLETES UNION NOW FORMING

by Ronen Johnson and Shasta Smith

What are the priorities and expectations of athletic programs through the eyes of the administration? What are the student athlete priorities and fair expectations? What does the administration have in mind for Evergreen's athletic success? Do we get to know or participate?

There are a number of issues that face the population of student athletes here at Evergreen. From the highest levels in the college to the immediate administration of each team, there are obstacles and challenges that affect the growth and development of Evergreen athletics. What are players' wants and needs? The negative commentary and obscured perception regarding the framework of what a team should "be" has never been known to improve upon the programs in question.

In collegiate athletics the teams that are able to improve their individual records by taking the initiative and finding alternative methods of forward progress by and large are the programs receiving unsolicited support from all aspects of the academic community. The above-mentioned situation seems to propagate a catch-22. In the free-from environment that Evergreen provides, we have student athletes diligently working to improve upon previous seasons, but realistically there is only so much that student athletes can accomplish without support and structural aid. Integrated goal setting and structural progression establish the necessary platform from which any accredited university can initiate a successfully representative program. What does Evergreen have in relation to these points?

The Evergreen Athletes Union has been formed to support the players' individual and team success ethic. We need to address the campus' pride or lack thereof in their sports teams. Why do we compete? Why try to win? What are the goals of the athletes? Have coaches and administration adequately addressed the necessary issues?

It is the purpose of this organization to ensure that all student athletes are given the necessary and adequate tools to succeed on and off the field of competition. We invite you, the student athlete population, to come discuss--and attempt to resolve--issues ranging from decisions concerning policies that affect specific teams, individuals, coaches, or ethics, to problems that affect all collegiate athletic programs. Wednesday the 28th of February in CRC 112 at 3 PM come voice your opinions and concerns. For information on the Evergreen Athletes Union email RonenJohnson@aol.com or smisha13@evergreen.edu. Thank you.

Ronen Johnson and Shasta Smith

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fired upon. Israel is currently under fire for its assassination policies, which allow clemency for such actions, by human rights groups, the European Union, and even the United States. (more at www.hrw.org)

• A press conference of Tibetan rights groups, labor unions, and environmentalists was held last week to pressure PetroChina, BP's largest foreign investment, to leave Tibet. The organizations claim that PetroChina's corporate governance, environmental record, and oil and gas exploitation of the Tibetan plateau are unacceptable. Not only are Tibetan rights groups concerned about the consolidation of Chinese control over Tibet, but also of the impairment of the arctic wildlife refuge in Tibet. If the resolution were passed it would require BP to divest \$578 million worth of holdings. (more at www.ips.org)

• Simultaneous riots occurred in 29 prisons in the Brazilian state of Sao Paulo last Sunday that left at least 15 inmates dead and a sensation of penitentiary system collapse. Twelve of the deaths occurred in clashes with rival gangs, and the 25,000 participating inmates were evidently influenced by a organized crime group called the First Commando of the Capital (PCC). The transfer of 10 PCC leaders triggered the riots, and the demand of the rioters was the return of the inmates. Nearly 92,000 prisoners are held in Sao Paulo, which is almost half of the population of the state. (more at www.ips.org)

• Canada's top court, going far beyond past rulings on capital punishment, ruled that two Canadians who allegedly confessed to brutal triple murder must not be sent to the United States to face the death penalty. The court said that arguments have grown stronger against sending people away to face possible execution. "Canada is now abolitionist for all crimes, even those in the military field," it said, referring to a 1998 law which formalized the practice of not executing soldiers. Canada has not put anyone to death since 1962. (more at www.yahoo.com)

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The famed musical group a-ha once said:

Take on me, take me on
I'll be gone
In a day or two

So contribute to the CPJ
before the year runs out.

GEN ED

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Evergreen has survived as long as it has for a number of reasons (not the least of which is luck). But in my opinion, the primary reason is that, all in all, its faculty, trustees, presidents, vice-presidents, and deans have kept the faith, vague and confused as it has been. It is not for nothing that we ask faculty applicants to describe their dream programs and then judge applicants' suitability according, in part, to those dreams. Evergreen cannot survive if its faculty and its leaders—president, vice-presidents, deans, trustees—do not believe in it. If the faculty, for example, entomb their dream programs in the cemeteries called Curricula Vitae, the game is up. So, too, if the president and trustees, vice-presidents and deans do not believe in the place, they will be unable to explain and defend the College to outside audiences: the state government, councils of presidents and vice-presidents, accrediting commissions, the Hec Board, possible givers of gifts.

The General Education reform movement over the past year and a half signifies a weakening, if not a collapse, of management and administration's belief in Evergreen. (Owing to his newness, President Purce should be exempted from this charge for now.) Dress it up any way you please, the fact is that we have been asked to accept a non sequitur: namely, that because some administrators and a few like-minded faculty members find Evergreen indefensible, the curriculum should be overhauled. I refuse to accept this conclusion. Let me make this even clearer: I am not now, nor ever have been, opposed to making Evergreen better: in teaching and learning, in faculty evaluation, in hiring, in curricular planning, in passing the baton to new faculty members; on the contrary, I am, however, opposed to the GenEd reforms, for I am convinced they point us toward Southwest Washington State College. However, even if they pointed toward Education Heaven on Earth, I would still oppose them, for to do the right thing for the wrong reason is wrong.

If ever there was a set of wrong reasons presented to the Evergreen faculty for their consideration, those given us by the advocates of General Education are it. I repeat what I have

said before: No plausible case for general curricular reform has been made. Requests for a case consistently have been met with studied indifference, with "if only you could see the big picture," and with the same old recitations of fragmentary survey data, not to mention the ploy that says, "Trust us. We know better." This is called "democratic conversation." We have actually been asked to take seriously, for example, the alleged complaint by alumni who regret not having studied mathematics while at Evergreen. Who made their educational decisions for them? Who forgot to tell them to take their mitties?

Ironically, the one solid datum in this entire mess often seems on the verge of being forgotten as time goes by: the fact that the accreditation report calls for us to look into ways to improve mathematics education at Evergreen. I believe this to be an important goal. However, I remain astonished at the open-air sleight-of-hand by which this quite specific goal immediately became the pretext for large-scale curricular reform.

While Nero fiddles, Rome is ablaze with another irony: the severe decline in applications for admission. Perhaps the governor's budget cuts will disguise this sign of Evergreen's steadily eroding appeal to students, as has happened in the past. One wonders what keeps them away in such large numbers. Or drives them into twelve or sixteen credits of so-called part-time study once they get here. Perhaps it is the absence of distribution requirements, "access" to which (we are assured) they long for fervently.

A Proposal:

1. Beginning in 2002-03, offer a large selection of the Dream Programs that faculty members hired in recent years designed in the course of applying for their jobs here. These designs were exciting. The breadth of most Dream Programs calls for teaching teams of faculty members from a wide variety of disciplines. Our institutional history shows that good teams come about as affinity groups, a process that is a pleasure, not a chore. There are more Dream Programs backlogged than can be offered in one year. If faculty

hiring continues at even a modest pace, it will likely take several years to offer each Dream Program once.

2. Beginning in Fall, 2001, remodel the part-time curriculum in the following way:
A student may take ONE 4-credit course per quarter. Eliminate 8-credit programs.

3. Beginning in Fall, 2001, remodel individual contracted study:

A. To be eligible for individual contracted study, a student needs to have at least sophomore standing.

B. An individual contract must be for a minimum of 12 credits.

4. Get smart—and soon—about student recruitment. This is first of all an administrative responsibility, not a faculty responsibility. The relevant administrators are the locatable and accountable leaders in the all-important matter of student recruitment. You, worthy administrators, bring the students. We, the faculty, will teach and learn with them.

To what problem, pray tell, is the above 4-part proposal addressed?

Answer: The problem (if that is the right word) of Evergreen's imminent implosion. GenEd will only hasten hour of collapse. Something like the above scheme just might put it off for a while. At the very least, Part 1 should give recently hired faculty members a more meaningful stake in the outcome of events.

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CALENDAR

Fri, Feb 23

7:30 P.M.
At Traditions Cafe, the Playback Theatre is putting on a show. Donations go to a good cause.

9 P.M.
Not four but FIVE FINGERS of FUNK with special guest MOTHER'S FRIENDS play at the CRC tonight. Tickets at the door, \$10 for boring regular people and \$7 for boring college kids.

10 P.M.
EQA is holding a "Prissy in Pink" 80s Dance w/ DJ Dead Air and DJ Fruit Bat. LIB 4300 \$3-5. Cheap is good.

Sat, Feb 24

Noon
The Campaign for Access and Reproductive Equity (CARE 2000) is showing two films at the Capitol Theater: *Legal, But Out of Reach* and *Abortion Denied*. Free to the public. Sponsored by a whole bunch of people. 1-800-822-7857.

1 P.M.
A (candid) Discussion on Race and Racism. Hosted by Jerome Johnson. Presented by Thurston Cty. Rainbow Coalition, Works in Progress, and Blacks in Government. The Olympia Center, Room 101-102. Refreshments! Call 701-8010.

2 P.M.
"Images of China," a puppet show presented by Arts and the Child (class), is going down in the House of Welcome. Not just for kids. Award winning puppeteers.

9 P.M.
Cumbia, Merengue, Racheras, Salsa y mas with DJ Olivia Salazar. LIB 2000. Dance until you drop! Call x6583.

Tue, Feb 27

Noon
The ERC and the Natural Histories Program sponsor environmental speaker and author Susan Davis. Beware corporate money. LIB lobby.

3 P.M.
AFISH hosts local activist and author Leo Baldwin, who will speak of the history of Northwest salmon and the dangers of fish hatcheries. LIB Lobby. Call x6105.

Wed, Feb 28

1 P.M.
Ground Zero at the EQA, in CAB 108. "Come and be heard...reshape the EQA so it really belongs to us all."

5 P.M. ? Maybe?
Mindscreen presents the film (w/ free popcorn) "Run, Lola, Run." Lecture Hall 1. Free! and popcorn!

6 P.M.
CISPES - The Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador is meeting in LIB 2100. Discuss the solidarity movement, neoliberalism and sweatshops. Short film. All welcome. Call x6513.

Thu, Mar 1

6:30 P.M.
Salmon Stewardship Workshop. Learn what you can do to help salmon, and volunteer. Registration required. Call 704-7785.

Sat, Mar 3

6 P.M.
See "The Fool's Ball. An evening of ritual and celebration in the Reclaiming Tradition...with...Amy MoonDragon." CLEAN AND SOBER! Olympia Unitarian Universalist Church. \$10 donation.

Ongoing Stuff

"Janie's Fortune," a senior thesis production featuring theatre, music, and video opens THURSDAY FEBRUARY 22 at 8 P.M. and runs through the 24th. It's FREE and it's in the COM Building's experimental theatre. Masterminded by Sindi Somers, the show is not for babies or kids under 10. They won't let 'em in, really. call 867-6833.

The Olympia Film Society is going ultra mad crazy yo this month. "Shadow of the Vampire" starts FRIDAY FEBRUARY 23 at 8 P.M., and runs through March 2. I wanna see that yo. The fun doesn't stop there: double featuring with that movie I was just talking about is "Requiem for a Dream," which is about drugs or something. Yo. More movies, all the time!

Its only \$60 to go to conga drum class presented by Michael Olson of Obrador. Studio 321, N.E. Jefferson. Thursday March 1, 8, 15, and 22. 7-9 P.M. Call 786-8257 for reservations.

The Evergreen Queer Alliance is hiring two 9hr./wk. positions. Apps (available in CAB 320) are due FEBRUARY 23rd. Interviews will be on Feb. 27 at 5 P.M., or some other time if you set it up. Applicants must be available for 2001/2002.

The Men's Center is hiring. They meet Wednesdays to talk about men's issues. Paid, 4/hrs a week. Pick up apps from the S&A secretary on CAB 3rd floor. Call 867-6092.

Oscar Soule has tickets to the Mariner's Opening night. He's selling them for \$15. If ya wanna pay a little extra the money goes to TESC's Jackie Robinson Scholarship fund. Oscar is in LIB 1411.



Gingerbread by Dara

Making Eyes: life
if I could Kill You - I would
Joshua

making eyes: dont
i just dont like touching you
Joshua

making eyes: beautiful
you cannot tell who is screaming when you are in the other room.
Joshua

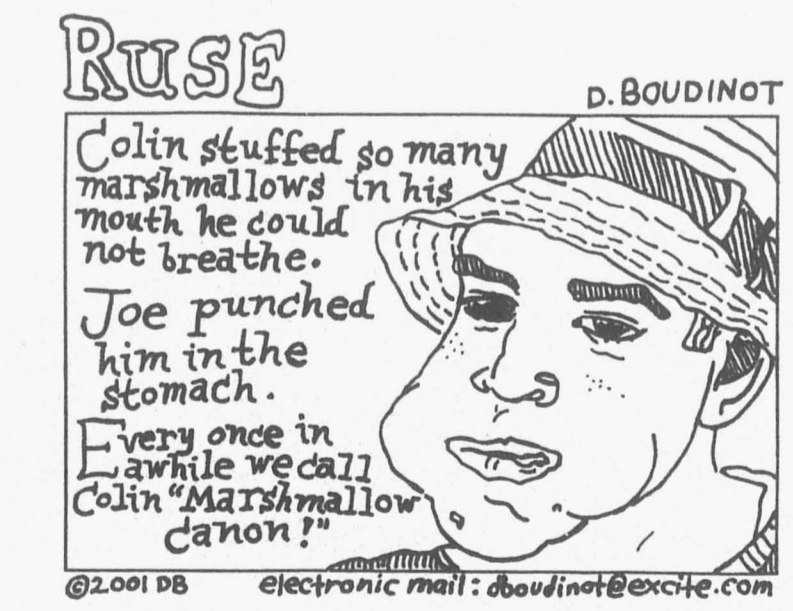
Making Eyes by Joshua Aaron Eberle



The Shape by Ryan Buck



By Nathan Smith



Ruse by David Boudinot

Student Group Directory*

Amnesty International
International human rights org. working to free prisoners of conscience, ensure fair trials, and promote justice.
Meeting times: 5 P.M. every Monday in CAB 310
More info: x6724

AFISH
Advocates For Improving Salmon Habitat welcomes all interested in environmental & salmon issues.
Meeting times: 4 P.M. Mondays in CAB 320
More info: CAB 320 or x6105

ASIA
Asian Students in Alliance welcomes everyone.
Meeting times: 1 P.M. every Wednesday in CAB 320
More info: Emiko Atherton, Miral Ghimire at 867-6033

Bike Shop
We are a volunteer operated, do-it-yourself bike shop.
Meeting times: Call or stop by; schedule is on door
More info: Ari or Jayro at 867-6399

Capoeira Angola
Meeting time: Thursday 6:30 P.M. in Lib 4300
More info: C.J. Hanekamp at 866-4811 or hanekamc@evergreen.edu

Common Bread
We are a Christian Community working for justice and peace.
Meeting times: 5 P.M. every Monday in CAB 110
More info: Julie Boleyn 943-9144

Evergreen Animal Rights Network
To promote the ethical treatment of animals.
Meeting times: 5:30 every

Tuesday in CAB 320
More info: Laurel and Tom 866-6000 ex.6555

Evergreen Dance Team
Meeting times: Wednesday, 2-4 P.M. in CRC 316 and Thursday 3:30-5 P.M. in CRC 116

Evergreen Investment Club
Meeting time: Thursday, 2:30 in CAB 315
More info: Andrew Bucher, Adam Smith-Kipnis, 786-9161

Evergreen Medieval Society
Students interested in recreating medieval martial arts, crafts, and performances.
Meeting times: 5:30 P.M. every Thursday in CAB 320
More info: medievalistsociety@mail.com 866-6000 or x6036

The Evergreen Swing Club
We teach East Coast Swing and Lindy Hop basics. We welcome beginners, and you don't need a partner!
Meeting times: Friday, 7 P.M. on the first floor of the library
More info: David, 866-8324; Kristina, 867-4939

Evergreen Queer Alliance
Meeting times: 5 P.M. Tuesday (Gen. interest) in CAB 314; 5 P.M. Wednesday (Film Fest planning)
More info: 867-6544
evergreen_queer_alliance@hotmail.com

Feminist Majority Leadership Alliance
We work towards the goal of having political, economic, and social equality for women.
Meeting times: 1 P.M. every Friday

More info: Whitney Bindreiff 888-2166 or x6636

Giant Robot Appreciation Society
Evergreen's Anime Club!
Screenings Friday, 8 P.M. at the Edge
More info: Ken Koontz squirefox@hotmail.com

MEChA
The Chicano student movement of Aztlan strives to create a space where members can educate themselves, inform others, and confront issues.
Meeting times: 2 P.M. every Wednesday
More info: x6143

The Middle East Resource Center
Meeting times: 4 P.M. Wednesdays in CAB 320 in office 15.
More info: 867-6033

Mindscreen
Free movies on campus
Group meetings 3:30 P.M. every Wednesday in CAB 320; Free movies every Wednesday at 5:30 P.M. in Lecture hall 1
More info: x6480

Slightly West Literary Magazine
We publish TESC's Literary Mag.
Meeting times: 2 P.M. Monday, 9 P.M. Thursday
More info: Patricia Kinney, Jen Levinson x6480

Umoja
An activities and support group for all students of African decent.
Meeting times: 1-3 P.M. on Feb. 21, March 14, April 4, 18, May 2, 16, 30
More info: Umoja office, x6781; Cossetta Stroud, (360) 455-0470; Loretta Bradley-Allen, (360) 352-9906

WashPIRG
We run environmental, social, and consumer campaigns.
Meeting times: 4 P.M. Wednesday in Lecture Hall rotunda
More info: Rebecca x6058 evergreen_washpirg@hotmail.com

The Wilderness Center
We run trips outside (rafting, rock climbing, hiking, snowshoeing) as well as skill workshops.
More info: Stop by CRC 208 or call x6533 for more information. For information about all Wilderness Center events, look on their board on the second floor of the CAB next to the deli inbetween the bathrooms

Women's Resource Center
A resource center that provides meetings, a library, events, and a drop-in center.
Meeting times: general meeting Monday, 3 P.M.; Zine meeting Monday 5 P.M.; Evergreen Literacy Foundation, Wednesday 3 P.M.
More info: x6160

*This list is not comprehensive. If you want your student group listed, drop off your information at the CPJ (CAB 316)