



One of several graffiti tags that appeared last Saturday night, located on the fourth floor of Seminar II

Photo by Charlie Daugherty

By Charlie Daugherty

Sometime between Saturday night of September 30 and Sunday morning, the Seminar II building was vandalized. There were eight to nine pieces of graffiti along the upper walkways of the fourth floor of the building.

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The graffiti contains images of what appear to be a Seattle skyline, a dinosaur, a stick figure on a mic, and a creature smoking a blunt, among other things. With these images are words and numbers including "Gasworks 06 till," "Steve + Gary," "Powerhog," and the number "206" scrawled over the cement walls. The number "206" is also the Seattle area code and might aid in the investigation.

Facilities will not be removing the graffiti due to the magnitude and time consuming nature of the clean up. Instead, a contracted cleaning crew will be hired to blast the paint off the cement walls. A technique similar to sand blasting will be used. In place of sand, safer materials are being considered, such as walnut shells or baking soda that are less harsh to the environment or while inhaling.

Baking soda or soda blasting seems to be the preferred choice for cleaning because it is not harmful when inhaled and doesn't etch glass said a possible contractor, Duane Miller, working for

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"Heated exchange" in housing: matter goes to grievance

By Calen Swift

At around two in the morning on Monday, October 2, housing staff and campus police arrived in the Soup to respond to a "heated exchange" between two women inside the building and at least two men outside the building, said Art Costantino, Vice President of Student Affairs.

The men allegedly "directed sexually explicit and derogatory statements" toward the women, said Costantino in an e-mail to the Evergreen community Monday.

According to the case report from police purpose of this investigation is to determine services, the men allegedly yelled, "Show whether any of the students involved [me] your titties," and one hiked up his violated Evergreen's Social Contract, and decide what, if any, reparations will follow. shirt in demonstration. Another comment Each person involved in the incident has referred the clothing of one of the women, who is not a student at Evergreen. She wore been assigned a case manager, in order to a hijab, a Muslim head covering, and was provide them with a source of information each offending student that explains the

told to "finish wrapping your head."

At one that afternoon, Art Costantino convened a meeting of the Bias Incident Team, a twelve-person committee whose purpose is to apply Evergreen's bias incident response protocol when a relevant incident occurs. It is possible that the Bias Incident Team will reconvene to further examine the incident if Costantino deems it necessary.

The incident went directly to the grievance office, where Andrea Seabert-Olsen, one of Evergreen's two grievance officers, is conducting an investigation. The

and support. According to Costantino, case managers are typically student affairs staff, including housing employees, and Student Academic Support Services staff (for example, academic advisors). Although one of the women in question is not a student, she was assigned a case manager who will support and assist her throughout this process.

In her investigation, Seabert-Olsen will be talking with all persons involved in the incident, including witnesses, housing staff, and anyone who wants to provide relevant information. Following the investigation, Seabert-Olsen will report her findings to the students involved, and work with them to decide upon appropriate reparations.

If such negotiation proves impossible, Seabert-Olsen will write a letter to investigation's findings, and informs the student of reparations that need to be made. That student may accept the terms of the letter, or appeal to a hearing board, which will both hear the student's argument and review the grievance officer's recommendation in order to make a final decision.

Seabert-Olsen hopes that the investigation will be completed by Monday, October 9. The students in question may or may not need to make reparations. If they do, the matter will be closed when those actions have been taken.

Swift is a junior enrolled in Memory of Fire. Please contact her with feedback at swical13@evergreen.edu.

New exhibition opens up on campus

By Lisa Hubert

Last Friday, the Evergreen Gallery opened its doors to the art of Louise Williams. Many present were friends and relatives of the late artist, an inspiring woman who spent many difficult years creating a collection of vibrant,

sometimes disconcerting, and always impressive works. Her passion was described by Kathy, a relative, as having been "amazing".

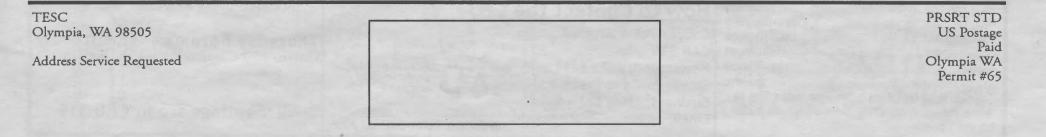
Kathy is an artist herself, and said that she couldn't imagine having gone through cancer while still giving so much to the world in the form of art.

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CORRECTIONS

 Last week we misspelled the following names: Andrew Olmsted, Victor Ali and Merran Owen.

- Lisa Hubert contributed to Victor Ali's article.
- Erin Rashbaum, not Charlie Daugherty contributed to Vox Pop.



COOPER POINT JOURNAL OCTOBER 5, 2006 Evergreen Queer Alliance provides safe space and supportive community

By Chelsea Whitaker

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The Evergreen Queer Alliance (EQA) is one of the many student groups on campus. It has been around since 1973, though it has gone through a number of different names. In that time the group has served as a resource for students, a supportive community, and a great place to meet people. The EQA is dedicated to providing a space for lesbians, gays, bisexuals, pansexuals, intersexuals, transgenders, transsexuals, genderqueers, all other sexual and gender minorities, family, friends and allies.

The EQA has an office in the Student Activities area of the CAB building on the third floor (CAB 314). We have a variety of resources and information available for students to take. We also have a large selection of queer-related books, fiction and non-fiction, available for people to check out. The office is also a place for people to hang out and feel comfortable. The current co-coordinators are Kit Crosland and Chelsea Whitaker. The coordinators have weekly office hours where we will be available to chat or answer questions. Feel free to drop by!

The EQA holds meetings every Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in Sem II D3107. At our meetings we plan upcoming events, brainstorm what activities the club would like to plan, and discuss topics around the queer community at Evergreen. We also have Discussion Group meetings every Wednesday at 2:30 p.m. in our office. The topics for discussion

groups vary and are based on the interest of active participants.

One of our many goals is education and raising awareness. We also understand that asking questions about sexuality and gender and the issues involved with them can often be awkward, and for this reason we have set up the Anonymous Questions system. There is a can outside our office for anyone to submit a question anonymously, and we will answer it on our website. .

Our website is a work in progress, but provides a number of resources as well as information about the club. You can check it out at http:// academic.evergreen.edu/groups/eqa. We also have communities on Facebook, Myspace, and Livejournal, and can be reached by e-mail at eqa@ evergreen.edu.

The EQA is interested in fostering a safe and welcoming environment for all, regardless of your sexual orientation and/or gender identity. This also means that we encourage straight allies to join. We have a number of exciting events planned for this year, and we are looking forward to working as a club to make a difference in the Evergreen community. We also look forward to seeing you at our meetings.

Whitaker is a senior enrolled in Political Economy & Social Movements.

28th Annual Harvest Fest this Saturday

By Carlin Briner

Staff

Business

The 28th Annual Harvest Fest is next Saturday, October 7, from 2:00 - 6:00 p.m. at the Evergreen Organic Farm. This longstanding Evergreen tradition is a celebration of the arduous but fruitful work our community gardeners' and organic farmers have put into their plots and the farm all season. It is also a time to begin preparing for next season, with activities such as a seed exchange as well as a good time to get information about all of the farm's programs.

The musical headliner at this year's Harvest Fest is 'The Tune Stranglers,' performing at 4:00 p.m. There will be fresh apple cider pressing throughout the afternoon as well as arts and crafts and games, such as the old favorite sack races. Farm and garden tours will be given throughout the afternoon.

The Harvest Fest is sponsored by the student group Community Gardens. Community Gardens provides students, faculty and community members with 12 ft.

by 12 ft. garden plots at the Evergreen farm March 1 -October 15. Community Gardens prepares the beds and provides tools and hoses as well as some gardening support throughout the season. There are some communal herb and vegetable beds and next season we will have berries! Plot requests are accepted after February 1.

So please, leave your pets at home (as a courtesy to our chickens and ducks), bring your friends and family and some of your favorite seeds and join us at the Harvest Fest Saturday October 6 from 2:00 -6:00 p.m.

For more information please call (360) 867-6145 or e-mail carlinbee@riseup.net.

Briner is a sophomore enrolled in Sustainable Design.



"In Plato's Footsteps" Morgan Chambers, senior Working on a film project

"Rocking Would be the Balls of It" Joel Morley, sophomre Postmodernity and Postmodernism



Meetings

Our meetings are open to the Evergreen community. Please come and discuss with us!

Paper Critique 4 p.m. Monday Comment on that week's paper. Air comments,

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STUDENT VOICE



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program was created, what would it be

called?





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Memory of Fire

"So, You Want to Overthrow the Government?" Greg Saunders, first-year Masters in Teaching



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concerns, questions, etc. If something in the CPJ bothers you, this is the meeting for you!

Student Group Meeting 5 p.m. Monday

Find out what it means to be a member of the student group CPJ. Practice consensus-based decision making.

Content Meeting 5:30 p.m. Monday Help discuss future content, story ideas, Vox Populi questions and possible long term reporting projects.

Content Forum 12:30 p.m. Wednesday Lecture and seminar related to journalism and issues surrounding CPJ content.

Thursday Forum 4 p.m. Thursday Discuss ethics, journalism law and conflict resolution.

All meetings are in CAB 316.

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Coalition Against Sexual Violence Starting Now

CASV has been a backbone for survivors and allies of survivors of sexual violence and creating a safe, respectful and confidential space for all involved. We have organized events such as the Clothesline Project, Silent Witness Project, self-defense workshops, community discussions,and the ever-present Take Back The Night. The group also works closely with the Office of Sexual Assault Prevention, Men Against Sexual Violence and VOX. It would be beyond amazing to have some new people get involved and contribute. Weekly meetings are Thursdays at 3:30 p.m. in Sem II E2109. For more information on the group and how to get involved, contact Katherine at (503) 891-4725, walkat19@evergreen.edu.

Consensual Sex with Free Ice Cream

The newly forming Men Against Sexual Violence (MASV) will be holding a free ice cream social on Wednesday, October 11 at 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. in the HCC. Come mingle, live it up and bring your fresh new ideas as we come together to find some positive community solutions to multiple effects of male socialization. MASV is dedicated to creating a safe and confidential place to discuss men's roles and responsibilities in addressing sexual violence, harassment, assault and domestic violence within the community through self-education and promoting awareness and support. Representatives from the Office of Sexual Assault Prevention and the Coalition Against Sexual Violence will be available to discuss the impact of "Red Zone" in the Evergreen community at large and available support services. For more information on the group and how to get involved, contact Daniel at (360) 239-2929, truetetsujin@yahoo.com.

Foreign Exchange Students Seeking Conversation Partners

Are you interested in working with foreign students? Do you want to practice your Korean, Japanese, Chinese or Spanish in exchange for

time practicing English? Do you need volunteer time for your program or contract? We at the EF International School of English have foreign students who would like to practice English with a native speaker. No special qualifications are necessary. All you need is a willingness to spend an hour or two a week chatting with interesting people who want to learn about you and your culture. If you think you would enjoy our Conversation Partner Program, or if you have any questions about it, contact Rhonda James at jamesr@evergreen.edu, or drop by Seminar 4152 and pick up a blue "Information for Native Speakers" form from the rack outside the door.

Register To Vote By Friday with WashPIRG

The deadline for voter registration is quickly approaching. Find a friendly WashPIRG activist with those clipboards full of voter forms before Friday night to register to vote! The official deadline to register to vote is 30 days before an election, or 15 days before if you register in person at the local county elections office. All you need to do is fill out the form, show some identification, and you're all set. Registering is quick and easy, and with our civil rights in ever-increasing jeopardy, now is the time to make the politicians listen to us!

Lifeguards Needed

The aquatics program is still seeking more lifeguards. If you know anyone who is currently certified and interested in working please have them come by the College Recreation Center (CRC 210) and fill out an application and disclosure form. These positions are open to students and non-students. Evergreen students will however have priority.

Calling Evergreen Students Interested in Education and Action

The TESC Center for Community Based Learning is looking for nine students to fill work-study positions at four Olympia Title 1 Elementary Schools and one after school program. If you are interested in working in opportunity to learn skills, make contacts in the education field and connect to young people who need support in learning. Use work-study time to make a difference for children in high poverty schools. Contact Ellen Shortt Sanchez at 867-6859 or shorttse@evergreen.edu.

If You Carrot at All, Beet the System and Squash the State

The Environmental Resource Center and Evergreen Political Info Center presents "Local, Sustainable Food for All!" with Anna Lappe on Thursday, October 12 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in Lecture Hall 1. Anna Lappe is the coauthor of "Hope's Edge: The New Diet for a Small Planet" with Francis Moore Lappe and "GRUB: Ideas for an Urban Organic Kitchen" with Bryant Terry. She is a national bestselling author and public speaker on food politics, sustainable agriculture, globalization and social change.

"OCT5" Demonstrations Planned, Focus on Messages of Anti-War Sentiments

In The Name of Love productions, under the blanket banner of "The World Can't Wait," is planning a nation-wide solidarity strike, walkout, and protest that means no work and no school starting at 10 a.m. on October 5 and continuing all night at the Capitol Building. Join the mass demonstrations across the country and march through the streets, saying to the world: "This regime does not represent us and we will not stop until we drive it out!" There will be 1000 orange rain ponchos with "IMPEACH" and "BUSH OUT NOW" to be given away to the first 1000 people. The plans are all just starting to form. Come on down to 425 Franklin Street, downtown Olympia, on Sunday, October 1 at 3:00 p.m. for a final planning. Contact worldwideprotest@yahoo.com and by phone at (206) 257-8219. In addition there are currently weekly meetings on State Capitol steps on Sundays at 2:00 p.m. The meeting moves 10 blocks away starting at 2:30 p.m. At 425 Franklin Street, next door to Capitol Theatre are meetings from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. Demonstrators are encouraged

the war, orange in support of our bill of rights and our constitution, and yellow to stand out for human and civil rights. Joint demonstrations will be in Seattle at the University of Washington, in the neighborhood of Capitol Hill, and the district of Downtown. Contact seattle@worldcantwait.org and by phone at (206) 322-3813.

Local Record Label Sponsoring Free EP Release Party

Spider and the Webs are proud to announce their first EP release on K Records with a free record release party. Refreshments will be provided at no charge. After the show each member of the band will perform a DJ set. This event is Tuesday, October 10 at The Art House, 420 5th Ave in Olympia, at 9 p.m. and is free.

S & A Positions Available

If you're looking for a way to get involved at Evergreen, play a decisive role in the life of student activities, and make some extra money every quarter, look no further! The S&A Board is hiring for the year and applications are due this Friday.

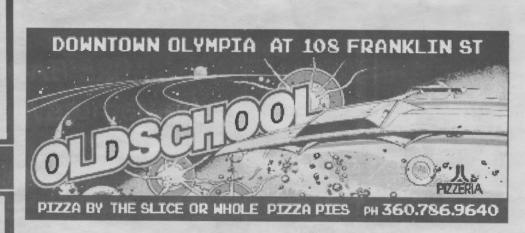
Many students are not aware that the fate of their student fees is decided by a small group of dedicated students every year, the S&A Board. Most colleges allow little or no direct student involvement in distributing student fees, but at Evergreen nine students make the decisions and it's all done by consensus, not by voting.

The Student Activities fee is the \$158 every full-time Evergreen student pays each quarter. All the student groups like Şynergy and the Women's Center depend on these funds, as do college athletics, the Children's Center, KAOS Radio and the Cooper Point Journal.

The S&A Board is an opportunity to really know what's happening on campus, to gain experience in consensus decision-making, and to get involved where it really counts. It also looks really good on a resume. Board members will receive a \$300 stipend every quarter.

For an application stop by the front desk at Student Activities, CAB 320. Applications are due Friday and interviews begin next week.

education, public schools or after- to wear green for WCW/drive out the school programs, this is a great Bush regime, red to stand out against



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Student Health Center Offers Affordable Vaccinations

By Sara Higgins

Immunizations artificially induce an immune system response against specific infectious diseases. When the human immune system is exposed to a disease once, it can develop the ability to quickly respond to a subsequent infection. The practice of immunization has been around for centuries. Medicinal practices of India, the Ottoman Empire and east Africa used open sore and pus inoculations.

Today, each state attempts to reduce the spread of communicable diseases by issuing immunization requirements for school attendance. Here at TESC, a policy was implemented regarding proof of measles immunity for all new undergraduate or graduate students born on or after January 1, 1957. The decision to take steps to protect the campus community occurred in the wake of measles outbreaks on campuses across the country and locally. In 1995, there was an outbreak at Western Washington University in Bellingham involving 13 students and the campus was closed to non- or under-immunized students for several weeks. A smaller, but similar, outbreak occurred in 1996 in Vancouver, WA at Clark College where two students were diagnosed with measles and measures were taken to prevent its spread on campus which included closing the campus to susceptible individuals. It is a standard at many colleges, graduate schools and professional schools to require that all students be up to date on their immunizations to avoid disease outbreaks and campus closure to susceptibility.

In compliance with TESC Measles Immunization Policy all students must provide a copy of their medical or immunization record showing two doses of the Measles vaccine, usually administered as the "MMR vaccine". The doses must have been given after January 1, 1968, given at least 30 days apart, and on or after 12 months of age. If a student does not have proof of measles immunity, they have three options to avoid a hold on their registration status:

- Receive the MMR immunization (1)
- (2) Have a blood test to prove immunity

(3) Sign a waiver acknowledging that if an outbreak occurs they will be required to leave campus for at least two weeks, running the risk of missing class and losing credit.

Though it is not required yet, the Meningococcal vaccine is strongly advised for freshmen residing in dorms since crowded living situations and proximity to a person diagnosed with disease (e.g., being a household contact) increases one's risk of disease. Meningococcal disease is contagious and progresses very

rapidly. The bacteria are spread person-toperson through the air by respiratory droplets (e.g., coughing, sneezing). The bacteria also can be transmitted through direct contact with an infected person, such as oral contact with shared items like cigarettes or drinking glasses, and through kissing.

Dependant on your exposure risks, employment and travel requirements you may want to check out the other immunizations available to you at The Student Health Care Center. If you are 19 years old and up you can receive the following vaccines at these affordable prices after paying your Student Health Center Fee (which you already paid with your tuition if you are a full time student):

Hepatitis A

\$30.00 per injection (series of 2) Hepatitis **B** \$35.00 per injection (series of 3) Meningococcal \$85.00 per injection MMR \$45.00 per injection (series of 2) Polio (IPV) \$40.00 per injection TDaP (Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis) \$45.00 per injection

If you are a TESC student 18 years of age or younger you may be eligible to receive your Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B, MMR, TDAP and Meningococcal vaccine free of charge. For further details call the Student Health Center at (360) 867-6200.

In general, it is always better to be knowledgeable about the potential communicable diseases lurking out there and the proactive steps you can take to avoid them. If you want to learn more about how immunizations can help improve your health and the health of those around you make an appointment at the Student Health Center and check out the following web links:

TESC Student Health Center: http://www. evergreen.edu/health/health/immunization. htm

The CDC's National Immunization Program: http://www.cdc.gov/nip/default.htm

The World Health Organization: http://www. who.int/vaccine research/en/

The Immunization Action Coalition: http:// www.immunize.org/

The State of Washington Dept of Health immunization program: http://www.doh. wa.gov/cfh/Immunize/adult immunization. htm

Higgins is a fourth year student enrolled in Molecule to Organism. She is also a graduate medical assistant and the Peer Health Coordinator at the Student Health Center.



THE EVERGREEN STATE COLLEGE

Police Reports

Case Number 06-1717 9/20/06 at 0015 hours

A group of students approached an officer on duty and asked him if he new how to cure the hiccups. The officer kindly responded that he did and observed that the students appeared intoxicated. The officer inquired about one student's age and he responded "I'm thirty-four." Upon inspection of the students I.D. the student turned out to be under twentyone. The officer proceeded to pat the student down and retrieved a knife and a sandwich bag containing two white pills. When seeing the bag the student proclaimed "Oh shit! Oh shit! That's Vicadin!" and admitted thathedidnothaveaprescription. The student was not detained further and the pills were sent to the crime lab for identification.

Case Number 06-1684 09/16/06 at 2046 hours

NFWS

An officer was dispatched to investigate a complaint that someone was shooting fireworks out of A dorm. The officer encountered three males and was informed by an RA that an additional student had been present. The RA informed the officer that the same student was responsible for damaging property the night before. The officer went to the students Dorm and knocked. The student's opened the door and greeted the officer by yelling "What the fuck do you want?" The student appeared to be intoxicated and the officer issued the student a trespassing citation. The student refused to sign the citation, insisting that he had not done anything wrong.

Ongoing crime tally!

Since bikes can be stolen in parts (for example stealing a front wheel or seat) there will be arbitrary fractions based on the their approximate mass ratio compared to the total bike. What crimes would you like to see tallied? E-mail us at cpj@evergreen.edu and we'll take your preferences under serious consideration.

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Blotter compiled by Tori Needer, photo by Aaron Bietz



Clean Engery Committee Application Now Available

Pick Up an Application in the Student Activities Office, CAB 320

Four Student Positions Open on the Committee 1. Coordinator 2. Administrative Liaison 3. Technology Research 4. Community Outreach

DEADLINE: Friday, October 13th, 2006

For More Information Call 867-6220 Or Go To http://academic.evergreen.edu/groups/greenfut/cleanenergy.htm

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Students contribute to local community

By Lindsay Feuer

NEWS-

Despite the rain and cold this year, on Wednesday, September 20 about 75 students came out to do volunteer work to benefit the larger community, as part of the annual Community to Community Day (C2C), part of Evergreen's Orientation Week. The students gathered on the main square of The Evergreen State College and divided into groups that were transported in college vans to three

project sites in the Olympia area. C2C is planned by the Center for Community-Based Learning & Action (CCBLA), which opened its doors at Evergreen in September 2004. The CCBLA "... supports the partnership of academic programs, students, faculty, and staff with community members and organizations to address mutually agreed upon community needs as a means to enhance and strengthen students learning," according to their Mission Statement. The Center planned the projects for C2C this year in partnership with two organizations that address issues of poverty and the sustainable use of resources in the Olympia area; Habitat for Humanity, which builds homes for low-income families, and The Gleaners Coalition, whose mission is to "gather surplus food from local farms and gardens and distribute it to the low- and no-income members of our community." The students who participated in Community to Community Day chose from three project sites in the Olympia area: the garden at Lincoln Elementary School, Habitat for Humanity's new Fairview Housing Community, and Helsing Junction Farm.

Lincoln Elementary is an alternative school located near the Capitol Campus in downtown Olympia. They have a large organic teaching garden, which includes a chicken coop, herb garden, vegetables, and a greenhouse. At this site there were 14 Evergreen students, seven visiting students from Japan, as well as several faculty and staff members. Led by the garden coordinators Karen Ray and Sue Martin at Lincoln, they pruned raspberry bushes, dug and cleaned

potatoes, weeded the garden beds, and did other maintenance work around the garden. Some of the Evergreen students went into classrooms and brought small groups of 3-5 children out to help in their areas of the garden. Victoria Neeler, an Evergreen student who helped in the Lincoln School's garden that day said, "It was a really great experience and a good way to get to know the community better... I really enjoyed working with the kids."



Photo courtesy of Lindsay Feuer

Evergreen students, visiting Japanese students and students of Lincoln Elementary worked together in their school garden on C2C Day.

According Jerry to Fugich, Construction Supervisor at Habitat for Humanity's Fairview Housing Community, Evergreen students and faculty in the Eco-design Program of 2003 designed the homes. He also spoke about the variety of sustainability features incorporated into the construction of the community. Many of the students who helped at this site are either residents of the Sustainability House at Evergreen or are enrolled in the Sustainable Building class this year. The 14 students, who came to this site in a van and an additional carload, had the opportunity to help with some of the final touches, as these homes are now nearing completion. Directed by Jerry Fugich from Habitat for Humanity, who is an Evergreen alumnus, the students worked on siding, doorframes and adding vents to the houses. At the end of the day Fugich noted that, "Evergreen's continued concern about community issues is made evident by the hard work they displayed on the Habitat site."

About 40 students worked with the Gleaners Coalition at Helsing Junction

Farm in Rochester. Helsing Junction is a 35-acre organic farm in the Independence Valley producing a well-known CSA. The farm is run by Evergreen Alumni and regularly donates 100 feet of every row to the Gleaners. The students who went to this site worked diligently and harvested over 1800 pounds of organic vegetables. These were donated to the food banks of Olympia and Rochester as well as Safe Place, Bread and Roses and Food Not Bombs. Xandra Kiersky,

an Evergreen student who participated at Helsing Junction "There's Farm, commented, nothing like picking food and eating it right away. Wasted food is one thing that bothers me most; I'm glad that I can keep food from being wasted and put it to good use."

Community to Community Day this year was another step in Evergreen's longstanding tradition of community-based service learning. This day of action was an important gesture that expressed the intentions of the Evergreen community and

the dedication to continued involvement in our larger community. The report of the DTF (Disappearing Task Force) that instituted the CCBLA states that, "...it is important to develop, nurture, and sustain broad and deep relationships with the community. Our constantly changing curriculum poses special problems to the continuity of our efforts in community-based learning, problems the DTF believes a center can successfully address." The Center for Community-Based Learning and Action is a service center on campus that assists students, staff, and faculty in connecting to offcampus organizations and agencies that provide service-learning opportunities. This volunteer work may be integrated into an academic program or done by individual students who wish to gain some real life experiences in their field of study or interest.

Feuer is the Student Involvement Coordinator at the Center for Community-Based Learning and Action and an Americorps member.

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Servpro. There is no word as to whether the cost or choice of contractor has been decided yet. The current act of vandalism marks the second large-scale graffiti incident of this calendar year.

On the May 2, graffiti lining the top of Seminar II E and D buildings was discovered. The total cost of removal came to a total exceeding \$10,000, requiring special equipment such as harness and restraints.

The vandals involved with the crime were all arrested, brought in on an anonymous tip. Altogether there were four members involved in the graffiti, three students and one vagrant. The students, Tim McConnell, Dylan Ward and Alan Prokuski, all faced felony charges and are currently performing community service. Stephen Plachta, the forth member has yet to go on trial, with a court date later this month.



Photo by Charlie Daugherty

As for the current graffiti, Director of Police Services Ed Soger hopes students with information will come forward. He says, "I am looking for students to take some ownership."

A hot line called Crime Stoppers will be offering a \$300 reward for any anonymous tipster who can give information on the people involved with the current vandalism to the fourth floor of Seminar II. This same hotline was used in catching the four members involved in the May graffiti incident. This hotline is coordinated by the Director of Police Services, Ed Sorger, who has promised the reward. You can reach this hotline at (360) 493-2222.

Charlie Daugherty is a sophomore enrolled in Images of Women: Changes in Japanese Literature

THINK GLOBALLY SHOP LOCALLY

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The bike parade: An Olympia experience

By Gary Russo

There I was, a little late for the 5 p.m. start time for last Friday's bike parade wondering where everybody was, but thinking "that proves its disorganization." I was standing on the edge of the library side of Red Square talking with a friend and some comrade bike riders when suddenly it seemed that numberless twowheeled gnomes began floating up the stairs and emerging from the car cracks in the red bricks.

Within moments the pregnant circumlocution began in the square portending the beginning of the uppity ride to come. With yips and the "dring, dring" of the baby bells, the riders moved en masse out of the square through McCann Plaza into the roundabout. Without circling it the bare tires of the two-wheelers headed out Evergreen Parkway with some daring riders risking catastrophe in the two-way turn lane, coming close to the oncoming heavy masses of moving metal. Behind thent, the creeping four-wheelers were strung out on the ribbon of asphalt and did not dare pass the 50-yard long line of laughing lightweights.

Not long into the ride, a zig-zagging rider on a yellow bike zigged when he should have zagged and toppled over in a one bike crash but quickly recovered, determined not to do that again. Another biker may have bumped a turning wheel in front of him and crumpled to the hard road but popped up.

Soon the swatch of movement in the cool clear evening glow entered Division Street, heading to parts known and unknown to all but a few. The chant of words ending in "ation" began at some point but the only words that I caught were "celebration" and "masturbation." I think almost everybody wanted to say something dirty for its own sake, so it was "masturbation" in public. The consorts stopped at the vacant lot at the corner of Harrison and Division and

somebody collected email addresses ("for the cops") but as quickly as it stopped, the rolling amoebic presence suddenly funneled onto Harrison through a lull in the traffic and headed downtown! Next stop: The squirt fountain.

The assemblage assembled in the parking lot across from it, posed for pictures when abruptly the call went out from anonymous voices: "To the well!" "To the well?" I thought. Oh, yeah, that corroded pipe sticking out of the parking lot with the sight that says: "Drink at your own risk." At that stop, there was much primping and admiring of the most beautiful bikes, like the nice lines of the women's homemade soft green one with the high rise handle bars and the large shiny empty metal baskets, the long slender one with the skate board rack on the back, and the unforgettable low riding motorcyclestyled two-wheeler with flames on the fake gas tank.

Then, it was out the marina road to the tall closed chain link gates and the empty watch shack. I saw the third fall of the ride on this leg as a rider didn't take the railroad tracks at a right angle and toppled over as she trapped her front wheel in the crevice. She got up quickly a little shocked at the suddenness of it. The cries of "To the capitol!" soon echoed off the chain link fence, like the group was an army preparing to take Moscow, and the movement began anew.

I dropped out and lost track of them as they crossed fourth avenue heading toward the capitol dome, shrank into it and became a memory of a good day.

Russo is a fourth year student studying art.

New mothers at risk for domestic violence

By Timia Olsen

For many, pregnancy is a time of joy, beauty and wonder. For some, it is also a time of concern and worry. Women are particularly vulnerable to domestic violence during pregnancy and right after the child is born.

In the United States, about 324,000 pregnant women experience domestic violence by their intimate partners per year (*Maternal and Child Health Journal*, 2000). Some research has shown that 50-80 percent of adolescent mothers will experience intimate partner violence be-

jury or death.

Other contributing factors that are potentially harmful for both the mother and baby include increased drug and alcohol use and suicide attempts. Indirectly, the fetus may be harmed by a lack of prenatal care, often because the partner is preventing the mother from seeking it (*British Medical Journal*, 1997).

Recently, work has been done to educate practitioners on issues surrounding domestic violence and effects on pregnancy. Included in their education is how to screen for indications of domestic and sexual violence, to reduce judgmental re-

Available resources on Evergreen's campus include the Office of Sexual Assault Prevention (OSAP), the Health Center and the Counseling Center.

On Thursday, October 19th from 5:30-7:30 OSAP will be hosting an event, open to men, with Even Hasting: The Mask and Masculinity. Call 867-5221 to pre-register and for location details.

fore, during, and/or immediately following the birth.

Studies show that 26 percent of new mothers between the ages of 13 and 17 experience domestic and/or sexual violence by an intimate partner within the first three months after giving birth (*Maternal and Child Health Journal*, 2000), as well as experiencing sabotage in the use of birth control by means of their partner. With this comes emotional stress on the mother and the fetus.

Domestic violence impacts the mother and family, including the unborn baby. During pregnancy and the postpartum period, domestic violence is one of the leading causes, at 31 percent, of maternal injury deaths.

Women who experience violence in their homes also have increased rates of complications during their pregnancy. Some of these include: anemia, infections, miscarriage, low birth weight, premature birth, first and second trimester bleeding, chorioamnionitis, and fetal insponses to offer a safer environment for the mother so she does not feel isolated, and for healthcare practitioners to establish clinical practices that will enhance the safety of their client- mothers and their unborn children.

Many of these women, some utilizing outside support, have gone on to lead safe and healthy lives by finding the strength to leave their previous environment.

They have created a safe and empowering environment for themselves and their children and are working to educate their children and others to be aware of and support an environment free of domestic violence.

Olsen is an alum and Student Educator Coordinator for the Office of Sexual Assault Prevention. She will be departing for Guam in the near future to work with individuals around family planning, pregnancy, childbirth and postpartum issues.

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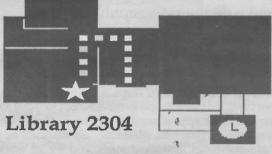


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Brian Baird: An interview with our Third Congressional

Washingtonian Brian Baird discusses hot topics and his Congressional career

Interview by Drew Vance

Brian Baird practiced and taught psychology most of his career. He was elected to the congress in 1998, after losing in 1996. This interview took place on September 13, 2006 in his Washington D.C. office.

Drew Vance: So why did you run for congress?

Brian Baird: I forgot my medication. [laughs]

DV: [laughs]

BB: The real answer is, it's all about public service for me. I was working in the mental health field to try and make a difference in people's lives. Teaching was much the same, and I've always felt that the best form of public service is through elected office, is about serving the people you're elected to serve. That's the premise of the Constitution and the Declaration.

DV: So do you think that you have made a difference then?

BB: Oh yeah, in many ways. It starts at just the basic level with individuals who needed help with things like social security or Medicare, or a host of other things. There are bigger items, and it's not just legislation.

Sometimes it's bringing people together, to try to make things work better, making the permitting process work better, or resolving a difference between groups that may be clashing and you can use your good graces to try and try to help move things forward in a more constructive way. But then legislatively, you know, you look for an example in the last two years, Washington residents have saved over \$500 million, each year, on their tax returns because of legislation I wrote and moved. And that's about fairness, it's about making Washington residents' treatment of our state taxes equal to the treatment of taxes in other states.

DV: Where they have a state income tax?

BB: Yeah, well you figure if you can put \$500 million in people's pockets, that helps their kids' education, their healthcare, helps them afford a home maybe.

I founded the national parks caucus, created the newest national park in the United States in our district. Led the fight in congress against methamphetamine, and as a result of that—a number of counties in our district are part of the high intensity drug trafficking area—the federal budget for combating meth has increased substantially, we blocked cuts proposed by the administration, and we are leading the fight to get an international conference to stop the supply of precursors.

I've intervened in a host of other areas like invasive species, which are the second leading cause of habitat loss in the country—we're helping to protect Willapa Bay that way. So throughout the district if you look literally town by town, county by county, we can list a host of things that I, my staff, and others have been able to accomplish that I think have made a real difference.

DV: What are your goals if the Democrats win control of the house?

BB: Well, we face some very daunting challenges ahead in our country. I'm gravely concerned about the projected increases in the budget deficit in the coming years. In fact, as a student issue, that debt is going to be borne by our kids, if we keep racking it up, and I think we really need to look very seriously at the budget deficit situation, and that entails also looking at entitlement programs, it entails looking at health care costs, not only for seniors but for all people in the country.

I believe we've got to have a responsible energy policy. There's no excuse for the United States not leading the world in renewable and responsible energy technologies and we're far from that right now.

> 66 Whether or not one agrees with this conflict, which I don't, I am 100 percent committed to supporting these soldiers and their families. It takes a tremendous amount of courage, and enormous sacrifices, not just the sacrifice of lives or limbs, the sacrifice of being away from their families.

DV: What if the democrats don't win the house?

BB: I've never been in the majority, I've always done what I've been able to do from the position of a minority member, and that included passing the sales tax, creating the meth caucus, creating the national parks caucus.

Around the room are a few pieces of legislation signed into law that I had a hand in, and that's very uncommon for a relatively junior member in the minority party. You've got to be able to work across party lines, and some people see that as heresy but I think it's necessary to get the job done.

DV: If you could pass a piece of legislation tomorrow what would it be?

BB: Well, realistically if I could pass a piece of legislation tomorrow it would be restoring sales tax deductibility. In terms of what's moving right now that is most urgent, because that expired last year, that may not sound idealistic but it's the realistic, practical, on the ground.

What we're trying to do right now, we're trying to get that thing extended. Again it's \$500 million to our state, that's a billion over 2 years. Us politicians, we'll crow about bringing an appropriation back home for a few hundred thousand dollars, \$500 million, that's a fair bit of money, and it goes right into the pockets of taxpayers. So in the short term, realistic politics, that's the one I would pass right now.

After that, I would pass two pieces of legislation. My 72 hour rule, which requires all legislation, except intel or emergency bills, be brought up with 72 hours to read for the public and the members of congress, and the reason I focus on that is that I think that would dramatically change a lot of thing that happen here, because people will have time to study it, people, not just congress but the public and newspapers. So I think that would transform the congress in some constructive way.

I think I would also try to pass some of my work on the continuity of congress, because that's the kind of thing that easily takes a back seat but if one day it happens that the congress is wiped out by a terrorist strike, the current statuation is basically to refer to martial law probably by an unelected individual from the cabinet and I think that's a dangerous place to lead a democratic republic.

Selected Voting Record of Brian Baird

October 10, 2002: Use of Military force against Iraq

A vote to adopt a joint resolution authorizing the use of United States Armed Forces against Iraq. Vote: No

March 07, 2006 U. S. A. Patriot and Terrorism Prevention Reauthorization Act

Extends the authority of the federal bureau of intelligence to conduct "roving wire taps" and accesses certain business records through December 2009. Also makes remaining provisions of PATRIOT Act permanent Vote: No

July 18, 2006

Same-Sex Marriage Resolution

A vote to pass a joint resolution to pass a constitutional amendment providing that marriage in the United States consists of the union of a man and a woman. Vote: No

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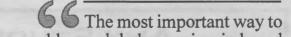
and now it's part of the extenders package, we're not fighting to get it in the extenders package it's in there, we just get the broader package passed.

That's really remarkable, to have something that's off the table, and partly it's because I came up with a creative way to do it that minimized the budget impact overall but restored fairness for our particular states. That difference was very helpful in getting the thing passed.

Bairds communications secretary: I think you're running a little late, we can take one more question.

DV: What would you say to a kid leaving for Iraq?

BB: [silence]...Well, I think the most important thing is to let the men and women who are serving in Iraq and Afghanistan know that we support them as people, we support them as soldiers, we will do our best to make sure they have all the equipment they need to perform their jobs





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DV: What have you done to represent the interests of Evergreen students?

BB: I think in a number of ways. First of all, I've had a number of town hall [meetings] in the greater Olympia area; I've been out to campus a number of times. The students are interested in Evergreen, obviously all students in the country are interested in student loans, and we've worked to try to fight cuts in the student loan program, to increase the amount of Pell grants. On a number of international issues I think Evergreen

On a number of international issues I think Evergreen students would probably, by and large, support my opposition to the war. So I think in general, on issues related directly to students, I've supported better access to funding. DV: So what has been the biggest disappointment in your congressional career?

BB: I think it's the inability to pass the continuity legislation, and not just the inability to do it, the manner in which it was defeated, and what I consider to be extraordinarily illogical and unjustified arguments against it. And underhanded tactics employed by the majority party, and the fact that in the process we have left the country vulnerable to martial law, I think that's a grave mistake. So that's been a substantial disappointment.

DV: And your greatest accomplishment?

BB: Probably the sales tax deductibility. It affects so many people and with such magnitude and frankly the reality of that is that sales tax deductibility was lost in 86, and for the better part of 18 years it laid dormant and nobody picked it up, and I recognized that we ought to fix it and came in and people said, "There's no way you're going to get that done, from the minority party, and as a relatively new member", and I built a coalition, we worked diligently and did some strategic efforts that were quite creative and quite successful, address global warming is broad based responsible energy policy that reduces consumption of fossil fuels and moves us to towards alternative energy sources.

in a safe and effective way. We will do our best to take care of them when they come home and their families while they are away, and they will make us proud by their service over there.

Whether or not one agrees with this conflict, which I don't, I am 100 percent committed to supporting these soldiers and their families. It takes a tremendous amount of courage, and enormous sacrifices, not just the sacrifice of lives or limbs, the sacrifice of being away from their families.

I've got two 18-month-old boys and I hate being away from them for ten days, which this job requires from time to time. Some of these folks are required to leave their families for two years. They don't see their kids get born, they don't see them for their first year of life, we need to respect and honor that and support these people as individuals and I wholeheartedly do.

And I would say we're with you, we appreciate what you are doing, make us proud, come home safe.

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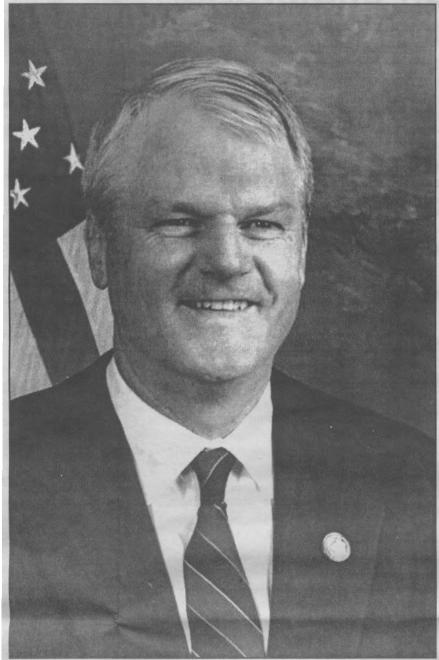


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Brian Baird (D) is running for re-election in Washington's 3rd district.

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[At this point, assuming the interview was over, I thanked

Baird, shook his hand, and his press secretary's hand, and

turned off the microphone. Baird turned to me and said,

"Were there any other critical questions you wanted to ask?"

alternative energy sources. There's a DARPA [Defense Advanced Research Project Agency] like bill in the science committee that I've strongly supported, we've supported increased CAFE standards, etc. So the science committee's focused on technological innovations, on a host of fronts, ranging from hydrogen to fuel cells to ultimately maybe even superconductivity, things like that.

DV: And the transportation committee as well?

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BB: Similarly I've supported CAFE standards

DV: Public transportation over freeways?

BB: I wouldn't say over, but as part of our transportation solution you've got to have public transit and alternatives.

In Olympia for example, I secured \$4 million for the bridging the gap project to complete the bike trail, the Chehalis western bike trail that will get people form the Lacey area over I-5, so a lot more people can bike. Now that might not seem like a lot but if you can take a couple hundred cars off the road a day you've made a real impact.

[An interview with Bairds opponent in the November election is scheduled for October 11, and should appear in the following issue of the Cooper Point Journal. To register to vote in Thurston county visit http://www.secstate.wa.gov/ elections/register.aspx]

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The Language Symposium: Desire makes the world go 'round: an exploration

By Victoria Larkin

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The origin of language: speaking – inner world to outer, One to an Other, is as mysterious as the origin of the Universe. One can speculate all the way back, using mathematical equations and physical theories, to the so-called Big Bang, but not get anywhere near knowing from whence the Big Bang would have come.

This physical explanation, which is not even sure of its How, begs, at least to my mind, the more metaphysical question: Why?

This is where I begin my inquiry about language, and when I say "language" here, I'm referring to verbal constructions; for, that which we speak through our mouths is only one form of language.

I often hear the presumption that language evolved around finding food, focusing on survival.

A preoccupation with food sources makes sense, for, as anyone who has ever been reduced to starvation rations will soon discover, it's all about the food.

But one doesn't need language to kill a living creature for one's sustenance. As any good hunter knows, unlike these noisy "white" men in the woods these days, hunting is all about silence, usually for long periods of time. One might use some sign language, easy to read gestures.

Merely holding your hands up to your head a certain way and moving your body around would suffice for communicating "Big animal, good for dinner, over thataway".

We've always heard about men being "strong and silent". Is it just a myth? Or did biological necessity do it? Hunting for food requires little or no vocabulary.

Much can also be taught and learned through apprenticeship, without using any words. I learn by helping you prepare the meat for eating. I watch as you kindle the flame, and I do the same.

I see which berries you gather, I taste the sweetest ones, and I know next time which ones to pick, and when. Perhaps simple sounds were used in repetitive situations. The same grunt over and over again with reference to some creature in the distance might have led to what amounted to a word for it. gesture, an act, or the lack of one.

With my eyes, I can tell you: Yes, you're the one...perhaps I could even convey why, if you let me near enough. And this works to express both love and murderous intent. I do not need language of the verbal kind.

It is when the hunt is over, the berries mashed and waiting, the food needs satisfied, that people have time to sit back by the fire and look up at the stars. It is at this point that I believe "language" arose. not those green leaves?

To question, to ponder, to reach toward understanding, to discover deeper mysteries, to pass on philosophical kinds of knowledge, to even acquire that knowledge, one must have a language, a grammar, words.

Whatever drove it, all humans created grammars with which to communicate. Verbal language is how we connect our thoughts to thoughts.

With language we unravel our individuality and weave it into our

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As we know from all kinds of devious political regimes who keep their people frantic over how to provide the next meal so as to avoid a revolution, one doesn't have time to philosophize when food is at issue.

But once people stop having to worry about their body fuel, their minds begin to wander, and they begin to reflect and to question. Perhaps way back when, under those stars, half clad beside others in whatever kind of tribe one was in, there arose the desire to say more, to know more, to commune more deeply.

I imagine it being this desire to explore and to relate that led to the creation of vocabulary.

To form a grammar, one must have a need for words. And to have that need, one must have something that impels expression in a manner beyond gesture. One would have to have thoughts to speak of.

Perhaps at this point in history our thoughts are framed in words because they've been part of our paradigm all our lives. But once upon a time, our thoughts were less specific, less clear. They were perhaps just feelings, moods, wonderings that wanted to be explored. The Jew in me thinks: First, there was a question, a conundrum burning inside someone, a "why" that demanded formulating, and then answering: Why does the moon appear and disappear? Why does my sex do what it does? How do these little ones get made? What's going on? Why does my stomach hurt every time I eat these green leaves, but

world.

To enter into communion, with one's self, with one's others, with one's world, with one's god, to come out of isolation one requires a method through which one's inner self can be shared, and through which the other can be comprehended as well. Grunting can only go so far. You don't need grammar to kill people, or even to make love, but you do need grammar to have conversations.

At this point in my mental meanderings, I had a revelation: Perhaps grammar was the original fragmentation into "one" and the "Other." Perhaps before grammar there was no "Other'.

Perhaps the creation of grammar was the fall of humanity, and before grammar, All was One...Perhaps in our silence we had knowing. We certainly had stillness, peace, until we crowded up/clouded up each other's ears with our babble. And we have not known wholeness since. Maybe language separated us:

To keep from touching you, I talk;

To keep from feeling you, I talk;

To keep from being alone with myself, I talk;

To keep from hearing the ineffable (silence), I talk...

By talking I create distance from what is within and walls between me and what is without.

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Here is america

By Rebecca Wyllie-Echeverria

He arrived last 4th of July covered in dreams which became american.

I'm getting there, he says, good job you know, more money

than I made in Ukraine. I am the american dream. He stands, bared before us

and slowly crushes

But there is no need for complexity, for a grammar. Even for more personal communication, much can be said without words, with merely a look, a a light-blue-diet-pepsi-can in his hefty right hand.

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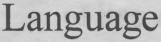


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natural outcome of this di-chotomy, di-alogue, dualistic relationship: I and Other. What are bridges are also across chasms. Perhaps before we were just there. The irony of it: we create language with which to communicate our inner selves to an Other, and thereby create an Other. Before that, perhaps we were one, and just knew. Perhaps that first question was the first shattering, and with language we stepped out of communion.

of language to the gods. Adam by "God", (with naming the animals. which, I must note, his first

"god" as the spark of spirit within, then I agree that language was godgiven. It is only our bias that makes us think "primitive man" had nothing deep to say and spent his time naming the animals. It is perhaps our cultural framework that conditions us to see language, naming, the hierarchy of power over "our Kingdom of Objects" rather than exploration of our Universe, as the motivating factor for language. I allow that something more pressing made humans come up with grammar.

It has been said that we are wired for language, and maybe we are. But

The Scientific Revolution is the we are also wired for many things we do not utilize. As long years of relationships have taught me, potential doesn't necessarily mean fulfillment. Without the desire to be a great piano player, all the latent wired talent in the Universe won't make you play the piano, ever, at all. And this is why I postulate: there must be Desire.

Creating languages was no easy thing: there had to be an impulse, a drive to do it, a desire for some level of intellectual

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task was to name the animals). If I read desire to speak, to impart something to others, had the urge to convey something that couldn't be expressed without words, and out of this desire, languages were born. We shaped our languages to express ourselves, and once into this world there was no going back. As to what language has done to us, or what we have done to each other with language since then, well, that is another story.

> Larkin is a senior enrolled in a contract titled The Use and Abuse of Language. She is also a tutor at the writing center.



Louise's works range from a dark, expressionistic style that invokes us to think about some of the more serious aspects of the feminine character, to the vibrant, circus-like atmosphere that brings one into an almost dreamy, surreal state.

Particularly notable to me was her use of very 'simple' mediums to create an altogether finished and balanced look. When I say 'simple' mediums, I mean things such as colored pencils, oil pastels, charcoal, and mixed media.

Really, these mediums are only as simple as the artist makes them. However, someone with the talent to use colored pencils in the way that Louise Williams has certainly has a little special something going on.

Likewise, her works with pastels were simply amazing. Her pieces provide an insightful representation of an intricate and complicated mind and certainly worth the short walk to the 4th floor of the library, where her exhibit will be going on until October 29, 2006.

Louise was a strong supporter of women painters. According to some at the opening who were well acquainted with the artist, her passion for uplifting women artists was as fiery as her passion for art.

In a ten-minute, introductory video compiled by Connie Simpson, a close friend and Evergreen graduate, significant questions are asked, such as, "Where do women painters fit in?" and, "What is [the situation with women painters] like today?" The video continues on with



Photo by Lisa Hubert

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Simpson with one of William's paintings on exhibit at the Evergreen gallery.

Louise suggesting possible courses of action for women painters on changing their place in society. A key idea presented through this video-and which many of us can certainly understand-is the one of gender roles. Louise tells us that if one gender's role has to change, so does the other one.

Going on, she explains that we are like puzzle pieces; if you alter one side of the piece, then you must also change the corresponding piece. So must it be with men and women, she says.

Her views are such that I believe many Evergreen students could relate to her. I would encourage everyone stop by and take a look at these wonderful works in the Gallery.

Hubert is a junior enrolled in Mind and the World.

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Losing civil liberties in an historical context

By Matt Vinson

It was with disbelief and great sadness that I read the details of the Military Commissions Act of 2006. This bill, recently



passed in the Senate and the House, will undoubtedly be looked upon as one of the lowest points in American democracy since the Alien and Sedition Acts of the late 18th century.

The bill gives unchecked power to the executive branch in regard to arrests, imprisonment and torture. The new legislation has a frighteningly vague definition of "enemy combatants," which foreign nationals and even US citizens can be labeled. This label alone is enough to justify the arrest and indefinite detention of a person with no chance of appeal. The new law will suspend the Writ of Habeas Corpus, giving prisoners no chance of challenging detainment. The president will be free to decide what abusive interrogation methods are tolerable and keep his decision a secret, thus legalizing torture.

Evidence gained from coercion will be considered reliable and admissible in military tribunals. These narrow definitions of torture in the bill will allow rape and sodomy of prisoners without consequence. Among the most terrifying of the clauses in the bill is the provision for exemption from judicial review. No judge will be allowed to challenge any aspect of the system except through military tribunals.

The Writ of Habeas Corpus, a freedom dating back to the Magna Carta, 1215 A.D., hasn't been suspended since Lincoln held office. The legality of Lincoln's action regarding the Writ during the Civil War is dubious at best and still debated today. Mr. Bush is justifying this action with his War on Terror, a war he admits is indefinite.

This is a bill that passed without significant opposition. How is that possible? The democrats in the House and the Senate are too afraid of being labeled as weak on terror this election cycle to speak up. The bill was reformed through compromises made by Senators McCain, Warner and Graham, with the administration. The compromised bill pleases both the right and the far right. Stephen Colbert has never been more spot-on when he said "governing is a lot easier when your checks and balances come from people who don't want to check *or* balance you." Why fight the opposition party when you can find a compromise with the opposition within your own party?

Whether this is ultimately the low point or just one more step on the way to a totalitarian state, one can't say. Plato said in *The Republic*, "The most aggravated form of tyranny and slavery springs forth from the most extreme form of liberty and democracy," and yet I never thought I would witness such a thing myself.

I shudder to think what other freedoms the people of this country are willing to be stripped of in the name of safety. Still on the horizon is a bill set to legalize Mr. Bush's warrantless wiretapping program. Not that he will need the evidence produced from that program to justify arresting you and imprisoning you forever without trial.

"They that give up essential liberty to obtain temporary safety, deserve neither liberty nor safety." -- Benjamin Franklin.

Vinson is a junior enrolled in Cinematography and Neon Sculpture.

LETTERS & OPINIONS

A call to preemptive unilateralism

By Sky Cohen

How should our democratic society act towards p o t e n t i a 1 1 y dangerous threats before they take place on our home soil? The answer:



Preemptive unilateralism, preemptive war and preemptive detentions. Through the devastation that was had on 9-11-01, we have all experienced the negative repercussions of political pacifism. As Americans in a post 9-11 society the traditional classification of terrorism no longer suffices and new definitions of jurisprudence are needed to combat a new threat. We live in an age in which suicidal terrorists don explosives and possibly have access to weapons of mass destruction. Those terrorists would willingly take others' lives for the prospect of martyrdom.

Preemptive unilateralism has become a necessary part of American foreign policy, which means that racial/religious profiling, preemptive detentions, forceful interrogations, restrictions of rights and even preemptive war need to be applied in order to protect the general public from another terrorist attack. There is an obligation of the federal government to protect America and its citizens; which is why we are in need of detainment camps, such as those located at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, Abu Ghraib, Iraq and hundreds of other camps throughout the globe. Although not all detainees are guilty, a few are, and those who are innocent are being sacrificed for the greater good. High ranking Al-Qaeda officials, including Osama Bin Laden and Abu Ayyub al-Masri, have vowed that the attacks on United States soil would not end with 9-11. However in the five years since the attacks on the WTC and the Pentagon and the application of this new foreign policy, there have been zero attacks within the borders of the United States. This proves the effectiveness of both the detainment camps and our foreign policies.

This past August, with the help of surveillance by the government, plots to blow up airplanes headed from the United Kingdom to the United States were foiled. Then in September Peter Clarke, of the United Kingdom, admitted that the police are keeping watch on "thousands of people" who may be involved in terrorist activities. Clarke then stated that these people included "not just terrorists, not just attackers but the people who might be tempted to support or encourage." If it were not for the sacrifice of a few civil liberties in order to counteract these acts of terrorism, hundreds of people would have been killed. Now imagine this same scenario, taking place in San Francisco, Houston or even Seattle. Personal sacrifices need to be made, the privacy of a few e-mails is not worth the decimation of cities. Terrorism has evolved and so must we evolve to counter it, even if that means the renouncing of certain civil liberties for a safer tomorrow.

Regarding our sign-holding friends

By Abigail Anderson

The recent fundamentalist Christian, antiabortion protestors on campus have been a topic of discussion for the past week or so,



and one by which I find myself incredibly torn. I don't like the presence of these demonstrators and the fact that, for some, they make Red Square a less secure place. I do however respect their right to gather and make a statement, as I hope they would respect mine. The proper response to these demonstrators is a question that continually plagues me and has since the end of last year. You see, the Bible Believers demonstrated on campus last year as well. My response was to borrow the Bible of one of them and read Matthew 7 to him (which is the one that says basically not to judge others, or you will be judged the same way and true judgment is reserved for God alone). Now, the reason this was my first response was because I have the unusual luck of having ministers for parents...both of them. Granted, they are both very liberal, mission-oriented ministers who do great work within their community and I am incredibly proud of them. However, this means I have absorbed a lot of Bible verses, been through almost every class they offered in the church, and even attended some of seminary classes with them when I was at the impressionable age of five. Not to

mention attending weekly lectionary meetings with my Dad every summer since I was sixteen or so. I'm probably more qualified to talk about the Bible than your average televangelist. Not only do I know most of the verses, I also know who Marcus Borg and Matthew Fox are. Despite all this, I identify as pagan, so most of this knowledge sits in a corner and collects dust and cobwebs until I get to pull it out on some unsuspecting demonstrator.

Now back to the story. One might expect that reading a Bible verse in which Jesus says not to judge others would have some effect, at the very least surprise, on the demonstrator in question. In reality, it had none at all. He had me read on until verse five, which talks about pulling the log from one's own eye so they can see. The implication was that he had done this, and therefore was capable of judging people. In other words, he totally missed the point of that first verse. The reason I bring up this story is because it made me realize that our actions probably don't impact the people with the signs at all, but their actions create a very large disturbance among students within Evergreen. Knowing this, perhaps we should reconsider our response and think a little about what other responses might be within those circumstances. In my mind, our focus should be on lessening their power to negatively influence our classmates, our friends, and ourselves. Say, for example, I was a woman who had recently made the decision to terminate a pregnancy and I came to school to face those signs. How would that affect the rest of my day? Would I be able to focus within my class? Would they then have succeeded to a certain degree if I could not? Could we lessen or stop that kind of effect from happening? In the past, people did not respond to the protestors as vocally as they did this year, but I talked to many who were greatly upset and affected by it. In ignoring the demonstrators, we did not decrease their effect on the community, although we did not encourage or increase it either.

As Evergreen students, we have a social contract we hold each other to in order to maintain a safe space for learning, but how can we express that standard to those who are not members of our community? Perhaps next time

we can get one of those drum circles Evergreen is famous for going on around the demonstrators so we can't hear the slogans, and we can have ourselves a joyful gathering of "baby killing women," "porn-freaks," "sodomizers," "rebellious women," "godless men," and maybe even some Mormons.

Instead of responding to them, we can take the time to celebrate life, our community and our respect for the diversity within it, without even having to be mutually exclusive of our sign-holding friends. After all, the Bible also says "Let them praise His name with dancing, and make music to Him with tambourine and harp, for the Lord takes delight in His people; He crowns the humble with salvation" (Psalm 149:3-4 NRV).

Anderson is a junior enrolled in Museums.

Cohen is a sophomore enrolled in Culture in the Public Sphere.

SPORTS

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Women's volleyball falls back

By Tori Needer

The woman's volleyball team couldn't keep up their winning streak on Friday night against Albertson College. Albertson took the lead in the first round, dominating 9-30. Evergreen picked up momentum in the second round but suffered a narrow defeat of 27-30. Unfortunately they couldn't parlay it in to victory and were finally shut down in the third round 20-30.

In their sixth Cascade Conference match Evergreen was set back early and had a hard time recovering against Albertson's towing defense. Time and time again Evergreen offence set and spike flawlessly only to be quickly batted back down by the Albertson front line.

Evergreen's best work was in the second round when they exploited the hole in Albertson's formation. The ball sailed to the ground with out one of the visiting team's players coming near it. One of the Geoducks, libero, #6 freshman Ann Forman stood out not only because of her strong defensive work but also for her quick-footed dig that would often end in a forward roll. Women's volleyball has won four of their eleven games this season and Albertson was expected to be a challenge. Seven of the team's fourteen members are freshmen this year. Albertson ranks 11th overall in the NAIA and have a win/lose record of 13-2 this season.

"As a team we're playing better, we're developing faith and trust. We played a strong team. I feel confident that the girls played to the best of their ability and that's all I ask them to do," said Head Coach Bill Lash of the Geoducks.

Needer is a junior enrolled in Health and Human Development.

Runner seeks same, offers freedom and friendship

By Emily Uhlig

Have you ever felt trapped-stuck in a crowd, traffic, a cramped classroom? Sometimes there are crowds so thick you can't even move. In college there are people around you all day-school, the cafeteria, your dorm room. Sometimes it's hard to hear yourself think. When was the last time you actually listened to yourself think and could really hear yourself without someone else butting in? If you can't hear yourself think, you can't know who you really are. Sometimes you need to get away and find some space. That's the great thing about running-it gives you a whole lot of space. It makes you free. It makes you fly.

When I'm running I can think about anything I want to with no distractions. I also can not think about anything I don't want to-I can leave it all behind me-it's my choice. In running you choose how fast you're going, where you're going and how

far you're going. Running lets you control* the direction and speed of your life. When you are running, no one affects your life but you. That's one thing I love about runningthe freedom of being alone, but another great thing running brings you is teamwork and companionship-when you are a member of the cross country team.

You have never quite bonded with someone like you have when you have run with them. Working together, side by side, matching someone stride for stride is the time when I feel most a part of the world. It is the only time I know that whatever I am thinking or feeling, my teammate right beside me is thinking and feeling the exact same thing. Cross country creates more than just people to run with. It creates teammates working together to get through the pain that is life. How often do you find companions like that? In cross country, you find them everyday. That is the great thing about an individual team sport. You can be yourself, you can be a team. You help yourself, and you help each other. You can be whatever you make of it and become whatever it makes of you-it's your choice.

Right now Evergreen women's cross country can't be a team-not officially. A team needs to be composed of at least five members to be recognized and score points at races and Evergreen cross country has only four. We need another girl who's willing to work hard, and have fun, someone who wants to run head on into life.

If you become a team member, you become a part of something greater than yourself and just as importantly you become yourself-which is great.

Contact Coach Dickson at (360) 867-6741 or dicksonc@evergreen.edu for information on cross country.

Uhlig is a junior enrolled in American Literature.

Evergreen sports overview

By Arland Hurd

Women's volleyball

Women's volleyball has two home games coming up. One on Friday at 7 p.m. will challenge the women to do their best when they play Concordia University. The second game will be played on Saturday at 7 p.m. and will be no walk in the park when they play Corban. With seven freshmen on the team there is a lot of room for growth. The two losses that we had during the weekend leave us currently ranked number 8th in our conference.

Last Friday they went up against Albertson College of Idaho who is ranked 11th nationally. The ladies couldn't hold onto a victory in the match up that ended 9-30, 27-30, 20-30.

The trim of points that Eastern Oregon provided gave them a 28-30, 27-30, 19-30 victory over the Geoduck women.

Women's soccer

Women's soccer held on to their Geoduck pride when they defeated Oregon Institute of Technology.

OIT having no mascot had nothing to do with the skill that was shown on the field when three of the Evergreen team members made goals. Alice Dietz #5, an Evergreen senior, scored one point, Jenine Adams #2, a sophomore, scored another, and Mira Sussman #15, also a sophomore, put one away also. The final score was 3-0 Evergreen. The success didn't last through the weekend though. On Saturday the women suffered a 2-1 loss to Southern Oregon.

Tomorrow's game against Corban starts at 3 p.m. at our own field.

Hurd is a senior enrolled in Mind and the World.

Men's soccer

There was no stopping the Geoduck men's soccer team offence against Cascadia last Thursday, due to the showing of determination of the Evergreen players. The Geoducks, with the help of Matt Curry #2 and Lacey Conner #15 (both freshman), put up three goals and stopped all attempts for points by the opposition, leading the team to an impressive 3-0 victory over the Thunderbirds.

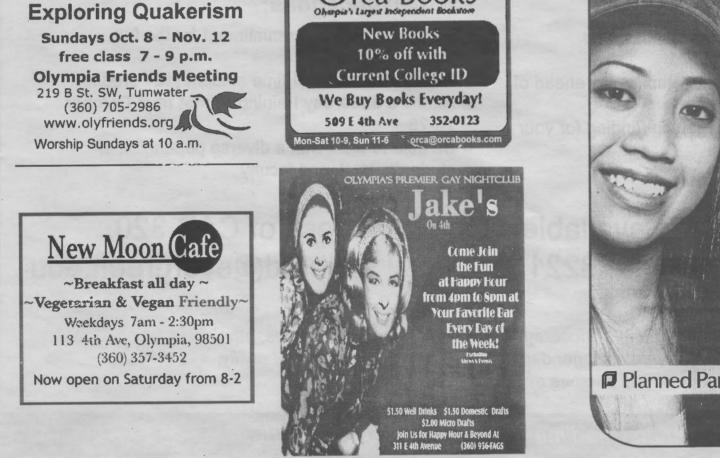
The ability of our Evergreen men's defense was superb. Matt Graves #8 and Kyle Andrews #7 were able to put together some impressive blocks on the field that stopped the advances of Cascadia's Mark Tower.

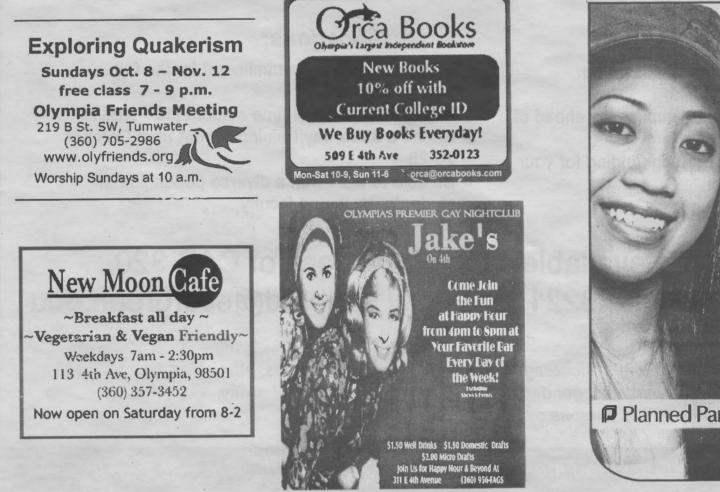
There were some penalties on the field, but when an allotted penalty kick was given Evergreen's Justin Kobe kept the opposing team's board clear.

On Saturday they fared well despite a 2-1 defeat against Concordia. James Mcdonald scored our point, which was the result of a penalty.

This year's men's Geoducks are tied for second place in the conference with a conference record of 2-2 and an overall record of 3-5-1.

Today's game is in Oregon against Corban.







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CALENDAR

Thursday 05

10 a.m. to 10 p.m. "World Can't Wait" protest rally. Capitol Building steps.

5 p.m. Common Bread's first interfaith gathering of the year. Longhouse Cedar Room.

6 p.m. to 9 p.m. ArtsWalk XXXIII Sneak Preview Opening "Wood & Stone & Light & Line." The Washington Center. 512 Washington St. SE, downtown Olympia.

7 p.m. "Loose Change" film screen-

Sunday 08

ing. Open discussion to follow. Support the Evergreen Food Bank by bringing canned goods to the event.

7:30 p.m. Radical Women Organizing Meeting. New Freeway Hall, 5018 Rainier Ave. S., Seattle. Supper, with vegetarian option, available at 6:30 p.m. for a \$7.50 donation. For more information call Radical Women at (206)722-6057 or e-mail RWseattle@mindspring. com. Everyone welcome.

Friday 06

7 p.m. Free screening of Al Gore's film, "An Inconvenient Truth." St. Patrick Catholic Church, 825 E. Edgar St., Seattle. Open discussion to follow. Information at (206)329-2960.

7:30 p.m. Elliott Bay Books presents author Thom Harmann talking about his new book, "Screwed: The Undeclared War on the Middle Class". Town Hall, Eighth and Seneca, Seattle. Tickets \$5 from Elliott Bay Book Company, info and tickets (206)624-6600 or www.elliottbaybook.com.

Tuesday 10

7:30 p.m. Elliott Bay Books presents

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will discuss his personal struggle

James McGreevey, who proclaimed

himself "a gay American" in 2004

Saturday 07

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Tacoma/ Pierce County Progressive Roundtable presents "The Tahoma Progressive Media Conference." IBEW Hall, 3049 S 36th St., Tacoma. Information at www.mediaaction.blogspot.com, Michelle at (253)720-1291, or progressiveroundtable@yahoo. com.

7:30 p.m. OFS presents "Anna Cabrini Chronicles." Capitol Theater, 206 5th Ave SE, downtown Olympia. Tawd Dorenfeld, visiting filmmaker, introduction before film, and question and answer. \$7.00 general/ \$4.50 OFS members. Tickets available at the box office only. All ages.

Wednesday 11

1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Sem II C1107. Washington State Legislature Internships (for juniors and seniors) information session. Contact Joyce, (360)867-6312 x6395 or Jean, x5621.

7 p.m. Jazz group Native Blue at Trospers Bar and Grill, 707 Trosper Rd: SW, Tumwater. Phone: (360)753-6626 Admission is free, all ages.

7:30 p.m. OFS Presents "The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari," 1919 silent film set to live music with the Devil Music Ensemble from San Francisco. \$10.00 general/ \$8.00 OFS

members. All ages. Advance tick-

ets are available at www.buyolym-

pia.com or at the box office night

of show.

Monday 09

7 p.m. to 9 p.m. The South Sound Chapter of the Washington Native Plant Society October meeting. Visitors are welcome. Washington State Capital Museum, 211 West 21st Avenue, Olympia.

If you have an event that you want on the calendar, please let us know about it by sending an e-mail to cpj@evergreen.edu.

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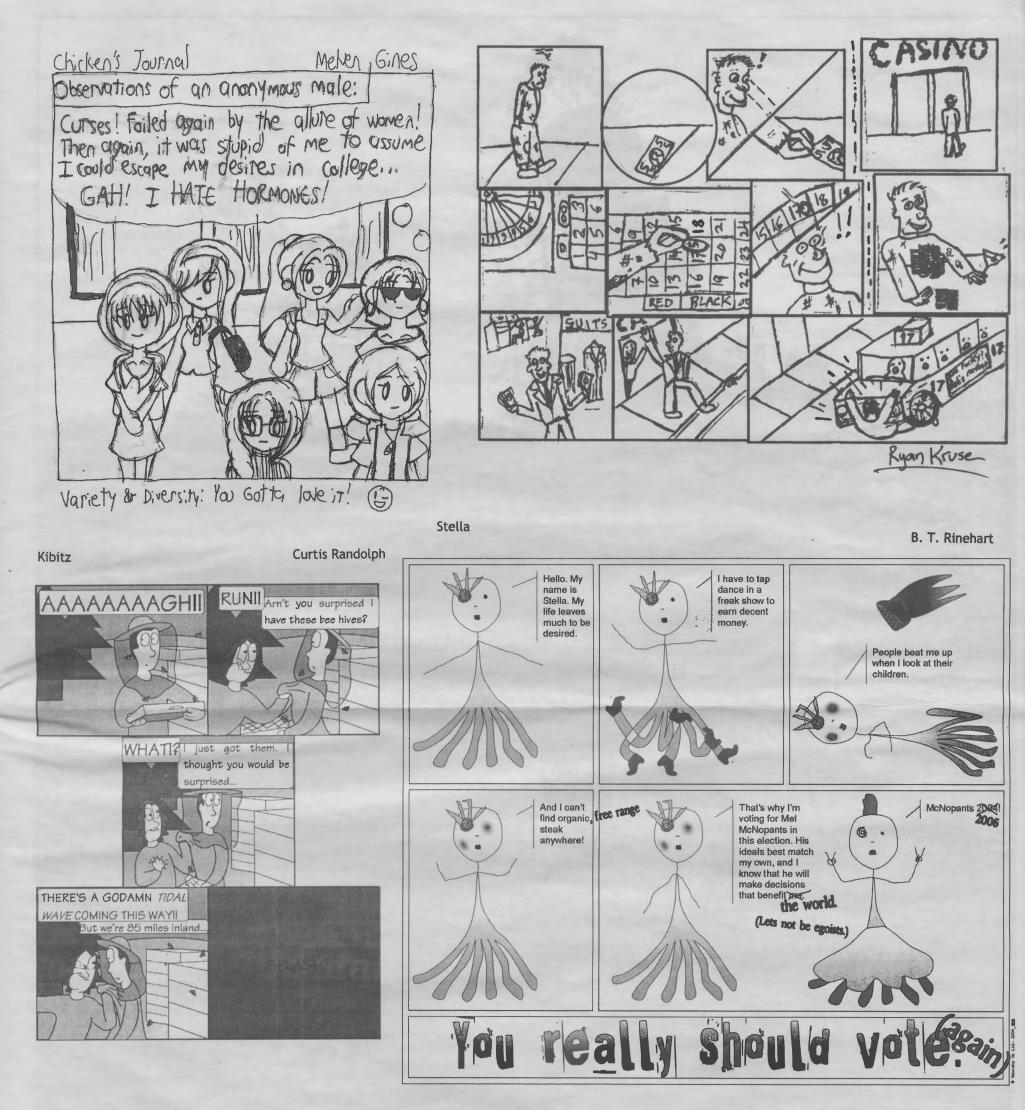
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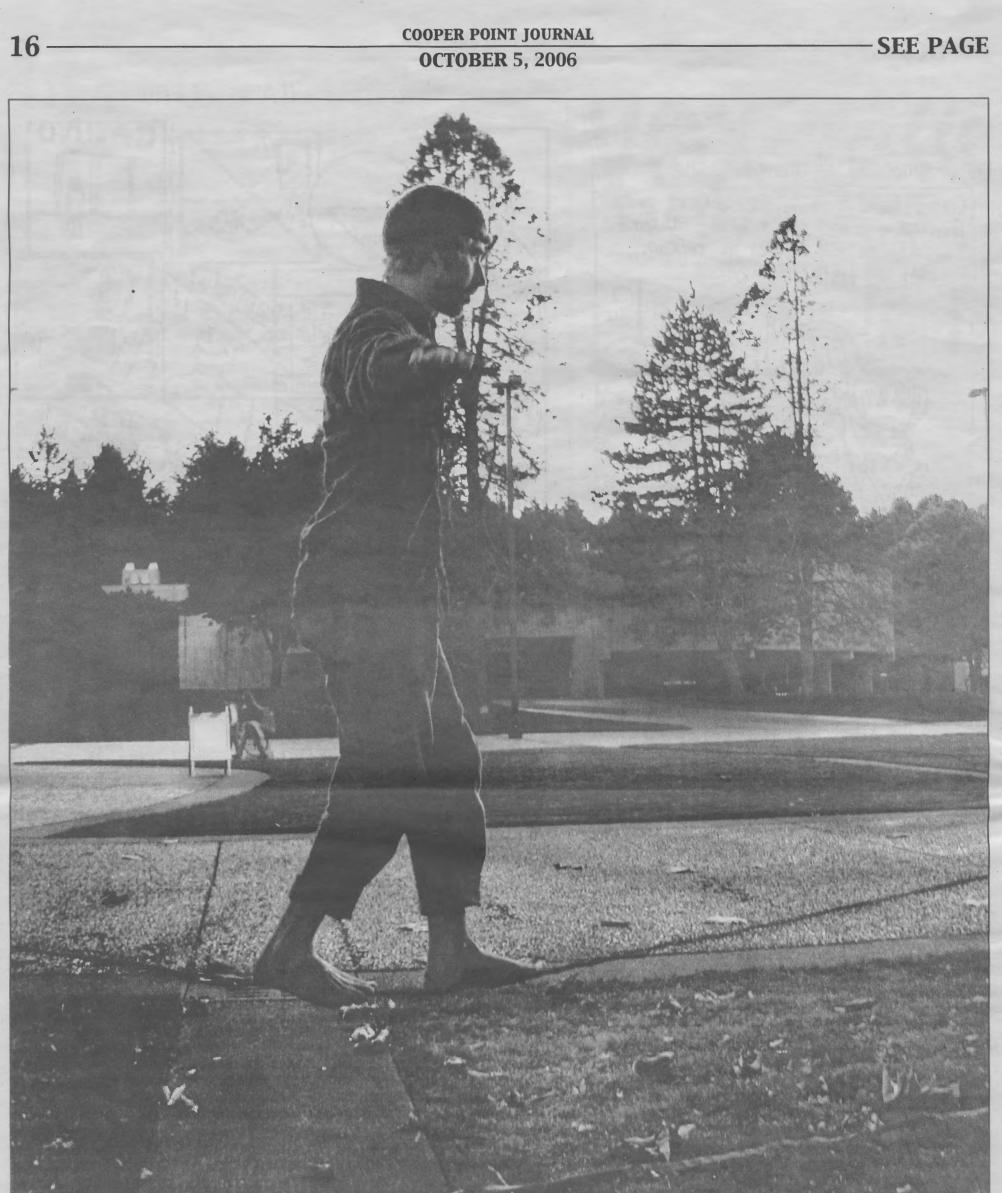




Photo by Sam Jessup

Sam Schaefer-Joel slack-lining

Sam Schaefer-Joel is a community member who was on Red Square Wednesday evening to participate in an event hosted by the Evergreen Circus Resurgence.