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# Taking Action on Domestic Violence at Evergreen

### By Lloyd Young

Awareness Month. At Evergreen there are that adults or adolescents use against their ated Domestic Violence Awareness many opportunities to show your support, intimate partners." Currently, one out of Month expecting to network womas well as educate yourself about issues every four American women are reported en's advocates across the nation related to domestic violence. The Women's to have been physically abused by an inti- to work to end domestic violence Resource Center, Coalition Against Sexual mate partner within the past year and eight against women and children. The Violence, Evergreen Queer Alliance, and percent of females between the ages of 14 first Domestic Violence Awareness TESC Offices of Sexual Prevention will and 17 report to know someone who has Month took place in October of be holding a number of events through- been physically abused by their partners. 1987. A great deal of progress has out the month to educate and contribute A national survey shows that 50% of men been made through the efforts of to the efforts to end domestic violence. who frequently assault their wives also NCADV as well as many other orga-There will be an exhibit in the front hall frequently abuse their children. Although nizations but there is still much to be of the Library Building, put together by the the abused victims are enough reason to done. First, we must recognize that Coalition Against Sexual Violence, sharing fight domestic violence, they aren't the women and children are not the only the voices of victims of domestic violence. only ones being affected. One study shows victims of domestic violence. There TESC Offices of Sexual Prevention will be that children from violent homes are "more are voices to be heard and ampli-23, at 7 pm at The Edge.

showing the film Tough Guise on October likely to be involved in violent criminal fied from the Queer community. TEMPLUM, domestic violence is "a pat- are threatening the lives of many adults and the services that provide support to

including physical, sexual and psychologi-October is Domestic Violence cal attacks, as well as economic coercion, Domestic Violence (NCADV) creactivity in the future than their non-abused Most importantly, we need to keep According to an organization called peers." These widespread acts of violence educating ourselves and promoting tern of assaultive and coercive behaviors, children and must be stopped.

The National Coalition Against the victims of domestic violence.

Here is a schedule of events for the week of October 20th through October 25th. These events are being co-sponsored by the Coalition Against Sexual Violence, The Women's Resource Center, The Women of Color Coalition, The Evergreen Oueer Alliance, and VOX. There will also be an additional week of events starting October 28th. Stay tuned for more.

### Monday October 20

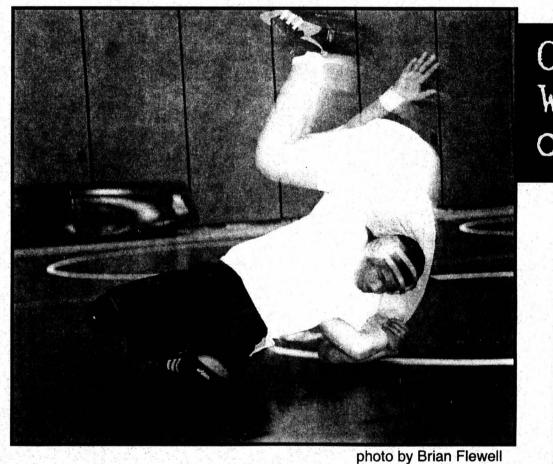
Men as Allies workshop A workshop to discuss sexism, male violence, and male privilege. CAB 108, 5 pm

**Tuesday October 21** 

Self-Defense workshop with Spider A workshop open to everyone (<u>http://www.emilystern.com</u>) CAB 108, 5 pm

### **Thursday October 23**

A showing of Tough Guise by Jackson Katz, *followed by discussion* The Edge, A dorm, 7 pm



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### corrections

The October 2nd issue of the CPJ had an unattributed photo with the story, "TESC Tacoma Presents Books to McCarver Elementary School." Rickie German took the photo.

The October 9th issue of the CPJ had an unattributed photo of a chalk drawing at Artswalk. Greg Bickel took the photo.

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Political Economy & Social Movements

-Candy Bauman, Sophomore

"My parents told me to come

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-William Dillon, Junior, Student

- believe in transfer, but

they're more okay with

by Apryl Nelson & Stephanie Brooks

your parents react

to Evergreen?

How did/would

"My parents basically said, 'We're really happy that you're going to college. Any place is okay.""

-Bevin Protas Junior, Reinterpreti Liberation



"They enjoyed it. They loved it, they loved the idea of me coming to Evergreen. My sister went here and graduated, went to Oxford, and now she's getting her doctorate at Oxford..."

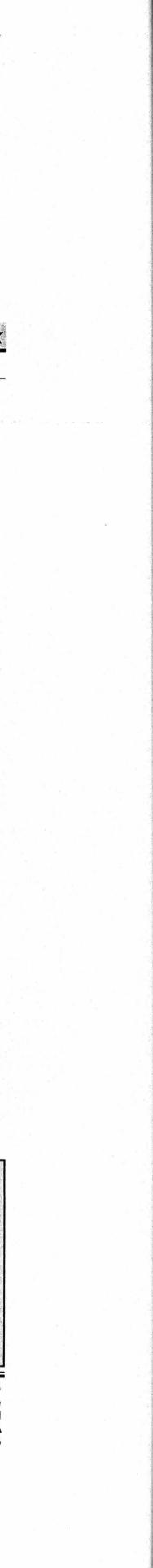
-James Stippich, Junior, Media Rhetoric

"My parents, in the beginning, thought Evergreen was a really rad school, They thought it was like Hampshire, just cheap. After being here like three days, things changed .... " -Gordon James Boddington, Super-senio

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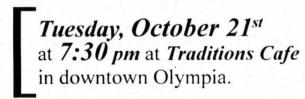
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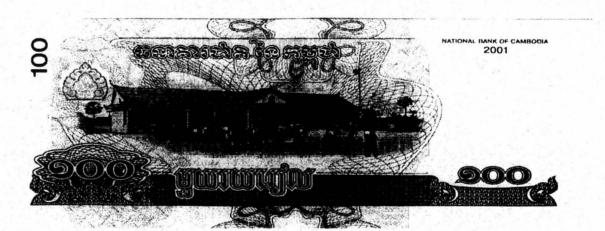
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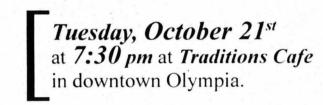
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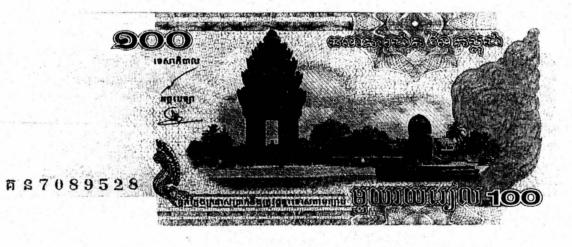
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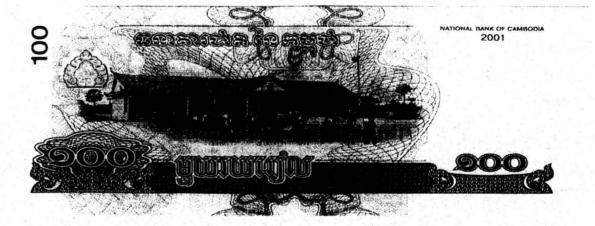
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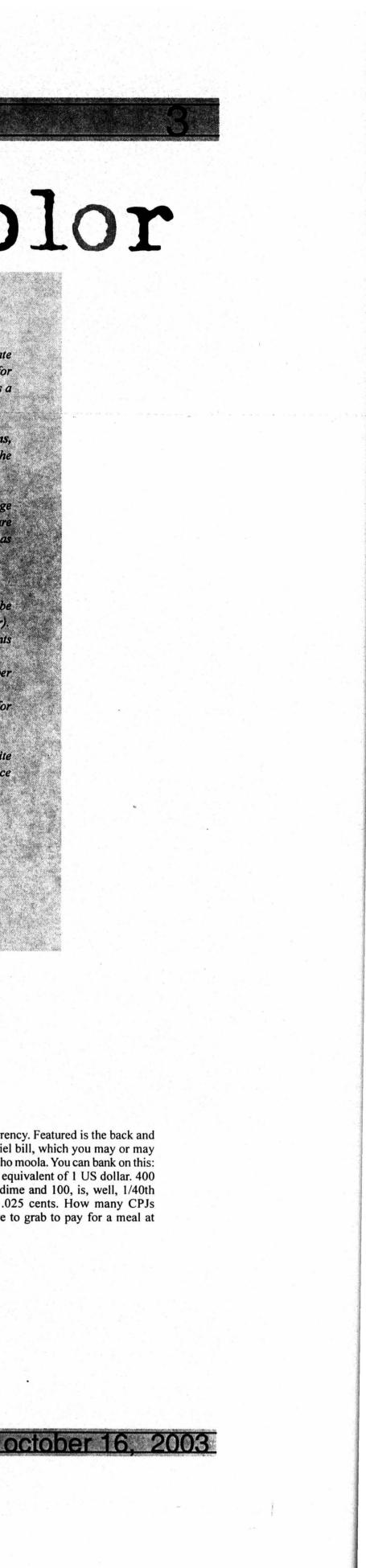
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Second, there's the entertaining CT. That's all sorts of short for Criminal Trespass. If someone is causing tons of trouble, the cops on campus have the authority to make it a crime for them to return to campus; so don't cause a lot of trouble.

Fourthly, (where's third? I dunno) there's the fun and exciting HV, or Habitation Violation. Can't go around sleeping in places that don't have a bed. See, since we have dorms, people are supposed to sleep there, not on those oh-so-comfy couches in the library, also off limits are the toasty warm steam vents near the soccer field.

Ack, I'm out of terms to define for you, so in the words of the immortal Tick (I know you know who the Tick is): "Ah haha, chess! The ancient contest of wits! Two opponents: mano a mano. Braino a braino. And look! Magnets for ease of travel! You could play chess on the moon!"

blotter by Aprvl Nelson

It's been awhile since you crazy kids have been able to read about your crazy exploits. I know that you've missed reading about it too. So, just for you blotter fiends out there, let's get this sh\*t started.

Total MIPs this year: >2 (I forgot the real number. Will be updated next week. I promise)

### October 3

11:18 pm Remember how your mom used to tell you about the starving children in Africa to get you to eat those gross vegetables? Well, think about this. When you get caught outside with an open container, you're made to pour it out. Which essentially wastes a beer. You should think about those poor dry people in Utah. Won't someone please think about the dry people in Utah?

### October 4

1:13 am Where's the best place to hide a beer if you're underage and drinking? Well it isn't up your left jacket sleeve, that's fo' sho'. If you can't buy it, don't be drinking it outdoors. And surely don't be hiding it in a sleeve!

2:26 am Again with the adolescent hi-jinx involving alcohol. This lovely individual was wandering around F Lot, executing butt slides across the hood of the crime watch car. Sounds like tons of fun, but it ain't! Drinking is all well and good, in fact, lots of people are friends with the fermented grains, but a good piece of advice is to keep your drunk butt indoors.

7:00 p.m. Fire alarm at the Organic Farm. The cause? Burning food. The issue? People not wanting to leave. I mean they were eating their dinner.

#### October 6

12:48 am Cooking soy burgers caused a building-wide scare in B dorm. "The second floor was ventilated for quite some time to expel the foul odor of the vaporized soy burgers." After the burgers were produced, it was noted that "the soy burgers along with the plastic container were thoroughly cooked." When putting burgers in for 30 seconds, don't type in all those extra zeros. They look cool, but the extra zeros are what burn the food to cinders.

1:40 am This one is good. So people steal food from Bon Appétit right? They get busted, right? So this brilliant learner got that lesson earlier this year, and decided to do the theft during the wee morning hours. It still didn't work though. Those loaves of bread are booby trapped, you know.

12:22 pm Lunch time is a time of quiet relaxation. That is, until the relaxation is interrupted by the smell of macaroni and the sounds of the fore alarm blaring insistently.

1:28 pm Yet another fire alarm to disrupt the quiet of lunch time. Sad.

### October 8

9:30 pm Eggs thrown at windows are bad. And stinky in the morning.

#### 0ctober 10

12:00 am A resident had their own very cool TV and Playstation stolen out from under their noses in A dorm. Give it back to them you dirty, dirty thief. You suck

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get on stage, step up and say your piece: the CPJ's a tool for your release. if you don't decease, your knowledge will increase. (...there's nothing that rhymes to end this speech...)

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# hiking, climbing, and poetry:

## plus more things you can do to enjoy the Pacific Northwest forests

### by Deane Rimerman

Have you wondered what's going on in forest issues in the Pacific Northwest these days? Obviously if you looked out the window from an airplane you would see the truth of a land scraped bare of most of its shaggy dark green ancient trees. Amid all this brown land you see baby trees regrowing in bright green bushy fuzz.

The spotted owl and wilderness designation wars have gone on for more than a generation now. Ever year we lose more irreplaceable ancient forest. Today we are fighting some of the last battles for ancient forest protection. In the US, we battle over unprotected scraps of ancient forest and in B.C., Canada, we try to save the last un-entered river valleys.

Over the next five days the

Environmental Resource Center (ERC) is offering several opportunities to learn how you can save forest by getting informed, as well as learning to inform others.

Starting tomorrow, Friday, October 17th at 9 am, you are invited to join in a hike to Gifford Pinchot National Forest. We will see an old growth forest known as the Acci timber sale. We will be leaving from the library loop by 9:30 am for an all-day trip with an option to camp out and see more of this old growth timber sale on Saturday. Joining us on the hike will be Hudson Dodd of the Northwest Ecosystem Alliance, as well as other experts on how the Bush administration's plans to log what little remains of rare native forests in the Pacific Northwest.

Then next Monday, October 20th from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm in Red Square, there will be a "Poetry Reading to Save the Forest!" Please bring your poems about trees and forests!

Also on Monday, October 20th at 7:00 pm in Lecture Hall #3: Kim Marks of Forest Ethics and musician Timothy Hull will come to campus and present images, music, and words about how Canada's ancient forests are on sale at a store near you. This inspirational show is part of a Northwest tour that will be followed up on Tuesday by a demonstation at a local store that sells Canadian ancient forest products.

Another event that you might want to sign up for is treeclimbing in an old growth forest with Olympia Earth First! Whenever there is a day without

rain OLYEF! will give you a ride to a nearby ancient forest and teach you how to climb up a rope into one of the oldest remaining ancient forests in Washington. Email olyearthfirst@riseup.net, or call 943.6758 to get signed up!

From Bush's criminal Healthy Forest Initiative, to treesits, to trade tariffs, to the end of the days of wilderness designation in Canada and the US, there is so much to learn and get involved in when it comes to saving the last real forests of the Pacific Northwest. So join us!

> Deane Rimerman, Coordinator, ERC (ERC meets Thursdays at 2:30 pm, upstairs in the CAB building. Our phone number is 867.6784.)

# **Recall, Recall:**

# how Arnold learned to stopped acting and run the state

#### by Katie Thurman

On Tuesday, October 7th, 2003, a historical decision would be made that would forever alter the way people viewed politics in this country. The people of California were to vote in a groundbreaking election for governor, even though they had just reelected Gov. Gray Davis in 2002. The people wanted to recall the governor, a process that seemed odd to most people.

In the California State Constitution, there is a provision for just such a practice. In Article 2, Voting, Initiative Referendum and Recall, it states that "[r]ecall of a state officer is initiated by delivering to the Secretary of State a petition alleging reason for recall." Additionally, the "[s]ufficiency of reason is not reviewable," meaning that anyone

can initiate recall of any elected official at any time, and once the process is started, it cannot be stopped. Petitions then circulate the state, in order to gather signatures to recall. The election is held soon after, approximately 60 or 80 days later. If citizens vote to recall the official in question, an appropriate replacement is appointed or elected.

In the case of the California Recall, the people were to decide whether or not to recall Gov. Gray Davis, and if so, with whom to replace him. Pretty much any person in the state of California could run for governor. The website www.run-for-governor.org provided all the information anyone needed to qualify to run for governor. Pretty much all anyone had to do was

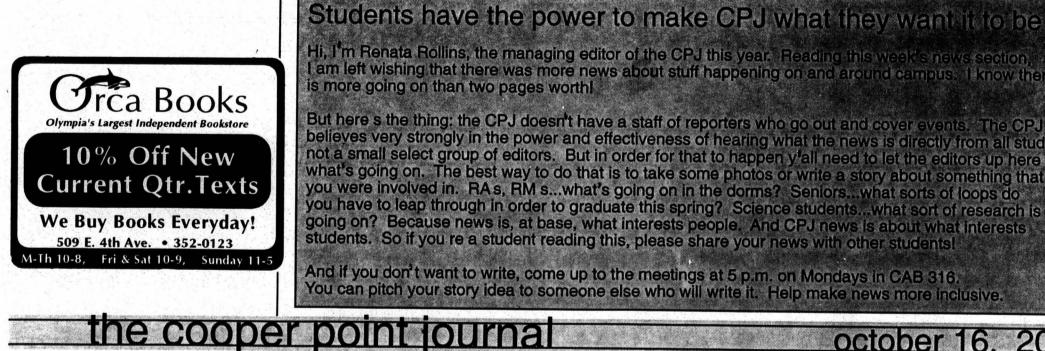
show up to the appropriate offices and file paperwork, and then begin their campaign.

The result was a list of candidates 135 names long. Potential candidates included Arnold Schwarzenegger, Gallagher, Gary Coleman, Arianna Huffington, Larry Flynt, and many others. Some candidates were qualified; many more were not. Some people, like Schwarzenegger and Davis, took the election seriously, and campaigned with fervor. Others, like Larry Flynt and Gallager, took the election as a chance to make a joke, a statement, but did not run in earnest. It was a long few months for the state of California.

It was on Tuesday, October 7th that the world learned that Arnold

Schwarzenegger had indeed won the recall. A record number of people voted, and in a precedent-setting political event, the first Austrian became governor-elect of California. There are many that are skeptical of Schwarzenegger's political savvy, saying that his nearly non-existent voting record speaks for itself. He has no experience, he will make a mockery of the state, and he will send the world's 5th-largest economy into a downward spiral. The worries are numerous. Meanwhile, a nation sits and watches in morbid curiosity.

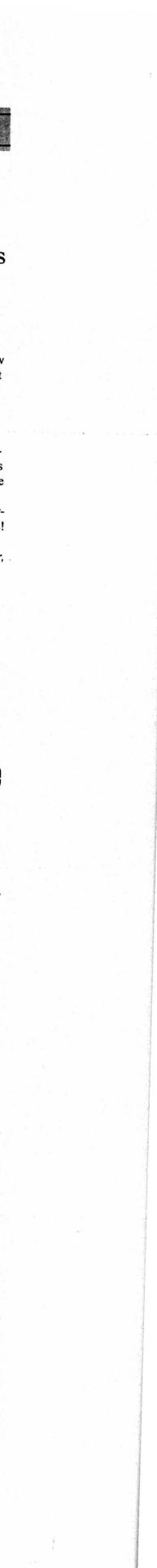
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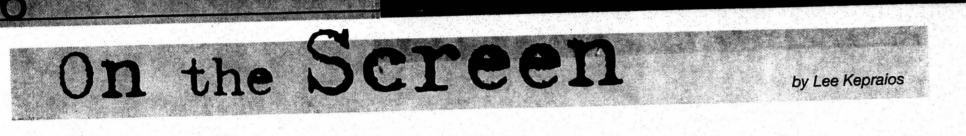


Hi, I'm Renata Rollins, the managing editor of the CPJ this year. Reading this week's news section, I am left wishing that there was more news about stuff happening on and around campus. I know the is more going on than two pages worth! But here s the thing: the CPJ doesn't have a staff of reporters who go out and cover events. The CPJ believes very strongly in the power and effectiveness of hearing what the news is directly from all students not a small select group of editors. But in order for that to happen y'all need to let the editors up here know

what's going on. The best way to do that is to take some photos or write a story about something that you were involved in. RAs, RM s...what's going on in the dorms? Seniors...what sorts of loops do you have to leap through in order to graduate this spring? Science students...what sort of research is going on? Because news is, at base, what interests people. And CPJ news is about what interests students. So if you re a student reading this, please share your news with other students!

And if you don't want to write, come up to the meetings at 5 p.m. on Mondays in CAB 316. You can pitch your story idea to someone else who will write it. Help make news more inclusive.





### Kill Bill: Volume One

Even though it probably should have been titled Kill Everyone Except Bill, the muchanticipated new flick from Quentin Tarantino is a frenetic masterpiece of film assembly, an orgy of eclectic visual styles and cartoonishly graphic violence. The story is a bare bones stock action plot, and from it, Tarantino has fashioned a lurid anthology of iconic martial arts movie images. In a time in America when kung-fu cinema remains in the realm of under-appreciated, highly parodied cult territory, Tarantino has brought a highly enjoyable, skillfully crafted martial arts saga into public view with a peek at the heights of what the best of them have to show you. Right from the opening title displaying an old '70s "Feature Presentation" frame preceded by the authentic Japanese company logo, it's clear the man knows his territory. If you want to work in genres, this is how to do it, with as much style and energy as possible. All you need to know about the story is that Uma Thurman plays "The Bride" (whenever her name is mentioned, it's bleeped out like swearing on TV) who wanders Pasadena, Okinawa, and Tokyo seeking revenge on the other five former heads of The Deadly Viper Assassination Squad, who for no apparent reason, shot up her Texas wedding and left her for dead. Every moment is stylized right down to a sequence that shows the mechanisms that work to fire a bullet from a gun. Thurman gains an authentic sword from kung-fu movie legend Sonny Shiba of the Street Fighter series and seeks out two of the former members of the squad, including Copperhead (Vivica A. Fox) who, four years after the slaughter is a suburban mother and they have to interrupt their knife fight when Fox's little daughter comes home. Thurman's other target in this first installment is O-Ren, played by the lovely Lucy Liu, who runs the Crazy 88 squad and has her own distinctive bodyguards.

As usual, Tarantino's boatloads of obscure references (least noticeably here to the Shaw Brothers and a tune from an old Haley Mills flick) are treats for movie buffs. There's a remarkable, unbroken minutes-long shot that coasts through, over, and around the nooks and crannies of the club where the closing scenes take place, showing the band on stage, the patrons, and Thurman hiding in the bathroom dressed like Bruce Lee in Game of Death, and I was reminded of the "entering the kitchen at the Copa" shot from Goodfellas. I also like how Tarantino avoids the pitfalls of films like this not by excluding them, but by working around them. A nasty sequence that provides a back-story for O-Ren is done in anime. It doesn't really work, but it's a bold experiment and a great way to avoid an NC-17 rating. Splitting this story into two parts also gives us a chance to catch our breath while generating all the more buzz for the second part. Plus, Quentin Tarantino employs enough tactics to course through the bloodbaths: black and white, slow-mo, split screens, and silhouettes. Most of the characters are women and are defined by their weapons and they deserve credit. A role in films like this are every bit as demanding as in a drama. As he's proven before, Quentin Tarantino displays a masterly command of skewing the chronology of a story, and though it's not as necessary here, it snaps life into the storytelling even when there is virtually no story. Pay close attention to the action set pieces and the fight scenes. Try to get past the visceral power they have and really examine them. There is not a single shot during these scenes that does not exemplify pure action cinema, not one. There is a kind of unique brilliance in his meticulously crafted piece of entertainment. If you don't care about that, there's plenty of bloody dismemberment along the way. Rating: \*\*\* stars

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### Secondhand Lions

I've learned over many years of compulsive movie watching that it's a privilege just to watch actors like Robert Duvall and Michael Caine at work. These are guys who have long since mastered their craft and are as reliable as anyone can be to do their job. They're also as delightful to watch on screen as ever, getting better with age. Even when they are not given the best material to work with, as in Secondhand Lions, a film that should be an actor's romp but is too caught up in itself to be. Not that it should be a requirement to simply turn on the cameras and let Duval and Caine do whatever they want, but it would have been nice to see just a bit more of that in a film that piles on such a nonsensical string of flashbacks that it soon seems like another movie is invading this one. Eventually I was wondering if someone was going to complain that the movie within the movie was too noisy and needed to turn the volume down. This relentless yarn revolves around an older, wiser, and less annoying Haley Joel Osment being driven up to the remote shack of his two cantankerous great uncles (Caine and Duval) in the boonies and being ditched by his carefree mother and told to find the millions in cash they have hidden on the grounds from their decades of thievery and adventure. The central answer that Osment eventually gets the courage to demand of his uncles is which of their pasts the money comes from; one from their days as bank robbers and the one Cain describes to Osment in a series of ridiculous flashbacks, in which Duval was a kind of swashbuckling debonair Indiana Jones/Lawrence of Arabia type of guy. Caine underplays it here, giving most of the spotlight to Duval who effortlessly steals his scenes the way only Robert Duval can. Appropriately, too. Yet the flashbacks, which involve young actors playing the uncles running afoul of crime lords and desert rats and chasing hidden treasure, and the farm scenes where Osment spends his days watching the guys shoot at door-to-door peddlers, fly their biplane down the highway, fight teenagers, fish with shotguns and play with their new pet lion, do not go together at all. It's as if director Tim McCanlies was making two movies at once. Thankfully, however, it's the main story that gets the better treatment. McCanlies gives his great cast the breathing room they need to break into the sentimentality when it's needed. Wiser still, that sentimentality is used sparingly and everything is kept on the light side. Secondhand Lions is a good-natured item for kids, who will no doubt be smiling throughout. There's so much story though, the movie has to rush things a bit in the first half hour and the final scenes following Osment's character as an adult going back to the farm, are perfunctory long after the movie overstays its welcome. Whether you care about the characters or not, it should be noted that Secondhand Lions adds up to a whole that's far more rewarding a sum of the parts.

Rating: \*\* stars

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# etters and opinions The Definite Article: The Courage to be Concise



See, this kid had a writing assignment: the teacher said, Write a response to the ques-

tion, 'What is courage?'" Next day, at the end of class, the kid set the paper on the teacher's desk and walked out of the classroom. The teacher read the paper. Her jaw dropped.

The title read, "What is courage?" And below that, alone on the white page, two simple words:

"This is."

Ah, the stuff of urban legends-to write such a paper, to take such a risk.

Some would say: to be so concise. But I wonder.

According to Random House's Webster's College Dictionary (1991), the word concise means: expressing much in few words; brief and comprehensive; succinct; terse. Long definition, considerin'. Nevertheless, I'm not sure that our "courageous" example is necessarily concise. It does express much

'd like to tell you a story about in few words, though I think the expression a kid this friend of mine knew. lies more in the gesture than in the words and a linking verb?

> conciseness; notable writing is without superfluous words. Every word is there for a reason; every word is hand-picked. But how can we have these wildly long texts like Anna Karenina and Ulysses and even Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix if every unnecessary word has been summarily chucked into the dustbin? Indeed, what is concision, if not brevity?

> Indubitably, these are questions for the ages, to be harrumphed and hear-hear'd by tweed-clad and be-monocled literati the world over, and, of course, us. That said, perhaps Messrs. Strunk and White can help: I think at least one of them wore a monocle.

> William J. Strunk and E.B. White-yes, that same E.B. of Charlotte's Web fame-

penned a little book together. You may have answer to the question on courage: is it con heard of it. It's called The Elements of Style, themselves; it is also brief, succinct, even or, more affectionately, just "Strunk and terse. But comprehensive? How compre- White." This 100-odd page tome is conhensive is a paper that consists of a pronoun sidered one of the authorities on English usage; old Strunk and White are right up We hear that writing well requires there with the likes of H. W. Fowler and the illustrious-yet-anonymous Mr. Webster. At a mere eight dollars or so, The Elements of Style proves an excellent investment for your future; not only does the material contained therein give you some insights into the madcap and marvelous world of the English language, it also makes for some superb party conversation.

So what do Strunk and White say about concision? Well, boys and girls, these two wacky pedants say, and I quote, "A sentence should contain no unnecessary words, a paragraph no unnecessary sentences." Enough said.

And what of brevity? What of omitting so much that the writing is a mere

skeleton, stripped of all meat and muscle? Indeed, what of that audacious

cise? Strunk and White say no. Concision they say, "requires not that the writer make all his sentences short, or that he avoid al detail and treat his subjects only in outline but that every word tell." Let every word tell. Well then.

Easy enough: to be concise require nothing more than meticulous, perspicu ous verbal exactitude. Concisely speaking word choice is everything.

Interestingly, Random House's Webster College Dictionary (1991) defines concise ness as "the quality of being concise" and concision as "concise quality." Clearly you should strive for concision rather than conciseness, concision being the mor concise.

So remember: let every word tell. Omi all unnecessary words-but don't be too Draconian-and you'll do Strunk and White proud.

And, to sum up: what is concision? Hopefully, this was.

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### Im Holding Jacob Rosenblum Accountable For His Printed Word

### by Annjeanette Daubert

I'm holding this specific CPJ staff copy editor accountable for his printed word, because he is staff, and because his piece was printed in the cover page as an article with a voice of authority which I believe it should not have. My perspective is my own and I believe that it is fair to disagree with me. It is not meant as a personal attack. It is a critique of his work and the CPJ as a whole. I feel strongly about this, but not about Jacob Rosenblum himself. I don't know the guy. So here goes:

In Rosenblum's opinion piece, featured on the cover page of CPJ's October 2nd issue, he suggests that there are problems that can only be solved through "kidnapping either the members of the Board of Governors or a vice president and issuing demands." I'm sure that this solution was facetious, but his perceived problems themselves were not. He seems to have serious convictions on the subjects of: campus safety/cops and guns, Olympia Campus food services (specifically the HCC takeover), "paving" of the Evergreen forested property, dealing with the administration, and "token" student voice speaking for the majority of students ("... by that decision, which had token student influence").

Now, by singling these issues out, I'm not denying that they are issues. We do have problems here at the Olympia Evergreen Campus. In my mind, we have a big problem dealing with certain realities. For one, folks (like Mr. Rosenblum) upset about cops and guns, in publishing their spin on that specific issue, often neglect to address the reason why cops have guns, or that guns are symptomatic of a much more deeply rooted problem, like violence on campus. Or the fact that people here don't even allow violence to be talked about. Consider Chandra Lindeman's "October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month" article, which appears on page 4 of the same issue. Why is that article, which is clearly a report of factual events and more pertinent to the whole community, not on the cover page? Maybe if violence towards as is routinely done (just flip through the Housing was overseeing the HCC student

Why I, Too, Stand with Israel As I waited last week, on Yom Kippur no less, for the call I knew was coming, I realized yet again that there could be no good

news coming from my phone that night. And when the news came, "They're okay," I felt far too relieved at other families' deaths over my own. My uncle was on that street in Haifa not ten minutes before the bomb ripped it apart. He was one of the last people to walk past that restaurant, ever. "Now all is grey here," he says. "There's only bad news and worse news."

When I was fifteen, my friend Noam, from Haifa as well, explained how he had wanted to fly an F-15 in the Air Force, but couldn't because his eyes were not perfect. We used to talk about peace and change, about the possibilities of a new generation of Israelis and Palestinians. He's in the Army now. I don't know where he is stationed. When I was eleven, I played basketball and video games with my cousin Orr. He lives on a Kibbutz on the Green Line; we explored the port of Jaffa together, went swimming in the Mediterranean. Now he too is in the is upheld, there is another war being fought. Army. He is stationed in Hebron, protecting the Israeli settlers there. If I were still in Israel, I, too, would be in the Army. My uncle says that Orr will be okay because he is brave, a defender for Israel. Out in the settlements, I worry that no amount of bravery can spare Orr from harm's way. He would not like that I wrote that.

Part of my family moved to the United States, thirty years ago. It is this part of the family, and not the relatives who live in Israel still, who are the most ardent supporters of the Israeli government. They say things like "The Palestinians are snakes," and "They are all terrorists," and "pro-Palestinian thugs." Okay, they didn't say this last one, but it has been said.

archives to see what I am talking about), the issue of cops and guns would have a different, solution-based spin.

Another problem Rosenblum talks about is the food services issue. He reports that Bon Appétit shut down the Corner store and the Sandwich Shop in the HCC. He reports, "There is no student-run alternative," insinuating that there was a completely autonomous student-run option. What isn't said is that there hasn't been a fully self-sustained student-run option, or that "student-run" does not mean without facilitation. After speaking women and minorities on this campus were to two people who are in the know, one on given a forum, instead of buried in the paper each side, I've gotten the picture that in fact

On anti-Semitism in America: I am highly offended by those who would see fit to group me into a box based on my religious ethnic background and talk to me about "the Jewish lobby blackmailing the government," or "the Jews that run the media," or even the more acceptable "Jewish vote." They paint us all with one brush. They blame us all for individual actions. They hold us all accountable for stereotypes we have never committed. It is anti-Semitic as surely as saying "the Palestinians dance in the streets when Israeli children are massacred" is racist.

A letter to the editor by Daniel Fleck described Israel's war to defend itself against encroaching anti-Semitism. Indeed, there surely exists anti-Semitic sentiment in the Arab world, as well as that built into the European cultures. In some hearts there is a deep hatred of Israel. Ignoring or justifying this hatred will not make it go away, and frankly, neither will bulldozing its home.

It is not the war to protect the Israeli people, within the Israeli borders; it is a war of occupation. Began by the military, and extended by the government-subsidized settlements, the settling of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip by Israeli citizens continues to divide and co-opt the Palestinian territory. What remains is a Palestinian people uprooted from their homes with nowhere else to go. Recognition of anti-Semitism in the territory is too often accompanied by a failure to recognize the grievance the Palestinian people have with the state of Israel.

Daniel Fleck describes the idea of Israel's withdrawal from the occupied territories resulting in peace as "delusional." What he and many others fail to acknowledge is that

businesses. Because of a fumble in the staff facilitation, for whatever reason that I am not privy to, the students who managed the ventures did not have the support that they needed to learn and apply great business sense. Over the years of student staff man- his article: agement, the Corner store and the Sandwich Shop were not able to provide for the campus residents' needs. So Bon Appétit, probably recognizing that yes, the HCC food business ought to be a fruitful exchange, agreed to oversee it. The Bon Appétit's Corner store facilitator views this as an experiment in which the student staffers can learn some business savvy from actual food business people. One of the major benefits to having

there can be no peace as long as the occupa tion persists. Recognition of this has led a growing refusal in the Israeli military to serve in the occupied territory.

Information on what is really goin on in the West Bank and the Gaza Stri is as varied as the political views on th subject. Propaganda from both sides spin a tale of right and wrong, good versus evil All information must be confronted with a wary ear. For myself, deciding what to believe and what not to is a difficult pro cess. Even if I cannot take the words from the mouths of a witness just returned from Gaza to discover the truth, I must take the words from those who continue to uphole their oath to protect the state of Israel with their lives. From the lips of Staff Sergear Shamai Leibowitz, who grew up on a settle ment in the West Bank: "Before everythin else, you must prevent injustice... That's th principle obligation. Of course I would lik to see a peace settlement, but there can b As the defense of Israel described above no peace between occupier and occupied First the occupation must end because it a moral crime." Major Rami Kaplan wa assigned to guard the wall in the West Bank He refused to serve after he was ordered to shoot Palestinians on sight, without provo cation, for fear they may be terrorists.

An Israeli withdrawal may not end the violence, indeed it probably won't. Israe will have to remain vigilant at its borders It will, however, end one of the most egre gious crimes in Israeli history. The contin ued occupation cannot result in peace. W who support Israel must work to end th occupation of Palestine. It is the only path to safety for the State of Israel. It is the only path to the safety for my family, and perhap one day, I can expect good news from m telephone.

an actual food services provider facilitating the Corner store is that campus residents can now trust that the store will be open during business hours. Just saying.

Finally, Jacob Rosenblum says this i

A major complaint I've heard with th activist community in general is a feelin of an "activist-ier-than-thou" perpetrate by activists... No... But... It is essentia to treat every person on campus as fully capable of the level of humanity we have come to expect from ourselves (page Oct. 2)

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# letters and opinions

### Fuck This Hippie Shit

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How's it going all? To those of you who aren't too busy doing bong loads, I present an alternative to the pinko propaganda prevalent on this lushly forested campus. I've heard a lot of people talking about war or whatever. Apparently there are some people who don't think it's a good idea. Sure there's killing and maiming and kids orphaned by long-distance weaponry. But we've got the technology, so why not use it? I haven't seen my Carlyle Group stocks do so well since we went in to secure the heroin trades in Vietnam and Afghanastan. Talk about good for the economy! And oil! There's going to be lots more of that for a while. I mean, how else are you going to get your VW to Eugene? Biodiesel? Unless you make your own biodiesel, it's usually at least 80 percent oil anyway. To each their own (except in certain states) but I don't want freedom fries running through my V6.

Another thing that really irks me is the destruction of state property I see on this campus. I've been paying premium taxes on Frosted Doughnuts and Sunny D for years now to help fund places like this school. Those helpful little signs cost us taxpayers money! "If el vato is not working fleas call extension 6140." You think that's funny !? And all this whining about trees! Good lord! I'll save that one for next time. In the meantime just remember - It's a free country: you're free to drink corporate beer and get rowdy so long as you direct all your aggression towards each other, not at this wonderful institution called the US of A.

Nolan D. Lattyak

# **Spokes Council**

Evergreen is blessed with a very proactive student body, which has in turn spawned an amazing range of student groups. However, these groups could potentially accomplish so much more if they could organize and work together. A Student Activities spokes council would help different student organizations unite on issues and consolidate efforts.

Not only would a spokes council create invaluable cooperation between groups on common issues, but it would also give student groups a more stable soapbox to stand on. The spokes council could make statements and take action on issues important to students, such as the occupation of Iraq, which the college avoids in order to protect its neutrality.

It is important to say that a spokes council is not the same as a student government. Its structure would be far more informal, and it would not be legislative in any way. It would not presume to speak for the entire student body (only for the groups involved). The more groups represented by the council, the more valid its role would be.

However, the council could be viewed as the first step toward student representation at Evergreen. As is, students have very little say in the decisions made by the higher-ups. (Does this sound contradictory to the concept of taking responsibility for your own education? That's because it is.) This school was not set up from the get-go with the provisions for student representation found in the charters of many other liberal arts schools. Until students gain some level of influence over the college's decisions (which dictate our education in one way or another), Evergreen will never live up to the ideals of equality and social justice that seem so much a part of the Greener mentality.

A spokes council made up of student groups would increase the effectiveness of each individual organization and give the groups a strong collective voice. There are already student leaders working toward this goal, and their efforts should be encouraged and supported by creating arrangements in which student groups have the opportunity to work together for the good of the community

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Who is this royal "we"/"ourselves" lacob is talking about? I haven't identified with his listed issues or the way he sees solutions so far. At this point, right at the 'level of humanity we have come to expect of ourselves" bit, I feel completely ostracized, marginalized, and indignant. Who is his person using money I have paid into the Evergreen alternative community, the college haven, telling me which priorities and working traditions (DTFs and the CPJ Forum) of this, my chosen community, are open to me?

Where I'm standing, none of us is a token. Further, I am put off by the fact that a staffer at the student forum abused his position by using the front page of the CPJ, a spot that is reserved for articles, not L'n'O pieces, to misrepresent this college and effectively disempower anyone not his idea of "human." This just proliferates the elitism that the Olympia Campus has been rightly criticized for, and further breaks down the Social Contract and the ideals we're all working towards in our heart of hearts.

# Mass-Mediated Greed... you know you want it!

so long for anything but celebrity gossip military insurgence into the Middle East. media). To that miserable end, I want otherwise... right?

given, sold and smuggled to them by us over the past twenty years. Our governprevent them. You probably knew all that; cry about it. I just like saying it.

called "Rebuilding America's Defenses" that was written by the right-wing think tank Project for the New American Century (PNAC). Conceived between ety: the way we do business, our music, Cheney, Rumsfeld, Jeb Bush and others in September of 2000 and is currently being implemented by the diabolical bunch of criminals we have supposedly "elected" to office. The horrific actions of the past three years can be traced back to this single document and the dirty hands of a few crooked politicians we should just up and hang, if you're down with that.

The CIA trained some of the terrorists who participated in 9-11 and, for all we know, our government probably engineered the entire scheme as "a modern day Pearl Harbor" (check out that PNAC blueprint) because they knew it was the

I can't, for the life of me, believe it takes only thing that could kick-start their greedy to filter down through the grapevines of Similar plans are in place for Southeast this "great nation" (thank you, corporate Asia, Iran, Africa, North Korea and several other countries. What this boils down to is to clarify a few points the majority of the postmodern colonization of consumer Americans, according to American media, culture upon the rest of the world, the just haven't gotten yet. I would imagine of sickly seed of the West taking the East by course, in this part of the world, we know economic force and shoving our capital- cies the world over, continuing to spread everything there is to know, liberal and ist culture down the throats of millions of their seed. The money went to fund the people who want nothing to do with us. Saddam Hussein had nothing to do with The United States is doing this because 9-11, or the anthrax scares, or Osama bin we're running out of oil and there's no Laden. Any supposed weapons of mass money in alternative energy. We're also destruction or evidence found in Iraq was doing this to ensure that we remain the world's only "hyperpower." A hyperpower is a nation whose cultural and economic ment knew damn well the terrorist attacks influence permeates every other nation to were going to occur and did nothing to a degree above and beyond our ability to

Not everyone likes McDonalds, This is a neo-conservative takeover plan much to our chagrin. Not everyone likes Christianity or Catholicism. Not everyone enjoys the intricacies of our modern-day excuse for a decently functioning soci-1996 and 2000, it was presented to our televisions, our money. In fact, some people loathe us, not because we have these things and they don't, nothing so mundane, but because we, as a nation, push our ways upon them without knowing we are doing so. They loathe us because we are docile in the face of horrors performed in our name, with our tax dollars. They loathe us because we, the people, the public, are controlled absolutely by the private elite. One can trace this timeline all the way back to Nazi Germany's plans for global domination. What, you thought that when Hitler died all the evil intentions, dirty money, stolen gold, brilliant scientists, and financial backers of Hitler's urged by several outside parties which I

campaign just up and fucking vanished? Dream on. So, where did they go?

Well, the scientists came to us and taught us rocket propulsion and fed us well-groomed intelligence on the Russians that launched us into the Cold War. The Nazis' cadre of well-trained spies was redistributed throughout intelligence agencreation of the European Union and the Central Intelligence Agency and the few elite masterminds behind Hitler retired to sunny island villas, fat and damn happy, and still in control. But that's a story for another day.

Where were we...? Oh yeah, so we, the people, are powerless, right? Think again. Embedded deep within the basis of our country lie political procedures tailored to the people, powers we can dredge up and use to oust the bastards jerking our strings and elect another set of corporate-funded bobble-head politicians who will be just as bad in different ways?

No, we forget about grand plans of national and global reform and we focus on our own communities. Main Street over Wall Street. Get it? Would we rather have a forested swamp boasting indigenous life forms or a sprawling invasion of manufactured homes with streets named after the plants and animals they just massacred to build the place? I wouldn't possibly be referring to anything happening in this specific area of the world right now of course, ahem,

We need to further develop a local economy that is ecologically aware of itself, its surroundings, and the interrelationship of the two. The Olympia City Council was

will refer to as "local" and "wise" to join the other cities and counties around the nation who have rejected portions of The Patriot Act. They have yet to do so. There is lots and lots to do here in the lovely state capitol for happy little stoner activists to do before they burn out early. Come join

the fun. decided that they needed to not only recall all, it's in the state constitution. We need direct actions. Go to city their current governor, but install a superstar Austrian in his stead. Partway through the **4** Commence campaigning. You need to file paperwork, gather sigcouncil meetings, it's fun, I promise. There were strippers at the last one I attended. To a certain degree we need underground insurgencies. Just don't tell them I had anything to do with it or you or your ideas. We need awareness. We need media literacy education. We need conversation and congregation. We need community interaction and organizing and youth movements. We need hip-hop activism and street graffiti 'cause politics painted on walls at least speak directly to me, not at me. We need unions still. We need lawyers who will work for food. We the chance to participate in a recall election guish yourself, the more likely you are to get need readers and writers and artists and fucking assholes to remind us that we're good sometimes. We need poets to politicize their passions. We need mass media they've already recalled one governor, who's make the most of it. to relinquish its control of print media, the airwaves and television back to the public to say that they won't recall another one in the next week or two? It's definitely in your **O** intent early on. If you're running to where power belongs. But I hear freedom best interest to move to California. of the press only applies to those who own them.

As students moving to this community, in this part of the world, I welcome you and warn you that your lives are about to change drastically for a wide variety of reasons, some of which we won't understand 'til twenty years from now. Beer's great shit, but remember to read as well. I challenge you to do well with this place and these people, for it is we who will redefine the future.

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# **Bon Appétit Means You're Eating Me Alive**

by Brian Nicholson

Usually I am not one to complain abou food. I am not the guy who sends food back Once, I found what was thought to be a bi of a plastic glove (condom?) in a calzone a an Italian restaurant, and I simply pulled i out of my mouth and placed it on the table earth's biggest assholes.

But tonight at dinner, I had one reall bad guesadilla. Oh man, it was foul. was ordered from the Greenery. It was four-cheese quesadilla. As I looked at m receipt, following placing the order, I dis cerned that one of the cheeses represented therein was Swiss. I am not a fan of the Swiss (the cheese, not the people. They're a fine people) but I can understand that i has its place, like on a Monte Cristo. But : quesadilla is not a Monte Cristo.

I realize that the four-cheese quesadill has a requirement to fill: It must contain mention the salsa, which seems to just be four cheeses. Previously, I had ordered the water and cilantro. I didn't mention what baja quesadilla. At the time, I hated it - que they did right: the sour cream was pretty

translated roughly into the phrase "cheese I was satiated. Until about a half-hour ago, also mention in my own defense that I only was at this time that I made plans that next year, when I am not a freshman consigned on campus in a building with a kitchen. If I order from a fast-food restaurant, any and I am to open a restaurant for all freshmodifications to the food I am ordering man looking for on-campus meals: This take the form of one brief phrase, like "nc restaurant would be called The Restaurant longer than five words, it will go unspossimple foods at fair prices but would still ken, so afraid am I that my food will be make a very small profit. We'd sell mainly tampered with. I'm even understanding o simple foods - bowls of cereal, bowls it: I wouldn't spit in someone's food, ever of pudding, bowls of Kraft Macaroni & if they were the biggest asshole on Earth Cheese, with quesadillas a specialty item. but then again I'm not being paid minimun Until then, I'll have to eat at the Greenery wage to make the food for a parade of the the times that I don't feel like exploiting my bus pass for all it's worth. Tonight was poration, and major corporations sure are I am nothing if not lazy. To the people one of those times, and so I ordered the four-cheese quesadilla hoping for a greater I could get a better (not to mention cheaper) the Greenery, and are thinking, "what an quantity of cheese than experienced previously. This greater cheese quantity was not (For the super-anti-corporate freshmen on the next thing he orders," I should say: in attendance.

I seriously complained to all who would listen, not really expecting them to listen. But someone from Bon Appetit came to response planned. I mentioned the Swiss cheese thing. I didn't talk about the meager amounts of cheese to be found. I didn't sadilla means "cheese sandwich" and there fresh, the tortilla was big, and it did the food that has the bulk of its syllables being the softness. She said she'd mention it, and

sandwich," I'm expecting some cheese. It when I realized, laving awake in bed, that did it once. I drained the rest of the burrito there was no fucking way that the tortilla then soaked up the drainage with napkins. should've been that soft. See, I ordered I needed a lot of napkins. to first-year-experience housing, I will live the quesadilla from a part of the Greenery called the grill, operating under the assump- Philadelphia, I expected a dip in the qualtion that the food would be grilled, or at ity of Mexican food, due largely to the lack least cooked on some non-stick cookware of a Mexican population. I don't know if on top of a stove. But the tortilla was soft. that sounds racist, but if it's racist against onions, please." If my request would las Run Out Of My House and we would offer If it were grilled, or even baked, the tortilla anyone, it's probably white people. And would be the first thing to crisp up. Leading looking at my distinctly-lacking-in-melanin me to think it was microwaved. Note: not skin, I think I can dodge that accusation. only should quesadillas not be microwaved, but food ordered from a place called The any Bon Appétit owned and operated loca-Grill should SO not be microwaved.

that Bon Appetit is owned by a major cor- I'll probably continue to eat there, because evil. Fuck that noise. My complaint is that guesadilla at PepsiCo-owned Taco Bell. asshole, I'm totally gonna put some sperm amongst you, I should also mention that the I'm sure you're good people. The woman one time I went to Burrito Heaven, my food who came and listened to my stupid-ass was super good.) Actually, the quesadillas complaint could best be described as super might not be cheaper, but the burritos sure nice. She didn't even bitch-slap me like I my table and asked. I didn't really have a are. Let me tell my burrito horror story. One would've if I were her. You're a higher class Saturday, when the Greenery was closed, 1 of people than me, probably. I'm not even bought a burrito from the Bon Appetit oper- going to say, "learn to make a quesadilla," ated cafe. The juice from the beans and the because I'm sure you know how already. grease from the chicken leaked out upon my and probably make bad-ass ones in the plate like so much sludge. I attempted to see privacy of your own home. But man, if if this burrito excrement could be eaten like a dip, and tasted it on some complimentary were to start making the quesadillas for thy was little cheese to be found. The chicker fold-over thing instead of just placing the tortilla chips. I mention this only to point and spices were all okay, but when I order a cheeses between two tortillas. I did mention out that not only am I not discriminating at for thyself, I will give them a hug. And

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When I moved to Olympia from

So yeah, I'm now super afraid to eat at tions. I've got money on my meal card and I am not one to complain about the fact I don't know what I'm gonna do about that. who might've read this article, work at whoever it is who makes the quesadillas neighbor as they would make a quesadilla all, I'm totally fucking disgusting. I should money. And you will inherit the Earth.

# How to Run for Governor of California... Without Really Trying

### by Katie Thurman

proceedings, it became apparent that just about any old individual, no matter how it all turned in by some state set deadline. I inane or jovial or vicious, could run for gov- actually found a website with every single ernor. All they had to do was supply a little bit of information you would ever need if money, file some paper work, and get a few you decide to run for governor. It's: people to sign some things, and they were <u>http://www.run-for-governor.org</u> on the ballot. California law actually pro- Maybe decide on a platform or two, somevides rules and regulations for this process.  $\boldsymbol{\zeta}$  thing to make you stand out from the I figured that, although many promising can- J. other several hundred candidates. Dye didates, such as myself and other Greeners. missed out on this fine opportunity, it might endorse Nazism, and maybe even participate be good to be well read should we ever get in illicit activity. The more you do to distin-

If at first the state is lacking in politi-L . talking about the state's budgets, or and you actually win, you've got a lot of tions. This kind of talk always gets everyone all sorts of official things, like appointing a riled up.

If no one will demand a recall of the current conferences, and living in the governor's governor, there is still hope. You can mansion. 3 always do it yourself. Just march right With that in mind, I hope to see many and demand to recall the governor for some in the near future.

So recently, the people of California reason. They'll probably let you do it. After

• natures, raise some money, and get

your hair blue, get married by Elvis, elected, or at least make a fool of yourself. I would strongly suggest moving to After all, even if you don't win, this will be the state of California. They seem your last chance to run for governor until the like a lively bunch, and given that next recall election comes around. You must

A key point is to decide on your • make a joke, perhaps making that very

obvious would be good. After all, if cal strife, create some. Maybe start you are simply trying to make a statement tax increases, or taxing botox injec- actual work ahead of you. You'll have to do staff, laying out a budget, attending press

up to the Secretary of State's office more candidates for governor of California

# Liberty, Not Democracy Before I start this column, I need to note nal integrity. That word is "liberty."

something someone brought to my attention classes. I don't approve of that school in democracy there." any way, shape, or form. Perhaps that didn't come across because my writing is of poor quality. One sentence was cut off from the production line therefore the reference was unclear. My apologies... onward!

With a war, or (at the very least) an intervention on our hands, there are some things to consider about the rhetoric flying by on all sides. We shall call terms that are used flexibly (and with contradicting meanings) "charged" or "marked" terms.

Charged terms are words like "freedom." If you ask ten different people what the word ten different answers. There are obviously differences between things like "freedom from" and "freedom to." For example, a recent bestseller book's tagline reads, "...how it steals your freedom and what you can do about it." If someone makes an obscene amount of money, some would say that they are somehow harming you, even if they gained the money through legitimate enterprise. That is one definition of freedom. This freedom is to take another's earnings to use for "social justice" programs. Another definition of freedom would be "freedom from." Freedom from abuse by overzealous prosecutors, I.R.S. employees, Homeland Security agents, etc...

tends to get denigrated. However, there is to yourself, "Democracy wasn't all it was one word that has retained much of its origi- cracked up to be."

The reason I prefer "liberty" to "democabout my last article. In the last article, when racy" is because I don't trust others with my I used the Bob Jones University reference, life or government over me. Democracy is a I meant to use it as a polar opposite of most full-fledged charged term now. When thinkcolleges' bias. Their bias is quite a bit worse. ing of the Iraq intervention, this phrase can't Supposedly they teach creationism in their escape my mind: "We are in Iraq to instill

Should Iragis embrace democracy? ("Car that form of government even be instilled there?" is the more important question which is seldom asked.) Maybe they should reject it. Theocracy ain't that great but democracy is.

Hypothetically speaking, let us envision a full-fledged democracy, no holds barred This democracy would not have a constitution (that means everything is a political issue and nothing is off-bounds) and everyone could vote and there wouldn't be any houses of government. People would vote freedom means, chances are you will have everyday and a computer set up to tally the votes would post the laws on the Internet and in a government-run newspaper.

Now let us suppose you live in this 'civil society. Majority rule on everything! You vote, just like everyone else does. But let's suppose you are in the minority. One day you start to anger a few people who have a LOT of friends. These people start thinking they want to have you finished. Days go by as their influence spreads across the country Suddenly, you are the most evil person in your country. It is too late to do anything, because by the time you check the Internet you see that the lynch mob with burning torches outside your door can legally do anything they want. As your head rides on In such times as these, a word's meaning the stake of everyone's hatred, you think

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# Zine review

of the week

### By Perrin Randlette

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What is a Zine? A zine is a booklet of artwork, comics, poetry, etc, that you want to share with your community. Xerox machines are really helpful, plain paper is cheap, so get busy!

Hi there my fellow zinesters. Last week, I pleaded for proof that zine-making is not a dying art, and not a single zine was turned in. But instead of taking "no" for an answer, I did my research. Asking around on Red Square, I found that Kate had a new zine coming out, so off to Phantom City I went.

The zine rack at Phantom City holds many "personal" zines, poetry zines and a few comics. I found Kate's zine, Romance, and paid \$1.00 for it. Flipping through the black and white line drawings, I saw a beautiful amalgam of reality and fantasy. Birds jump on trampolines wearing bras. Luke Wilson has a cameo appearance. and is surrounded by loopy handwriting. These drawings have an absurd undertone, but Kate shows creatures that I swear I've encountered before, someplace, sometime. The best part: it doubles as a coloring book. Grab your crayons!

So, happily, it seems that people are still sharing their ideas in a holdable format. Friendster is cool, websites and email, but nothing says "I love you" like a zine.

## Short, Sweet & Symbolic

### by Chelsea Baker

The American public educational institutions enjoy force-feeding their students information on American Indians: however, they never get a true grasp on their culture. In the book The Way to Rainy Mountain, the author N. Scott Momaday recollects tales his grandmother told him about the Kiowan Indians. Not only does he tell ancient Indian legends, he explains what he views as the meanings and possible histories behind the stories and tells of the Indian life he lived as a child.

The explanations of the legends were slightly disappointing because I expected Momaday to explain the symbolism in the stories. He simply explained where they came up with some of he things mentioned. For example, in one of the stories about the sun's child, after the child's mother

died, he met a large spider that he referred to as Grandmother, and she helped raise him. In the explanation to this myth, Momaday mentioned the Kiowas were forced southward and troops converged upon them, forcing them to camp on Elk Creek. It started raining, which caused a flood, and large black tarantulas swarmed on the flood.

The book contained intriguing stories, whether their meanings were well developed or not. At 88 sparsely filled pages, with occasional full-page illustration done by the author's father, most people could get through this book within an hour or so, and it gives the reader the benefit of understanding Native American mythology a bit better than they might have already.

# Edgar Allan Poe Dies of Rabies

### by Lauren Fujii

Pleeseasaur, a one-man act, came on first, dressed as an abominable snowman. In this costume, he did not dance as one usually would, as you might, for instance, when thrown onto a cold stage in front of a cold audience. While pictures flashed on screens behind him, he sang and dance away a set of hilarious and childish pop songs. Think Ben Stiller in a heavyweights musical, the theme song: "Totally Working Out All the Time." Pleeseasaur had many costume changes, including turning himself into the middle brother of the Italian trio Tony, Tony, and Tony, via yoke (his brothers were life-size dolls). He gets the award for the most ingenious use of a yoke since the ox. A fascinating and confident performance.

Blood Hag was the epitome of a rock show. Despite the roller rink lighting (they asked for them dim, light guy), they blew us out of the Go Club, some literally. The guitar player was sized in proportion to the instrument enough to exert his total will over the strings. And the lead singer's husky low-pitched scream is what every other screaming lead singer aspires to be. This band loves science fiction, and each song is about a certain sci-fi author. They began each song with dusky and dark biographical information. They did Burgess, Asimov, Burroughs, and many more. Just because the man did heroin until eighty doesn't mean that you can. And this rumor about Edgar Allan Poe, that he died of alcoholism, not true. His body was dug up and they found out it was rabies.

Lastly, Captured! By Robots performed the Ten Commandments musical. This band proved that robots can play music, but not harmoniously. They play rock 'n' roll and even ska, but they do not play together. This kind of robotic independence made for a loud clash of noise. The stage was filled with impressive robots, all made by JBOT, the human lead singer. There was a horn section, a drummer (DRMBOT 0110), and two gorilla robots on the tambourine and cymbals. Captured! By Robots put on an offensive but intriguing finale to a creative night.

No killing and it's still filling!

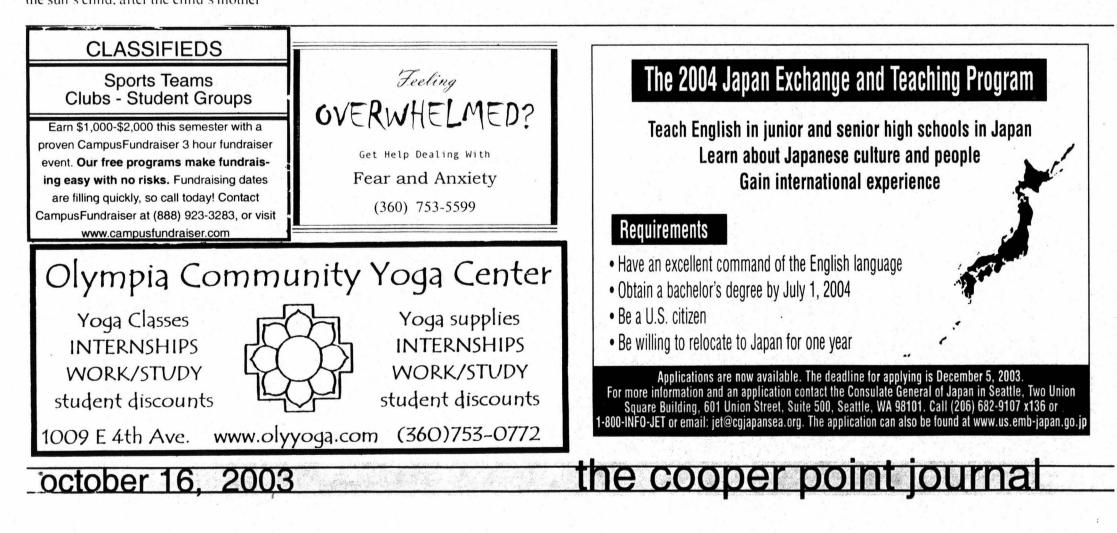
# Recipe o'the Week

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### Double-Trouble Chocolate Brownies

- 10 oz. applesauce
- 1/2 cup (or more!) cocoa powder
- 2 cups unrefined sugar
- 1 ripe banana
- 1 1/3 cups unbleached flour
- 2 cups chocolate chips
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/2 cup chopped walnuts (optional)

This is guaranteed to make ooey-gooey-warm-your tummy brownies, and it's easy too! Preheat oven to 350°. Mash applesauce, banana, and sugar together in one bowl. Mix the remaining ingredients in another bowl. Add the two and stir until smooth. Pour into an 8x8 baking pan for traditionally square brownies. Bake for 35 minutes.



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# improv on your feet

### by Emma Hite

What do you call the spontaneous creation of a story, a few suggestions snowballing into an intense drama, timing and cooperation between zany and creative performers, and the method to the madness of thinkon-your-feet narrative theater? We of the Evergreen Improvisational Theater call it improv!

Two committed and experienced student improv performers founded the Evergreen Improvisational Theater in February of 2003. Since then, there have been performances and workshops, laughter and tears, soul-searching and ripped clothing. The Evergreen Improvisational Theater's mission is to share the art of improvisational theater through workshops, practice, and performance, with the students of Evergreen as well as the community, and to help people remember what it means to play.

On Monday, October 20th, the Evergreen Improvisational Theater will have its very first official open rehearsal in CAB 110 from 6 - 8 pm. This is the first opportunity for interested folks to come and get a sense of what the group is all about. No experience is required, but remember to wear comfortable clothes and be prepared to get crazy with your bad self (that means "have fun"). Contact the Evergreen Improvisational Theater by emailing improv@evergreen.edu or by phone at 867.6412 if you have any questions. You can also sign up to receive emails about up-and-coming improv shows via email, at the above address. Be there, or regret it for the rest of your life.

# That ART question

### by Jordan Lyons

Art, by Yasmina Reza, found its way to Olympia from Paris via Broadway. Its urbane sophistication remained intact. Its energy, however, is another

Last week, Harlequin Productions finished a three-week run of the Tony award-winning play that could best be described as competent. Although there was nothing wrong with the play, nothing was exactly right with it either. The technical aspects of the production - the sets and costumes - were plausible, if not showy, and the performances followed suit

The play's action centers around a friendship tested, when one of its members purchases a completely white canvas at great expense, offending the sensibilities of another. Throughout the play, the three friends struggle desperately to divine the meaning of the painting and of their relationships.

The text provides for tension, and the performances went through the motions in displaying it, including raised voices, mussed hair, and emphatic cursing. But some ethereal thing was wanting.

The play was pretty good, make no mistake of it. Good enough for theatre patrons seeking to stay well rounded, attending shows as a matter of retaining a good habit. But for an audience seeking genuine entertainment, inspiration, or provocation, something more was needed.

Reza's text provokes one of the most basic and troubling questions of the postmodern era: what makes something art? This particular production asks another: what makes good art?



### A Review of "Are You the One?"

### by Mitchell Hahn-Branson

Some singer/songwriters are able to write about life through metaphor, creating powerful images to express love, longing, and angst. Those who don't have such a way with words, however, frequently choose to focus instead on maintaining a good sense of humor as they sing of their hopes, yearnings, and neuroses.

Stephanie Haffner, a musician from Stockton, California who played at Le Voyeur Cafe on October 6 and recently made a live appearance on KAOS radio, is one such artist. Her spare, unornamented songs - usually played on solo guitar with occasional accompaniment by Jack Hines on bass - are sometimes cheerful, frequently melancholy, but nearly always possessed of a sense of humor about Haffner's own neuroses and desires, as well as a number of seemingly ordinary personal details that add realism to the stories she tells. Never has the act of slicing peaches sounded as romantic as it does in "Kiss Me," one of the best songs on Haffner's 2001 album, "Are You the One?"

Occasionally, Haffner's music runs the risk of being unintentionally funny. Lyrics like, "I am a sunflower/ I'm gonna grow so big bodacious beautiful yellow come July" end up sounding silly. Those lines are the exception to the rule, though, and Haffner's guitar skills and comic timing allow her to get away with all but the most ridiculous lyrics.

In her song "Can't Sleep," Stephanie Haffner sings, "Wish I had a metaphor/I'd tie all this up into a pretty story." It's a good line, but it undercuts the amount of creativity she's capable of. With all the care, humor, and grace evident in each of her songs, Haffner needs no metaphors.

# a One-Man **Musical Machine**

#### by Mike Villella

Making music in your spare time is a great way to alleviate the stresses of student life. Evergreen Student Charles Hollis knows about this firsthand. Since the 2002 summer, he has worked on a self-produced debut album entitled Inbreed. At first glance, the title may sound sort of dreary, and some of the lyrics as well. However, after listening to the sounds of this one-man musical machine, I have become entranced in the rhythm and poetic vision contained in the seventeen tracks. The words "c'mon y'all ... it's a suicide dance" reverberate in my head hours after the first listen-through. Hollis notes that among his musical influences, Nirvana is the primary one, and his music would fall under the category of alternative rock.

Hollis plays a Jag master guitar made by Fender, which is a "sister model to the Jagstang," played by Kurt Cobain for the famous Nevermind album. A native Washingtonian, Charles has played music "all [his] life" and is currently a twenty-year-old senior at Evergreen, in pursuit of his bachelor's degree.

In review of his music, his song entitled "Enclave" has left a lasting impression on me. The first time that I listened to this album, I was not interested in the depressed feel to the lyrics. After track four came on, I began to glimpse into the nature of his artistic expression as I drove home from a long school day. The music found on Charles Hollis's debut album is worthy of sharing with others. In fact, students wishing to buy a copy and support a local artist can contact Hollis at his e-mail requesting a copy and for \$3 they can experience his music first hand. Hollis requests the fee as compensation for the tireless hours and money spent in music studios producing the album. Hollis is the only featured artist on Inbreed and is certainly talented enough to take his band to the top.

All he needs are a couple of extra musicians, and they could likely produce the sort of sounds that infest mainstream radio. When you get a chance, contact Hollis at holcha23@evergreen.edu, and ask for your original copy of this up-and-coming musical artist!

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by Dawn R. Dunbai

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### Aries

If you have felt like you are in a fish bowl, realize you only have one view and resist the urge to paint the fish pink. Stay focused.

### Taurus

Memory has been an issue this year. No, you do not have early-onset Alzheimer's, and it will pass. Post-it Notes work.

#### Gemini

Recovering from Saturn's jaunt through your sign the last two-plus years, you feel relieved. Now you know both sides.

### Cancer

Saturn is in your sign for approximately two and a half years. Get lots of rest and embrace the lessons. Foster humor.

#### Leo

You got a break during Jupiter's one-year transit through your sign. This week, do not let an opportunity pass.

### Virgo

Jupiter is in your sign for a year, bringing you expansion on some level. Your body may also be enhanced. Eat wisely.

#### Libra

Always balancing, Mercury is in your sign this week. Here is something to think about: let it all out and destroy that pillow.

### Scorpio

Relationship issue is to the fore. You are feeling loving and exude goodwill. Careful not to delude.

### Sagittarius

Regeneration has been the focus. When you lose something, the replacement carries a broader scope. Faith works.

### Capricorn

Projects take time. It will come to fruition. Get you rest and do not despair. Hard work always pays off.

#### Aquarius

Feeling like you are in a fog? At the same time, has innovation been coming in from all directions? It is pure genius.

### Pisces

A recent disappointment allowed you more time or space somewhere else. Disorientation is the new ground. Go for it!



# Bayshore Golf Club: A Course Review

by Brian Flewell

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Located three miles north of Shelton on SR-3, Bayshore Golf Club is an inexpensive getaway for the college golfer on a budget. Weekday rates during twilight hours, which begin at 2: 00 pm, will set you back a mere \$13.00, and weekend twilight \$20.00.

The course itself is nicely laid out. If it has one major drawback, it is that your 18-hole course is really just the front 9 played a second time with a few minor adjustments, such as tee box location. If you're looking for variety when you're playing, this course is not for you. There are, however, many redeeming qualities about the course.

The first three holes circle a small collection of houses and maintenance sheds, which makes the fairways very thin. For an amateur golfer, like me, this can be intimidating. The best hole of the entire course can be found on hole 5. Walking north at the edge of the golf course, the green sits on the shores of Oakland Bay. The beauty of the sparkling water and the bright green of the course takes the experience to a whole new level.

Since my only chance to go out to Bayshore was after a rainstorm, the course was very soggy and there were many visible divots. Despite how wet the course was, the ball ran quite quickly across the green. The holes themselves are well maintained. The fairways and greens were cut short, and it was a very pleasing experience to play here.

Par for 18 holes is 72 for men, 73 for women. For those of you who care about the ratings and slopes, Bayshore has a rating of 68.6 and a slope of 117. My irons got a lot work playing here since there were very few holes that were perfectly straight.

In the coming weeks of the S+L section, I hope to have further reviews of courses throughout Thurston and South Mason counties. If you are interested in submitting your own course review, come down to the CPJ office located in CAB 316 on Monday at 5:00 pm for our weekly CPJ meeting. I can be contacted for further information through my e-mail at: flebri14@evergreen.edu. Sporting Events for the Week of

October 16 through October 22, 2003

HOME EVENTS Women's Volleyball Friday, October 17 vs. Northwest at 7:00 pm

Men's Soccer Saturday, October 18 vs. Albertson at 3:00 pm

Women's Soccer Saturday, October 18 vs. Cascade at 1:00 pm

**Cross Country** 

Saturday, October 18; The Evergreen State College Open in Olympia, WA

# WRESTLING!

by Eric King

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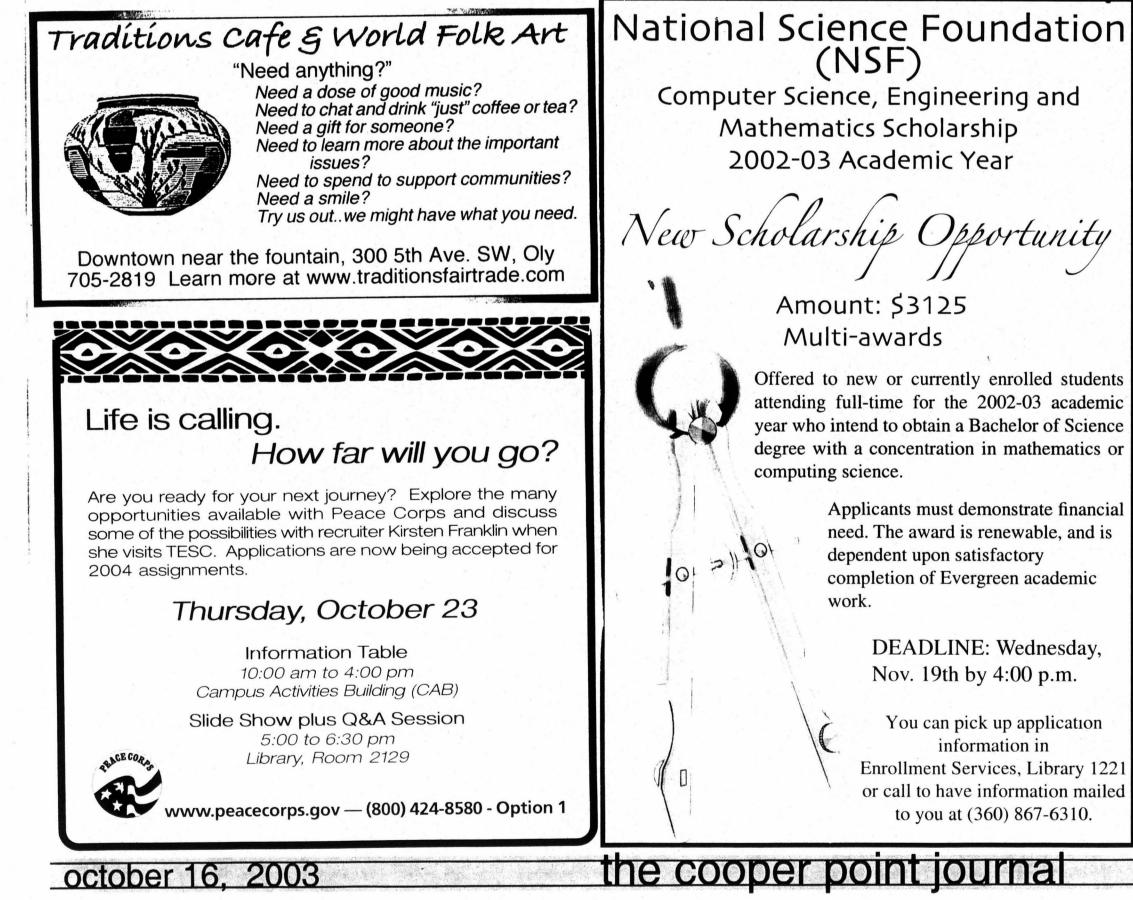
I know you've seen us practicing late into the night under the watchful gaze of the moon and the fluorescent lights of the CRC. Mercilessly trying to throw one another into the mat, only to rise to the challenge more bloody, sweaty, and tired than the last time we hit the ground, but somehow we get up again only to do it again and again, and then some the next night.

Welcome to the world of wrestling! Moreover, welcome to Evergreen's co-ed wrestling club! To keep it simple we are a group of kind-hearted physically aggressive people who like to wrestle four days a week Monday through Thursday nights.

We want people of all abilities from the beginner to the state champion. As a beginner you will learn basic techniques that you can use to defend yourself, or spar with other members of equal ability. Those who are more advanced will have the opportunity to test and hone their skills with wrestlers of equal or surpassing ability, and have the opportunity to participate in at least six tournaments in Washington and Oregon.

What do you have to lose? It's free of charge, come and go as you please, work as hard as you want (but don't show if you don't plan to work at all). It's a great way to get in shape without running, get stronger without lifting weights, make new friends, and let loose some aggressive energy.

For more information, call Sanders Freed at 753.2816. Eric King can be reached at 925.413.6262.



# calendar

# Thursday October 16

Environmental Resource Center meets at 2:30 pm on the third floor of CAB.

Stream Team kick-off event, 6:30 - 9 pm in the Thurston County Courthouse, building 1. Learn how to identify native trees, plant a tree seedling, learn about salmon, view stream bugs, and socialize with current Stream Team members. FREE. Everyone welcome. For more info, call 360.753.8454.

Sappho's Sisters Book Group for lesbian, bisexual and transgender womyn. 7 - 8:30 pm. Discussing *Daughters of Darkness* by Pam Keesey. FREE. South Sound Center, 308 Tacoma Ave. South. For more information, call 253.383.2318.

## Friday October 17

Gloria Pacis, mother of war resister, Stephen Funk, will speak from 7 - 8: 30 pm at the New Hope Baptist Church. 124 21<sup>st</sup> Ave. Seattle. \$3-\$5 donation requested, no one turned away. For more information, call 206.325.0085 or email Act Now to Stop War and End Racism (ANSWER) at: seattle@inter nationalanswer.org

Heartsparkle Players' *Stories of Human Treasures*, honoring elders who bring wisdom, compassion, talent and vision to our communities. Audience members tell moments from their lives and watch them re-created through movement, music and dialogue. 7:30 pm at Traditions Café, 300 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. SW (downtown Olympia on the corner of 5<sup>th</sup> and Water). Suggested donation of \$5 to \$10, however, no one is turned away.

Backstage 8 pm, \$5. The Sellouts, The Nobodies and The Crossing, at The Capitol Theatre, 206 5<sup>th</sup> Ave., in downtown Olympia. For more information, call 360.754.5378, or visit: <u>http://www.olyfilm.org/theatre/</u>

# Saturday October 18

Out & About Potluck. 4:30 - 7 pm. Meet other twenty- and thirty-something gay residents of Pierce County and make some friends. FREE. South Sound Center, 308 Tacoma Ave. South. For more info, call 253.383.2318.

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"All Hallows EVEning" dance at the Mountaineers Club in Old Town Tacoma. 2302 North 30<sup>th</sup> Street, 8 pm to midnight. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased in advance. Prizes awarded for the best costume! Light refreshments, soda and water included. Beer and wine available for purchase.

# Monday October 20

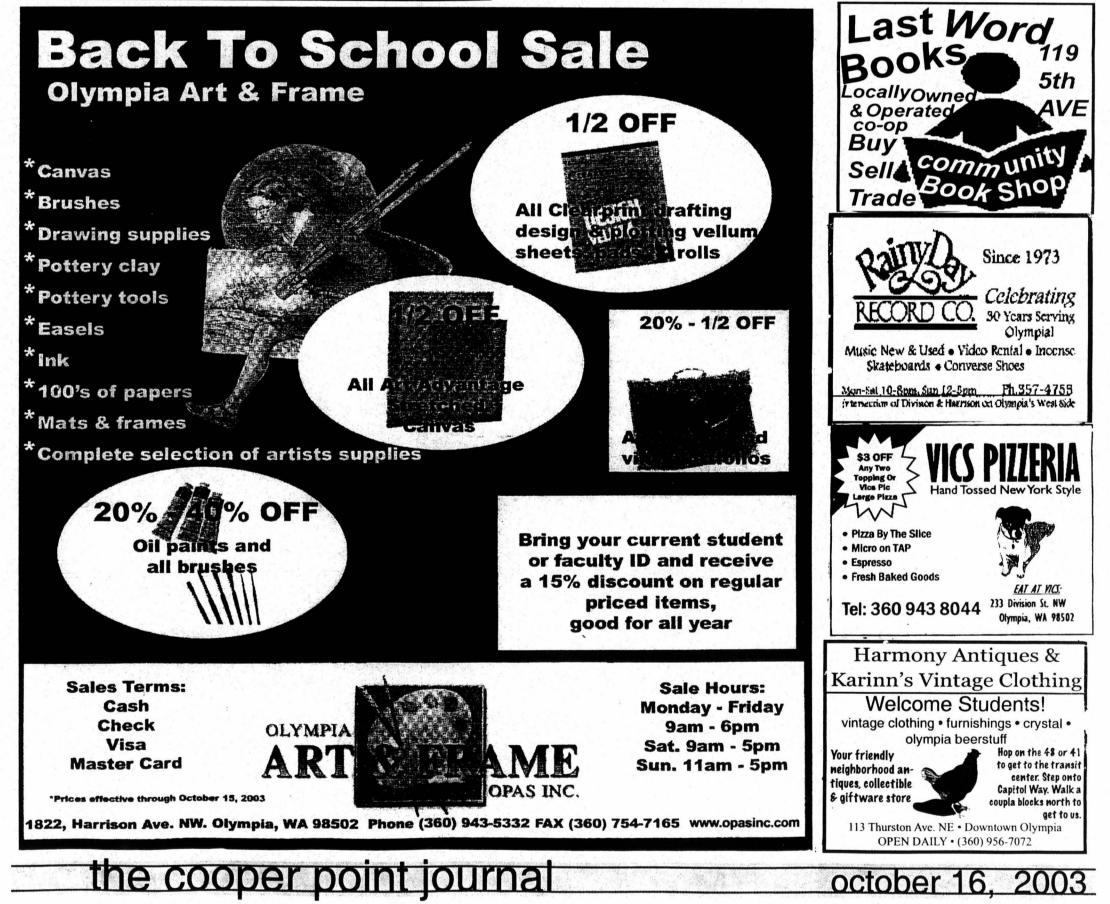
Women's Rights: Frontline in the Struggle Against Political Repression. Weekly discussion group on the book *When Biology Became Destiny*, the classic anthology analyzing the experience of women's resistance to the rise of the fascist seizure of power in Germany. 7 - 8:30 pm. University of Washington, Ethic Culture Center, 3931 Brooklyn Ave. NE, Seattle. Free. Everyone welcome. Wheelchair accessible. Sponsored by Radical Women. For more information, call 206.722.6057 or 722.2453.

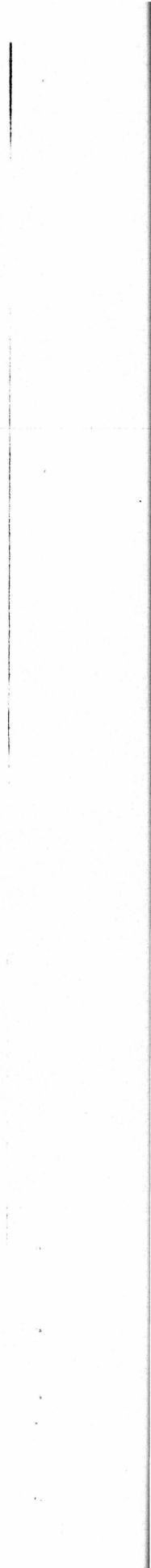
## Tuesday October 21

Evergreen Animal Rights Network meets at 5pm CAB conference room. The EARN office number is 867.6555.

# Wednesday October 22

Jewish Cultural Center weekly meeting at 3 pm in LIB 2129. All are welcome.







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