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Dianne Conrad
Friday 4 p.m.

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NEWS

Frank Thoughts on Food

Commentary by Brian Frank

Despite the efforts of the Food Service DTF to explore non-corporate options for TESC, the food service situation is much the same as it was around this time last year - we are facing bids from corporations for a contract that will last for 5 to 7 years. Last year, Sodexho-Marriott, a company with a long history of union-busting and with fiscal and managerial ties to the emerging "for-profit" prison industry came out on top. Soon after substantial student protests over the summer, the negotiations between Sodexho and the college mysteriously broke down, and so we ended up with Fine Host for one more year.

Today, we have 6 corporations that may be bidding on the contract: Sodexho-Marriott, Fine Host, Aramark, Chartwells (Compass Group), Bon Appetite, and High Concepts. I have done a bit of investigative research into some of these corporations and wanted to share it with everybody out there. All of the information described below is documented and verifiable; of course, any of the opinions offered are my own.

We know about these guys - lousy food, a perpetually frustrated labor force, jacked up prices, and hired undercover security to make sure you're being a good little boy or girl. Unless you're the type that enjoys seeing your friends and classmates who need a job for rent or tuition get fired for trivial infractions, or you find being watched by "invisible" surveillance to be an enjoyable or at least an acceptable and "normal" part of the shopping experience, you're probably not too happy with them.

Sodexho-Marriott
What could be worse than Fine Host? Bear with me as we delve into the shady underworld of corporate inter-ownership and mega-mergers. Sodexho Marriott was created in 1998, when the Marriott Hotel chain merged its food service holdings with the food service holdings of Paris-based Sodexho Alliance, one of the 500 largest corporations in the world, with nearly \$9.5 billion in sales last year. The Sodexho Alliance asserts substantial control over Sodexho Marriott, with 48% stock ownership and the right to appoint several board members to the company [1].

Also in the Sodexho Alliance's broad stock portfolio is one of the largest stakes in the recently merged Corrections Corporation of America/Prison Realty Trust (CCA/PZN) [2], the largest owner and manager of private prisons in America [3]. The Sodexho Alliance's Vice President sits on CCA/PZN's Board of Directors [2]. Until last spring, perhaps when Sodexho-Marriott realized the protests against them were growing, the president, founder, and CEO of both the CCA and the PZN was on Sodexho Marriott's board of directors [2]. Clearly, these companies, besides being financially linked, are quite chummy.

I would imagine that many of you reading this are more or less opposed to the incarceration of human beings for profit on premise. If not, I can assure you that the CCA/PZN has a long, long history of problems including guards having sex with inmates [4], allegations of severe brutality [5], racism against Native American prisoners [6], rioting [7], escapes [8], melees leading to deaths of inmates [9], negligence leading to death of inmates [4], lies to government officials and reporters [10], and illegal firings of whistleblowers [11]. Besides the fact that cents off of every dollar

spent at Sodexho Marriott may end up reinvested in the private prison industry, a sandwich bought a Sodexho Marriott cafeteria supports one of the most anti-labor corporations in the U.S. Before the merger, Marriott's was described by the AFL-CIO as "not only violently anti-union...but ideologically so," and by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees as "one of the most anti-union companies in America" and things really haven't gotten better since [12].

Sodexho Marriott has had allegations of employment discrimination (by race, gender, disabilities, etc.) or violations of the labor rights filed against them more than 40 times in the last 2 years [13], including a large class action racial discrimination suit filed just last month in Washington, DC [14]. Last year, the National Labor Relations Board ruled that Sodexho-Marriott had illegally suppressed worker's First Amendment rights by a statement in their employees' manual prohibiting discussion of working conditions - even when off the job [15]. Sodexho-Marriott has published an internal manual advising managers of the value and methods of maintaining a union-free workplace [16]. In addition to this, the company has had 39 citations by the US Occupational Safety and Health Administration in the last 2 years alone for maintaining a dangerous working environment [17]. This isn't exactly the kind of place you'd want to go looking for that convenient on-campus job.

Besides all this, the company has a terrible food safety record including a Salmonella outbreak [18], and E. coli outbreaks in Wisconsin [19] and at the State University of New York at Albany [20], and one incident of a finger being found in a turkey sandwich [21]. All of these issues have led to a massive national campaign against this corporation that is active on dozens of campus around the country. The protests (including those at TESC) have been featured in national magazines and radio shows numerous times in the past 2 years. Aramark

Aramark is the 3rd largest food service corporation in the world, behind Sodexho and Compass Group, and is one of the 20 largest privately owned corporations in America with sales greater than \$7 billion last year. Aramark also has quite a history of bad labor relations. Aramark battled the National Labor Relations Board during the early 1990's, when it refused to recognize union employees following the privatization of a formerly country-run facility in Florida. Aramark apparently stalled for some time on following court orders before eventually recognizing the union after substantial protests from the community [22].

In just the past three years, Aramark has been accused of 1) illegal firings, worker intimidation, and more than a dozen other unfair labor practices in New Orleans [23], 2) refusing to recognize a predominantly African-American union at the Citadel military college in South Carolina [24], 3) harassing, intimidating and illegally firing workers attempting to organize in Houston [25], 4) illegal firings in New York City [26], and 5) harassing workers at the Claremont Colleges in Southern California (which eventually led to sit-ins by enraged students [27]).

Aramark has also drawn criticism for violation of contract and failure to provide nutritious food. Atlanta's public school system nearly lost millions of dollars in federal funding for lunch programs because Aramark did such a lousy job of providing quality food. Aramark eventually was penalized \$250,000 over the issue just last month [28]. Aramark's food in a state prison in Caldwell, Ohio, was

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THE POLICE

It's a stupid, repetitive, stupid world

by Jen Blackford

Well, we knew it was too good to be true. We thought that maybe it might last, but our hopes were cruelly dashed against the rocks of life. Or something to that effect.

That's right, there's not a lot of information in Blotter this week. Which is no shock to any of you loyal readers, but it does prove to be disappointing to me, nonetheless.

So I'll carry on in my own inimitable way, by making fun of fire alarms, reporting bike thefts, and, in general, remarking upon the alarming trivialities of crime in the Evergreen underworld. On with the mayhem....

April 2
8:05 a.m. Police catch someone sleeping on the 4th floor of the Library. Well, at least it's not F-Lot.

8:12 a.m. A laptop computer was stolen from the Media Services area. But don't fret. There's more to come.

5:39 p.m. Someone steals a bicycle from Housing. About three hours later, another one goes missing from the CAB. Since neither one's mine, I'll breathe a sigh of relief for my bike, still parked for over two and a half years in the same spot (I could tell you were wondering what happened).

6:59 p.m. A broken window in Housing leads police to think that "this incident is suspicious in that this is the second time a window in this unit has been broken [see Snapple incident last week]." Furthermore, they were informed that one of the Housing staff received "possible information today that victim may be involved with two

separate women at the same time and that they had discovered what was going on." Needless to say, the victim declined to give information as to who might have broken the window.

9:47 p.m. An undisclosed assault occurs today in Housing, but, like previous ones, I have no information on it.

10:50 p.m. Reportedly, a fire alarm in A-Dorm is set off by burnt popcorn in the Tech Center.

April 3
8:53 a.m. A fire alarm in the Lecture Hall core area. And, at 11:38 a.m., another one occurs on the 1st floor of the Library. Big deal.

12:43 p.m. The laptop is recovered, thus ending a nightmarish 26 hours for someone.

5:39 p.m. There's a vehicle accident in F-Lot. Several hours later, at 10:20 p.m., a car hits a deer. Both are sad and depress me greatly. Well, those reports, and the fact that I know nothing more about either one of these incidents.

April 4
Apparently, nothing happened... which is not really a surprise, if you think about it.

April 5
1:00 a.m. A person gets pulled over for speeding and a broken taillight. Of course, the cop smells alcohol on the driver's breath. You know the drill; she takes the tests and gets busted with a DUI, but unlike previous suspects, she actually has an attorney and he gives her a ride home.

4:53 a.m. A fire alarm in U-Dorm



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is caused by "unknown trouble." Yeah, we all know what that means. Something bad.

12:18 p.m. What started as a simple theft last month with a bottle of Excedrin, some cocoa, and a pair of scissors going missing quickly turned sinister when a painting from that very office also disappeared today. I would just like to take the time to say whoever stole these things is a freak. And I mean it from the bottom of my heart.

9:56 p.m. Something happens in Lab I involving a computer projector. But I don't know what it is, and so you will be left unsatisfied.

April 6
11:46 a.m. Boy, the Library sure is popular. Whether it's reposing in the Gallery or breaking into an office, the 4th floor is the place to be.

5:34 p.m. Something involving a criminal trespass and a malicious mischief occurs today.

9:56 p.m. Two MIPs happen within the space of an hour. That's all I know.

10:54 p.m. What is it about people and leash laws that cause them to do bizarre things? Today, a man and his German Shepherd run into the woods when they see a cop preparing to stop them for the aforementioned law. According to the report, "After walking into the woods about 40 feet, I observed the suspect and his dog crouched behind a large tree." This ploy does not work and the suspect gets a warning.

April 7
The only thing that happened today is something called "physical control/MIP

release." If you can figure out what that means or what really happened, let me know. If not, you can be blissfully unaware of its significance like me.

April 8
11:10 a.m. The most interesting notation of the week actually comes today when a case of "possession of marijuana for medical purposes" gets reported today.

I.T. seeks members for citizens advisory group.



Intercity Transit is seeking citizens interested in serving on the Citizen Work Group advisory panel. The Citizen Group provides broad-based community guidance on public transportation in Thurston County.

The Citizen Group is a 19-member panel from throughout the county representing seniors, youth, persons with disabilities, college students, business owners, transit users, social service agencies, the medical community, neighborhood associations, the rural communities, and citizens-at-large. It consists of both supporters and critics of public transportation.

Applicants for the Citizen Work Group must reside within Thurston County. Applications are available by calling (360) 786-8585, at the Olympia Transit Center, at the main office (526 Pattison SE, Olympia), and online at www.intercitytransit.com. Applications are due April 27, 2001.

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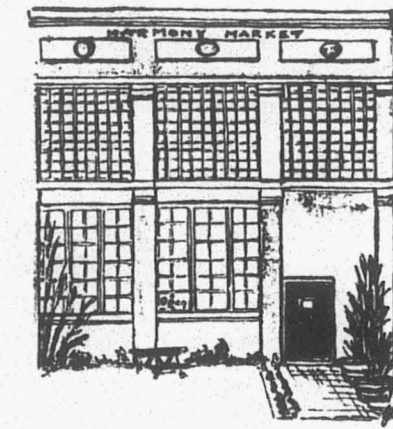
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proposed state budget, which would allow Washington state schools to increase tuition in the coming years. The legislature gave Evergreen, unlike other schools, no limit as to how much tuition can increase.

"Does the administration want tuition caps? They have taken no action," said Adams. He called for everyone to walk out of class and attend Friday's protest. "If Evergreen lacks the structures to voice its students' concerns, then the students will have to do this through direct action."

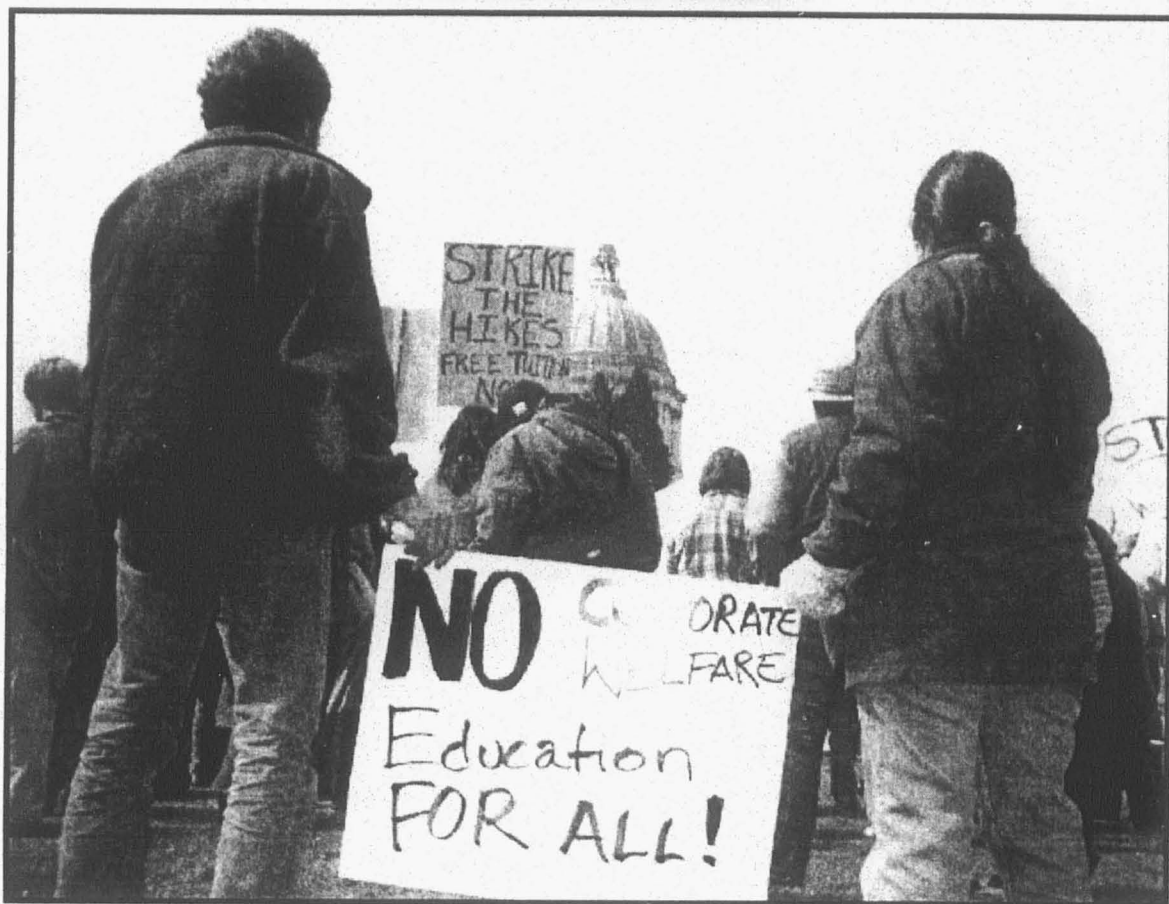
Rebecca Golden, of WashPIRG, spoke of the burdens of student loans. She explained how lower income students might be forced to take out more loans as the price of attending college increases. Most students, she claimed, underestimate the implications of their loans.

"Instead of raising tuition," said Golden, "we need to increase Pell Grants." President Les Purce provided the administrative position.

"Evergreen has always maintained that the best policy is low tuition and high financial aid," Purce said. He also noted that federal and state policies have changed drastically over the last half-century, with fewer grants available and much higher tuition.

Responding to Adams' request for action, Purce said that the school has asked the legislature to set "predictable tuition levels. [The limits] should be uniform with each of the institutions in the state."

When asked later at what level, and using what criteria,



Despite a few local newspaper reports, last Friday's capital protest was about preventing tuition hikes, not demanding free tuition. Photo by Corey Pein

the board of trustees might set tuition if the legislature denied the school's request, Purce did not know. Said Purce, "This decision will not be made in isolation, I promise you that." Faculty member Peter Dorman criticized the tuition plan. "This is terrible, terrible public policy. As a teacher, I see students nodding out because they've been up all night working to pay the bills. This is unconscionable."

Dorman spoke of signs showing that the economy is headed toward a recession. He warned that, if the precedent is set that tuition funding could be cut in hard times, then real crises will amplify the problem.

"This is a situation where being practical means being radical," offered Dorman. "We have to demand that

people all over the state get their needs met."

Student Trustee Vagmayi gave her stance. "I will support what happens, whichever way it happens." She attempted to ease some people's fears, saying, "This college is loved by the [state] sub-committee on higher education and the board of trustees."

After the invited speakers made their cases, they opened the meeting to question and discussion.

Purce said that it was unlikely tuition would "skyrocket." He also said that the college can do the most to oppose the tuition increase through the official process.

"In order to appeal our position to the legislature, I have to build a coalition," said Purce. Asked what the college was doing to raise its own

money, Purce explained "We are looking ahead and planning cost reductions. To raise revenue, we have a developmental operation to solicit grants and private money, mostly from alumni."

Support for the strike was sparse. Many students thought that the demand for free tuition was unrealistic. Others questioned the reasoning behind a walkout, noting that their goal is to be able to afford to stay in class. Student Tiffany Spencer said, "Why don't we work with what we have to change what we can change? I can't support the strike."

When questioned later, President Purce remarked, "I support any individual's right to express themselves under the First Amendment. But it is my job to keep the school running."

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pizzas per students," the house and senate will agree on a budget and will give tuition-raising power to the Board of Trustees.

But just because Trustees may be granted the ability to increase tuition, that doesn't mean students will be forced to foot the cost of Evergreen's total operation. The college doesn't want to just arbitrarily raise tuition because that could discourage potential students from applying.

Instead, Trotter will try to find ways to reduce institutional costs as much as possible. These reductions will be "painful," and could come in the form of reduced student services, larger classes, and fewer hours of computer lab and library service, Trotter said. By making the mandatory costs of running Evergreen as small as possible, tuition won't have to be raised as much in order to make up the difference between college needs and government funding.

"Evergreen has been concerned all along about the total cost of education. I mean, we could raise this thing [tuition] by 50% but that doesn't mean anyone would be here."

If Legislators are on schedule, they'll decide how much to give Evergreen by the end May. Trotter and other administrators will set up open campus meetings to talk about tuition raises by the end of the school year.

NEWS

Through the Eyes of the Judged

Commentary By Stephanie Guilloud

We are celebrating the publication of a new book after a long haul of hard work. *Through the Eyes of the Judged: Autobiographical Sketches by Incarcerated Young Men* is on sale at the Evergreen Bookstore for \$12.95. All the proceeds from the sale of the book benefit the Gateway Program and create scholarships for tuition costs for residents at Maple Lane School, a nearby juvenile institution.

In 1996, the Gateway Program, directed by faculty member Carol J. Minugh, established a partnership between the Evergreen State College (TESC) and Maple Lane School. The program provides multicultural education opportunities to incarcerated youth. TESC faculty and students developed programs to encourage self-awareness and cultural knowledge. Student volunteers participate with the boys at Maple Lane through reading, discussing, and presenting writing samples through Evergreen courses like "Culture and Behavior" and "Awakening the Generations."

This ongoing 3-quarter program offers the opportunity for Maple Lane students to

earn credit at either the high school or college level. In addition to educational opportunities, these classes provide opportunities for incarcerated youth to explore their cultural heritages and develop relationships with community members.

Through the Eyes of the Judged emerged from a spring quarter 2000 class led by two Evergreen students, Steve Menter and Matt Walsh. Eight Maple Lane students read and critiqued the journalistic book by William Finnegan, *Cold New World*. The book describes the harsh lives of American teenagers stricken by poverty in different communities across the country. The students were inspired to write their own autobiographies, and they completed first drafts within a few weeks. Carol hired local writer and editor Stephanie Guilloud to work closely with the students at Maple Lane and other group homes to revise and strengthen the autobiographies. After eight months, Gateway published the book, and we are working to distribute the book to bookstores, prison programs, community organizations, and high schools across the country.

This project addresses a two-fold problem: the lack of supportive, empowering educational opportunities in juvenile facilities and the lack of youth's voices in public discussion about crime, prison, and young people.

Through innovative education techniques that provide opportunities for the students to explore their own experiences, their histories, and their cultures, this project aims to promote and encourage cultural and racial pride as well as diversity.

Isolation is part of the oppression that contributes to the root problems of youth in prison. The collaborative element of this project that allows Evergreen faculty, students, and community members a chance to work with incarcerated young men challenges the isolation of the juvenile

detention facilities.

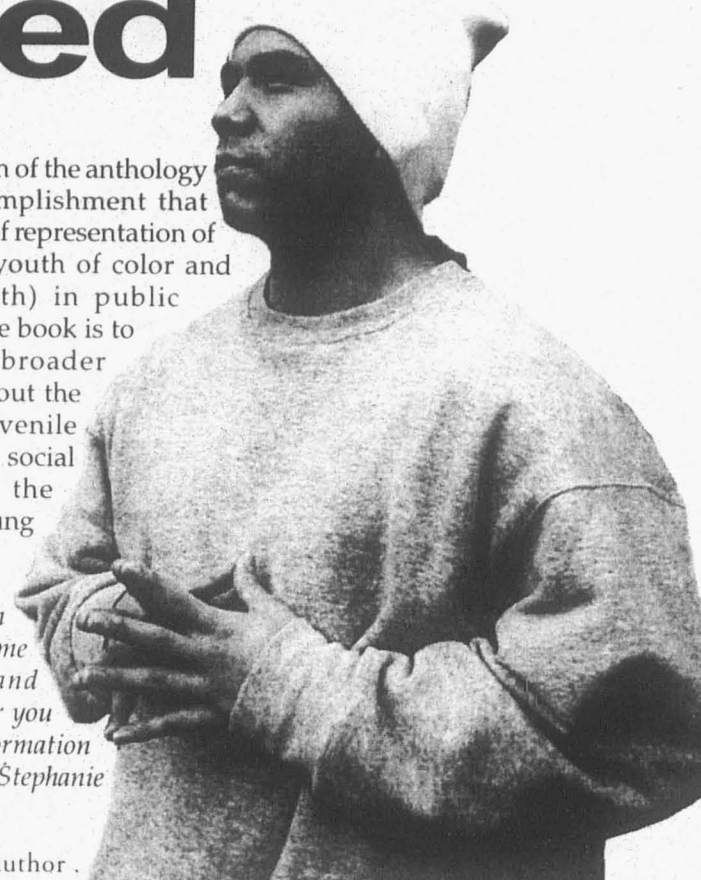
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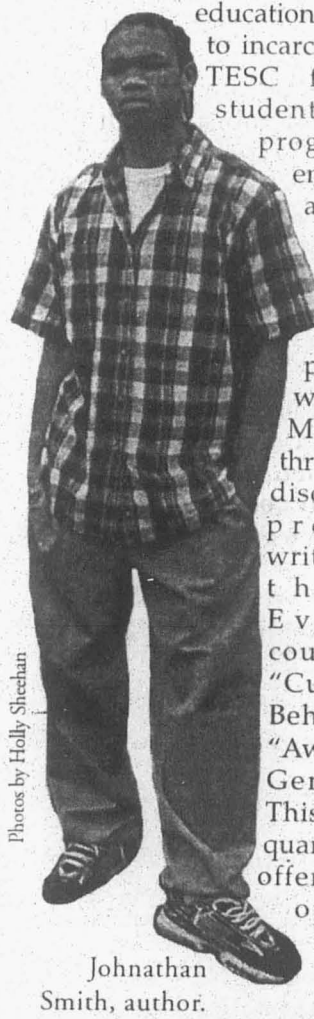
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If you are interested in volunteering your time to help promote and distribute the book, or you would like more information about the project, call Stephanie at 867-6478.

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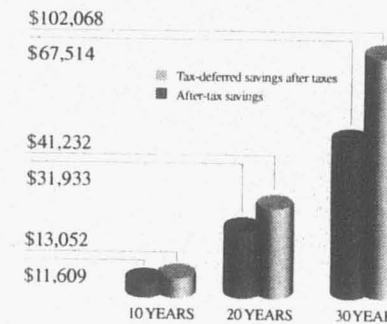
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Feeling very **AT HOME** "Focus on the Children" provides homeless families with childcare options.

Commentary By Stephanie Bishop

Home. That tiny word has a million connotations—warmth, safety, a secure base on which we build our lives. But for many South Sound families, home is an often abstract, fleeting, and even non-existent reality. The unique needs that individuals without homes cry for are further complicated in homeless families where small children are present.

At Evergreen, each of us is well aware of our individuality, of which courses or internships are best suited for our needs and life goals. Equally, each homeless family is unique in their needs and goals. It is impossible for a large, hierarchically structured social service group to attend to the individual. Often, a homeless family is either forced into a pre-existing program or falls through the cracks entirely. Policy is created at the top and trickles down to its recipients, who have no voice in these policies that often determine their lives.

The heart of the Focus on the Children program, in the words of director Sandra Smith, is "to provide an alternative to the current childcare options (and lack thereof) provided by state vouchers and subsidies." Here, the program is customized to each family based on their individual needs. Parents are active members of the program, learning from and teaching each other life skills and self-esteem, and their children are nurtured with high quality, one-on-one childcare at no cost. The focus is ultimately on the children, as the name suggests, but just as much support and love is given to the parents of those children so that they may feel empowered to make smart choices for

themselves and their children.

The Focus program is unique among social services not only in its philosophy of empowerment, but also in how it is funded. Currently, Focus receives 100% of its money through private donations from the community, ranging from grade school kids collecting pennies to individual and group sponsorships within offices. While government money may be an easier option, it also comes with conditions to receive that money, such as time limitations on how long a family can be served and accepting the government's rather limited definition of homelessness.

The dedication that the Focus program has to 100% community funding is primarily philosophical. Through the hierarchy of statewide social services, our power as individuals within the community to help one another has been taken away from us. It is the goal of Focus on the Children to help the parents of homeless infants and toddlers access the resources they need, but at the same time, encourage the collective community and each individual to take back power and responsibility.

Focus maintains this strong connection within the community by welcoming all those interested in learning more about their program. Currently, they are raising funds that will allow them to enroll local homeless infants and toddlers currently in need of Focus services and to seek a permanent location.

Anyone interested in offering volunteer time or donations should contact Sandra or Holly at the office of Focus on the Children at 360-705-8599.

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so bad that state officials had to temporarily give Aramark extra money to provide better food out of fear of rioting. The prison dumped Aramark as soon as legally possible [29].

Chartwells is a subsidiary of the largest food service corporation in the world, Compass Group, a huge multinational corporation with nearly \$8 billion in sales last year. Chartwells, though certainly not as widespread a union-buster as Sodexo-Marriott or Aramark, has had a few recent issues with its workers. I found widespread accusations of illegal firings of union supporting employees and other mistreatment during the last 2 years at facilities in both Boston, Massachusetts [30] and Union City, New Jersey [31].

The other guys
I found very little information on Bon Appetite or High Concepts; these are smaller companies that either haven't been involved in union busting and other activities described above or have kept a low profile about it.

So what?
Unfortunately, state law allows the college has very little flexibility in evaluating these companies based on union-busting activities or other corporate (mis)conduct. What this means is that the only way to keep the nastier of these corporations off campus next year will be convincing the corporations themselves that (many) students here do not accept these kinds of activities, and that their business is not welcome here.

If you're interested in finding more about what students are doing to further this goal, contact <stopmarriott@hotmail.com> or leave a message at the Evergreen Political Information Center, 867-6144.

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Last fall the Food Services DTF was charged to take on the difficult task of identifying what viable options we have for food here at Evergreen. The DTF's charge outlined the work in two phases. The objective for the DTF during phase one was to "create a set of recommendations regarding what kind of a food service program we should put in place for Fall 2001." The second phase will focus on the actual development of specifications and any other documents needed to proceed during spring quarter.

Utilizing previous DTF's work, prior survey work, other colleges' and universities' expertise, the National Association of College and University Food Services, local businesses and resources, as well as professional consultants, the group researched nine different models for food service. Based on their findings, the DTF has concluded that we must, at this time, pursue a contract arrangement to provide Evergreen's food services for Fall 2001.

The food service needs of the college stretch further than what is apparent day-to-day during the academic year. We provide a meal plan for approximately 200 EF language students during the summer, as well as providing service for a large summer conference schedule (\$600,000). Year-round, our food services facility provides concessions, a vast variety of catering services, three meals daily (Monday through Friday) for the EF population, as well as three meals daily (Monday-Sunday, based on the scheduled classes) for the rest of the students, faculty, staff and visiting community members. All food service models must have the ability to provide all of these dimensions.

A self-operation model could indeed provide all of these services, but the DTF realizes how essential it is to have adequate time to develop a successful program. Two different consultants made it clear to the DTF that planning must start at least one full year prior to such a transition. Rich Wheeler of Fessel International Hospitality Consultants framed it well saying, "It is our position that any decision involving a substantive (change in or) move toward self-operation of Dining Services should be based on positive decision points rather than the sense of 'being forced' into the decision as the only alternative, particularly due to current time schedules. Such a decision is too important and potentially permanent to be made from a defensive position."

The DTF researched possibilities within the local community. Contacts ranged from South Puget Sound Community College to local small businesses around the Olympia area and some of the larger-scale food producers in the region. While they were quite interested, the scope and scale of our dining needs exceeded all of their capacities. Even with the multiple vendors model, we could not resolve how to utilize the centralized kitchen in the CAB to provide daily service, the meal plan, summer conference and catering needs, and still be financially successful.

Term of contract was also explored as it pertained to each type of contract. In the past, Evergreen has offered a ten-year deal (seven-year contracts with three one-year extensions), staying within the industry norm. No vendors expressed interest in a short-term contract, and not wanting to commit to another seven-year contract, the DTF recommends that we offer a five-year contract with two two-year extensions. This insures that we will have interest from the vendor community and also provides the college with the most amount of flexibility regarding future food service needs at Evergreen.

Through the DTF's examination of a college-owned and operated food service, it became apparent that for any food service to be financially viable, we need to integrate all of the currently separate components of our campus food operation, and develop some type of dependable financial base to sustain the operation. Understanding the need to create a dependable financial base, a debit-based meal plan became a promising solution. This new meal plan would need to be non-traditional and easily accessible to all students, faculty and staff.

After exploring the different food service models, it also became apparent that successful food services are highly dependent on their ability to provide a late-night food option, mainly for the residential community. The Housing Community Center (HCC) currently provides the most convenient and unique late-night food option. Currently there are two separate food operations in the HCC reporting to different divisions. By combining these two venues into one efficient space and creating a cooperative relationship with the campus food service, an integrated and successful food service will be created at Evergreen.

Recognizing the value of the current operation in the HCC, we are seeking to preserve its distinctive student-centered flavor while enhancing it as a resource for our community. We view this space not only as a resource to provide food for our community, but also as a fantastic learning model of how a small business functions.

In concluding our "phase one" efforts, we made a set of recommendations, which are posted in the CAB and in Issue 19 of the CPJ regarding factors that we identified during phase one. These factors need to be addressed no matter which model Evergreen decides to use to provide food services for the future.

The following is a timeline outlining the work and deadlines expected by the interested vendors as well as the college. During the week of May 7-11 all of the vendors who submit proposals on April 25th will be on campus for open presentations. If you have any questions regarding the process please contact Piper Kapin @ ext. 6501 or kapinp@evergreen.edu. Also, please take a minute to visit the Food Services Update Board in the CAB.

FOOD SERVICE RFP TIMELINE	
March 3, 2001	Final document prepared
March 5, 2001	RFP ISSUED
March 22, 2001	Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference
March 26	Response to Pre-Proposal questions
April 25, 2001	Due Date: Open Responses
April 26-27	Evaluate Responses
May 7 - May 11	Public Vendor Presentations / Interviews
May 7 - 14	Evaluate Interviews / Presentations
May 15, 2001	Prospective Vendor interview
May 25, 2001	Award Contract
May 26 - August 31	Transition Period
September 1, 2001	Effective Date

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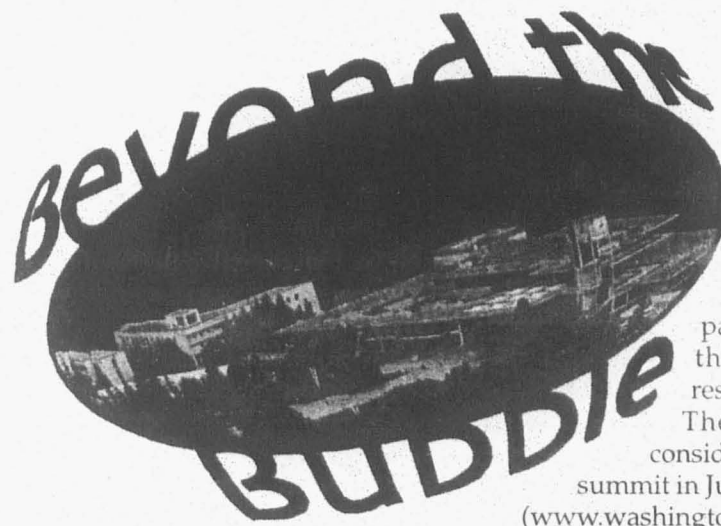
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By Brian Frank, Graham Hamby, Vanessa Lemire, and Stephen Karmol

Domestic

• **The standoff between China and the US over the crash of a US spy plane and a Chinese fighter jet continues to escalate, and the China said they will be sending the troops home for humanitarian reasons.** VP Cheney has stated that the administration will not apologize. The situation has severely aggravated US-China relations and has clearly stirred both Chinese and US nationalist sentiments. The situation follows Bush's blunt statements to visiting Chinese Vice-Premier Qian Qichen that Washington would not take Beijing's position into account when making decisions on arms sales to Taiwan, which China regards as a renegade province. (www.afp.org)

• **A broad new study by Harvard and New York University find that segregation of minority groups is even more widespread in US cities than it was in 1990, despite increases in minority populations throughout the US.** (www.afp.org)

• **Canada's Prime Minister Jean Chrétien called Bush "naïve" last week, accusing him of having little knowledge of Canadian-US relations.** Chrétien also criticized Bush's "cowboy" demeanor and "damn the torpedoes" attitude in the current standoff with China. (www.thestar.com)

• **The head of the U.S. Agency for International Development in Colombia acknowledged that aid for development was going slow, while fumigation efforts under a \$1 Billion US military aid package are wiping out drug crops in Colombia at a record pace.** Because of a lack of alternatives, many of the coca farmers in southern Colombia are already replanting drug crops. Small farmers who have been hit are complaining that food crops were killed alongside the coca, and that pledged alternative development aid has not arrived. (www.ap.org)

• **In related news, the US government warned Colombia that the country's support for a UN observer force in Israeli-occupied territories - which the US fiercely opposes - endangered the US's relationship with Colombia.** The statements angered many Colombians, with one newspaper editorial calling the statement by the US government "the policy of an empire to its vassals." (asia.dailynews.yahoo.com)

International

• **Most of the member countries of the Organization of African Unity have ratified a treaty that will create what western observers have deemed "the United States of Africa" or the "African Union."** The union hopes to set up an

African central bank, a court of justice, a single currency, and a parliament - all moves that would radically reshape African politics. The plan is to be considered again at the OAU summit in July summit in Zambia. (www.washingtonpost.com/)

• **The Israeli army opened fire on an official Palestinian diplomatic convoy returning from negotiations with Israel in what the Palestinian Authority is calling a premeditated ambush.** The Israeli army said that it opened fire in response to shooting from a jeep leading the convoy on a military post near Gaza. (asia.dailynews.yahoo.com/)

• **A Turkish prisoner on a hunger strike since late November died last week, the second death in nationwide prison protests.** The prisoners are protesting the introduction of new jails, in which small cells will replace dormitories for dozens of inmates, a setup they believe will leave them more exposed to abuse by prison wardens. At present, between 500 and 1,000 inmates are on the hunger strike that was initiated in October. Last December, paramilitaries raided 20 jails across Turkey to break the hunger strike, a move which resulted in the deaths of two soldiers and some 30 prisoners, many of whom died by self-immolation. (asia.dailynews.yahoo.com/)

• **The UN is claiming the outcome of the high-profile Lockerbie trial of Islamic men suspected of the aircraft bombing was rigged, citing suppression of evidence and meddling by the US.** The report says that the presence in court of two state prosecutors from the US Department of Justice, who advised the prosecution throughout the case, was "highly problematic" and that "virtually all people presented by the prosecution as key witnesses were proven to lack credibility to a very high extent." (www.sundayherald.com/)

• **The Canadian government proposed rules that would allow terminally ill patients and people suffering from chronic illnesses such as arthritis and AIDS to buy, cultivate and use marijuana for medicinal purposes, but only if the patients can prove to the authorities that only marijuana can ease their suffering.** (www.washingtonpost.com)

• **70 Canadian protesters were arrested last week in a civil disobedience action in Ottawa, where activists attempted to enter the government's Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade in order to retrieve a copy of the draft copy of the Free Trade of the Americas Agreement (FTAA).** Protesters are angry that the details of the agreement have been kept from all but a select few government agencies and large corporations. Massive protests against the treaty, which will relax trade restrictions throughout the Western Hemisphere, are scheduled for April 20th-22nd in Quebec City. (www.cp.org)

• **In related news, 50,000 protesters**

in Buenos Aires, Argentina, marched to the meetings of government representatives who were drafting the final text for the FTAA. They encountered a riot gear-clad police barricade, and after throwing a few rocks and cocktail glasses, they were immediately answered with rubber bullets and tear gas, causing them to disperse. (www.indymedia.org)

• **Civic groups in Zimbabwe are demanding a new constitution and are planning mass action and civil disobedience on a wide scale if the government ignores the demands.** An alliance called the National Constitutional Assembly is demanding a "people friendly" constitution in the corruption-torn nation that lays out a bill of rights, limits on power of the presidency, promotes freedom of expression, and gives women equal rights. (www.reliefweb.int/)

• **Russia's biggest independent television channel, NTV, fell victim to a sudden boardroom coup and takeover by the Kremlin-backed Gazprom corporation, Russia's largest company, last week.** 357 workers barricaded themselves inside the station building to protest the corporatization of NTV and its possible repercussions. (www.guardian.co.uk)

Environmental

• **In a resolution last week, the European Parliament condemned the United States' withdrawal from the Kyoto Protocol on global warming as "appalling and provocative."** The statement also said that the European Parliament "is appalled that the long-term interests of the majority of the world population are being sacrificed for short-term corporate greed in the US", stating that "this decision is a very bad political signal for EU-US relations and dialogue", and that "the new American approach will condemn the US to environmental isolation" and that the Parliament welcomed the "unanimous condemnation of the US by the EU, China and Japan." Several politicians in the European parliament also called for sanctions against the US. Environmental groups in Europe have called for boycotts of US corporations involved with the production of greenhouse gasses. (www.afp.com/ / www.guardianunlimited.co.uk/)

• **The underground Earth Liberation Front (ELF) claimed responsibility for causing \$40 million in arson damage at a car lot in Eugene, Oregon last week.** Over 30 sports utility vehicles were scorched. The ELF also attempted arson at a Nike outlet in

Albertsville, MN last week. The communiqué stated that Nike should either shut down all of its sweatshops and give its assets back to the communities from which it stole or endure more global attacks on its outlets. (www.earthliberationfront.com/)

• **New draft recommendations by the U.S. Department of Interior for boosting energy production include releasing millions of acres of federal wilderness land for development.** Under the recommendations, the applications for construction of a natural gas pipeline to deliver gas from Alaska's North Slope would also be sped up. The recommendations also urge modification of Forest Service land-use plans that restrict energy development. (dailynews.yahoo.com/)

• **A report from the International Fund for Animal Welfare finds sealers on Canada's Atlantic Coast continue to skin live seals for their pelts.** The report completed by veterinarians that observed the annual seal hunts found that 40% of the seals caught were not even unconscious, let alone dead, when they were skinned. According to official records, more than 91,000 harp seals were killed during last year's Canadian hunt, which is the only commercial mammal hunt in the world to take place in spring, at the height of the birthing season. A further 100,000 were caught in the Greenland hunt, which is almost completely unregulated. (www.guardianunlimited.co.uk/)

• **Arsonists in Rome set fire to a Monsanto depot last week after the Italian government found genetically modified material in one of the company's seed shipments, a crime since genetically altered foodstuffs have been banned throughout Europe for the past 3 years.** The Italian minister of Agriculture has called for the suspension of Monsanto's license as an importer and distributor. (www.washingtonpost.com/)

• **Protests in the Netherlands erupted last week over the slaughter of livestock possibly exposed to foot-and-mouth disease, as police used water cannons and bulldozers to clear roadblocks set up by 200 angry farmers.** Meanwhile, Britain's Agriculture Minister said that the number of confirmed outbreaks had risen to 1,137, and more than two million animals will have been slaughtered by the time the disease is eradicated. Food-and-mouth disease is extremely contagious and makes animals lame. (asia.dailynews.yahoo.com/)

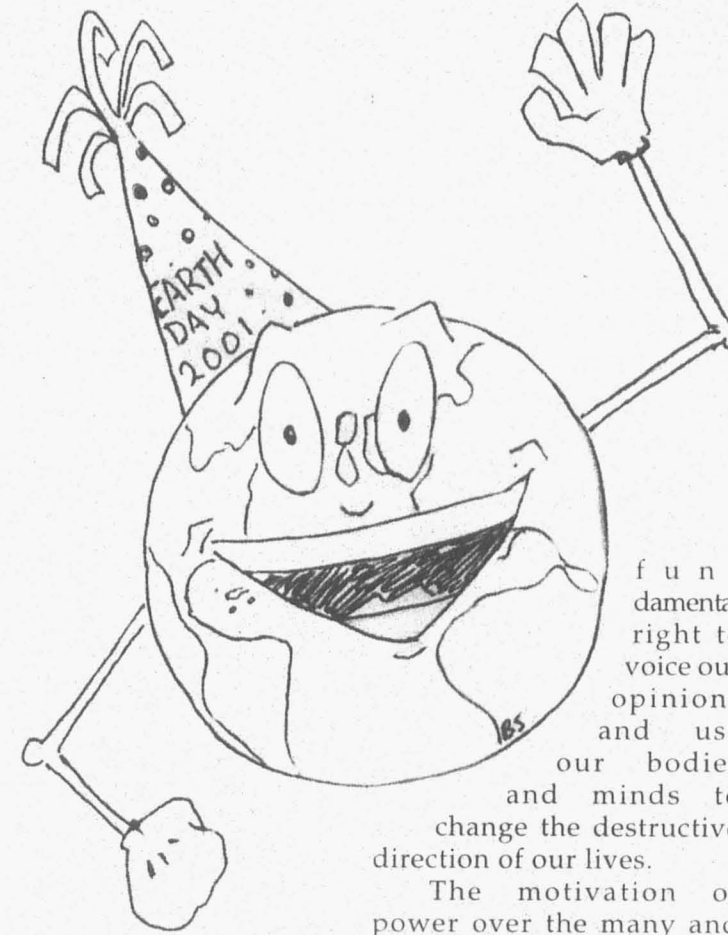
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NEWS

BUILDING A JUST EARTH: Earth Week 2001 at Evergreen



By Jora Rehm-Lorber
Amnesty International
Coordinator

Next week, we come upon the annual Earth Week celebration at Evergreen. Traditionally, student environmental groups have led this week of celebration and education. This year, there is a unique twist to Earth Day and the 6 days of events leading up to it. One of your main campus human rights groups, Amnesty International (AI), has decided to take on the ever-present connections between humans and our environment. For too long, environmentalist and human rights defenders have been divided for whatever reasons, fighting for the same things but remaining isolated and in competitive contrast.

As an environmental activist, I resisted working for a human rights organization. I question the top-down power structure of a worldwide organization and my ability to examine where my energy would be going - who would really benefit from my work within AI? Would I even be able to identify critically the implications of my work? I wondered if my endeavors as an activist in this realm would eventually divert me from my goals, from the battle I was fighting against the globalization leviathan and the Corporate States of America. To this day, I still question these things, yet I am particularly impressed by this year's focus on Earth Week. I think you will find in the events scheduled for next week an array of doorways [opportunities?] seeking to educate and empower all of us to resist the destruction of community autonomy, our natural resources and ancient heritage, and our

fundamental right to voice our opinions and use our bodies and minds to change the destructive direction of our lives.

The motivation of power over the many and obsession with profit has created a world in which, if you defend the land, water and air, if you defend your continued existence and that of your future children, you will be persecuted, tortured and possibly killed. Your active resistance is the greatest threat and there are structural entities, governments and corporations who will never take responsibility for their environmental and humanitarian crimes unless they are forced to do so.

Amnesty International is not a radical non-governmental organization (NGO); they do not take political stances, and they avoid certain situations that might discredit them. The Evergreen students of AI's group, however, challenge this approach, and we have chosen to focus April 16-22 around issues that give us some political flexibility, since it seems impossible to separate the environmental, social, economic, and political influences around

displacement, genocide, torture, and imprisonment. In Burma, the building of the Yadana pipeline by Unocal is forcing thousands of Karen and members of other ethnic groups to abandon their villages and work on infrastructure projects for the corporation. The pipeline project exists under the rule of the Burmese government which is notorious for its human rights violations at every social level. The communities affected by this project have little or no access to information about consequences to human and environmental health, and are granted no opportunities to resist the oppression that is the context of their lives. Similar, though individually unique, cases in Nigeria, Chad, Cameroon, and Ecuador are devastating both the human and non-human communities as you read these words.

I encourage this to not hinder your ability to be active participants in change, but to motivate you to come hear the stories of those who live and work for these causes, those whose lives have been transformed by these issues. Come educate yourself about your own connection to the rest of the world, and learn how this connection is impacting the very change you are fighting to achieve.

A main focus of the week will be on the resource extraction industry, especially that of oil. The gas station on the corner and the oil you use to heat your home are tainted with the blood and sweat of dying and oppressed communities worldwide. I buy a gallon of gas to get to the mountains for the weekend, and because I know what these companies are doing to the land and its people, I have blood on my hands. I would never persecute anyone for using his or her car for transportation; we live in a car-dominated world. Regardless, if we live in complete ignorance to where our money goes, we can never make educated decisions about our consumption practices.

I look around at my oil company choices. I cannot choose the lesser of two evils. Virtually every corporation carries egregious examples of the most extreme suffering and unjust practices. Unocal, Shell, Chevron, ExxonMobil, and Texaco each currently occupy several countries where horrifying human and environmental rights abuses are daily occurrences. The link between governments and corporations buying them off result in the implementation of forced labor, indigenous

After all of you smart Greeners expand your minds

at the Earth Day activities, ya'll should write us and tell us what you learned.

Mosey on up to the third floor of the CAB and give us your submissions.

Or you can e-mail them to us at cjp@evergreen.edu.

Beginning Monday, April 16, Evergreen will have a handful of films and speakers linking the history and struggle of environmental and human rights. Check out the schedule and fit one or two events into your week.

On Sunday, April 22, come out to Red Square and celebrate the Earth's magic and balance and the people it supports. Eat nutritious vegan food, dance to Reggae and Funk, create art, and learn about what is happening in your local community. If we give energy to fighting the darkness, we must also give energy to embracing the light. Come celebrate!

Earth Week Calendar of Events

Monday, April 16
7 p.m. Lecture Hall 1
"Extractive Industries and Human Rights" Project Underground Coordinator
Award-Winning Film: *Rising Waters: Global Warming and the Fate of the Pacific Islanders.*

Tuesday, April 17
12-1:30 p.m. Library Lobby 2000
Panel Discussion: "The New Hybrid Movement: Environmental and Human Rights."
7:30-8:30 p.m. Lecture Hall 3
Films: *Defenders of the Forest* by The Chiapas Media Group and *Environmental Under Fire* by Amnesty International.

Thursday, April 19
12-1 p.m. Library Lobby 2000
Speaker: Ryan Warner: "The Right To Know Campaign." Corporate accountability and human rights.
7 p.m. Lecture Hall 1
Films: *Ken Saro-Wiwa: In Memoriam* and *Drilling Fields* by Amnesty International, about oil extraction and human rights abuses. "The Story of the G'wichin."

Friday, April 20
10-3 p.m. Red Square & CAB
Tabling and promotion for Sunday.
12-1 p.m. Location TBA
Film: *Lacandonia: The Zapatistas and Rainforest of Chiapas, Mexico.*

Wednesday, April 18
1-2:30 p.m. Library 2020
Speaker: Father Hilary Nwedei: "Larger Than Life" - Shell Oil, the Ogoni People, and Ken Saro-Wiwa.
6 p.m. Lecture Hall 3
Slide show and discussion: Robert Bolman, member of Eco-Builders Guild of Eugene, OR. presents "Sustainability and Social Justice."

Sunday, April 22
12-7 p.m. Red Square
Earth Day Celebration! Free Vegan food! Yay! Student and community groups will be tabling on environmental and human rights issues.
1-3 p.m. Red Square
Reggae: EARTH TONES
4-6 p.m. Red Square
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Letters & Opinions

We are as Violent as a Basketful of Glue-Sniffing Wolverines Part two:

Glock nine-millimeter handguns are emissaries of peace, alcohol keeps you sober, and penises defend virginity world wide.

The second suite of assumptions revealed by the article on the violence that mod residents suffered is that the police are able to defend us from violence. This assumption, like the one I examined previously, contains elements of truth... But consider this: for an armed person to protect you from violence, they have to be present at the scene. They have to be standing right next to you ready, willing and able to intervene on your behalf. So, for example, if I were a sweet, innocent young person (I'm not: I come from Jersey), and I were walking along a poorly-lit section of F-lot with a person carrying a number of weapons, including a sophisticated club and an armament that produces exit wounds the size of non-organic grapefruit, and I were accosted by a person who explicitly stated their intent to

commit violence, possibly of a sexual nature, on my person, and they telegraphed that intent with aggressive body postures that are impossible to misinterpret—possibly fist shaking, grunting and explicit pelvic movements. My armed lackey could easily intervene on my behalf. Hopefully, they could make persuasive verbal arguments. Unfortunately, since this moron has chosen to pick on me when I have heavily armed company, disapproving looks and strong words are unlikely to defuse the situation. My escort subdues the assailant with any degree of violence deemed necessary or defensible in court. All ends happily: I can now get into my car with my armed lackey, who goes with me everywhere to prevent violence from occurring to me, and we are regrettably killed by a drunk freshman in an SUV. End of story; everyone is either dead or in jail. Bush would love it. In fact, the violence committed in the moods, the shocking violence that we don't like to think of as happening here, provides a lot of relevant detail. The many conditions necessary for an armed person to prevent violence were not fulfilled. The assailants were not actually assailing while the cops were

there. The cops were not there when they were assailing. Safe to say the assailants impolitely neglected to inform the cops of their intent and so expedite their arrest. If only they had had the courtesy to be defending their civil liberties, the cops could have easily identified them as criminals and kicked their asses purple, metaphorically speaking. To be fair, guns and other tools of violence, like machetes, swords, clubs, brass knuckles, saps, Surface to Air missiles, Destroyers, Uzi's, Tasers, attack dogs, mace, pepper spray, cars, shotguns, tanks, mortars, and appropriately shaped rocks, do tend to keep people with lesser armament from doing things you don't want them to. In fact, if you have the right tools, you can make them do virtually anything. The last two sentences are, in fact, the same one if you read them carefully. So do guns deter and thus diminish the overall rate of violence—do guns create peace? Guns in the hands of an American cop serve as a budgetary transfer in a general account of violence. Nine-tenths of the law is possession; nine-tenths of the possessions (or insert your

own statistic) are in the hands of the rich; the way in which the many without try to get from the few with are discouraged at gunpoint. Ever seen a guard at a bank? Do middle class people steal cars? Which gets more prison time, car theft or embezzlement? Compare Rodney King to Michael Milken. Guns in the hands of TESC officers are, in my opinion, there so that they can tell people to do things or not do things without getting any lip about it. I don't argue strongly with people that can easily do me a great deal of inconvenience or damage; people don't. That's what they want, and have—the kind of cheap surrogate authority that the implicit threat of violence provides. Any unconvicted moron can buy as much of that authority as they can afford at your friendly local Smith and Wesson Shack. I may be wrong; guns as a deterrent may, in fact, create peace. Therefore, we should all have the means of violence at our twitchy fingertips. All of us except that one cop who was, (I have not checked this and may be wrong), the last one on campus to pull a gun. He pulled it on a co-worker in the locker

room, oh, or students, since we are the only people on campus whom cannot legally carry firearms. We have cops to protect us, when they are around and if they feel like it. But back to the point, obviously, since we have lots of lethal weapons and lots of peace, THE MORE GUNS WE HAVE, THE SAFER WE ALL ARE, THE GREATER AND MORE VIOLENT THE POTENTIAL DAMAGE, THE MORE PEACE IT PROVIDES. I, FOR ONE, AM GOING TO GO AND GET ME A MULTILOAD INTERCONTINENTAL BALLF**INGISTIC MISSILE TO ENSURE PEACE IN MY IMMEDIATE VICINITY. SO COME GET SOME *****ER!!!!!!!

Peace or pieces, Love, Rusty Oliver

Chocolate Eggs Lavender Bunnies

I Was Just Thinking...
By Gwen Gray

ve been home from spring for ten days, and I am still ed by Washington's oration. The foxgloves and ths and daffodils are ing, and the trees are covered cate white and pale pink ns. There are herds of robins st available expanses of grass, plump, glossy squirrels ering about in a picturesque er, and frogs having ate and infuriatingly noisy i the marsh behind my ent. Where I grew up, it was green, and always either the season or the less-rainy-but- tently-damp season, and I is sudden explosion of color e and sunlight intoxicating. ou would think that I, lost in ould be perfectly happy from o June, but you would be ing without Easter. My ions to Easter are far less - than my well-documented g of Valentine's Day, dhog Day, etc. Easter is a

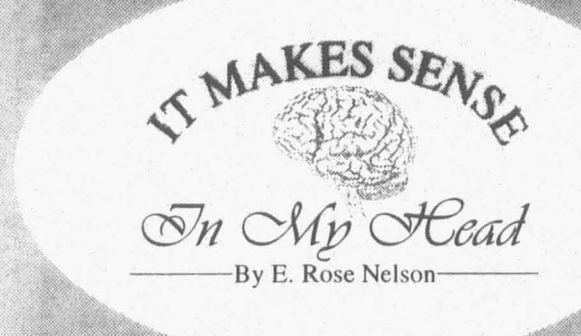
celebration of renewed life, hope and faith, an inadvertent tribute to the blooming hyacinths and the frog sex. I can understand that. In a few weeks, I will celebrate Beltane, which is similar if more frankly sensual. I don't object to Easter, but I'm perplexed by the customs America has burdened it with. Its premise is that a magic bunny delivers eggs to children while they sleep. Like Christmas, it's a religious occasion that's been hijacked by consumerism. It's one of two days of the year when the most people go to church without knowing why. Easter makes several facts about our society uncomfortably clear if you think about it too long. It has been an awkward holiday for me for years. My parents are a Wiccan and an agnostic, but that made no difference in my childhood. One of the great common experiences of life in our America is explaining to your children that they can't have what all the other kids have because

they aren't Christians and then eventually bowing to the dominant culture. I had Easter baskets until I was eleven. I discovered when I was three that Santa was another example of adults lying for no reason, so the Easter bunny did not figure much in my youth, but I still got candy, and that was the important thing. The difficulty began when I was too old for jelly beans (if such an age exists) but not quite ready to give up on Easter. Holidays are insidious, and it's hard not to feel a pang of loss when you renounce one. My parents had separated by the time this became a problem for me, and they came to characteristically different solutions. My mother chose to embrace the candy and dismiss the religious connotations. She still does this, and so do I. A few days ago, my roommate and I made the mistake of visiting Target in a frivolous and distracted frame of mind, and we

were viciously attacked by the candy display. As I write this, my kitchen contains three bags of Nerds, a bag of individually wrapped Ghirardelli chocolate pieces, a box of Reese's peanut butter eggs, three boxes of Dove chocolate truffle eggs, and three boxes of Snickers eggs. Beltane is intended to be a time of exultant indulgence, after all. We're just getting a head start. It was harder for my father. He had the usual problems of a single father trying to raise a daughter with the added difficulty that he had no faith with which to supplant either Christianity or consumerism. He had to find a way of observing the event without insulting either of us. The year after it became apparent that pastel eggs were no longer appropriate, he took me out to dinner. Since then, our major Easter tradition has been exchanging a lavender marshmallow bunny made by the people who gave the world those

crunchy pink Peeps that never go bad and will someday be proven to cause cancer. We have been doing this for seven years; the bunny has broken in two, and there are dead ants caught in the plastic wrapping, but we persist. At the moment, it lives in my freezer, waiting to be mailed back to dad. Every time my roommate sees it, she asks when I'm getting rid of it. Easter frustrates me, because I'm never sure what I'm supposed to do about it, and it'll only get worse if I procrastinate. But for the time being, halfway between new needs and tradition, my family has created customs, ways of expressing love and hope and gratitude. I suppose they're no more ridiculous than commemorating the anniversary of Christ's resurrection by pretending that a rabbit is delivering eggs to your house while you sleep. This column's for you, Dad, a small thank you for your efforts and your adaptability. But you have to take the bunny with the thanks.

A Beginner's Guide to Effective Socio-political Change



Social rebellion is one of the most popular pastimes here at Evergreen. At times, you can't go five feet without seeing another flier trumpeting the need for some change or another. What do most of these movements have in common? They are ineffective. I happen to know for a fact, for example, that Police Services collect anti-police fliers and put them up in their own office. What, you may ask, can I do to actually affect change? Why, I'm glad you asked, young Greener!

The first step is to know what is possible. Changing the corporation that provides food service is possible. Eliminating corporate involvement probably isn't; abolishing food service definitely isn't. Taking guns away from campus cops might be possible; abolishing campus cops isn't. (Too many people, myself included, like the idea of people paid to keep us safe.) Removing tuition hikes (which will be UP TO 40% over the span of several years; more on this later) might be possible. Eliminating corporate tax cuts would be possible assuming that we instead instituted a state income tax. Free tuition is not possible. Yes, the money exists in the budget; however, we won't see it—even if it doesn't go for tax cuts, it could go for programs such as free vaccinations, improving elementary schools, and coming up with alternative energy

sources. Okay. So you've figured out what you can accomplish, and there's a lot of it. Choose one of these, and work on it until it's done. After that, you can move on. That's how most successful social revolutions worked. One step at a time. On to step three. So you want to recruit people for your cause, and that means fliers, and lots of 'em. Be sure that you put the important information on all of your fliers, but make sure that you aren't putting too much information on them. People don't generally read 500-word essays on their way to class. They read headlines and keep going. This was my problem with the tuition hike fliers. They told you that the state was

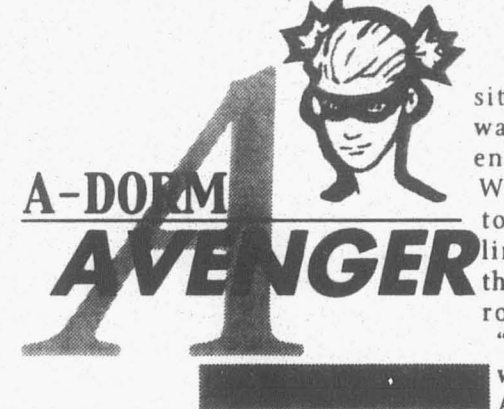
considering a 40% hike—they implied that it was a guarantee. What they only told you in really fine print on the essay fliers was that it was over "a six years periods (sic)." This is misinformation, and most people that I talked to, when they realized it, were so annoyed that they refused to participate in the march. I am strange enough that I do read most of the posters. I also read signs. As I am a compulsive copy editor, errors in grammar, spelling, and syntax upset me. I am less likely to follow a cause with badly written signs than one with well-written ones. I think most people in authority feel as I do. For example, when I read the sign during the mock funeral that said,

"Fie on all your houses," I turned and walked away. Any student of Shakespeare could tell you that it's "A plague on both your houses," and that "Fie on all your houses" doesn't mean anything. Better grammar makes you look professional, which means people will respect you more. A respected activist gets more done. You are going to offend some people. Some people are always going to disagree with you, even in areas that make absolute sense—people protest reducing arsenic levels in drinking water, for heaven's sake! In order to accomplish anything, you must convince people using logic, class, and your own inimitable style. Look to the great social activists of the twentieth century—of any century—and follow their lead. Only that way can you accomplish anything.

Parking Can Be A Problem

Dear Cooper Point Journal, As winter quarter winds down, and anticipation for spring sets in, I thought it would be a natural idea to do some mid-year evaluations here at The Evergreen State College. I narrowed my focus to the parking situation and just how well things are operating out on the blacktop. So I sat down with Suzie Seip, the Parking Supervisor at TESC. She is responsible for most parking issues on campus and was more than glad to answer a few questions. Suzie was confident that everything has been running smoothly this year and hopes things will continue to do so. No real problems, as it appears, just common issues such as parking pass alterations and the distance to park when campus is full. Suzie smiled and was quick to let me know that, every quarter, at least a few people get caught changing the date on their daily parking pass. This mistake lands students with a hefty fine and a wheel lock until it is paid in full. Suzie wishes students would think of the alternatives before their pen becomes an accomplice for mischief. So what are the alternatives? Assuming you are without the \$1.25 for daily parking and/or the annual pass that costs \$32 for each quarter, students have little choice for long-term parking.

If students are on campus for a short time, they can use the free one-hour parking pass, but it is enforced exactly for one hour. There is always the thirty-minute loading dock spaces, but they are usually out of the way. The most logical alternative is to use the mass transit system, which is free if you are a registered Greener. Not only does it help promote a world with less pollution, but also it reduces traffic and the need for parking room on our campus. So please, if you don't need to drive every day, take advantage of the bus service that many colleges go without. As I found out, it's an overlooked fact that parking services on campus is a self-funded operation. The revenues from daily parking passes and annual permits go to the same fund, used for maintenance and services, which includes pay for employees. The concluding question looms, what advice is there for students who make the commute to TESC? Suzie stresses the importance of mass transit and the desire to get students to carpool to campus. She also wants students to know that parking services is there to help. Ultimately, they are on campus providing a service for students and staff, so give them a call when you need some assistance. (360)866-6000, ext. 6352, Suzie Seip ext. 6131.



This is what it comes down to...
Alf is a Great Show

Sushi and Alf: Both are indigenous to far-off lands, and both are guaranteed to bring joy to all who witness them. While partaking in both of these art forms, which please the senses equally, I realized yet another commonality that bind the two: they are better when shared with others. What good is sushi if you are just sitting there, eating it alone, with no one to laugh at you when you can't operate your chopsticks properly or ingest a little too much Wasabi? In the crowded filthy world that is A-dorm, at least you know you will never watch Alf or eat sushi alone."

Now, think of yourself sitting in front of the T.V., watching a profound and enthralling episode of Alf. What if there was no one there to guffaw at Alf's witty one liners? Even worse, what if there was no one to walk in the room and joyously exclaim "Yes! Alf is on!" What kind of world would that be? Would Alf still be remembered as everyone's favorite alien life form? Would the delicacy that is sushi be so popular in that kind of world? Here's my point-in the crowded, filthy world that is A-Dorm, at least you know you will never watch Alf or eat sushi alone. Despite the fact that people would drink out of measuring cups before exerting the effort to actually clean a real cup, despite the fact that you can't always see the bottom of the sink, and, yes, despite the fact that it is sometimes very hard to appreciate your living situation, at least you can look back on your experience living in A as one that involved a steady Alf/sushi community, and that's not something everyone can say they've had in their lives.

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A & E Briefs

Info about stuff to do

Alpha Yaya Diallo

The day of the earthquake, our fair city lost one of its great venues. The Capitol Theater has been closed since that fateful day, but after these long months it is now ready to reopen. Treat yourself to the vibrations of African pop style music by West African guitarist Alpha Yaya Diallo and his band. The performance is a benefit for the upcoming Procession of the Species. Diallo's performance is the first in a series of world music benefit concerts this spring. The concert is **Thursday, April 12, 7:30 PM**, at the Capitol Theater. You can get tickets at Traditions Fair Trade, Sweet Oasis Cafe or at the door. The tickets are 10 dollars for adults and five dollars for ages 8-12; under eight, you get in free.

Bruce A. Smith

Why did the turkey cross the road? Because it was stapled to the chicken. Ha ha. If you want to hear a better story, drive down to Chehalis to see Bruce A. Smith. He is a nationally renowned and honored storyteller. He is performing at the Matrix Coffeehouse this **Friday the 13th at 8:00 PM**. For more info call 740-0492.

Watermelon Sugar

I have relatives who live in trailer parks. Their children run around shirtless with thick Kool-Aid moustaches. Did you know that it's the high sugar content that makes Kool-Aid stain the area around the mouth? If you answered yes, that's amazing since I just made that up. The funky out acoustic kick ass band Watermelon Sugar is playing this **Saturday the 14th** at Charlie's Tavern downtown. Check 'em out dudes.

Tribes Project

The Tribes Project features Renton High School kids dedicated to race education through the performing arts. They produce evocative and honest theater performances as forums for the open discussion of race. These mental sledge-hammer carrying kids will be on campus next week performing their piece "Face Changes," which promises to be better than the movie *Face/Off*. The show is on **April 17th and begins at 7:00 PM** on the fourth floor of the Library.

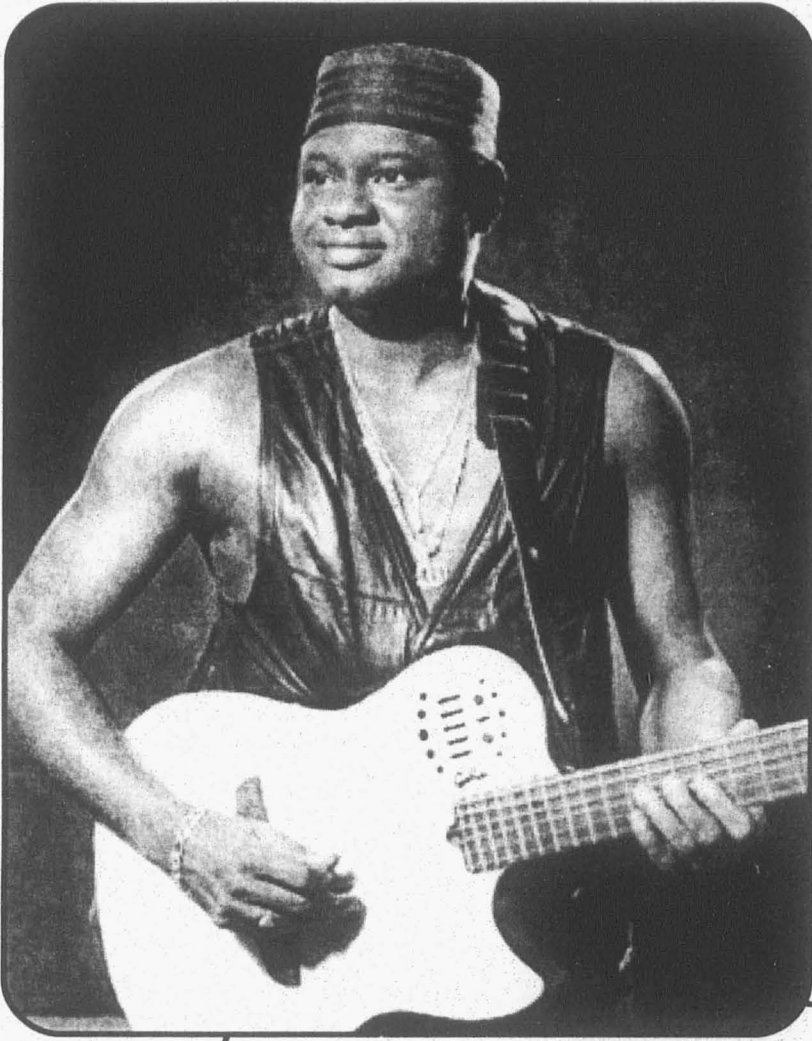


Photo Courtesy of Procession of the Species
Alpha Yaya Diallo is the first performer in a series of world music

Footloose

Are you still holding out for a hero? Are you just waiting to cut loose? Are you aching to see people try to portray Nice Guy Eddie, the alien Dick Solomon, and the crazy camper from that whitewater movie better than they portrayed themselves? If that is the case, then go see *Footloose: The Musical*. Catch it **April 18th and 19th** at the Washington Center for the Performing Arts. The show could start around **8:00 PM** (I can't say for sure since the poster I saw lacked that information), but that won't matter since you probably can't go. Tickets are between 34 and 42 dollars. Or go rent the real thing at Hollywood Video for \$1.99.

Oh Yeah!

Honor Jazz great Charlie Mingus next week. Why? Because he means more to music than that crotchety Lil' Bow-Wow and Limp Bizkit fecal piles you've been listening to. The performance is titled "Oh Yeah! Passions of a Man" and features compositions by Mingus. **9:30 PM on Saturday the 21st** at the Midnight Sun. Admission is a sliding scale between four and 10 dollars.

Arrowspace Gallery

Multimedia madness hits Oly like a drunken sailor on shore leave. Portland's own Matt McCormick and Johnne Eschleman are heading our way to mysticize us bumpkins with wild and original



By Michael Tanner

This is a new column for the A&E section. I want you - yes, you, the Evergreen community - to write reviews of bands you love or bands you hate. Or share what this music meant to you and what it could mean for others. This is a great opportunity for you to get the word out on bands you care about one way or another.

SMOKING POPES

I remember the night vividly well, considering it was six years ago. It was two in the morning. I had just gotten home from hanging out with my friend Rick. I smelled like smoke and coffee. Coffee from me, smoke from Rick. The two of us and our friends Damon and Travis were going to Seattle the next day. We were all meeting at Damon's house in three hours in order to make the five-hour drive and still have the majority of the weekend to spend in the Emerald City. I figured I could sleep in the car on the drive over, so I was going to spend the next few hours watching a little MTV.

That late at night, MTV used to show a program called *120 Minutes*. It was dedicated to lesser known or just coming up musical acts, groups like the Meat Puppets, Bloodhound Gang, and Weezer. A video came on for a group called the Smoking Popes. The song was titled "Need You Around." It was this wonderful mesh of crooning vocals and thrashing guitars. It sounded as if someone had dubbed a speed knuckle recording onto a Frank Sinatra track. By the end of the song (only about two minutes in length), I could not get the sound and words out of my head.

The next day my other 16-year-old friends and I headed over the mountains for our first official road trip. The first day ended up being a bust; other than getting propositioned by 13-year-olds in Ellensburg, nothing of note occurred. Rick, who had stayed up the whole night and refused to let any of us drive his car, whined that he was too tired to do anything else until that evening.

We eventually made it to the U District and walked up and down the Ave. We checked out all the great little

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EVERGREEN TRUE STORIES
by Michael Tanner

There are risks in life. Some say life is one big risk. Some of us rarely have the chance to take an ultimate risk. I never thought I'd have to take such a risk when I took the position of A&E Editor. Now, I've been forced into it. But first more questions!

Pablo needs to know:
Q. I heard that the COM Building once had an elevator. Is this true?

A. A long time ago, I used to enjoy going to the COM building. I would go for meetings, and classes, and sometimes just for fun. Now I avoid that tower of pain and exercise whenever I can. The continued construction of the new Design Lab has delayed access to the elevator now for the majority of the year. I am no engineer and I am no laborer, so I do not know much about these things, but I have the sneaking suspicion that Mr. CHUD has something to do with this. If I am wrong, I'll eat a plate of Penne Eugenio from Trinacria downtown. I know that doesn't sound like a punishment per se, but that is the point.

Bobby D. wants to know:
Q. What are riot bricks?

A. Riot bricks are specially trained or as some say, manufactured, to make blood easy to clean off them and for them to get incredibly slippery when wet. When our school was constructed in the '60s, our country was in turmoil. With the Civil Rights Movement, the war in Vietnam, and Goldie Hawn on *Laugh-In*, our country's leaders needed to maintain order. The best way in their estimation was to build the main square of every college in the country out of riot bricks. This way, if chaos ever erupted in the learning centers of America, high-powered hoses could take care of it; or if greater force was needed, the blood of the future of the country could easily be cleaned up.

Anonymous asks:
Q. Is there a big metal ball in the Evergreen woods that people move around? I have heard it called the Alien Ball.

A. Oh, so you've "heard" it is called the Alien Ball? You think that makes you an expert? Listen, first of all, I work hard at what I do. Don't think your armchair investigation of this topic means anything out here in the world. There's only room for one marginal paranormal/urban legend investigator on this campus, buckaroo. Oh, and to answer your "question," yes, there is a giant metal ball out in the woods and it is rolled

around. BUT! it is not called the "Alien Ball"; it is called the Spaceman Sphere.

Tim wonders:
Q. What do you think about the recent rumors about NASA faking the moon landings?

A. I see people have yet to realize that I only cover things directly related to Evergreen and Olympia. But you, Tim, either by chance or by some nefarious undertaking, have discovered my weak spot for Space theories. The latest "evidence" of fakery on NASA's part is truly unbelievable. Why would NASA use special effects that weren't very special to fool the American people? The truth is that we did land in 1969, but it was made very clear to us that the moon was not ours to explore. We were politely informed that we could visit but could not colonize the moon. Who told us this? Why it was none other than Spectacula Dracula.

Now to the serious stuff.

Several weeks ago, I received an anonymous email in regards to this column. An email that I believed I would have to keep secret for my safety and its author. However, events have transpired which make it imperative that I share what I know. But unfortunately I've run out of room for this week. Stay tuned for a shocking announcement!

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FESTIVAL

By Jenna Rice

As Spring rolls around, students are busy planning activities for the quarter. One of the most anticipated events happening this Spring is the annual Urban Arts Festival. The Urban Arts Fest is known as a weekend of music, art, B-boys, and panel discussions. Past events have featured breakdancing contests and hip-hop groups like the Coup.

This year, the Student Arts Council has scheduled the festival for May 18th - 20th. Planned for this year are panel discussions, a breakdancing contest, graffiti walls, spoken word slams, a hip-hop concert and a punk rock show. Through the activities we hope to address the issues of racism, youth incarceration, racial profiling, women in the arts, and sexism, to name a few.

The Urban Arts Fest will follow Uprisings, a weeklong festival of youth empowerment. Uprisings will feature workshops on racism, immigration, and youth incarceration, as well as a graffiti mural project, music, and a skateboard contest.

The Student Arts Council is eager to get input, planning, participation, and volunteers for this year's Urban Arts Festival. We have weekly meetings on Mondays at 3:00 p.m. in CAB 320. All are welcome!

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BEST BANDS

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shops along the way. We saw the documentary *Crumb* at the Varsity movie theater. Afterwards we walked into the Tower Records next door. I decided to see if they had the Smoking Popes. They did. I bought *Born to Quit* but did not have the ability to listen to it until I got home Sunday night.

The moment I got home from Seattle I put the CD in my player. For the next 33 minutes, and for the next two years, I was immersed in the Smoking Popes' world of sweet new love, painful loss, and triumphant self-awareness. The average song on the album is two minutes and thirty seconds in length. They show brevity is the soul of song. There is a true sense of emotional release in each song, and such release rarely takes as long as the average pop song on the radio.

After a year or so, I began to notice Smoking Popes songs appearing in movies. I

never saw another one of their videos on MTV, but you could hear Smoking Popes played in the background of movies like *Clueless* and *The Boys* with Winona Ryder, as well as others. My face lit up whenever I was in a movie theater or watching television and I could hear the guitar riff from "Rubella." I felt torn between wishing mainstream success for them and wanting to keep them, as I saw them, as "my" band, only known to me and people I trusted with the sacred knowledge of the Smoking Popes.

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Through songs like "Just Broke Up," "My Lucky Day," and "Gotta Know Right Now," I heard the soundtrack of my high school life. Break ups, make ups, and foul ups, it was all there for me on that CD. If I ever wanted to let myself sink into that oh-so comfortable lazy nostalgia or depression, this was my key to that world. It was fitting that the day before I left for Evergreen, my pseudo-girlfriend gave me their second wide-release CD, *Destination Failure*. This effort featured the same soothing melodies and crashing guitars and drums.

The lyrics were more pained and angst-filled than *Born to Quit* without falling into trite metaphors and clichéd ramblings. They do a great cover of "Pure Imagination" from *Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory*.

It took a while for the album to click with me as *Born to Quit* did. It wasn't until the middle of my freshman year when my pseudo-girlfriend, the same one that gave me *Destination Failure*, broke my young heart in a million pieces. I was listening to the album while feeling like a discarded ragdoll when I heard the song "Pretty Pathetic" with new ears. It perfectly described the events of "that night." It also gave me the hope that life and love does go on. I don't think I needed to hear a song in order to realize that lesson, but the words and music made a beautiful teacher.

Unfortunately, the Smoking Popes are no longer together. Their lead singer had given up on rock music and devoted himself to the Lord. There are some things I'll never be able to forgive Jesus for. This and the howler monkey.

If you would like to share a band, you can contribute to this column by dropping off an article at the CPJ office on the third floor of the CAB.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Unroll Your Dollar Bills... This "Blow" Ain't Worth It

Review by Adam Louie

If you look at New Line Cinema's website for *Blow*, they'll tell that this movie is rife with, "smart humor and probing detail," which, "outlines the lifestyle of a mega-rich smuggler — the border crossings, the ruthless negotiations, the sudden betrayals, the wild characters, the run-ins with the justice system, the inherent problems in dealing with massive amounts of cash, the temptations — and, ultimately, the tragedy of blowing all of your dreams for greed."

This is no lie. *Blow* does in fact cover all of this stuff and then some. But, as Johnny Depp's character asks at the end of the movie, "Is it worth it?", you must suppress the urge to yell at the screen a resounding "No!". The only tragedy here was that the movie actually got made. Don't get me

wrong, it's a great story. But it's a true story. Because of that one gets the feeling that the director tried to cram as much accurate detail into two hours as he could, lest he violate the cardinal rule of fucking with non-fiction. The result is a yawning, repetitive presentation of a rigormortis plot that could've been something big.

In *Blow*, a type-casted Johnny Depp plays the true-life character of George Jung, an intrepid entrepreneur who vows never to have money problems like his old man. From the first few minutes he introduces himself with his prisoner number thus foreshadowing all speculation on how the movie might end. For the next hour and fifty-eight minutes, we are filled in with the blanks on how exactly he got into prison, starting with his childhood in the 1950's all the way to the early

1990's. During the course of his roller coaster life, we find out that he was solely responsible for the importing of cocaine during the eighties. (After halfway through the movie you start to get the feeling like he was the druggie version of Forrest Gump because of all the great things he was doing for coke lords around the world. For example, he becomes a distributor for Colombian billionaire, Pablo Escobar.) After making a name for himself, Jung falls in love with an anorexic, bird-like Penelope Cruz. They do lots of drugs together and eventually have a kid who is suprisingly not

addicted to coke. Because he has a new daughter, Jung quits the drug business to settle down and raise a family. All is great until he gets busted by the Feds and does time. Then he gets out of jail, finds out that all his money has been appropriated by the Colombian government, starts trafficking drugs again, and gets put back in the slammer, this time permanently. Despite the lagging progression of the Jung's story, the worst part of the movie is the last five seconds. For some unknown reason the director thought it would be greatly profound to fill the entire screen with the real George Jung's smiling, haggard, drug-abused face. This not only leaves the viewer with an aftertaste of a disturbing image beaming down at you like Orwell's Big Brother but also leaves them questioning "Why?". As in "why the hell did I just sit through a two-hour, true-life sympathy story about a drug trafficker who is somehow more important than other people in prison?" Could it be that Hollywood thinks the rest of the world likes movies on coke because they themselves snort eightballs of the shit on a consistent basis?

Combine the above with your standard fare of high contrast, edgy "flashback" filters, a script my dead guinea-pig, Pugsly, could've written better, and the blatant emotional appeals only a bowl of Jello could miss, and you've got an A-1 movie worth marketing to millions of cocaine-users across the country. For the rest of us not on coke, we are stuck scratching our heads, trying to figure out what the point of the movie was. As far as I could tell the point was stay home and read a good book.

"After halfway through the movie you start to get the feeling like he was the druggie version of Forrest Gump."



The Evergreen State College
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for additional info. or schedules contact Amnesty International:

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THE INTERVIEWS: RICK HARDEN

by Shasta Smith

I'm talking with Rick Harden, head coach of the women's basketball team for the last four years and head coach of the men's and women's tennis team for the last two.

CPJ: Hi, Rick, how's it going?

Rick: Good, Shasta, good.

CPJ: So, Rick, can you tell me a bit about yourself, how you got here, and what you did before you were at Evergreen?

Rick: In the four years preceding coming to Evergreen, I was the head girl's coach in Seahome High School in Bellingham, WA. I left there, heard there was a position open here, and applied for it, and became the first coach of women's basketball at Evergreen. The years before coaching at Seahome, I used my coaching to travel. I was the head coach of a men's professional team in Switzerland for two years, preceding being at Seahome, and two years before that, I was the assistant coach at a 4H Boy's school in Tampa, Florida. Before that, I was a professional coach for some teams in Australia, men's teams and one year a women's team...I started a professional women's team in Brisbane, Australia; it was their first year in their national league. Preceding that, I was three years the assistant in the University of New Mexico for their women's team there.

CPJ: So, at any of these programs, did you have to start from scratch?

Rick: The one program, in Brisbane, was the very first year they were in the women's national league, so basically, I pulled together players from the clubs in that area. I didn't have to recruit, per se, though I did have to get some players from outside Brisbane, Australia, which is a state about the size of California, Oregon, Washington, and Idaho put together, but that was the first time they had ever had a team there, in that league.

CPJ: So was that a similar experience to starting a program here at Evergreen?

Rick: No.

CPJ: Well, how did it go here?

Rick: Well, the main thing is that, starting that program, everybody within the Brisbane Basketball Association was really behind that program, and I'd say that's the big thing about coaching here at Evergreen. You get support from the athletic programs, but not always from the academic side.

CPJ: So, could you talk a little bit about starting the tennis program as well?

Rick: The tennis program... basically, I got that job because the guy they had hired before got prostate cancer and couldn't do the job about halfway through the season. It was actually about a week before the season was supposed to start. There had been a couple of matches scheduled, but at that particular time, he had not been around the school in about six months, and so a lot of the players who had said they were going to play thought that there wasn't even going to be a program, so they weren't available to play, so there was really a scramble to try to get the players. I think that, on the men's side, it's been a lot easier to get people to come here and play tennis, and a lot more people in the student body who are athletes and who look at athletics the way you have to be able to compete at the intercollegiate level, so it's been a lot easier on the men's side and I think our results really show that.

It's tough to recruit women players to Evergreen because, and this is a generalization, but I think most people involved in tennis would agree with it, is most women who play tennis, and most girls who play tennis in high school, are mostly from a country club setting, and I don't think that those types of girls readily come to Evergreen. Again, that's a pretty big generalization, but I think it's pretty close to being right on, whereas men and boys who play tennis come from all different kinds of backgrounds.

CPJ: So what do you think has been the biggest thing to help turn around the tennis season? I know last season, the team didn't really do so well, and really struggled, and this season you're already at five hundred, and you're winning a lot of your matches. What's been the difference?

Rick: Well, we had a little bit of money last year, and we got it really late, and it wasn't in terms so much of a scholarship; it was kind of an inducement to come to school here, and I was able to get a couple of really solid players from the area who hadn't played for a couple of years but who were really good players, and we had a couple of good players who played last year that were, you know, came back so we had a bit of continuity from last year's team, and then just a couple of people... one person came last summer and ended up coming and he ended up playing in our first six, and we got a couple of people who came to school here and saw that we have some good

players playing, so that just motivated them to play, also. So, we've been able to get 10 guys to turn out, and they're all pretty solid players.

CPJ: What now that basketball's over? I heard that you're actually not coaching women anymore.

Rick: No.

CPJ: Are you going to be continuing to coaching tennis?

Rick: No, not after this year. This will be my last year at Evergreen. I'm looking for another job. I'm primarily a basketball coach, and that's what I've done for twenty-five years, and I thought I would be at Evergreen for quite a long time. The disappointing thing for me about the women's basketball program at Evergreen is to start it and not have any money, and be part time for such a long time, and to make a lot of sacrifices to try to get the program going, and at the point where we do get some money, and we do have a position open for full-time, and to be told that I'm not going to be the coach anymore.

CPJ: As you move out of the position of women's basketball coach, and as tennis coach, are you helping to usher in the next people? Are you grooming Mike Safford to be the next tennis coach? How's that working?

Rick: I think that, in terms of Mike knowing the program, it would be a really good thing to have some continuity there, because the tennis team has not had that continuity; there were two coaches there before I got the job, and then I'm leaving after a little over two years. I think it would be the smart move to give him the job so they have some continuity over there, and he knows some coaches in the local area and everything.

The basketball program--I told them I would help basically in any way I could, but basically Dave has taken over the duties of the basketball coach, and I just gave him the information about people I've been talking to and stuff, and it's up to him to follow up there.

CPJ: So the athletic director is actually running the basketball team right now?

Rick: As much as anybody is, I guess.

CPJ: Well, good luck with the upcoming tournament, and good luck with where you go from here.

Rick: Thanks, Shasta. Good luck to you.

by Shasta Smith

Sports at Evergreen have been something heard about but rarely seen or read. This year has seen the evolution of sports journalism at Evergreen. Starting with a couple of submitted articles and a couple of all-nighters in the CPJ, sports editing was born. I have covered sports for the last quarter with sparse aid from various people. This quarter sports are being covered by a crew of 5. The crew of multifarious students ranges from 4 and 5 year seniors to 3rd quarter freshmen. The interest that these students have jumped in with is evolving sports journalism even further here at Evergreen. With the ability to get to nearly every event that is nearby, even some that occur at the same time, what is happening in the sports world can now be more thoroughly covered.

Even with comprehensive sports coverage, there is still one factor missing in most of the events that we cover: fans. Aside from the occasional girlfriend/boyfriend or parent the sidelines are empty. I implore you Evergreen students that are interested in playing or watching a particular sport to make the time to go to an event. This last weekend was my first jaunt to a crew meet and as boring as I thought it was going to be, I was delighted to find myself wrapped up in the screaming as the Evergreen boat powered by. Here on campus, our men's tennis team is doing something never done before by a Evergreen tennis team—they are winning. What can help them get to the next level, winning in the playoffs, is fanatics, students who will go and watch, cheer and yell, and give our teams a much needed advantage. Home court advantage is mostly due to the fans. The loudness of home cheers is what sets to the other teams. Only basketball had anything close to a fan base. Look at the sports articles, see when the next events are coming up, and make some time to get to them. Don't limit yourself to just NCAA or NAIA sporting events, find out what the clubs are up to, go watch the newly created sport, Brutalball. There are many students who are carrying Evergreen's name in the sporting world; support them in their drive to win.

The spring brings new life to sports at Evergreen and as a new section of the sports section in the CPJ and as a new feature on my sports show, Shasta's Evergreen Sports Show, non-league competitive sports are now being covered. This week, Brutalball is brought to the lime light. I have witnessed this game on evening walks to the dorms. I never understood anything about it until one of my co-workers, Mark Harper, brought it to my attention.

If you have any questions regarding sports schedules, would like to write about a sport you're involved in, or have any information on upcoming sporting events, email me at smisha13@evergreen.edu.

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EVERGREEN CREW



photo by Adam Louie

The women's crew team carries their boat from the dock after taking second place at the Huskie Invitational in Seattle last Saturday.

by Shasta Smith

On the 7th of April, the men's and women's crew teams went to the Huskie Invitational at the UW in Seattle. The meet took place at one of the best courses in the country, "The Cut." The Huskie Invitational hosted such teams as the UW, Gonzaga, Western Washington, UPS, Seattle U, PLU, and Evergreen. Our men's and women's teams were considered the underdogs going against schools with 20-plus year histories. The men raced at 7 AM and the women raced at 9. Evergreen's lightweight novice four didn't race, since there were only varsity fours to row against.

The men started out taking third, seconds behind the number two boat. Coach Starks is hoping for an improvement in the men's

performance the weekend of the 14th.

The story was the women's team who came out strong placing 2nd in a field of 6. They beat rivals Western Washington and lost only to D1 NCAA, Gonzaga. Coming down the "The Cut", the last 500 meters of the race, Evergreen was neck and neck with the third place boat and won by mere feet at the finish line.

"This race showed the rowing community what we are capable of," said Coach Starks. "In your first year, it's good to be able to finish a race, and we are showing that we are a team to beat. It's great for the new program, and it shows the parents and sponsors, and Evergreen administration, that we are for real."

The crew team travel to Dexter, Oregon this weekend; look for the men to improve on the their two third place finishes and the women to stretch for the gold.

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SUNDAY SOCCER

by Gin Harbold

At 1 PM last Sunday, the Evergreen men's soccer team faced off against Skylarking in a casual off-season league game. They had a slow start against a team that came out of the bullpen scoring. At the end of the half, Evergreen was down by three and needed to rally. They spent half-time discussing strategy, and giving each other pep talks. Evergreen returned to the field fired up and focused on scoring. Shasta Smith gained control of the ball 18 yards from the goal on a pass from the wing, then he exploded on the ball, beating the keeper to the near-post.

Evergreen controlled the game most of the second half, keeping the ball on their opponent's side of the field and taking several shots. Unfortunately, they were not able to capitalize on their opportunities, and the game ended 4 to 1. The next game will be played on Sunday April 27th at Pioneer Park.



by Neil Huizenga

On Friday, April 6th, our Men's Tennis team had a pair of matches. In the morning it was Lewis-Clark State, and in the afternoon it was Seattle U. Both matches were intense.

The morning's action against LCSC was mostly indoors, under the pavilion. LCSC is ranked 9th in the nation and first in the conference. They had a 5-0 conference record going into this match. Nevertheless, our men battled with them in style. With the advantage that home always allows, there was a glimmer of hope for the Geoducks. The doubles team of Mike Schor and Will Tubman was able to upset the cocky duo of Dermot O'Grady and Isaac Mendez in an 8-5 set. This is the first time that the team has ever locked down a point against Lewis-Clark, and only the fourth point given by LCSC so far this year.

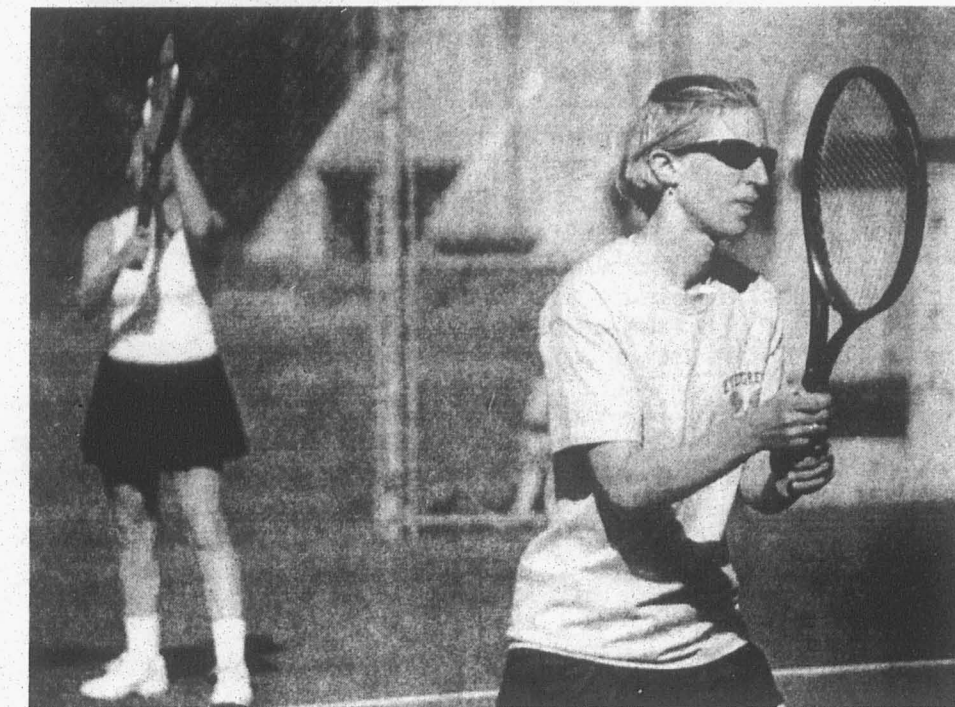
In singles play, LCSC swept the field. Mike Butte gave his all in his 6-2, 6-3 loss to Joao Oliveria, and Mike Schor gave Guilherme Martins a run for his money with a 6-4, 6-2 match. This was some of the best work the men have ever done. This spirit carried over into their match against Seattle U. in the afternoon.

Having moved outside, the Geoducks were able to open all the stops against Seattle, barely losing 6-3, with some very close bouts. Will Tubman neatly retired Seattle's Carl Berquist 6-4, 4-2, and Mike Schor slipped to give up a close match to Seattle's Ian Purganan 7-5, 7-6. The doubles team of Schor and Tubman barely gave up the edge to lose 8-5.

For their efforts this week, the

TENNIS

photo by Adam Louie



doubles team of Mike Schor and Will Tubman were selected as this week's regional Players of the Week, a first in Evergreen Tennis history.

Seattle, who was ranked 5th in the conference behind Evergreen, pulled ahead to take the fourth position in the conference. Evergreen is going to be doing all they can to take that spot back in their matches on Saturday the 14th against Whitworth in Spokane, and the 15th against Lewis-Clark, again in Lewiston, Idaho.

The women played some shaky matches against some tough opponents this past week. On Friday, they came up

against Lewis-Clark in the morning and Seattle in the afternoon and ended up following in the men's footsteps losing 9-0, 9-0. Disappointment followed the women on into Saturday, where they met Southern Oregon University at home, losing 9-0 again.

The women are still in last place in the standings. One problem plaguing the women is a lack of numbers; they have only three competitors and have to forfeit all but four of the matches at any given meet. The women have matches against Whitworth on Saturday, and Lewis-Clark on Sunday.

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BRUTALBALL

by Mark Harper

If you want to release some aggression, and the referee is keeping you down, there may be an alternative for you. If you're on campus weekend afternoons and hear someone yell "Brutal Ball!" head to the field in front of the HCC to witness what some are calling the most exciting new sport around.

"It's so fun to watch. I think it's the most televisable sport out there. The action is so fast and brutal," said one spectator.

It's like full-contact, half-court basketball, where teams of three do whatever it takes to get a ball through a hoop set up on top of a soccer goal. As anyone whose seen it will tell you, as the name implies, this game is brutal, and participants feel it in the morning--and sometimes for a few days.

As one participant said, "You feel sore afterwards, but it's a good kind of sore, because you know, where it's bruised now will become new muscle later."

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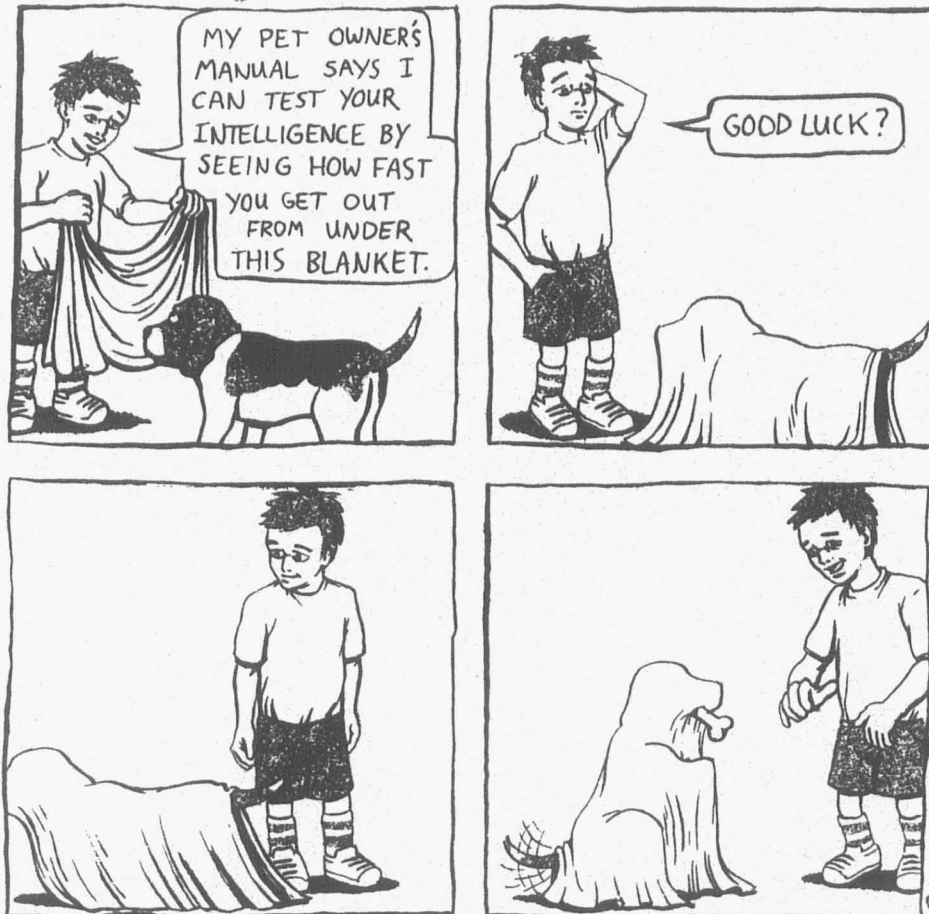
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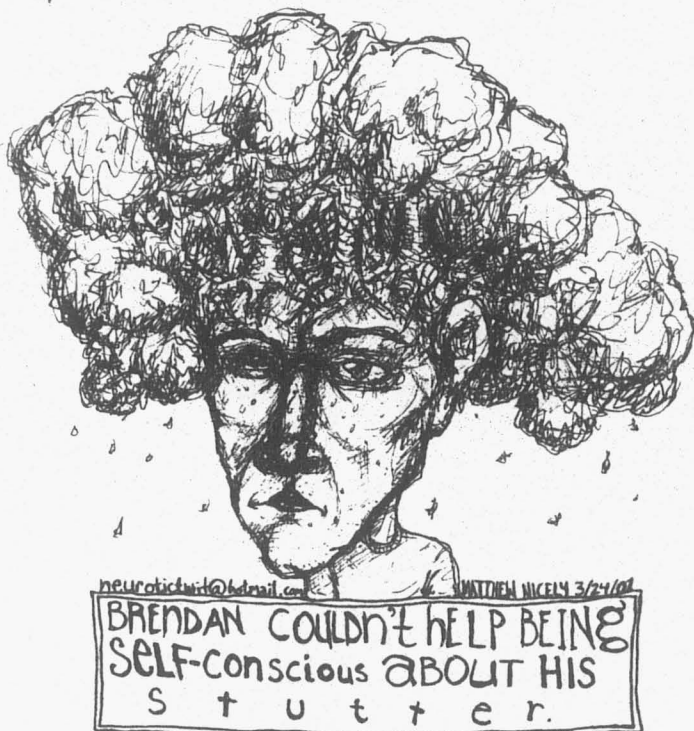
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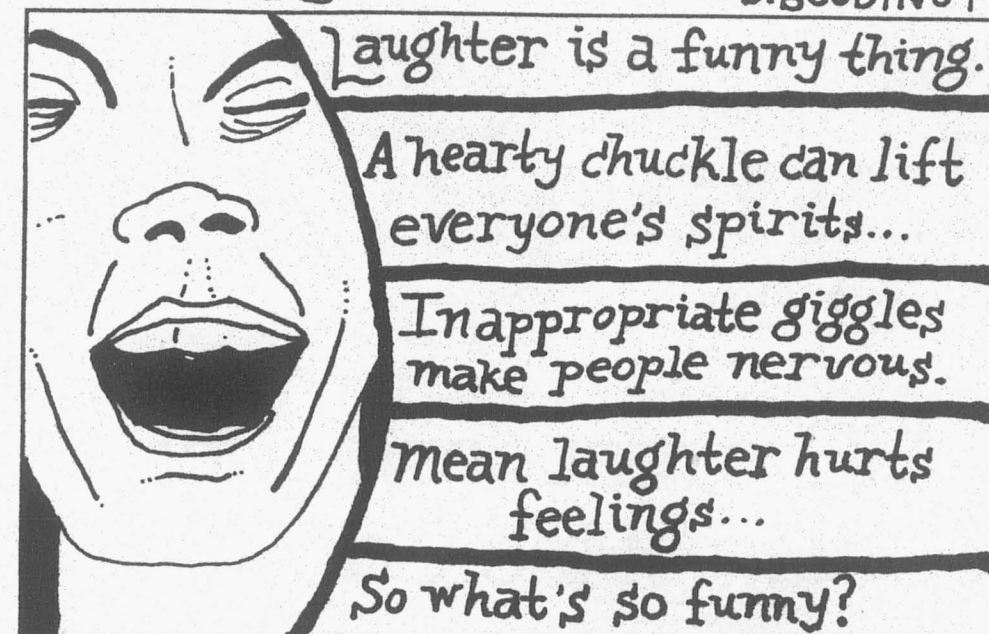


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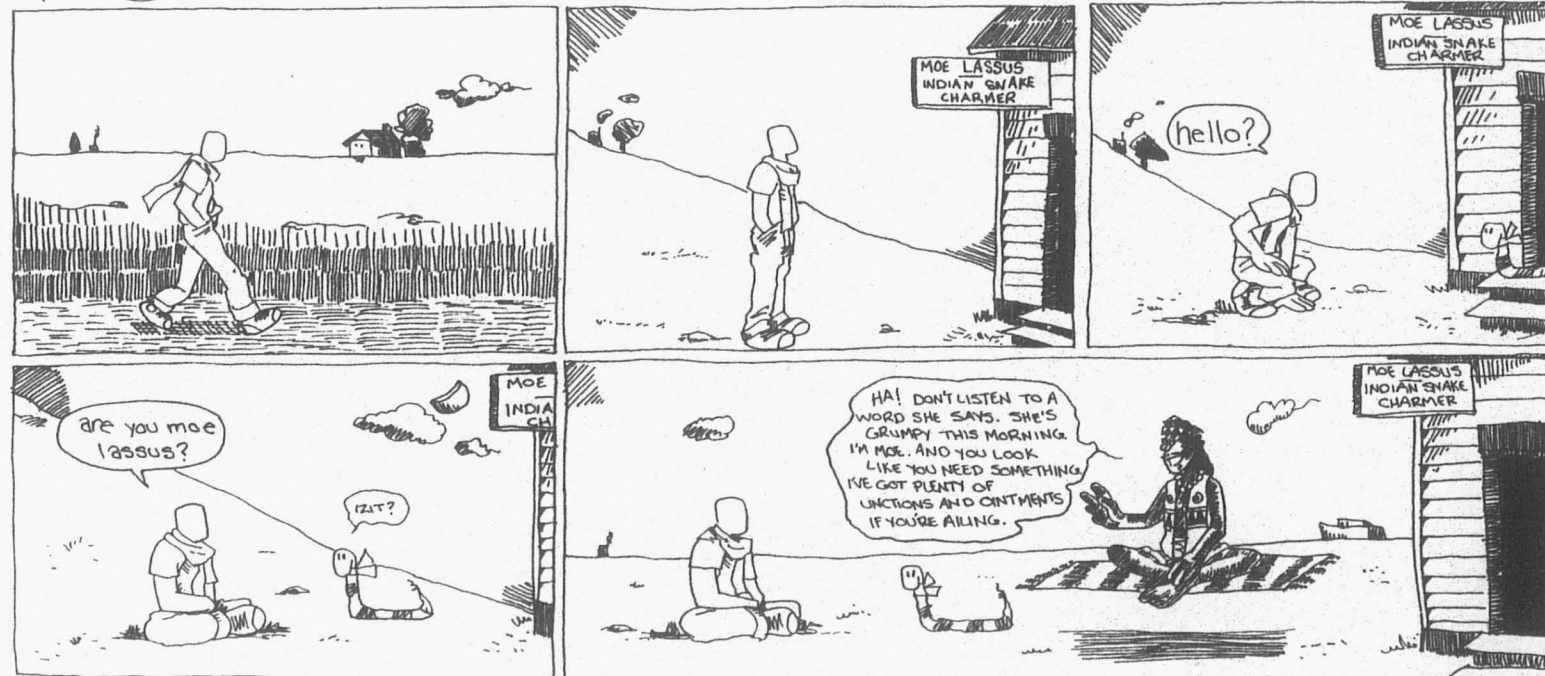
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CALENDAR

Wed, Apr 12

6 to 10 P.M.
LIB 1000

The Rachel Carson Forum, presented by the Masters in Environmental Studies program, is going on. Dave Foreman, of Earth First!, will talk about "rewilding." There's music, speech, and a reception.
Call Lisa or Amy, 867-6181

Sat, Apr 14

11 A.M.

Tumwater High School

It's Tumwater's 5th annual Easter Egg Hunt! "Over 8,000 eggs stuffed with candy and prizes will be hiding in the grass." How do they find the eggs? Kids 3-10 only. No candy for teenage hoodlums.
Call 754-4160

2 P.M.

Wild Grace Arts Center

Get ready, get set, yea, for yoga-based personal training. "Spring is here and many of us hear..." (poetry!) "...the call of the wild pulling us towards the beauty of the mountains." Good Lord! Joanna Cashman, author of this press release, is quite the wordsmith. This class will use yoga to help you climb mountains. \$25.
Call Joanna, 754-3983

7:30 P.M.

South Bay Grange (South Bay and

Sleater-Kinney)

New England Contras, Southern Squares, Big Circles. Do these words mean anything to you? Then you probably already know all about the Old-Time Country Dances. "Newcomers especially welcome." \$6 donation at the door.
Call 357-5346

7 P.M.

Olympia Elks (1818 E. 4th Ave.)

You don't have to be an Elk to go to this ballroom dancing class. "Beginners are welcome and will be helped to get started." Yupper.
Call 459-5469

Mon, Apr 16

7 P.M.

CAB Recital Hall

Jed Williamson, one of the universe's leaders in "experiential education," shall speak here, and now.

Thu, Apr 19

7 P.M.

Capitol Museum Coach House (211 West 21st)

Local prairie birds: you see them all the time, but why? Russel Rogers, wildlife biologist, will explain. "Four species [of bird] breed in our prairies, but are uncommon in the rest of Puget Sound...[but] which four species [of bird] are these? You'll need to attend to find out!"

Olympia High School Performing

Arts Center

Wonderin' about the Free Trade Area of the Americas and its possible ramifications? Then listen to Matt Grant, Vice Pres of Oly High, talk about FTAA's implication to public ed., Maureen Tobin of the Oly Food Co-op examine the FTAA and food safety, and Corvallis, Oregon, citizen Chris Dixon tell of public responses to FTAA locally and globally. Call Herridge-Meyer, 705-3384

Fri, Apr 20

6 P.M.

LIB Lobby

Anne Phillips speaks about sexual assault and the G/L/B/T/Q community, followed by a moderated forum. At 7:30, see Allison Williams, acoustic punk musician, perform.
Call the EQA, x6544

Sat, Apr 21

6:30 P.M. "rain or shine"

Downtown (Legion Way & Cherry)

Let the Procession of the Species begin! Check in for participants begins at 5:30. "The entire event should last about two hours." Organizers ask all involved to "please respect neighboring businesses with regard to restroom use."

Sun, Apr 22

9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

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10 A.M. to 3 P.M.

The Farmer's Market

It be Earth Day! Lots of stuff is going on at the farmer's market, such as "interactive games, door prizes, and family activities. Hear music dedicated to the blue-jeweled Earth at the Market's center stage." Call Susannah the intern, 753-8563

Things Ongoing

5 P.M.

CAB 110

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

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

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

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

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

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

Developing Ecological Agriculture Projects (DEAP)
We function as a resource center for projects at the Organic Farm.
Meeting times: get on our e-mail

list, send to deapgreen@hotmail.com
More info: 867-6493
Evergreen Animal Rights Network
To promote the ethical treatment of animals.
Meeting times: 5:30 every Wednesday in CAB 320
More info: Laurel and Tom 866-6000 ex.6555

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

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

Evergreen Students for Christ To Understand, To Grow, To Serve.
Meeting times: Tuesdays 7 P.M. in LIB 1507.
More info: ES4C@aol.com

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

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

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

More info: Whitney Bindreiff 888-2166 or x6636
Giant Robot Appreciation Society
Evergreen's Anime Club!
Screenings Friday, 8 P.M. at the Edge
More info: Ken Koontz
squirlfox@hotmail.com

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

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

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

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

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

Umoja
An activities and support group for all students of African decent.

Meeting times: 1-3 P.M. on Feb. 21, March 14, April 4, 18, May 2, 16, 30
More info: Umoja office, x6781; Cossetta Stroud, (360) 455-0470; Loretta Bradley-Allen, (360) 352-9906

Uprooting Racism
New group! White students work on ending racism.
Meeting times: Wednesday 12:30-1:30 P.M. Wednesday in LIB 2221
More info: come to the meeting

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

The Wilderness Center
We run trips outside (rafting, rock climbing, hiking, snowshoeing) as well as skill
Meeting times: 5:30 P.M. every Thursday in CAB 320
More info: Melissa Wise, Jessica Lee 867-6006

Women of Color Coalition
Equality, diversity, justice and freedom for Evergreen's women of color.
Meeting times: 3 P.M. Friday CAB 313
More info: Melissa Wise, Jessica Lee 867-6006

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