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Hazy smoking policies creating problems

By Matt Phelps

A group of students headed by Student Senator Steven A. Davis and Freshman Senator Jenni Black are taking the first steps to having the smoking rules and regulations on campus revised and enforced.

"We are planning on taking action. Questions we have are, why is there so much apathy for this issue? Is it because the administration is afraid they will lose students?"

I understand that security is limited, but the administration says they're not going to do anything until students say something," Davis said.

They brought the issue up to the Student Senate last Friday along with head of security Fred Creek.

Sophomore class President and Senate member Chris Duesen commented about the problem, "As long as people keep to the smoking areas it's not an issue. If people have consideration for others no enforcement will be necessary. Me being a taller student I catch the up draft though."

The current rules of smoking on campus as it pertains to the student handbook says that smoking is allowed on the GRCC campus only in designated areas such as the "smoke shack" in front of the LSC building and "The

Rock Pillars" by the SMT building. But in reality smoking is allowed and enforced in the opposite way for lack of security personnel and lack of penalties for smokers.

Smoking restrictions aren't enforced except where "no smoking" signs are posted or in buildings. This has led to some gray areas where people can and cannot smoke.

John Ramsey, Director of Public Information and Chair of the "Safety Council" for GRCC said, "Its been a problem since we started tackling this issue back in '89 or '90. We have never really resolved it satisfactorily."

The closest that the school or anyone has come to clearing this matter up was two years ago when a law was proposed to ban smoking from all college campuses in Washington state, but the law was defeated in the legislature for being too drastic.

The way that the law is written now for the state of Washington it is possible to ban smoking from the campus.

"It would be a fairly large policy decision if that was what people wanted. But that is not something you would do without looking at it from all sides. In the best of both worlds you're always going to have smokers and non-smokers, you want to provide a place that is convenient for

smokers that doesn't impact non-smokers, and that is hard to do on this campus," said Ramsey.

The biggest problem is on rainy days when smokers have only one place to go to stay dry and still be able to smoke, the "smoke shack".

"I'll be the first person to admit it sucks when it is raining out, as long as they try to stay as far away as they (smokers) can on those days from those areas and still be covered up that's what they should (do)," said Ford.

Under overhangs and in front of buildings are the most convenient and dry places for smokers to smoke but comprise the second largest amount of designated non-smoking sections on campus next to inside buildings. Inside the buildings is not a problem because by state law security can issue fines for violations.

Subsequently, in front of entrances to the buildings on campus are designated non-smoking areas because non-smokers are forced to walk through smoke when entering and exiting buildings and cannot escape it when smokers choose to ignore the rules.

"You have to provide a dry place for people to go," said Ramsey "But you would hope that people would follow rules, and that has always been our



GRCC Student smoking in the "Smoke Shack"

hope, that we would have some policies in place that people would obey."

Some of the efforts by security to resolve this problem have been moving ashtray cans away from doorways, and putting up more signs in order to designate more clearly visible areas of smoking and non-smoking.

Smoker and GRCC student Jacob Ford said, "As long as they make the places clear and we know where the places are its fine. As long as we can stay covered up I think they should enforce the rules on the sunny days."

One solution that has been discussed is putting in another
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Remodeling project in the works for LSC

By Brian Ruud

The LSC remodeling project, originally slated to begin construction this summer, is still in the planning stage.

Construction is planned to start next spring in order to be ready for fall quarter 1999.

The plans are to restructure the Lindbloom Student Center (LSC).

The remodeling will affect only the south side of the building, mainly the top floor, including the entire loop containing the various student services such as student employment, financial aid, cashiering, enrollment services, health services, and educational planning.

Peggy Mandin, who works in educational planning, said, "We're looking forward to it. We've outgrown our current space, and we're looking forward to using

the space more effectively."

Also affected will be the students' recreational area, including the pool tables and video games, and downstairs, the assessment and testing center.

Bookstore employee Barry Watson said, "The purpose of moving the recreation desk is to give the student center more of a community feel, and to have the cafeteria, bookstore, and the different meeting rooms, all easily accessible, to bring more students in. A lot of students don't often use the rec center...it's upstairs, you don't think about it."

Some of the walls will be removed, improving the flow of traffic and making it easier for students to find the services they seek.

ASGRCC President Kathy Arndt said, "Their goal is to make it more student friendly by

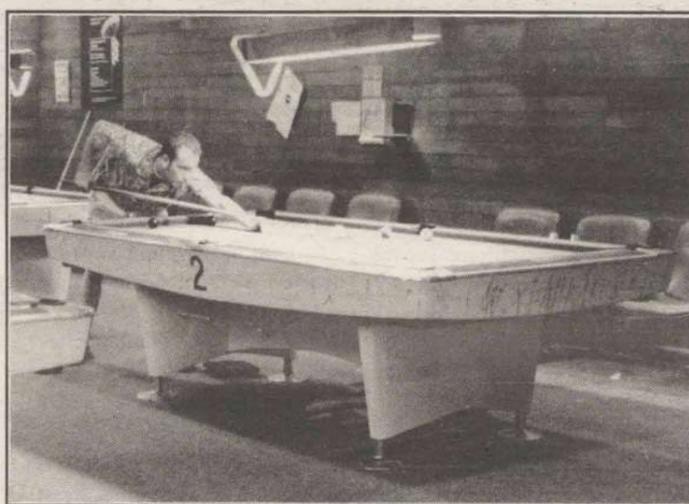
opening it up more."

Some of the services will remain where they are, and some will be shuffled around a bit. Assessment will be moved from downstairs into the Rainier room, and a new conference room will be built where the pool tables and the music listening room are now. The television, pool tables, games, and recreation desk will be relocated downstairs to where the assessment and testing center is now.

Jessica Mullin, a student who works at the recreation desk said, "If it will help students, to make it easier for them, then I guess it's a good idea."

Outside programs will be given space inside the building, rather than their current location in a shed outside of the LSC.

The people in charge of all decisions regarding this project are



LSC recreation area as it is now

the LSC remodeling project team. This team consists of Bruce Compton, Dean of student programs, Dave Rossick, Accounting Controller, David Rutherford and Gene Gudger from ARC Architects, Jim Steffens, Project

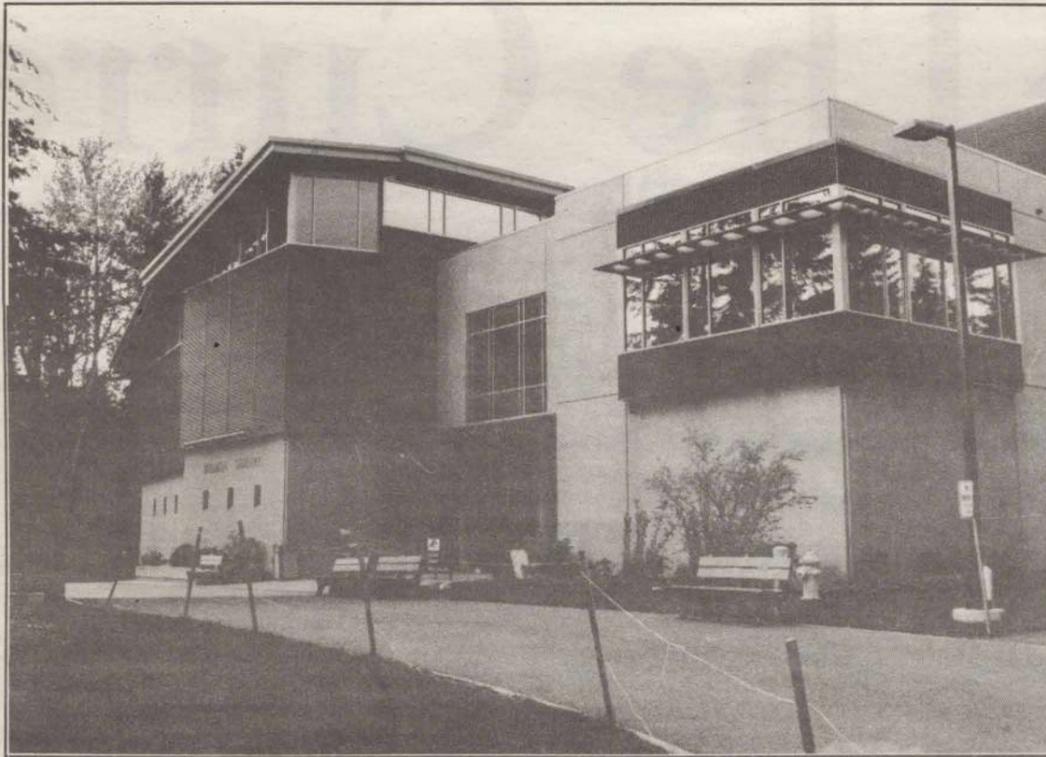
Manager for the state of Washington, Dr. Laura Tordenti, Dean of Student Services and Enrollment Management, and Tom Weisweaver, Facilities Director. Arndt also attends the meetings
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Student Government elections today and tomorrow

Candidates for student government have been putting their all into getting elected. Each candidate spoke at a forum held on April 28 in the Lindbloom Student Center. After presenting their election cases to the students, students can begin voting on April 29 and 30. Students can find the voting machines in the Lindbloom Center and Holman Library.

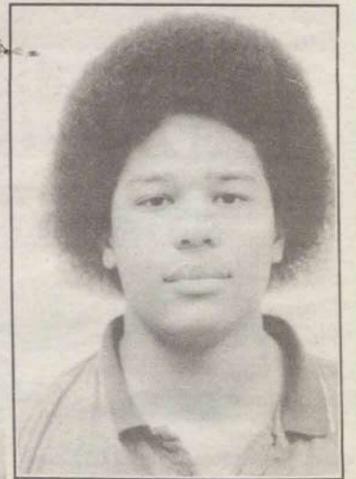


Name: Emory Gearhart the 4th
Running For: Sophomore Senator
"If I am voted back into senate, I will continue to serve the students as I have throughout this last term. I will continue to listen to the students opinion on how to improve our college. I will aid in the continuing improvement of Green River Community College."



The Holman Library and Lindbloom Student Center is where elections will take place

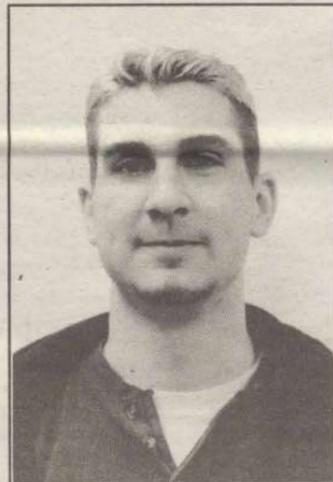
someone who is a naturally born leader, someone who is fun but very professional, someone who will give their all to the students, someone who is a student just like you; that someone is me. Thank you for your time and your vote."



Name: Brendon Cromwell
Running For: Senator-at-Large
"Okay boys and girls, it's story time and today we are going to read to you Brendon Cromwell's life story...He was born in a small town and grew up in a small town where he went to high school. Next thing he knew he found himself on a wonderful ride that abruptly ended at Green River Community College. He decided that because the ride ended at GRCC he would make the best of his situation. The only option that he could see was to get involved in student government where, he knew, he could make a difference. He was elected to student senator and made a difference while having fun. The school year ended and what happened next, boys and girls, is no surprise, he has decided to run for student senator again and...Oh I'm sorry boys and girls our story time is up. But don't worry tomorrow we are going to read Jack and Jill."



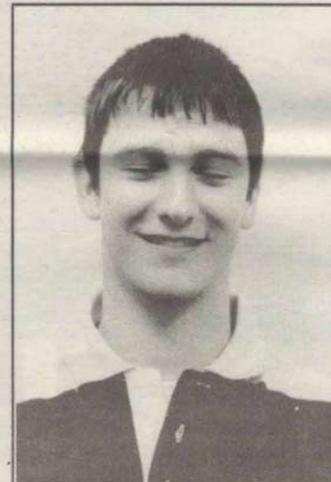
Name: Amy Ramsey
Running For: Sophomore Senator
"This past academic year in Senate I really got a taste for the fact that our students voices are indeed heard. Being able to represent the students is a great honor and something I take pride in. If re-elected I would want to do even more to represent the students, and I would hope that any concerns or ideas would be expressed to me personally."



Name: Dan Morris
Running For: President
"Hello. My past experience in leadership positions include: student government and ASB in high school, GRCC Senator-at-Large, and GRCC Freshman Class President. I am currently working in the Student Programs Office where I plan events and programs for domestic as well as International students. I would greatly appreciate your vote. Thank You!"



Name: Paul Beattie
Running For: Sophomore Senator
"I think I should be elected to the sophomore senate because I have never been a politician before. My experience has been in truth and frivolity rather than lies and sternness. I will provide fresh, innovative insight to the student government of this great school of ours."



Name: Aaron Atkission
Running For: Vice President
"I feel that we need to have some new blood in student government, someone who will make a difference in the students life, someone who feels that each and every student is important,

LSC Remodeling continued

representing student interests.

The current estimated cost for the remodeling project is \$1.2 million to \$1.5 million, with funds to come from three different sources: the bookstore, the maintenance general budget, and the 5.2.2 budget.

The 5.2.2 budget is money that is allocated for student services and activities, and comes from student tuition. It amounts to about \$500,000 per year, of which \$50,000 had been set aside to pay off the last LSC remodeling project up until two years ago, when that debt was paid off. Last year the senate approved another \$50,000 for this upcoming

project, and more will be needed. Future funds will have to be approved by the senate each year.

As to why money for this project should come out of funds reserved for student services, Arndt said, "It's offering better quality service to students for their enrollment, registration, and financial aid needs."

One of the problems with a construction project like this is keeping vital services going during the construction, so a big question is how to shuffle these services around. Compton said, "There's going to be some disruptions, there's going to be some sacrifices. We don't know what they are at the present time, but we know

that we're going to be experiencing some, with the dream that it's going to be better for students, and that's what this project is all about, to better serve students."

One of the things that will directly affect students will be the fate of the games area. According to Compton, "During that construction period, the games area will either be dismantled, or be relocated. No decision has been made....The pool tables might be one of the sacrifices, because that is a definite area that we are going to remodel. The end result is going to be fantastic for Outdoor Programs, and the pool area, and a larger area for students to relax and have lunch."

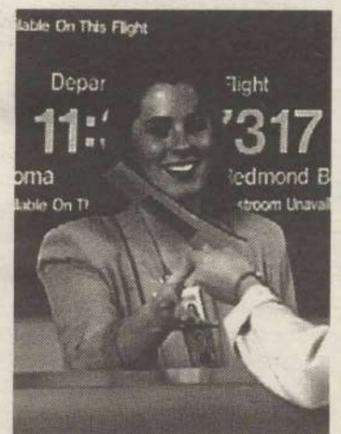
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Enforce the Smoking Policy; student letter

By Steven Davis and Jenni Black
Dear Staff and students,
We would like to bring to your attention an issue that affects us all.

It is evident that the smoking policy at GRCC is not being enforced as it could, and should be.

There are designated areas specifically posted as "smoking area". These areas include, among others: the SMT smoking area (by the rock pillar), the smoke shack in front of the LSC, Kennelly commons, in front of SG-59 (by

HS), SG-61 and SG-62 (by ST), and the back side of the administration building.

All of these areas are accessible and some are even covered. This is a privilege extended to all those who smoke.

Most government owned facilities are completely smoke-free. But GRCC recognizes the desires of its smoking students and has provided these areas. However, this privilege is being abused.

Specifically in areas where it is impossible to avoid second-hand smoke. Entry ways to

buildings such as the SMT building, the LSC, and the library are among the worst.

Walkways are also a problem. Non-smoking students use the same walkways as smoking students and are forced to breathe in, and walk through second-hand smoke.

According to the smoking policy, smoking is only allowed in the designated areas.

Some of the enforcement of this policy rests on us as students. It is our responsibility to inform other students of the policy and, if

you smoke, be responsible and considerate of others when you smoke.

We also need to voice our displeasure of the poor enforcement of the policy to the security department and the administration.

We encourage you to voice your opinion to your student government and administration. The more importance we as students place on enforcing the policy the more importance the administration and security will place on it. We understand that

this change will not occur overnight but we must try to change it as soon as possible.

Student government meetings are open to all students. This school serves its students. It is apparent that non-smokers rights are being infringed upon.

We respect the agency of all students on campus and are not attacking those who smoke.

This policy was created to enhance our college environment and protect every student's rights and, therefore, must be enforced.

Editorial: A year in America compared to Korea

By In-Gyu Kim

Last September 13, I came here to America in order to study English, and to learn the American culture. Before coming here, I was a student of Won-Kwang University in Korea. My major was economics. I am supposed to be here for only one year, so I would like to have fun and enjoy myself during my precious year here. This August I have to go back to my country and to my school. Now I am asking myself, "what have I learned?" "What is the difference between Korea and U.S.?"

On campus, GRCC has many activities and events. Most of the things that I saw were so interesting and precious times, especially Dr. Martin Luther King J.R.'s birthday party.

Those shows or events didn't take much time, but I can see less students numbers. Where have they gone? How many students actually pay attention to what's going on, on campus?

In Korea, The college or University students are so much more sensitive about political

issues, social problems, or campus activities. Most campus activities are created by more than 200 activities club. They are a small group of people who have the same interests like computers, hiking, painting, or writing.

Let me describe one example. During the student government president election campaign, many students who support their runner sing a campaign song, shake hands, do a speech about their promise or their opinion on what they want to make different on campus.

It almost seems like a political party campaign. And about 80% of all students cast a vote to whom they support. But I don't know how they do it at GRCC, how many students will vote this coming election?

In class, more GRCC students participate in their class by showing attention, and questioning the material presented. The benefits of small classes makes getting to know classmates and communication in class a lot easier than in a big class.

However in Korea, most

students just sit down and listen to what the teacher has to present. A large number of students were in class about 50 to 200, so they can't remember who is who.

On the outside, the one thing that shocked me was how all Metro busses are equipment for disabled people. Also all buildings, roads, stairs, have that kind of equipment such as elevators, parking lots, ramps, etc. What a great idea!

In Korea we don't have enough equipment compared to America. So it is almost impossible for disabled people to go somewhere by themselves.

Korea has the highest ranking of traffic accidents in the world. That means everyone has the possibility of being a victim. In my private opinion Korea needs to pay attention about that no matter how much it costs.

The other thing that I

learned was most of people here were so kind to strangers. Whoever I met during the trip, they showed me their best attention, help, and offered a smile. Thanks to their help I have had many warm memories from my trip. I still appreciate whoever helped me out. Now the time is coming for me to go back to Korea. But what I have learned, and felt in this last year, will be enough gasoline to fuel my whole life.

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Spring Employment Expo work opportunities

By Marilyn Wilson

Forget the exhausting, tireless efforts and hassels of job hunting.

As well as all the painful rejections of interviews that didn't go as well as planned because of being under qualified for the job or over qualified.

How many times should someone have to go through that scenario before they find the job that's right for them? Sometimes looking for the right kind of employment that fits a day to day schedule whether a student, a single parent, a graduate or just looking for that first time job can be a total drag. Not only physically but self esteem and ego wise too.

The Spring Employment Expo will be held on April 30 to help students with every aspect of obtaining a job. The Student Employment Office has sponsored yet another Expo this spring to help students from all types of backgrounds and needs find employment that's suitable for them.

The Expo will be held in the main dining room of the Lindbloom Student Center from 9am - 1pm. 40+ potential

employers from local companies and agencies from both public and private sectors will be here looking for perspective future employees.

Between 8 - 9am Thursday they will be setting up their booths preparing for, and seeking out, the best of the best that Green River Community College has to offer them.

Linda Smith, Coordinator of Student Employment says "We encourage students to be there and participate in the Expo whether they need a summer job, part time job, job after graduation, full time job, even those who are seeking a first job are encouraged to look into the Employment Expo."

The Student Employment Office sent out information pertaining to the Spring Employment Expo to 3,000 students in the local zip code area. The Expo is held in order to benefit the students, allowing them personal contact with potential employers. It is this contact through the Expo that makes it easier for the student to get hired.

Some of the employers who

have already confirmed participation in the Expo are: Air Force Reserve, Amazon.com, Armstrong



Uniserve, Auburn Police, Bellevue Police, Burns Security, City of Tacoma, Contractor's Labor Pool, Evergreen Staffing, Express Personnel Services, Federal Express, General Employment, Host Marriott Services, Meldisco (Footstar), Mt. Rainier National Park, Multiple Zones, Northwest Staffing, RPS, Social Security Administration, Enchanted Village, Safeco Company, US Army, US Navy, Eddie Bauer and Fred Meyer to name a few.

"Employers look forward to participating in our Employment Expo, with the current job market what it is they are looking to hire our best students and it allows us to introduce the employers to our resources available in the Holman Library," Smith said.

Smith also recommends any student who has a resume to bring it to the Employment Expo as it will give those employers there an idea of your seriousness in seeking employment.

The benefits of attending the Employment Expo are unlimited, no one loses. Students are able to make contacts with the employers before even filling out an application or going to an interview.

They get to learn information about the companies they are interested in applying to and they can have their questions answered by the employer without having to sweat it out in the employers office.

"The Expo showcases our students to 40+ employers in the South King County area and it introduces our students to opportunities in employment that they may not have been aware of in their own local area," said

Smith.

For students who may be insecure or find interviews intimidating they can use the expo as a "safe environment" where they can ask questions about qualifications and narrow down where they might apply for employment.

Those who are worried about having nothing or little to put on a resume to bring to the Expo, don't be discouraged. The Student Employment office is more than happy to show you how to write a resume and what needs to go into one.

There will also be employers at the Expo looking to hire for entry-level positions.

Whether skilled, somewhat skilled, over skilled or not skilled at all, don't let these factors deter you from attending the Spring Employment Expo on Thursday.

It will help any and every job hunter.

If you weren't part of the 3,000 students who received information in the mail on the Expo don't fret. Students were mailed an informative letter on the Expo and sent an Employment Expo '98 Helpful Hints Handout.

Security Blotter March 30 — April 22

March 30
Someone reported to security that her state handicap card had been stolen from her vehicle. She informed us that she had already contacted the state, but requested that security stays on the lookout for her permit. There was a witness to this incident who stated that she saw a white male wearing a white T-shirt walk up to the vehicle, and remove the state handicap card. He then walked away towards the LSC. The incident was reported to Kent Police.

April 14
Someone's truck was spotted in the "H" lot with a stolen state issued handicap decal. This decal was reported stolen on

March 30 by someone who was on campus at the time it came up missing. The person who owned the truck stated he had received it from an unknown individual in the LSC building. He also stated he does not know nor can recognize the individual that handed it to him.

April 14
An unknown student walked to "A" booth to inform someone that an unknown person had hit his vehicle (Mazda.) There was damage on the driver side rear corner. It was scratched with dark green paint from an unknown vehicle.

April 15
Someone reported to security that someone stole her

fund-raiser chocolates and some money. Six candy bars were taken, and twelve dollars were missing — for an estimated total of eighteen dollars. She was using the phone on the bottom floor of LSC, she left the candy and money by accident, and upon returning it was gone. She noticed a man using the phone after her and believes he might be a suspect. She described the man as a white male with long straight black hair, a white button up T-shirt, and hunter green pants.

April 21
Security received a phone call from someone in maintenance, who informed security that he had found a beer can in the men's restroom of HS-18. The can was turned over to security and

disposed of in accordance with campus SOP.

April 21
Security received a call that a window at SS-25 (shipping and receiving) had been broken. Security then proceeded to SS-25. Further check of the building revealed that a window had been broken by the use of a rock that was found in the building. Also upon inspection, it was noticed that eggs were thrown at the building.

April 21
Security received a call regarding an egg that was thrown against the North door of the Holman Library.

April 22
Someone called from the cafeteria and reported that the top of the ATM machine was open. Security checked the machine and determined that they could not close it.

April 22
Someone reported to security that there were scratches on several vehicles. It was discovered that three vehicles (Ford Taurus, Plymouth Voyager, and Honda Accord) had white paint and scratches on all three right front fenders. Time of this occurrence was is between 8:00am and 1:00pm.

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Smoking Continued

"Smoke Shack" on campus by the Holman Library but it would cost the school a lot of money.

"I don't know money wise, but yeah that is an option. But where are we going to put the eyeglasses?" commented Creek.

According to Creek one thing that will help is for penalties to be put into place to help enforce reprimanding violators of the non-smoking areas, or to hire another security guard to patrol the campus strictly to handle the smoking problem but that would cost up to \$19,000 a year which the security department does not have.

Creek said, "There are a lot of ways to solve this problem, but

what is going to work I don't know. Until I have the "teeth" to enforce this nothing is going to change. Something like this has never really been approached, maybe in other places, but I am going to research this with my peers at other colleges and see what they have, but nothing is going to change until people start caring it ain't going to work. A quick fix? There isn't one until people start caring."

"I am not sure we want to get into the business of handing out tickets to people who are smoking in non designated areas but both will have costs associated to them. If it doesn't resolve the problem then we are just back where we are now," said Ramsey.

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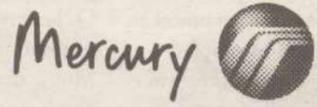


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A mouse's roar from inside a Crocodile:

Review and Q&A with Modest Mouse

By Matt Phelps

Modest Mouse over the last two years has steadily become one of the biggest Northwest bands.

They recently topped the Northwest charts for almost three months with their second full length album "The Lonesome Crowded West" and it is still in the top three.

The band has even been attracting a lot of interest from outside the Northwest as well as getting rave reviews from "Rolling Stone" magazine and "MTV Online". The band has even been interviewed by national music magazine "Spin", "The Village Voice", and others.

Modest Mouse recently played two shows at the Crocodile in downtown Seattle. Two shows were scheduled because the band always sells out the Croc.

On Thursday Modest Mouse played an unbelievable show with "The Fastbacks" and "The Murder City Devils," two bands that in their own right can headline any club in the Seattle area on any night.

The show was sold out two hours before the first band even took the stage and it was packed to the rafters with everybody from Seattle resident Peter Buck of R.E.M. fame, former drummer from the President of the United States of America Jason Finn, GRCC students and every other person who could actually get in to the concert.

The night started with The Murder City Devils rocking the house with their moody style punk music. The Murder City Devils combine old school punk style with an organ to back the band and give their music a certain aura to punk I have never heard, but is definitely cool.

The second band to take the stage was Seattle music scene legends of almost two decades "The Fastbacks". The Fastbacks played their usual great set with the audience getting into and singing along to almost all of the catchy melodies. They warmed up the audience to a fever pitch for the band everybody couldn't wait to see, Modest Mouse.

Modest Mouse is not your usual band to see live. The band does not ever play their songs the same way live. The band is so improvisational that if you want to hear the song as it is on the album chances are you may as well listen to the album. But if you skip seeing them live you could possibly cheat yourself out of an incredible show as I saw on Thursday.

Along with this attitude for total improvisation comes the chance of the show being an off night. It also leaves the listener open to hearing something new every night and every show to be different. When you see them you could possibly see some of the greatest improvisational and creative music you will ever be able to see anywhere, because it is

all about how it feels to these guys and having a great time.

Isaac Brock, lead singer and guitarist, commented to a rude audience member during the show while tuning his guitar "I don't care if you're bored, now if they (gesturing to the band) are bored, then I care."

Modest Mouse started out the show with "Truckers Atlas" off of the newest album and "set the place on fire". During the song Bassist Eric Judy's Bass cabinet blew a speaker and they took a short intermission after the first

of singing, Brock and the band still amazingly stay together while just playing off the top of their heads but eventually returning to the original way the song was recorded to finish it.

The band also played a song that to my knowledge has no name but is the fifth song off of the EP "Innerstate 8". The performance of the song gave me chills from the melodies and emotion that filled both Bassist Judy and Brock's bass and Guitar cabinets.

After the show I got a

Green River?

A: *Green*- It was fun. I thought it was pretty good. We also played on the radio (Localmotion, KGRG), we played with Dub Narcotic.

Q: Where are you guys going on tour?

A: *Judy*- All around the country, we're playing Montreal, Toronto, all over for like a month. We'll just go all around the United States.

Q: Is it Club Tours?

A: *Judy*- Yes, but there's a lot of all

they do. No, we just make it up. We're just kinda winging it doing whatever. Which makes it natural I guess. It just makes it more fun.

Q: How did you meet?

A: *Green*- It was like mud wrestling or something.

Q: How did you get your name?

A: *Green*- It's in the Bible.
Judy- It's a Viking name, I was really into Thor.

Q: Any questions you would like to be asked if you were interviewing yourselves?

A: *Green*- What the names of our pets are. What mythical creatures do we believe in.

Q: What mythical creatures do you believe in?

A: *Judy*- Definitely not the Unicorn, I don't believe in Unicorns.

Green- Fuck You, I believe in the Unicorn. I've never seen one, I've seen a Yeddy, I've seen a Minatur, and I've been attacked by minnie people who live in the mountains. Little people attacked me, and they were throwing tomahawks at me. I believe in winged monkeys.

Green- If I could be anything I would be a winged monkey.

Judy- Because you're smart and you can fly, you're fast, you can climb trees, and you don't have to pay rent. You can fly around and rob people, you can steal their rare gems.

Q: Do you have a favorite place to play in Seattle?

A: *Judy*- I like the Breakroom.

Green- The Key Arena's alright, but the King Dome, the new King Dome, we're already booked there. Doofers in the Renton Highlands.

Q: Do you prefer all ages shows or 21 and over?

A: *Green*- I prefer all-ages, I like kids more than I like adults, kids are scarier, we beat 'em, I sharpen drumsticks at times when I want to throw them like spears. It hasn't happened in this state though.

Judy- He has an electric sharpener by his set.

Green- He's been known to wield a nice pair of nunchucks.

"You will come down soon too. You will come down too soon," are the lyrics to one of Modest Mouse's songs and it is definitely true when you see them live. You know the show will eventually end but anytime would be way too soon. These three guys from Issaquah most definitely have a great sense of humor and an even better attitude toward their music and the industry as a whole, which is something a lot of bands that hit their stature and amount of success don't have.

Modest Mouse will surely bring the house down on May 29 when they play an all-ages show at RCKNDY so don't miss your chance to see them live.



The zainyness that is Modest Mouse off stage

song while the bassist from "The Murder City Devils" brought his cabinet on stage for Judy to use showing that professionalism still exists between these local bands and egos don't get in the way of the effort to put on a great show.

The band played for almost an hour and a half playing mostly new music out of their almost 75 recorded songs. The band played two songs from their upcoming split single along with 5 other songs not on the new album.

The effects that Brock saturated his guitar with only added to the already amazing ambience their sound possesses, along with the uncanny talent of Brock's ability to get his guitar to make almost any sound he wants. It makes you wonder if the guitar is playing itself. One change the band does live is to play "Jesus Christ was an only child" with an electric guitar instead of an acoustic, it brought more power to the song. With the accompaniment of the violinist and realism of Brock's vocals the song was a high point of the night.

Brock has a command over the music and audience that very few musicians have. Seeming to be in his own little world staring off into space most of the time and just giving everything he has to his guitar and a very distinctive way

chance to sit down with a tired Judy and drummer Jeremiah Green to discuss a few things about the band. They were eager to answer my questions but weren't short on laughs:

Q&A with Modest Mouse

Q: What music would be in your CD player that would surprise people?

A: *Judy*- I listen to a lot of everything, he does too. The Sundays, we both agree on the Sundays.

Green- We listen to Jungle music and stuff like that. New Order, The Cure, and stuff. *Judy*- I like Magnog, they're from Seattle. *Green*- I like Joe Phelps, from Seattle.

Q: Are the rumors that you're breaking up true?

A: No not at all.

Q: Jeremy (Green), how is drumming different in Modest Mouse than the previous two bands you were in (Red Star Theory, and Satisfact)?

A: Red Star Theory was a lot more mellow so I didn't get to do as much. Satisfact which I'm not in anymore, was just more rock. I just followed what was going on instead of doing what I wanted.

Q: How did you like playing at

ages shows too.

Q: What's your reaction to the Rolling Stone review and the Spin interview?

A: *Judy*- It's great.... it's cool. *Green*- They were good reviews.

Q: Have you had any talks with any major labels?

A: Not really

Q: Are you just going to stay with UP Records?

A: *Judy*- I don't know.

Green- I've seen K-Mart's starting a record label, we really want to be on that. Target was trying to get us but they can eat shit and die.

Q: Do you guys have any new releases or any new albums coming out?

A: *Judy*- There's a new single out in the Sub Pop Singles Club that's coming out, there's a 12 inch with us and Seven Six Four Hero. It's like all of us playing together. It's two singers and two drummers. We have a new single that just came out on UP a few weeks ago. Oh yeah we have a full album coming out on Virgin (just kidding).

Q: How do you write your music?

A: *Green*- We listen to other bands and copy everything that

Review: "The Festival" receives standing ovation

By Marilyn Wilson

Celebrating their 30th anniversary "Up with People" performed their musical "The Festival" on Thursday, April 23, in Green River Community College's gymnasium.

"The Festival" is a musical performed by a 150 member cast. The cast members, who come from all over the world including right here from the United States of America, received a standing ovation from the audience when the musical came to an end.

The musical is about a news editor, who knows everything about anything, and a street sweeper whose job it is to keep the trash out of the market and out of the streets, but he also knows the scoop too.

There's also a young couple in love, but they come from two different towns and their families have been at odds for some time now.

Both sides are seeking revenge for a death that happened long ago and both sides are against the young couple being together.

Then there is Rick Slick, a local bad guy who can sell you anything if you're willing to buy. He instigates the situation between the two families supplying them both with weapons while pretending to be friends with both.

Slick sets the scene for a fight in the market to end the conflict between the two families. But it is the young couple that helps each side realize that revenge doesn't solve anyone's problems and that it's time to forget the past and to move on with what the future holds for them.

During intermission I turned around and spoke to those seated behind me about what they thought of the show so far. I ended up being introduced to Randy Wilson of Renton, and his wife.

Randy Wilson is one of Up with People's many alumni and traveled with the show during the 86 - 87 tour. When asked if he thought the show had changed much since he was in the tour he replied "All the shows are basically

the same, promoting the themes of peace and understanding."

One character in the show that kept the audience laughing was the little Japanese girl. She kept on running up to the news editor and the street sweeper speaking in very fast Japanese, trying to get directions from them. Every time she asked, she always got the same reply.

The news editor and street sweeper would point with their hands stage left and say over there!

It wasn't until the very end that she finally found what she was looking for when all the people in the market pointed stage left. She ran off the stage ecstatic.

After choosing an audience member to be the Grand Marshall of the parade, the parade of a few select cultures began. I was a little disappointed that they didn't have more cultures represented in their parade. It was a good show though, their costumes, music, singing, and dancing captivated the audience. They recognized all the "Up with People" alumni that were in the audience and ap-



The "Up with people" cast

plauded them.

They also thanked GRCC's student programs board for sponsoring them, and the city of Auburn and the host families for inviting them into their homes and for their hospitality.

I don't think anyone left disappointed. If you didn't get

the chance to see the show this time at GRCC, I heard that they're going to Bellevue next, but you didn't hear that from me. It's truly a great show, enjoyed by all who see it and if you have the chance to go, go see it, it's well worth it.

CD Review: It sounds like a "City of Angels"

By Matt Phelps

"City of Angels" is one of the best "pure" soundtracks because with one listen, it brings you back to the movie in an instant.

The soundtrack includes some of the greatest musicians of the last decade including the great John Lee Hooker, Jimi Hendrix, and Eric Clapton.

The soundtrack along with being a great collection of singles, possesses the same power and emotional movement the movie does. The lyrics on almost every track, either have something to do with and talks about the content of the movie, or is just a great song in general.

Undoubtedly one of the best songs on this album is "Iris" from the Goo Goo Dolls. This song with the blunt no nonsense lyrics that just melds with scenes in the movie, and has so much heart felt emotion and meaning that the song can almost be felt pounding and driving the stereo. The usual great acoustic guitar work from the Goo Goo Dolls is backed up and enforced by an amazing orchestral arrangement.

U2's "If God will send his angels," has an uncanny way of describing the movie although it was written and released on U2's "POP" album before the movie "City of Angels" or the soundtrack was released. The version on the "City of Angels" soundtrack was ingeniously edited for the lyrics to have more meaning in the context of the movie. The sound effects and backing music, along with the amazing lyrics of lead singer Bono, gives this song an ambiance that the movie already possesses in its own right.

Three other songs on the album that weren't written exclusively for "City of Angels" are "Red House," a classic from the late great Hendrix, "Mama, You got a daughter" from blues legend

Hooker, which has that great groove, and the great voice that made Hooker the icon of blues that he is, and Sara McLachlan with "Angel," a song that also appears on her newest release as well as this soundtrack.

"Angel" brings out every powerful emotion that the movie does but instead of with pictures and dialog it's the uncanny fluctuations of McLachlan's sweet voice. The song has a beautifully played piano for backing music, along with an organ and effects that gives the song a great ambiance.

A great sultry and sexually ambitious song from musician Paula Cole is a change from some of her recent top 40 releases. The image of Meg Ryan in a bubble bath with her leg perched on the tub's side comes rushing back to me instantaneously. Cole shows her audience another side of herself, love, and life in general just as the movie does. This song gives the soundtrack a bit of that needed, sexual tension to complete the movement of the collection of music to mirror life and the movie.

Another song that was written exclusively for the soundtrack features Peter Gabriel. The great raspy whisper that is Gabriel's voice and music gives the song an aura that only his music can have.

An amazing contribution to this album is from "Jude," a somewhat unknown artist. On a CD that features some of the greatest pop artists in the world he definitely outdoes himself with the song "I know." It has more movement than a sailboat at sea during a hurricane. The song climaxes with an unbelievable verse where "Jude" goes into falsetto and starts to scat before the song comes to an incredible end.

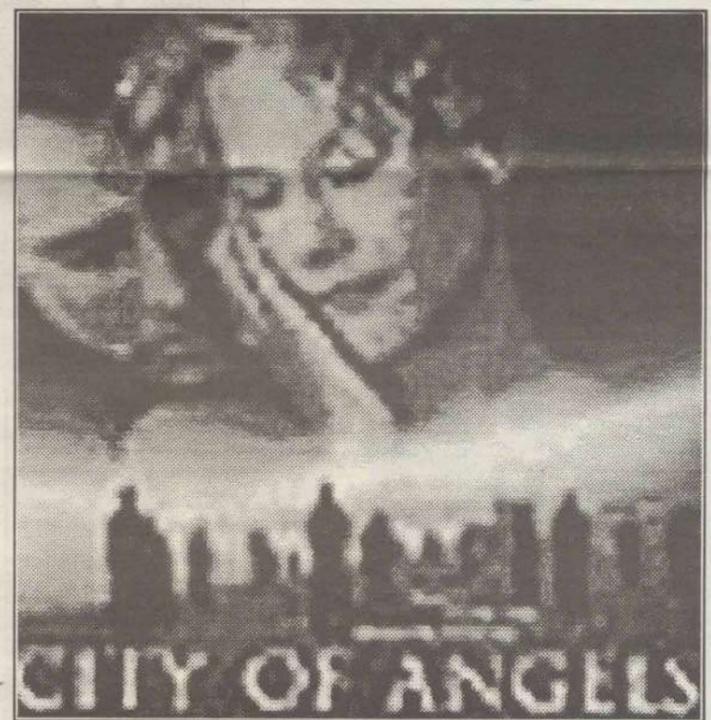
Eric Clapton also appears to give this album another great blues

groove and he proves he is still one of the greatest blues guitarists \ singers of anybody's time, generation, or millennium.

Alanis Morissette also appears on the soundtrack with the song "Uninvited" and it is uninviting, way too sappy and chalked full of emotional larceny that detracts from the rest of the music on the CD.

The CD concludes with a great collection of instrumental pieces "An angel," "The Unfeeling Kiss," "Spreading wings," and "City of Angels" by Gabriel Yared.

This collection will bring you back to scenes in the movie even if you have only seen it once. They are some of the most beautifully written instrumental pieces for a movie I have ever heard.



Movie review: The Players Club

By Akio Segawa

In "The Players Club," a new movie produced by Rapper Ice Cube, he explores the "ins and outs" of a strip club.

"Make the money don't let the money make you." Throughout the movie these were the words that got a young mother trying to finish college through her stripping life. Diamond, a single mother finishing a degree in journalism, starts out selling shoes when two girls start to tell her how to get money by using the things that God gave her, to strip at a place called the Players Club. She decides to take them up on their offer and goes to the club where she found the money easy and fast. But all is not fun and games when she gets pretty much raped by the girl who first

introduced her to the club, and her favorite cousin gets sucked into the club getting drunk and sickly looking, she then ends up being raped by a guy at a bachelor party. In the end the club gets burned down to the ground by some pretty mean bill collectors and Diamond finishes school and becomes a news reporter.

I must admit I did have some pre-conceived notions about this film. I recently saw an ad on television and it looked like just another one of those skin flicks with no story and no acting, but I was really surprised. The story was very well thought out and there was solid acting on all sides. It never really slowed down, and the truthfulness of the film was refreshing. It was great how they didn't glorify stripping as all

glamorous and fun. None of the women in the film were particularly very good looking. In fact they were far from model material. Also most of the men that went to the club were not really a bunch of great guys. They were murderer's, druggies, and womanizers who gave the movie more of a realistic touch. Also one thing that I noticed was at the end of the movie when Diamond gets into a fight with Ronnie one of the strippers, it's not just a hair pulling slap fest. There's some real anger and butt kick'n going on.

"The Players Club" is rated R and contains a lot of violence and not as much nudity as I expected. It is a good movie and although I don't really know if I would've paid \$7.50 to see it, it's definitely worth the matinee price.

Horoscopes

Disclaimer: All the hours that I spend on the phone with the 1-900 numbers to bring you these horoscopes is not even funny. Although my degree allows me to give out the horoscopes just as easily. Here are this weeks horoscopes. The theme is Mythical Creatures.



Leo
(July 23-August 22)
Treat (a live tree)

You are the utter being of understanding this week. If anyone has a problem then they should go to you. You will be able to give out logical and sane advice to people.



Taurus
(April 20-May 20)
Vampire

You need to lead people around like slaves and take charge of the situation. Not in an evil way but in a way as to get what needs to be done, done.



Virgo
(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Unicorn

This week you need to go your own way. Don't let anyone tell you what to do. I don't care what sign they are. You need to run free and not be controlled.



Gemini
(May 21-June 20)
Elf

You need to be a groupie this week. Stay around as many people as possible. They will help in whatever problem may arise.



Libra
(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
Troll

You need to question everyone that crosses your path. Question their motives and your own motives. Think of all your relationships and put them on the line too.



Cancer
(June 21-July 22)
A Fate

You need to clear things up for people this week even if it means telling them something that they won't like. Make sure to talk things out thoroughly with them so that they understand.



Scorpio
(Oct. 23- Nov. 21)
Gnome

You're going to be building lots of things this week. Relationships, people's egos, your own ego. Some of these things are positive,

others not.



Sagittarius
(Nov. 22 -Dec. 21)
Wizard

You're able to deal with personal problems this week. You need to focus on those in particular. If anyone comes to you with a problem don't try to solve it. It will just create another.

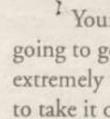


Capricorn
(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Mother Earth

You are extremely creative this week. You and the gnome would do well in connecting this week. You might want to get together for a possible fling.



Aquarius
(Jan. 20- Feb. 18)
Leprechaun



Pisces
(Feb. 19-March 20)
Pegasus

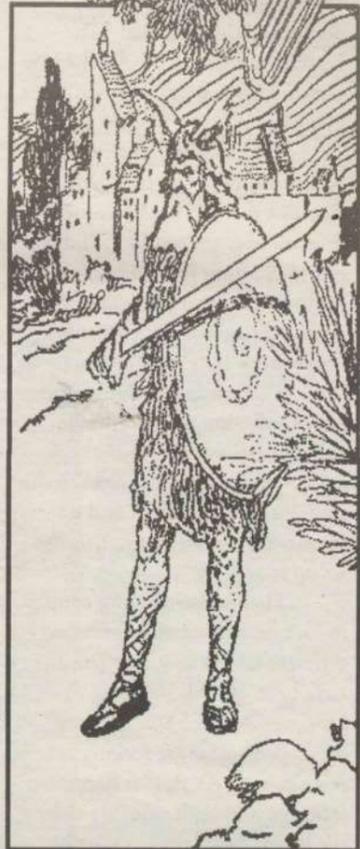
Your energy level this week soars. Try not to wear yourself out. Otherwise you won't be any good to anyone next week. Watch your nerves.



Aries
(March 21-April 19)
Chinese Dragon

You are to remain focused this week. That is on all aspects of your life. If you're surprised just go with it. The situation will turn out just fine.

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Advice Column: Dear Matilda

Having problems with that "special someone?" Need some friendly advice or an opinion from a self-proclaimed love and sex expert? Dear Matilda can help!

Send Matilda any questions to askmatilda@hotmail.com, or drop them off in *The Current's* mailbox in the Student Programs office in an envelope marked "Ask Matilda." Please do not include any names.

All questions will be responded to through email by Matilda, but not all questions will make it into *The Current*.

Dear Matilda is a relationship advice column featuring *The Current's* own love and relationship "expert" Matilda Philipooses. This advice is by no means professional, and should be followed at the reader's own risk.



Dear Matilda,

Last summer I met this beautiful woman here at GRCC and fell head over heels in love with her and she said she felt the same way (and I know she did). We spent the whole summer together and it was the best time of my life. I even felt that I might want to



spend the rest of my life with this girl and that is not something I take lightly.

When September rolled around she went away to school and broke it off saying it would be hard to miss someone that she loved so much. I didn't understand but tried to respect her wishes. It took me a long time to get over her. Now a couple of days ago she wrote me a letter and wants to try to be friends again. I don't understand this or her motivations. I still care deeply for her and want to keep in touch but I don't think that I can take being just friends with her. I also don't want someone who only loves me when it is convenient. My question is should I risk my emotional well being and try to write and stay friends or should I just try to drop the whole thing and take the chance of never seeing her again?

Sincerely Lost

Dear Sincerely Lost,
I'm sorry that you had to go through a mess like this. These situations are never easy. The thing is you can never go back to the way things were. It just doesn't happen that way. Besides why would you want to go back to someone who wants you when it is convenient?

I tried to get back together with my ex in a similar situation and I found out that I didn't want the guy. It just ended up hurting him. You might get back with her and either she or you will dump the other in a matter of weeks which ends up hurting the dumped one. You said that she wants to be friends, but if that happens, you risk your emotional well being. You're better off without her. Emotional scars are harder to get rid of, rather than a broken heart.

The friend thing for her could be her attempt at making herself feel better for what she did to you. There are many fish in the sea, no you're not going to love

them all, and they're not all going to love you. Although they will help you get your mind off this one that you are dealing with.

Dear Matilda,
I'm a gay man. I have been



with my boyfriend for 2 1/2 years. I am totally in love with him and would like to marry him someday. At this time we are living together. Last week I got off work early and came home to surprise him. It seemed like I was the one in for the surprise because low and behold in my bed my brother and my boyfriend were entwined in each others arms. My brother left wordlessly as a heated argument broke out between my boyfriend and I. He said that it was my brother who made the first move and that he enjoyed it. They both agreed to keep the secret relationship going. I don't want to lose him but I don't want him to be "a family thing."

Since then my boyfriend and I have had few words between each other and my brother and I have had even fewer. I still love both of them and I just want to heal both of the ailing relationships. But how?

Sincerely, Brotherly Love

Dear Brotherly Love,
All I have to say is WOW! Personally if I found my sister in bed with someone I was dating, I'd run her and him over for at least 20 minutes.

The problem is that no matter what you do, someone is going to get hurt. It's up to you who it is. See if you leave your boyfriend, then he and your brother could continue and then you would be hurt. If you ditch your brother and stay with the

boyfriend then he still could be seeing your brother and who's to say that after the argument he still wants to be with you?

Then you have to think about how brotherly your brother was treating you. Even though blood is thicker than water, there are times when seeing that blood deplete is well deserved.

Also remember that they both have to want to fix the situation otherwise it does you no good. So sit them down and have a talk. Try to get an unbiased mediator if possible, just to keep a handle on the whole situation so that there are no more heated yelling matches.

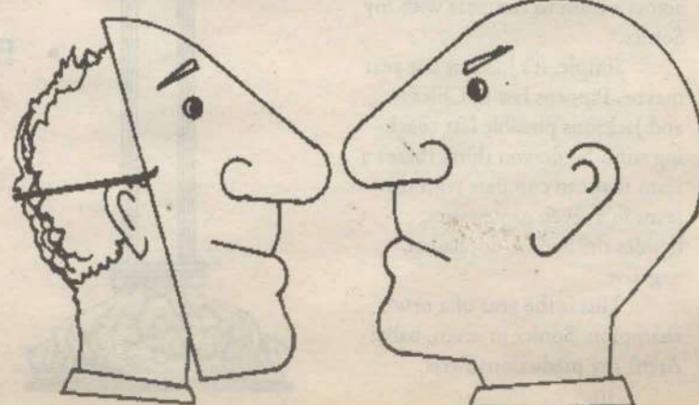


Dear Matilda,

I met someone in a chat room two weeks ago. Since then we've been e-mailing each other about three times a day. We get along very well. I think I have met my soulmate. I think that he feels the same way. Is that possible in such a short period of time? Maybe it's because we haven't met each other face to face. What do you think?

Cyber Chick

Dear Cyber Chick,
Sorry it's a very rare occasion when someone meets their soulmate over the Internet, and an even rarer occasion when the whole three week "we love each other, lets get married" thing doesn't end up in divorce, or some psycho marriage.



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Playoff

Preview

Editorial By John Kelly

If it's bold predictions that you're looking for, then you'll probably get it. I'll break this years playoffs down the way I see them happening, no influence from others will hinder my decision.

If you're waiting to see me stick my foot in my mouth, then I suggest you keep up to date on the playoffs. It's an almost impossible task of selecting the winners of each series, not to mention the entire playoffs.

Well enough of the chatter let's get down to business. First let me get my shoelaces untied.

I am going to start this off with a prediction that will suggest I find a new hobby.

I predict the NBA's hottest team, the squad with the best record will go down. The team that boasts three future hall of famers, the Houston Rockets will knock off the defending Western Conference Champion Utah Jazz in five games.

Well do you see me as an intellectual genius, the next Dr. Jack Ramsey, or am I the next Bill Walton. Oh Walton, now that guys a whole other issue. But I will say that guy has got to be the worst commentator I've ever had the displeasure of listening too.

You need more crazy predictions, well there's not that many left, I see the playoffs taking a rhetorical form in the first round. You can expect the Bulls and Lakers to move on, the rest of the teams should see home court advantage play huge roles.

But I can't have my picks without going into lengths about the Sonics. This team is an adventure in itself. You expect this team to devour the Timberwolves, well you remember this team lost to the Nuggets, the Lakers in the first round in recent years.

Then again isn't this the team that played the Bulls to six games in the finals two seasons ago.

I'll say it flat out, this is the best team the Sonics have put on the floor, this is the season for glory. Expect, as I do for this team to raise the banner into the rafters.

The only question I have is if this team will possess the heart to go all the way to the finals, do they have the energy to pull together a miraculous month long run at the ring.

I say yes, and as it stands it's my opinion getting written about.

So we've found our champions right. Yes, well then how did I, the dean of predictions, come across a team to compete with my Sonics.

Simple, it's Jordans last year maybe, Pippens last in Chicago, and Jacksons possible last coaching stint. So do you think there's a team that can compete with this team in a seven game series, besides the Sonics, no, nadda, negative.

This is the year of a new champion: Sonics in seven, baby! Aren't my predictions sweet.

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Gators drop two and division lead

By Ben Levenhagen

The Gators pitching gave up 27 runs in their two games on Sat. They also gave up the Western division lead to Lower Columbia.

The first game was close to the very end, but it seemed like every time the Gators offense would get them close the pitching would give up a few more runs. Coming into the weekend the Gators had a fourth in the league 4.89 earned run average, but it didn't show.

Rod Gott hit a three run bomb to take the lead 4-3 in the fourth inning. But the pitching staff couldn't hold the lead down.

A two run shot by Jake Willis in the sixth brought the Gators within two runs at 9-7. Hopes for a last inning come from behind victory were crushed however when Lower Columbia brought two runs home in the top of the last inning. The two runs would prove to be enough to give Lower Columbia the win 11-9.

Pitcher and right fielder Jake Willis said, "We hit the ball well but none of us pitchers had it today," he also added, "our defense had some errors that hurt

us as well."

The Gators continued to crush the ball in the second game and they didn't waste any time doing it. Jason Durham and Ryan Shultz smacked back to back homers in the first inning. Rod Gott added his eighth home run of the season in the third but it wasn't enough.

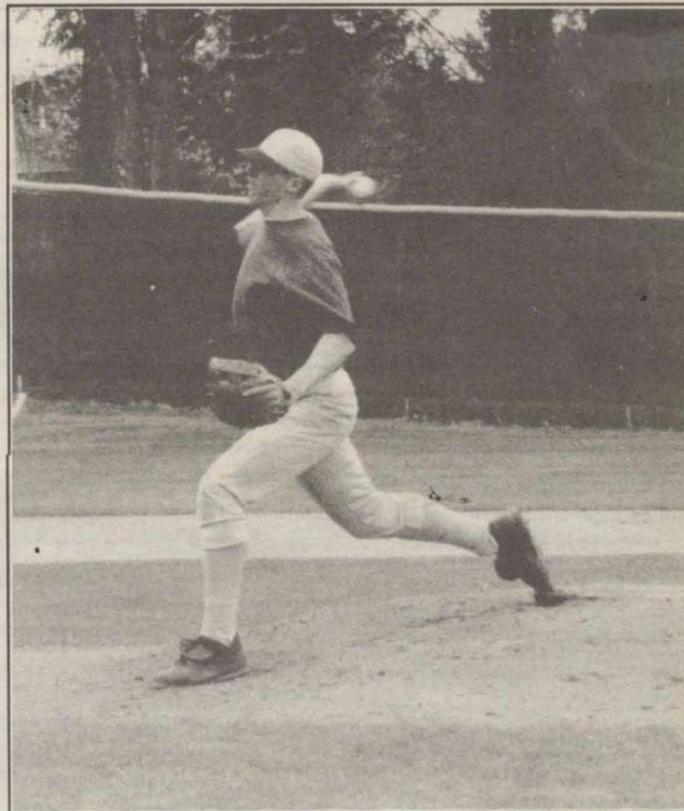
Costly errors and a barrage of hitting by Lower Columbia did the Gators in. Starting pitcher Todd Dow and reliever Jake Willis got roughed up as the Gators dropped another one 16-5.

Todd Dow talking about the pitching said, "We need to keep the ball down in the strike zone and get ahead in the count."

Despite the two losses the Gators are still right in the thick of things in the Western division. They are remaining positive and have their sights set on the NWAACC championships in Yakima May 21 through the 25th.

Third baseman Shane Sehlin said, "We need to bounce back from these losses, stay focused and gel together as a team.

The Gators continue their assault on the Western Division title tonight against Bellevue at



GRCC Baseball team's pitcher hard at work

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Dynamic duo rolls over all oppositions that get in the way: Brothers win through thick and thin

By Dennis Tellefson

Teammates, friends, and brothers. Tyler Willis, 21 years old and Jake Willis, 20 years old, are the epitome of teamwork. Having played on the same sports teams on and off for the last sixteen years, the Willis' have formed a concrete sibling bond instead of a blazing sibling rivalry. "When we were younger he played soccer more and I played baseball, so it wasn't really a rivalry." Tyler recalls about Jake and his childhood.

In younger days the Willis Bros. excelled on totally opposite playing fields. While Tyler was mowing his opponents down from the pitcher's mound, Jake was flying by his rivals on his way to scoring goals on the soccer field. "It wasn't until years later that the seeds planted by thier father, Ron Willis, fully blossomed into Jake's awesome prowess in rightfield. It was on their first team, the Destroyers, coached by their dad, that Tyler and Jake laid the foundation for what was to come. "One year we'd play together and the next year I'd be in a higher division, and then we'd be on the same team the year after that," remembers Jake and Tyler Willis.

Coming from the family lineage of a semi-professional baseball player, Jake and Tyler know exactly what they want out of life and they go right after it. After attending Renton High School as a freshman playing for a varsity baseball club that went 3-15, Tyler quickly decided that the grass was definitely greener at Lindbergh High School, and found his decision to be quite bountiful. In Tyler's sophomore year at Lindbergh, he led his team to a 15-3 record. The next year with Jake joining Tyler on the same team and the two "working toward the same goal" the Lindbergh Eagles went 22-3 and won the state championship.

Jake also has had to make some challenging decisions. Coming off a monumental career at Lindbergh and a stellar year at GRCC, Jake was offered a 4 year, full-ride scholarship from the University of Hawaii, Hilo. He wanted to go but in the end declined because of their lousy record. Or maybe it's because he loves the Northwest so much.

"I like playing in the wind and they're not very good" With the killer combination of Tyler and Jake Willis teaming up again, this time at GRCC, there was no telling what could happen.

It also didn't happen. After a highly touted prep career, Tyler was sitting in the lap of luxury. He was looking forward to dominating opposing batters, and receiving looks from four year universities, after GRCC made him their number one recruit. Then the dark clouds of life showered Tyler with a lot of pain and suffering.

"In the second inning I went from throwing 85 mph to like 74 mph in one pitch," recalls Tyler, "It just broke."

It was in a pre-season game against Bellevue Community College where Tyler's luck was washed away.

"It tore and tore and tore until that game and it just broke in half."

What broke was not only Tyler's glimmering mirror of dreams, but his ulnar collateral ligament as well. It took devastating Tommy John's surgery and 18 months of unforgiving rehabilitation before Tyler could even throw again.

"When you go from being a pitcher that's decent, to not even being able to throw at all, not even if you wanted to throw a rock, it's pretty frustrating." Fortunately for us there's a happy ending to this story. Two years and one

month after Tyler suffered his debilitating injury, he pitched in his first game back. Who did he face? Who else, those nasty Helmsmen from Bellevue Community College, which he beat.

For these guys sports is life, and why wouldn't it be? They have a grandpa who played semi-pro, a father who ran track and plays softball and an 18 year old sister, Dior, who went to state in gymnastics and also runs track. But more importantly, and for coach Billy Jones sake, their sport of choice is baseball.

Tyler: "I like the adrenaline, it's nice to have people watching you, knowing you should be able to over power your opponent."

Jake: "It's the only thing I've ever wanted to do, it's the only thing I've ever seen myself doing." These two guys are solid individuals, with their heads placed firmly on their shoulders. Not only do they have every notion of what they want to do and where they want to be, but ladies, they're also single.

"I haven't had a girlfriend since seventh grade. I have no time, after practice I go home and go to bed. The next morning I wake up and watch 'Springer'. I'm not looking for a girlfriend right now," says Jake.

"We don't have time. We play baseball all day long, go to school, go to practice, get home at about 7:00-8:00 at night, if we have any homework, we pretty much do it and go to bed." adds Tyler, "We have more time now, than we have had pretty much the whole year, for social lives or whatever, because we don't have to wake up at five in the morning for practice."

So with the GRCC Gators on top of the Western Division and clinging to their lead of one half of a game over Lower Columbia, and the postseason



Tyler and Jake Willis, two members of the GRCC Baseball team

getting closer everyday. These two Gators voice the same opinions as the rest of their confident team.

Tyler: "As far as the team, if we play together, I don't think we can lose."

Jake: "We've all been through a lot together, I think if we get in the tournament we'll have a real good chance, if we pull everything together."

If there is one thing that the GRCC baseball team shouldn't have a problem with it's playing together. They have some of the best examples around.

Duos Crushing Numbers

Jake Willis: Batting Average: .382
Doubles: 3
Triples: 1
Homeruns: 3
RBIs: 12

Tyler Willis: ERA: 4.50
Win-loss-saves: 1-0
Innings pitched: 13
Walks: 3
Strikeouts: 5



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