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Broad daylight theft angers student

By Hamilton Underwood
Associate Editor

It was in the morning hours, between 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m., in parking lot D two weeks ago that someone tweeked open the wing window of a light blue 1976 Chevy Blazer, and with the greatest of ease, unlocked it.

The thief, or thieves, in broad daylight, then went on to steal a radar detector, a fire extinguisher, a citizen band radio and some tools. Green River security valued the stolen items to be worth about \$720 in their report of the incident. The student, however, estimates that the stolen items would cost over a thousand dollars to replace, and many of the items were gifts from his grandfather, and had sentimental value which can't be replaced.

Aaron Ingalls, a second year business administration major, owns the blue Blazer. Ingalls said some damage was done to the interior of the Blazer when the C.B. radio was ripped out.

He feels something needs to be done about security in the parking lots.

"Nobody seems to know what security's job is, or whether they are responsible for the safety of vehicles in the parking lots, but maybe we need to find out," said the disgruntled student. "If it's not their job to patrol the parking lot, maybe the school should hire somebody to do it. It would be money well spent because a lack of security in the parking lots is a lousy reason for this school to lose enrollment."

At least five of Ingalls' friends have told him that they will not enroll at Green River because of the trouble in the parking lots.

"If it is security's job to patrol the parking lot on the other hand, we should encourage them to do it better," he said. "They have their new car, all they have to do is drive it through the parking areas once or twice every hour. They don't even have to get out or walk, and it

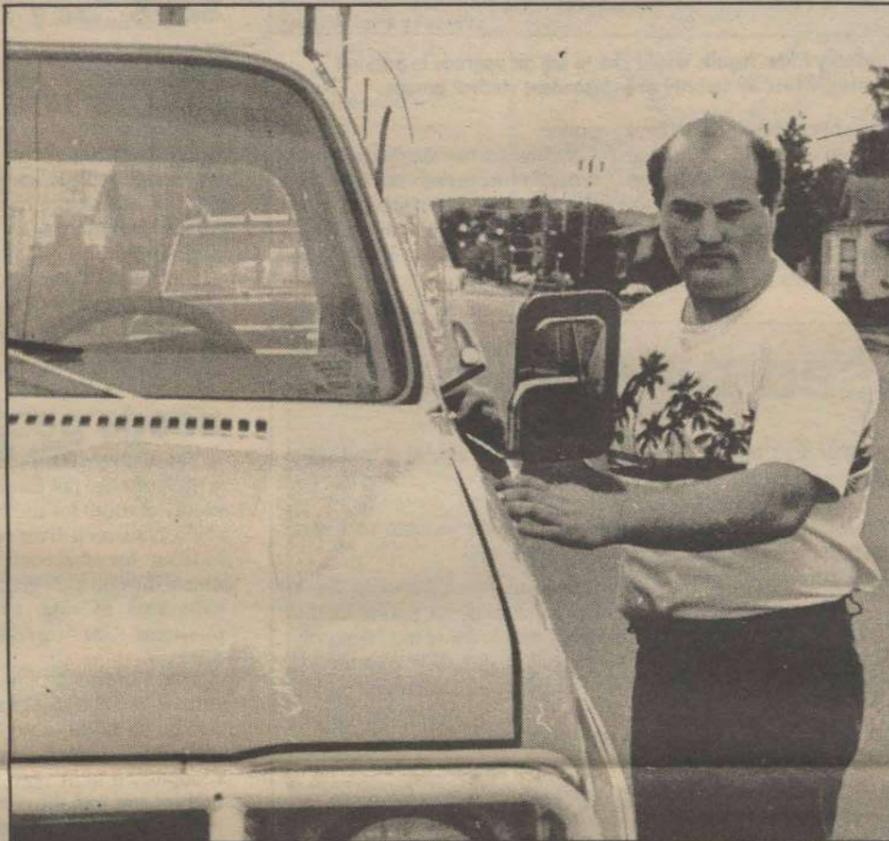


Photo by Thom Davis

At a safer location, Aaron Ingalls, GRCC business major, stands by the vehicle that was hit by burglars during the day in the main parking lot. He has begun the difficult and costly process of replacing the stolen items.

wouldn't take too much time out of their day."

GRCC security filled out a report, which they sent Ingalls a copy of for insurance purposes, but Ingalls said that was all they could do. "They said they really can't do much about it because no one really saw it," said Ingalls.

The King County police are not involved,

and Ingalls doesn't expect them to be in the future. He has given little hope to his items ever being returned, and has already begun the difficult process of replacing them.

"I've already got a new C.B., I won't get a new radar detector, but my tools . . . I'm out of tools and I need to get some," Ingalls said.

Following the daylight hit, Ingalls looked

into other known cases with some friends of his who hear stories about GRCC's parking lot from Highline Community College. Ingalls'

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friends pointed out to him that in his theft, and other Green River parking lot pilferings which they knew of, the thief seemed only interested in items that can be put into a gym bag.

Indeed, in Ingalls' case, the thief didn't even take a stereo and a set of speakers that he had left in cardboard boxes in the back of his Blazer. "My stereo and speakers were worth as much as all the items that the thief stole," Ingalls said.

This seemed logical to the student since anyone walking across the parking lot with an armload full of miscellaneous booty would look suspicious in his eyes. Apparently however, this is not the case, because last Winter Quarter someone walked away unhindered with over a thousand dollars worth of ski equipment, including skis, from a faculty member's car in parking lot F.

Ingalls has looked back on his experience and wants to make a warning statement to students on how they can better prevent their

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Gardner opens new GR facility

By Ben Angel
Editor in Chief

Declaring that it couldn't come at a more crucial time for Washington state businesses, Governor Booth Gardner cut the ribbon on the Education and Training Center in Kent last Tuesday afternoon.

Before the ceremony, Gardner described his concern over the rise of foreign businesses in the state. "When I speak of the competition, I'm not talking about the boys from Salem or Boise, but the boys from Beijing, Tokyo and Seoul," the governor said.

However, he expressed great confidence in the future of Green River's ETC. "It's here in response to a request from the community to meet the demands of local businessmen," he said.

The ribbon cutting, which involved a good portion of Green River's directors and upper administration, as well as the school's founder, Dr. Melvin Lindbloom, officially opened the newly completed center for its executive director, Dr. Larry Galloway.

"We weren't fully operational at the start of the spring quarter, but we will be fully functional this Tuesday," said Dr. Galloway a few



Photo by Ben Angel

College President Rich Rutkowski introduces Governor Gardner before the cutting of the ribbon last Tuesday.

days before the ceremony.

The center was designed as a "non-traditional, results-oriented training organization, specializing in the design, development and delivery of quality, cost-effective education and training programs tailored to the special needs of businesses and individuals," according to GRCC president Rich Rutkowski.

"That means the organization is here to design and prepare a deal that makes sense for the businesses who use it," president Rutkowski said.

The center was built in down-

town Kent rather than at the main campus, partly for the reason that there is no room for it here at the college. "The other part of the reason is that it's more convenient to the business community," said GRCC public information specialist Lorna Gustavson.

"Business people are quite busy, and down there, the location is more convenient for them," she said.

President Rutkowski conveyed his excitement at the opening of the new facility. "It's a marvelous opportunity for Green River to be part of the area."

Metal stays on KGRG for now

By Ben Angel
Editor in Chief

The night crew of KGRG managed to save heavy metal on its late night programming from an attempt by the members of the administration to cut it off the air at an advisory meeting last Monday.

Concerned that the type of music didn't follow an established format, that it may be detracting an audience and so disrupting the station's attempt to reach the Green River community, Mike McIntyre, vice president for marketing and student development, brought up the question of removing metal from the college airwaves.

The jocks responded in force, with the night crew decked out in suits and ties. Besides McIntyre, they were the only ones to dress formally for the occasion.

Presenting request records taken at random from the station, the night crew convinced the advisory board that KGRG attracts mainly a metal audience in its evening hours. Daryl Scott, an early evening jock with 12 years experience in radio, explained, "We are doing something different; we are fulfilling a function that no one else in the Pacific Northwest is doing."

KGRG's target audience, as

stated in its mission statement, is 17 to 18 years of age. Its secondary audience is from 18 to 24 years old.

McIntyre deferred judgement on the matter for a couple of weeks while he and Ed Eaton, the new advisor for the station, keep tabs on KGRG's success with its target audiences playing metal at night.

"Metal is popular right now," said disc jockey Mark Noeson. "If you want to look at the last two years, we're heavier now, and as far as audience response, we're at our highest point. If we revamp our format, I see us hurting for a long time."

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cars from being ripped-off or looted out. He suggests that students, in order to completely minimize their chance of getting pilfered in Green River parking lots, buy a hundred dollar junker to drive to school, or put an alarm in their automobile. (His Blazer has one now.)

Putting up with a cheap AM/FM radio might be worth the hassle, as expensive tape decks are a thief's favorite. A portable tape deck that can be taken out of the car and placed in the trunk, or even taken with, is an alternative for those who don't want to sacrifice sound quality for stereo safety.

He also suggested, of course, that students leave their valuables at home.

Although Ingalls's Blazer is the first automobile to be broken into (as reported by security) this month, he could consider himself lucky, because last month three cars were pilfered from the campus, including a Mazda RX-7. Only

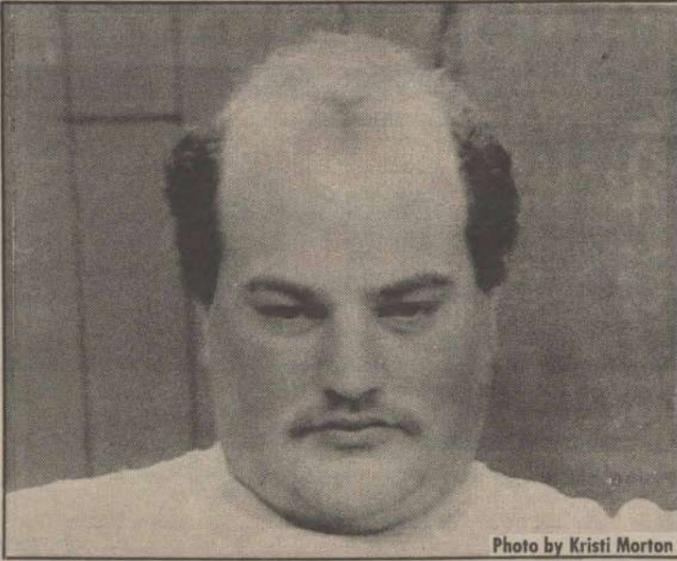


Photo by Kristi Morton

Understandably irate, Ingalls would like to see an upgrade in parking lot monitoring, either by security or independent student groups.

one car has been recovered so far, a 240-Z, stolen on April 7, and it was found stripped to the chasis in Seattle. The other two automobiles, both stolen April 14, haven't been seen since. The two cases are now in the hands of King County

police. Vandalism has also been a problem. Punctured tires, key-scratched paint surfaces and other wanton acts of mischief can make an individual feel just as victimized as getting ripped off.

Watch proposed by students

By Hamilton Underwood
Associate Editor

It was a major campaign issue in the recent elections and is still the major gripe of among students: parking lot security.

Jim Allen and Aaron Ingalls have decided to do something about it. The two were recently brainstorming about what to do about the security problem (Ingalls recently had his car broken into, see page one) and came to the conclusion that students here can't remain uninvolved.

"It's in our own best interests to personally see to it that our cars are protected," said Allen.

What Allen and Ingalls would like to set up is a student parking lot patrol. "It would work like this," said Ingalls. "Students could eat lunch or hang out around their car during their break between classes."

Hoping that the sight of few students here and there in the parking lot would deter crime, Ingalls said, "It wouldn't take that many students to make our plan effective. The parking lot doesn't need to be patrolled all day, just probably between the hours of 8 a.m. and 2 p.m."

He didn't comment on what night students would do for better security. However, Allen added,

"Security has a problem and now it's our problem, too. Together we can either deter the creeps who are causing the trouble or hopefully catch them."

There may not be need for a student parking lot patrol in the view of some. There has been only one parking lot theft in approximately 34 days. A definite improvement from the same amount of time previously.

In spite of the improvement, Allen said, "That's great to hear but I think our idea is still a good one."

To contact Jim Allen concerning getting involved, you can contact him at 845-3575.

Rutkowski to choose one V.P.

By Ben Angel
Editor in Chief

The competition for Green River Vice President for Instruction winds itself down, and sometime in the next couple of weeks one of the four remaining candidates will take the post.

The four surviving candidates, George Delaney, dean of educational services at Skagit Valley Community College, Bruce Haulman, GRCC dean of academic instruction, Laura Meeks, dean of instruction at Fort Scott Community College in Kansas, and Mary Lou

Schmidt, dean of instruction for sciences at Yakima Valley Community College, have already undertaken a lengthy interviewing process. The only step left is the final evaluation, something which over 55 other candidates never quite made it to.

The candidates were on campus this week, and met with members of the faculty and student body.

Delaney, from Skagit Valley, displayed his sense of humor throughout his five minutes with the crowd. From growing up in Tacoma to being a history teacher at an all-girls school in California,

the candidate from the north shared his personality with the crowd.

Bruce Haulman was the only candidate from Green River. He came to the college in 1974 at the advent of a teacher walk-out. "We walked the picket line together," he said to the instructors in the crowd.

Laura Meeks was the candidate that crossed the most miles to try for the vice presidency. Still new to the climate, she talked of how impressed she is with the area and how friendly the people of the college have been.

Mary Lou Schmidt felt very strongly about clarity of communication, and made sure that the audience understood that. Born of Cuban-American parentage, such clarity has always been important to her.

Money for college? Apply now!

Qualified students can obtain free money for their Green River education now by applying for the following Foundation scholarships.

The Nixie VanSelus and Auburn Soroptimist scholarships are due in on June 15. The Jim Shaughnessy, Melvin and Roma Lindbloom, and Auburn Rotary Scholarships are due on June 30.

Apply now at the financial aid office on the second level of the LSC before time runs out.

Dutch Savage says 'Say no'

Green River Active Christian's Encounter (GRACE) will be welcoming ex-wrestler Dutch Savage to the Green River community on May 24. Savage will be speaking in the LSC during the noon hour on the Christian way to "say 'no' to drugs."

For more information, call student programs at 833-9111 extension 337.

The Current needs people

The Current seeks not only writers for the fall (and there's plenty of room for them on the staff), but Green River's paper is looking for someone within one of the college's graphic arts programs to take the paid position of production director.

The Current is anticipating one of its best years ever, and will go so far as to say that it's shooting for national recognition next year. Be part of this team, join the crew in the Newspaper Lab next fall and register for Journ 100 when you sign up for your courses. It'll be the toughest two credits you've ever taken, but there's no better place to break into the business of journalism.

Learn how to cover and run a media event

In the Fall Quarter, political science students and journalist students will be getting together to stage a mock political campaign, complete with media coverage.

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towards "election day."

Interested students are encouraged to contact the instructors and/or sign up for the courses Journ 212 and P Sci 101. Both must be signed up for, registration in just one of the courses will not be accepted.

'Trek' goes tomorrow

Outdoor programs is sponsoring tomorrow, Saturday, May 21, a trip down to Eatonville's Northwest Trek. The trip will be an all day affair beginning at 9 a.m. and ending at 3:30 p.m.

Interested students can contact the outdoor programs office in the ARA building between the KGRG building and the LSC, or they can call 833-9111 extension 271 for more information. Go have fun with the animals at Northwest Trek.

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Oops!



"I started to slide and overcorrected," was all an anonymous Green River student had to say about an embarrassing mishap. Although this incident happened outside the main gate on S.E. 320 St., it should be remembered that spring showers make roads slippery and caution should be taken.



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OPINION

Maybe it'd be better to get the Terminator

By Matt Autio
Guest Columnist

It finally happened. GRCC has become a police state.

No, the little red pickup wasn't enough for Nick Smith and security. To really get into the feel of being cops for hire, security now looks the part too, with its own flashy cop car with nifty flashing lights and all.

Thank God someone found the courage to okay more than ten thousand dollars for a toy. Now, with the proper equipment, Commander Smith will be able to explore new galaxies, uncover new mysteries of our universe, and look stylish at the same time.

Actually, the idea of a mobile strobe light is quite intriguing. Everyone knows how indispensable a completely illuminated parking lot is. I mean, my goodness, we could trip over a stick or something.

Kudos to security for thinking of the students first. Thank you, guys.

Smith also commented that the new car will become a true security vehicle whereas the old vehicle was becoming more of a "utility truck." This should definitely free up our noble warriors to put up "Daily Parking 50 cents" signs and killing communist insurgents.

Many students and student government

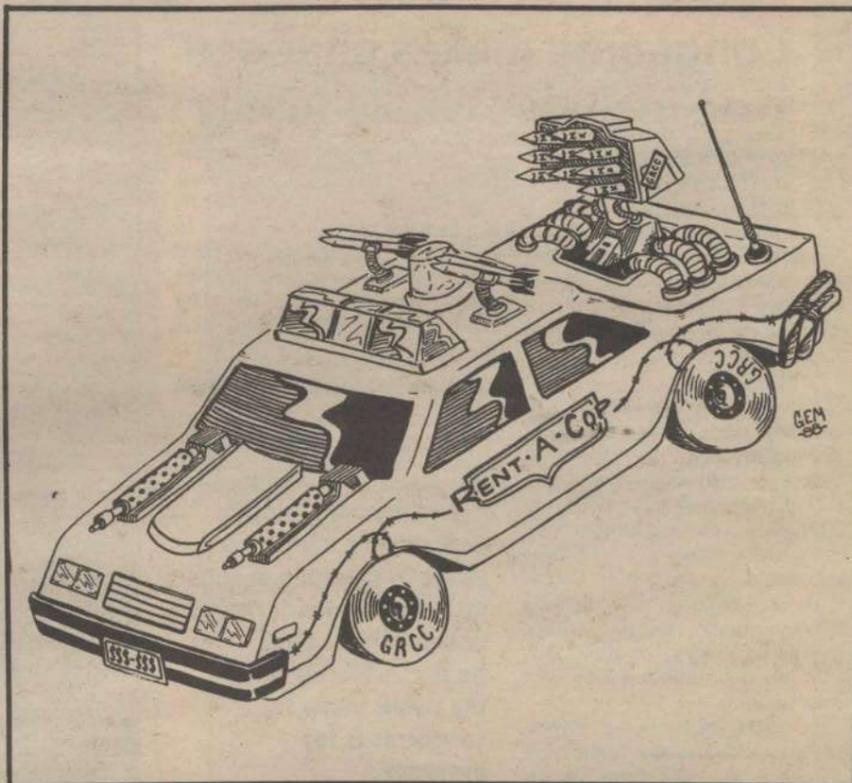
candidates have stated that they are upset with this extravagance. Well, how dare they? Just how badly do we need silly, frivolous things such as production equipment for the radio station that doesn't predate the industrial revolution, or maybe new books for the library (who needs a library anyway). Or, security themselves could have used the \$10,000 to provide us with two more parking spots.

Just how badly do we need things like that when we realize that we now can sleep soundly at night with the knowledge that our beloved campus is well guarded and safe from harm.

While we're at it, why stop there? Why doesn't this school shell out another few grand to provide security with bulletproof, radiation-proof space uniforms (with red racing stripes, naturally). Why should the car be the only one to look good?

The resemblance of the new security meat wagon to an authentic police vehicle is uncanny. It makes a concerned student wonder how they got their prize equipment. At a police surplus store, perhaps? (Ooo! Ooo! I like that one with the flashing red and yellow lights! Oh, please! Please! Please! Can I have that one?)

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Highway 18 is still unsafe at any speed



WALKER'S GAMBIT

By Jeff Walker
Staff Columnist

Everyone is talking about Highway 18 and with good reason. It's the most dangerous highway in the state.

Personally, I think anyone taking this highway when they can take an alternate route has a death wish.

I decided to investigate if anything was being done about this situation. I started with a member of the state house of representatives, figuring he'd know the most about the situation. The buck was then passed to the Department of Transportation and then to Green River president Rich Rutkowski, of all people.

Finally, I found some answers and here's what they were. There is a "widening project" that will take place in the fall. The reason why they are waiting until next fall is because there is a dispute over whether the southernmost exit will be on 312 Street or 304 Street.

The state will carry both drafts in an Environmental Impact Statement to be filed in the fall. There will be an open house forum in August in which alternatives can be discussed by the

community. However, we are in the meantime still stuck with a highway that is deadly.

This highway has numerous accidents every year. Some accidents include a pedestrian walking along the road that was hit by a speeding car and lost a few inches off his leg, as well as some guy who was driving and went off the guard rail into a nearby body of water. Another poor slob flipped over the meridian, hit a motorcycle, and then hit a car that was going the other way.

It is quite obvious that Highway 18 is a deathtrap. It was designed for much lighter traffic than it now has.

Some politicians need to get off their butts and decide if Environmental Impact Statements are as important as saving lives.

Perhaps the drinking age should be lowered

By Renee DeJong
Staff Reporter

Should the drinking age be lowered to 18 years in Washington?

An individual in this country becomes a legal adult at age 18. 18-year-old males may be drafted into the military service, and may be ordered to die defending U.S. oil interest in some distant OPEC country, or whenever the U.S. wants to flex its muscles overseas.

If a person can be drafted into the service of his country, especially against his will, it seems only natural to give them a few more rights and privileges. The very thought that one may die at any moment during combat is a very sobering thought

indeed. It would be nice if soldiers could do a little living before they (quite possibly) die in the line of duty.

The law also states that anyone convicted of a felony crime who is 18 or over, will do hard-time with all the older (over 21) hardened criminals. Anyone under 18 convicted of a crime is allowed to have a clean-slate at 18, because, as a minor, "they cannot be held responsible for their mis-guided actions."

Traditionally, students attending college may do their fair share of partying to offset the stress created by a heavy class load (not to mention just having a little fun). It is also the only socially acceptable (and legal) drug on the market.

Most social functions in this country revolve around the consumption of alcohol, from a political who's who party, to

your conventional weddings, birthdays, etc.

Of course, the bad side of this idea is that it may increase the number of drunks on the road, which may increase the statistics of fatal accidents on the highways. It may also affect the amount of teenage alcoholics, by making it easier to obtain booze. Lowering the drinking age may also make it easier for under 18 minors to purchase booze.

However, in spite of all that, my opinion is that since all other decisions of adulthood hinge on the magic number 18, a person should have the right to make their own decisions with their life.

Besides, those persons who consume alcoholic beverages over the age of 21 may not be any more mature or responsible than the 18-year-olds.

What is your worst pet peeve?

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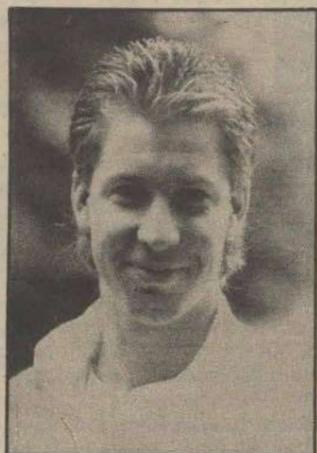
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I hate it when people stop me on the way to class, ask me stupid questions and take my picture.

I hate it when I unlock the car door for a girl and she doesn't unlock mine by the time I get to the other side.

I hate people who drive slow in the passing lane.

I hate it when you flush something down the toilet, and it keeps coming back up.

I hate it when I eat so much grass that I barf.

SPORTS

Track offers an alternative to racing

Longacres makes changes that includes whole family

By Dewayne Collins
Sports Editor

In spite of all the national recognition of the Kentucky Derby and other triple-crown races, when horse racing is mentioned in the state of Washington, only one name comes to mind: Longacres.

Longacres, the Pacific Northwest's premier thoroughbred racing track, has gone out of its way to change the stereotypical images of racetracks. The image of a place where older men go to drink and bet money has now been transformed into an entertainment alternative for the whole family. With 10 races everyday Wednesday through Sunday and all holidays, the track averages over 8,000 fans and over one million dollars on a daily basis.

In addition to horse racing, Longacres also has one of the most extensive art collections of any race track in North America, over 200 acres of flowers and trees, over seven dining area that serves from some of the finest cuisine to the best hot dogs, and a Garden Terrace Patio for relaxing.

Among the special events that are planned for the 1988 racing season are free days for Senior Citizens, Fourth of July celebration, free Saturday morning workout show with free ponyrides for the children, and the Longacres Horseshoe toss.

Members of the Longacres Management include Morrie Alhadeff, President since 1971; Leulla Gottstein, Senior Vice-President and widow of Longacres' founder, Joe Gottstein; Micheal Alhadeff, Vice-President and General Manager, now in his 27th year of service to Longacres; Ken Alhadeff, Vice-President of Business Operations, and 1987-'88 VIP Panel Chairman for the KIRO-Variety Club International Telethon; Jim Anderson, Vice-President and Director of Finance, who oversees the vast business and financial aspects of track operations; and Robert Hutchinson, Secretary-Treasurer, who succeeded his father, Bill, as a member of the Longacres official family.

Kate Barton, Director of Media Relations, says the track is well recieved by Renton and its surrounding areas because of its involvement in the community.

"I think we can contribute the boost in attendance to our Community Relations Department, who is very active in speaking engagements and activities such as the Renton River Days," said Barton. "We try to let the public know that Longacres is for everyone."

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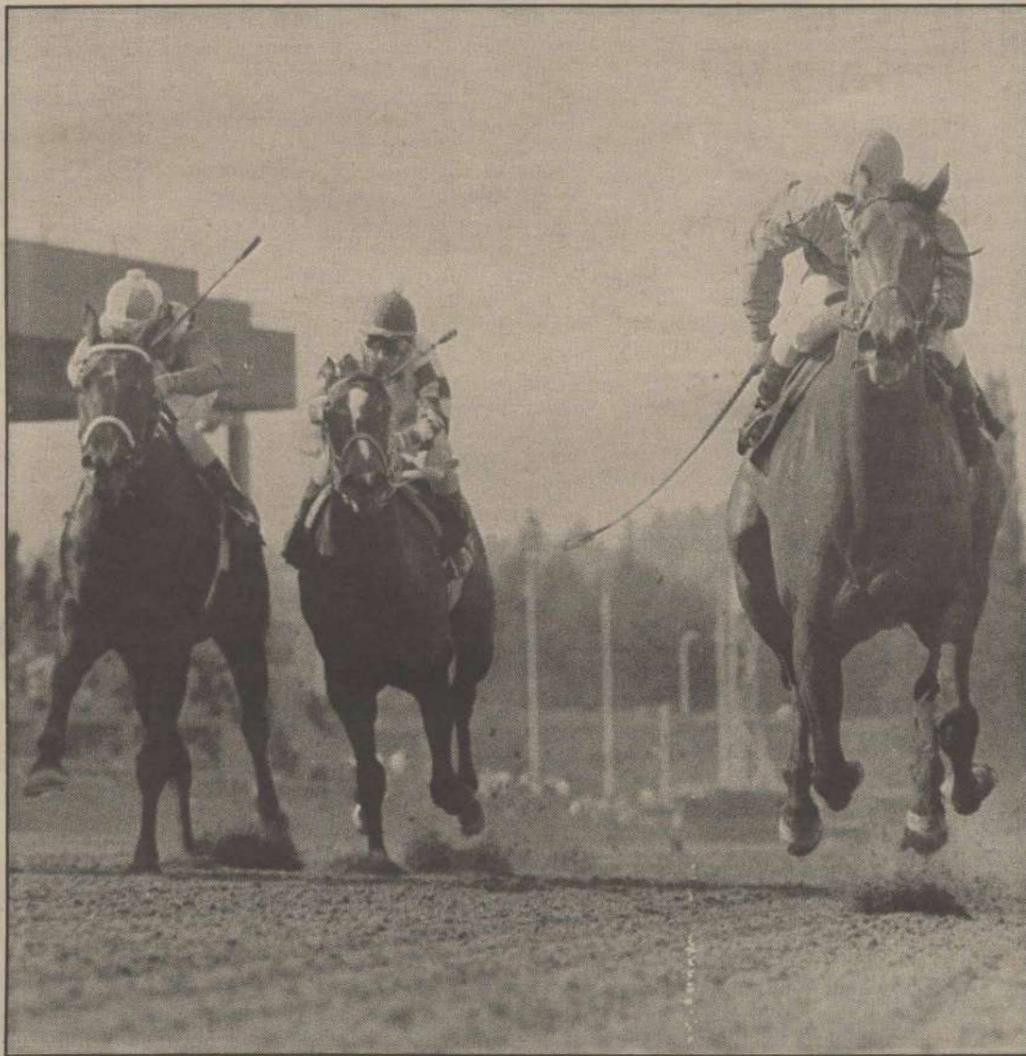
Director of Media Relations

She also added that while wagering is part of the fun of the track, Longacres tries to present it in an atmosphere that dispels some of those stereotypes involved with horse racing.

Looking back on Longacres' history, the track first opened its doors March 3, 1933, with only one year of closure since that time. This was in 1943, because of a World War II blackout and the construction of an army camp in the the infield.

Some other important dates include 1949, when William Shoemaker made his first appearance at Longacres aboard Irene's Angel; 1971, when the track's first half-million dollar day occurred; 1972, when the track's first million dollar day occurred; in 1981, when the largest crowd in Longacres' history (25,031) watched Trooper Seven become the first horse to win back-to-back runnings of the Longacres' mile; and in 1986, when the track opened for the first time with lights and a constant 4:30 p.m. weekday post.

Standout jockeys at the Longacres track include Vicky Aragon, Chris Lamance, and former Longacres' jockey, Gary Stevens.



Longacres provides some of the best racing in the Pacific Northwest

Photo courtesy of Longacres

Aragon has become the most successful woman rider in Longacres' history, winning the local title in 1986 with 169 victories (second only to Gary Stevens). The 23-year-old Aragon is also the only woman and one of four jockeys to ever ride six winners in a single card.

Native of Atlanta, Georgia, Aragon was the subject of an ABC "20/20" episode in which she won an honorable mention for the Eclipse Award for racing coverage in 1987.

Lamance, who is a former rodeo cowboy, invaded the Longacres track in 1987 and was the 1987

champion with 141 victories. This California native was the regular '87 rider for Firesweeper, who set an all time record of 12 Longacres stakes wins.

Stevens, who last rode at the track in 1984, took his horse, Winning Colors, to this years' Kentucky Derby win.

Green River students invited to day of racing

With the end of the quarter near and the ever-present lurking of the sun, many clubs and organizations on the Green River campus are trying to decide on several locations for field trips or activities.

Tired of the same old trips to Ocean Shores or Mount Rainier? Longacres could be considered as a possible place to go for Green River students.

Freshman Mark Hansen, who has attended the track on several occasions, says he would highly

recommend a group outing to the track, if even for just one day. "There's more to the track than betting, but if you happen to win, that makes it worth the trip. I've even had friends who have won thousands of dollars in one day," he said.

Any group can enjoy a day at the races with the discount admission price, a choice of buffets, a race named in the group's honor, and reader-board recognition.

Any club or organization that is interested in attending Longacres

for a day can either contact the Current Sports Department or Longacres for more information.

First-timers at the track may think that wagering is complicated, so Longacres has provided a free kit with all the information needed to make that first bet.

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Will Tyson remain Heavy-weight champion?



ARMCHAIR OPINIONS

By Matt Autio

As of June 27, there will no longer be any doubt as to who is the greatest heavyweight on earth.

Mike Tyson will leave the ring on that night with virtually no serious challengers on the horizon. The end will come sometime around the fifth round, either with Michael Spinks flat on his back, or flat on his face.

To his credit, Spinks must go down as one of the smartest fighters of the past decade, focusing on an opponent's weaknesses and patiently exploiting them, but all the experience and guile in the world won't help him against Tyson, who just seems to be hitting his stride as the undisputed heavyweight champion.

The problem for Spinks is this: he's just not big enough or strong enough to compete

evenly with Tyson. Spinks is actually a light heavyweight, a natural 175-pounder.

Spinks cannot hurt Tyson. His best punch would only tickle the champion. His only hope would be to outbox Tyson and then clinch when Tyson tried to work inside. This tactic might work if Spinks were the same size as Tyson. Unfortunately for him, he is not.

He is boxing's savior, a once in a lifetime attraction. With that in mind, one must realize that the judges would think twice before awarding Spinks a close decision (Spinks fights maybe once a year on the average, not very good for business).

Spinks' strategy will be to flurry quickly and then tie up Tyson on the inside. The judges, however, will not be very impressed. For every ten pitty-pat punches Spinks lands, Tyson will land at the very least two or three thunderous, bone-jarring shots.

The judges will be especially attentive to Tyson's punches because every shot he throws is a spectacle; the crowd gasps at every punch he throws. Compared to Tyson's nuclear bombs, Spinks' peashooter punches will seem like nothing.

Look at it this way; at least Spinks will be filthy rich for the trouble.



JOCK TALK

By

Dewayne Collins

There is a saying in the world of sports that has proved itself true over and over again: "Every dog has it's day."

On June 27, Micheal Spinks will be the celebrating dog with a upset victory over Heavyweight champion Mike Tyson.

It's true that "Iron" Mike, as he is called by the media, has went through opponents like a fox in a henhouse. By destroying the likes of Tony Tucker, Tyrell Biggs, Larry Holmes, and most recently, Tony Tubbs, Tyson has brainwashed America and the world into believing that he is as invincible as Superman.

Well, Mr. Tyson, I have yet to become one of your followers.

Out of the four names that I previously mentioned, Larry Holmes is the only legitimate boxer in the bunch, but his age was a

major factor in the loss to Tyson. While he has been praised for his continuous destruction of opponents, he has yet to fight an opponent who has a sound strategy to defeat him. They either come to fight to survive or to knock him out in the first round (wrong idea).

If there is any one man with the mental capabilities to defeat Tyson, Spinks is that man.

Many fight fans have said that Spinks hasn't fought since his last fight against Gerry Cooney and this could result in some ring rust. Ring rust or no ring rust, Spinks has a sure fire plan to beat Tyson.

Tyson will come out in the first round with his usual plan to knock out Spinks, but after seeing that this strategy won't work, he will then realize that he has to settle down and actually box Spinks, something he hasn't done in his last four fights.

I'm not one to make predictions, but my astrologer and my psychic both assured me that Tyson will lose by a unanimous decision. Spinks will finally show the world that he belongs in the heavyweight division. The people's champion will finally bring the title back to the people.

SPORTS

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Tennis teams eye NWAACC playoffs again

By Dewayne Collins
Sports Editor

While the regular season has already ended for the Green River Men's Tennis team, the Women's Tennis team ended their regular season on Tuesday afternoon with a 7-0 win over Shoreline Community College heading into the NWAACC playoffs.

The win for the Women, who have been playing with their No. 1 player Lisa Hickley,

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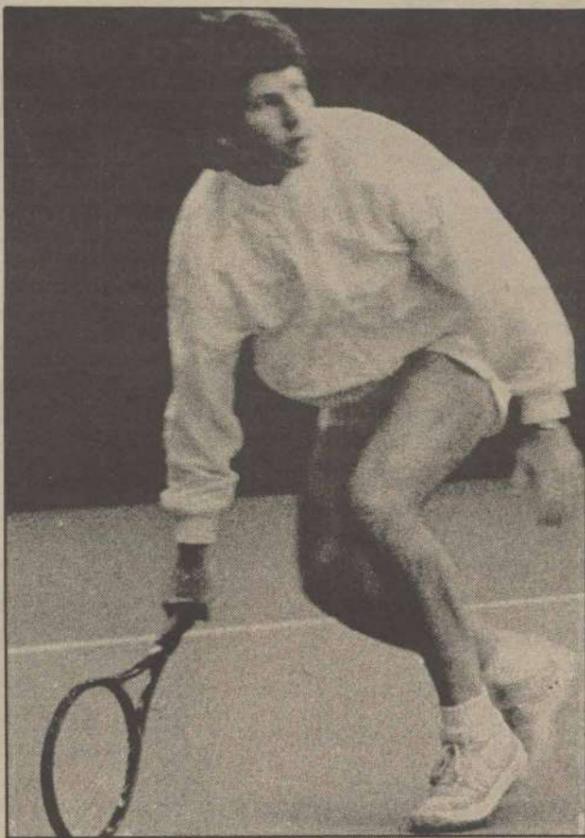
gave them a final mark of 10-0 in the Northwest Western Regional and a 14-5 mark overall.

The Men's team, who ended their season on last Friday against Yakima Valley with a 7-2 win, is led by Dewitt and Rodriguez. Rodriguez is also playing with an ankle injury.

Dewitt looked back on the 1988 season and recalls some of the hard times the team made it through. "The loss of the win streak hurt us, but I think we played a lot better after that. The injury to Rodriguez affected my doubles game and now that he's back, we are ready for state," he said.

Doctors had actually said Rodriguez would be out for six weeks, but he ended up returning in about two weeks.

Coach Sauers is looking forward to the playoffs for the Men's team, which consists of a nine team field with the possibility of



Ross Rodriguez

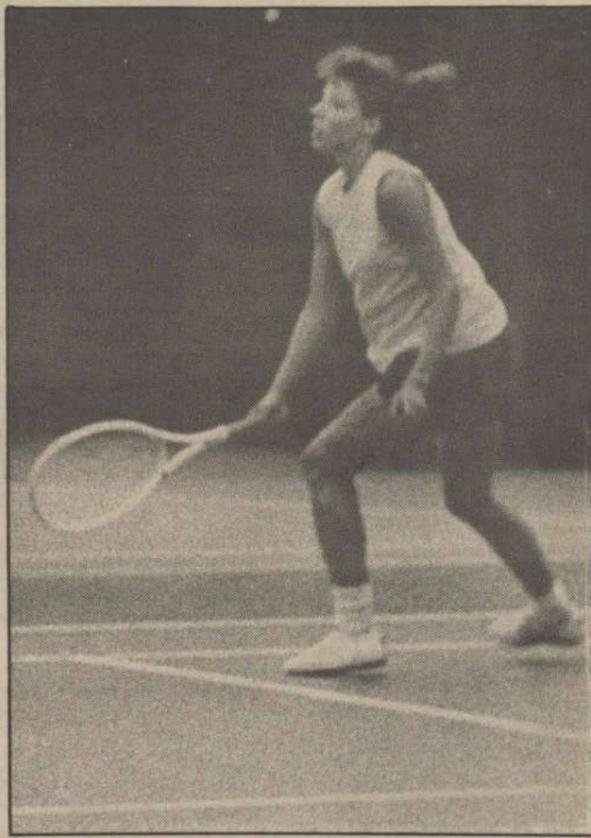
either GR, Bellevue, Yakima, or Walla Walla taking home the title. The coach feels that GRCC's chances are a lot better because of the depth Green River possess at four, five, and six positions in the line-up.

In the Women's playoffs, the coach feels there is only two teams out of a field of 13 with the capabilities of winning the title, Green River and Yakima. "I think the plus for Yakima is their home-court advantage,"

Sauers said.

Coach Sauers still likes the Women's chances in spite of the loss of two highly-ranked players, which is the first time such a thing has ever happened to the Green River tennis team. The team is also playing without the help of No. 1 ranked Lisa Hickley, who was out sick for the last week.

These two incidents has caused a shuffle of the rankings upward which has put a



Diane Davis

new player in the spotlight, Crystal Wisness. Wisness has responded to the call very well, even within her doubles play. Wisness and Sharon Folster defeated Judy Pickar and Valerie Buss, 6-3, 5-7, 6-3, in Tuesday afternoon's play.

Wisness also expressed some of her views on the '88 season. "The season was fun and the team really worked hard despite little complications.

GR students roll in Texas

By Christy Wood
Sports Reporter

This summer in San Antonio, Texas, from June 28 to July 2, the Eighth Annual National Veterans Wheelchair Games will start and among the 600 expected competitors. Eleven people will be going from the Northwest Paralyzed Veterans of America, and three of these will be from Green River Community College.

Les Misner and Scott Sullivan, along with Lianne Larson, who will help with keeping times and scores, are the three people going to San Antonio from GRCC. Misner is a veteran of the Wheelchair Games, while this will be Sullivan's first year competing.

There will be 11 events offered at the games and the competitors can choose from two to five events. Some of the events, like archery and bowling, probably wouldn't be expected by most people to be in the Wheelchair Games.

Along with these events, there are billiards, basketball, table tennis, weightlifting, swimming, motorized wheelchair rally, slalom, and track and field. Upon registering, the athletes are broken into three competitive divisions: Novice, for first time competitors; Masters, for competitors 40 years or older; and an Open division for all seasoned competitors not competing in Masters.

After this, they are but classified according to their disability and the severity of it.

Misner, who is the director of the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Seattle chapter and is returning for his second year. He is dedicated towards involving and making more people aware of wheelchair sports. To accomplish this, Misner is currently taking management marketing and public relations

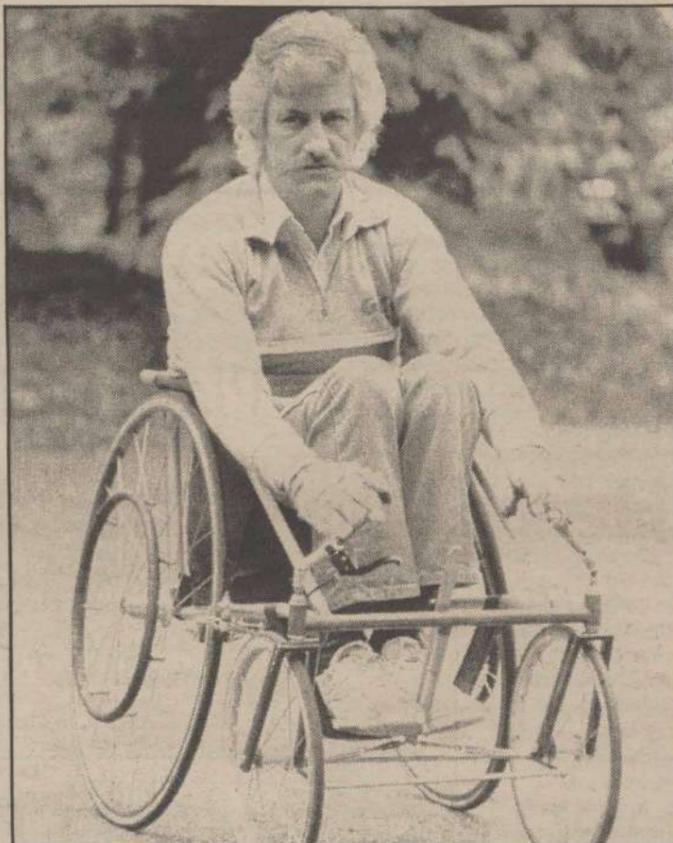


Photo by Kristi Morton

Les Misner, one of the two competitors at this year's Wheelchair Games, will represent the Seattle area Paralyzed Veterans Association in San Antonio, Texas.

classes at Green River towards his degree.

Sullivan, a first year Occupational Therapy student, will be the first disabled student to graduate from this program. Larson is going to the Wheelchair Games to help her in her career occupational therapy.

"To further my education about handicapped people and to get first hand experience to help with my understanding," was the reason

Larson gave for attending these events.

Several corporations will help sponsor the Wheelchair Games, including United Services Automobile Association (USAA); United Parcel Service (UPS); Invacare Corporation; American Airlines; Domino's Pizza (San Antonio franchise); and Abbey Medical, and ROHR Incorporated.

Anyone who would like to go is welcome to.

Jones comes in third with performances at Decathlon

By Christy Wood
Sports Reporter

Mike Jones gave outstanding performances at the NWAACC Decathlon track and field meet held on May 3 and 4.

Competing against eight other community colleges, with only select athletes from each, Jones came away with a third place victory.

Jones improved his decathlon score by 221 points. He won the long jump with a leap of 22' 2 1/4". He set personal bests in the 100 meter, 400 meter, 110 meter hurdles and the 1500 meter.

Jones also is a top contender in the high jump and long jump.

Jones' place scores 3 points that will go toward the NWAACC track and field Championship in Spokane May 27 and 28.

At Mt. Hood on May 6, all star community colleges and their select athletes competed against a Russian track team.

Taking places for the men were Chris Cook, taking sixth in the triple jump with a jump of 43' 10"; and Jones, who took fifth place in the high jump with a jump of 6' 4".

The women also gave impressive performances. In shot put, Laura Records threw a 37' 4", taking fifth place. Jennifer Lindquist took sixth place in the javelin throw with a throw of 129'. Kelly Hewitt ran a 10:48.4 in the 3000 meter, taking fourth place.

The Clackamas Invitational was held May 7, and both the men and women gave excellent efforts and performances.

Hewitt lead the women with a first place victory in the 800 meter, with a time of 2:18.5, which is the best timed run in the conference this season. Lindquist also gave an

TRACK

excellent performance, taking second place in the javelin throw, with a throw of 134' 10". Records took third place in shot put with a throw of 35' 1/2". Christine Saalfeld took sixth place in the 200 meter dash with a time of 27.8.

For the men, Cook took a second place victory in the triple jump with a jump of 45' 1 3/4". Kevin Jones took fourth place in the 5000 meter, with a time of 16:29.7, he also took fifth place in the 800 meter, increasing his personal best by 2 seconds, with a time of 1:57.8. Mike Jones took fourth place in the long jump with his best mark this season, a jump of 22' 9 1/4". In the 100 meter, Keith Raschkow finished sixth, with a time of 11.2. In the 3000 meter steeplechase, Darren Hanger finished fifth with a time of 10:42.8, and John Bowser finished sixth, with a time of 10:56.6.

The SPU Invitational was held May 14. Competing in this track meet were several elite olympic hopefuls and some professional runners.

Coach Theresa Haynes stated that this was the toughest meet this year.

For the women, Hewitt took fourth place in the 1500 meter, increasing her personal best by 7 seconds with a time of 4:58.1, qualifying for four events in the conference championships. Lindquist took fourth place in her javelin throw, with a throw of 130', and she also took sixth place in the shot put with a throw of 35' 6 3/4".

For the men Raschkow took fifth place in the 200 meter with a time of 23.9.

CAMPUS LIFE

Nature trail enhances the community

By Dewayne Collins
Sports Editor

Like many students on the Green River campus, you've probably walked to class everyday without even noticing the brown stakes with numbers. Behind each stake is a tree or flower which is part of the famed Green River Nature Trail.

This trail, created in 1981, is made up of over 50 different types of trees and flowers from the state of Washington, the U.S., and around the world.

The idea came from Green River's lead gardener, Tom Trindle, and his wife, Len. Tom felt there was a need for the trail after getting several questions from the student body and the faculty.

"With the setting of the campus, it seem like almost everyday someone wanted to know the name of some plant or tree," Trindle said.

So, after a long period of extensive research by Trindle and his wife, the project was funded by the Green River Foundation.

The trail has proved to be a



Photo by Jim St. George

Tom Trindle (left) and John Johnson (right) check out the grafts they did to an apple tree on the nature trail. Grafts put several different apples on one tree.

valuable addition to the campus, being used for such activities as a part of the Student/Teacher orientation, tours for Girl and Boy Scouts, and the biology and forestry labs. Trindle also added that the trail has been recognized by the Auburn community as part of its things-to-do for out-of-town visitors.

Some of the most common flowers and trees found on the nature trail is the Pink Dogwood, the Ponderosa Pine, the Rhododendron, the Douglas Fir, the Red Huckleberry, and the Pussywillow.

Maintaining 76 acres plus, the

Nature Trails on the Green River campus have become a job unto themselves for Trindle, the lead gardener, and his assistant, John Johnson. Johnson, in addition to his other jobs, has set a goal of making the Green River campus litter free.

"My goal is to ensure that the campus keeps its beautiful setting year round," he said.

Trindle, who also has a two-year degree in Horticulture, stated that even though there is only 50 plants mentioned in the Nature Trail booklet, that is only a drop in the bucket to the actual number of plants on campus.

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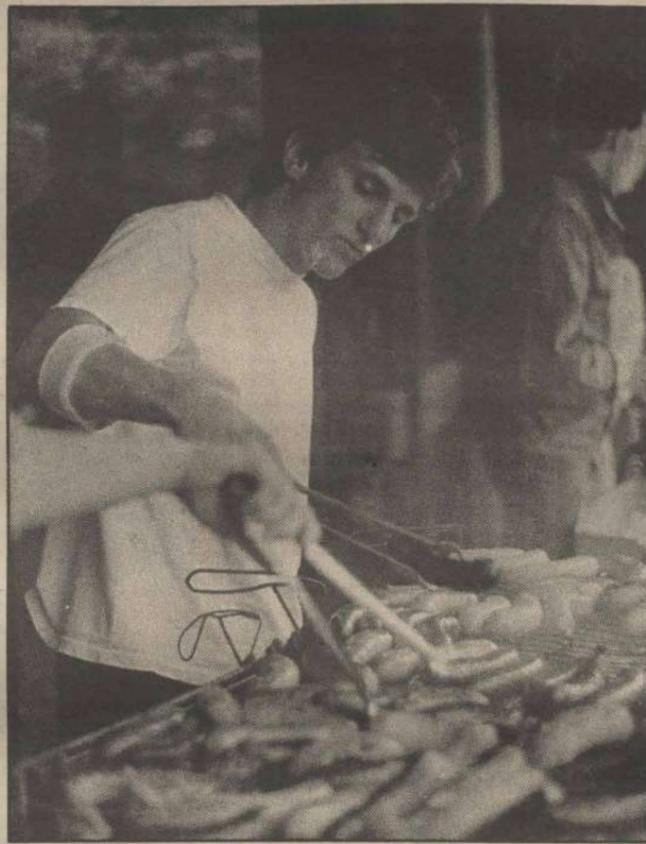


Photo by Kristi Morton

A German student prepares a multitude of sausages for a waiting crowd during German Club's annual Maifest.

PEOPLE

She is young at heart: 'Goldie'

By Renee DeJong
GRCC People Editor

Vivian Woehrle, alias "Goldie," is a senior citizen who chose to attend GRCC to stay active after retirement.

Goldie's statement, "I was born in Washington, and I can show you the webs between my toes!" says that she's a local, born and bred. She graduated in 1939 from Orting High School at the top of her class.

Her involvement at GRCC all started about 15 years ago when Goldie and a friend decided to take a belly dancing class on campus.

Five years after Goldie retired from her job as supervisor of the school lunch program in the Enumclaw school district, she decided that she wasn't going to

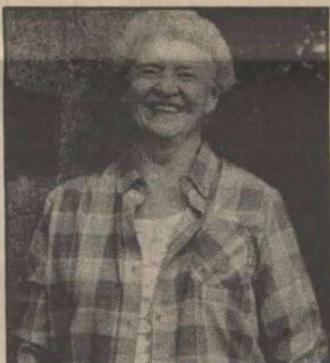
I was born in Washington, and I can show you the webs between my toes!
—Vivian "Goldie" Woehrle

suffer from the retirement blues. For starters, she joined two aerobic classes for senior citizens, and took an art class in oil painting.

These activities really kept her busy for awhile. However, she firmly believes that "senior citizens do not do enough activities to stimulate their minds." So now she teaches aerobic classes for seniors at the Enumclaw Community Center three days a week for one hour.

She named her exercise class group "The Sexy, Swingin' Seniors," and tells her ladies, "Deep down inside you, there still is that sex object from 45 years ago."

It wasn't until 1985 she returned to Green River to take a class in astronomy. She was inspired to



"Goldie." Photo by Renee DeJong

study the stars at GRCC because she planned to go on a Hailey's Comet tour, sponsored by the University of Washington, in Australia and New Zealand for seven weeks in 1986.

The following fall, Goldie took a class on "The Introduction to Microcomputers." One year later, she returned to GRCC and took Geology 101, because it was something she was always interested in.

This spring, Goldie planned to take the proposed "Geology of National Parks" course, but it was cancelled. So instead, she took "Geology of the Northwest."

With all things considered, Goldie enjoys attending school for personal enrichment, and to pursue her interests.

Job center has summer jobs

By Angie Burris
Entertainment Editor

The job center is there to help people in anyway with getting a job. They have worksheets on resumes, interviews, references, and letter writing.

The Job Center also offers to students of GRCC the opportunity to rehearse an interview with either Mary Hughes, Frank Cox, or the Work Study Coordinator Smith. You do have to make an appointment for a run-through interview, and their numbers are 833-9111 extensions 305 and 318.

In the last academic year, the Job Center has had 362 placements for jobs. A pro-rate of pay shows that \$2.3 million was made by the students from GRCC. This placement and pro-rate of pay shows that the job center is successful.

Those students who are looking for a job this summer, check out the Job Center, upstairs in the student Lindbloom Center or call the above number for more info. What can it hurt?

Students looking for jobs this summer can check out the Job Center. It will be open this summer, as it is open year around.

The hours on Monday and Tuesday are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Wednesdays to Fridays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Anyone who has been registered at GRCC is eligible to obtain a job through the Job Center.

Here are just a few jobs that are

available at the Job Center.
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WORK;

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DURING WEEK;
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DATE OF JOB 2/4/88.

It's really easy to do, according to Linda Smith, Job Center Coordinator.

After visiting the job board and finding two jobs that fit your needs, the receptionist will hand you a 5 x 8 Student Employment Office Application. This is filled out along with a schedule of school hours. This all takes about 15 minutes.

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NEWS

Highway peril continues

By Mike Gerretson
Staff Reporter

The 22 miles of highway 18 between Auburn and the I-90 interchange near North Bend are the most fatal miles of highway in the state.

State Road 18 claimed four victims in 1986, five in 1987, and four so far this year. The most recent victim, Patsy Williams, a Green River Community College student, was killed last Friday morning in a multi-car accident a mile outside of Maple Valley.

The need to change Highway 18

While the signs are a good idea, it isn't the answer to the problem.

— Mike Todd

is readily apparent to outside observers, however the money isn't. Major reconstruction on the road would take "Program C" funding, which is the largest amount of financing a state project could have, but this funding just isn't there, according to Mike Todd, 31st district or Auburn area



Photo by Kim Inabnit

The state chose this for the solution to the problem on highway 18.

representative.

"Program C" obtains its money from gas taxes, but "people are driving less, and they are driving more fuel efficient cars now," said representative Todd.

Instead of road improvement, signs have recently been put up along side the highway telling people to turn on their lights. While this is a good idea, it isn't the answer to the problem, according to Todd.

The representative would like to see the installment of a "Jersey Barrier," a safety device, all up and down the highway. The realignment of 312 Street S.E. is also being considered by state lawmakers.

The widening of the entire stretch of two-lane highway to four lanes with limited access and overpasses is the real solution, but according to Todd, "That is quite a few years away."

Coach Sauers keeps winning

Twenty years ago: The third annual Green River Raft Race takes place with the biggest "regata" yet. "The Spirit of Auburn," captained by Ron Faussbind, set a "world's record" with a first place 30 minute, 45 second run to Beer Bottle Beach.

HISTORY

Five years ago: Coach Sauers' tennis team wins state again, for the fourth time.

Ann Johnson organizes Green River's first Forestry Club.

One year ago: Bruce Compton is promoted to Dean of Student Programs from his former position as Student Programs director, a position he held for five years.

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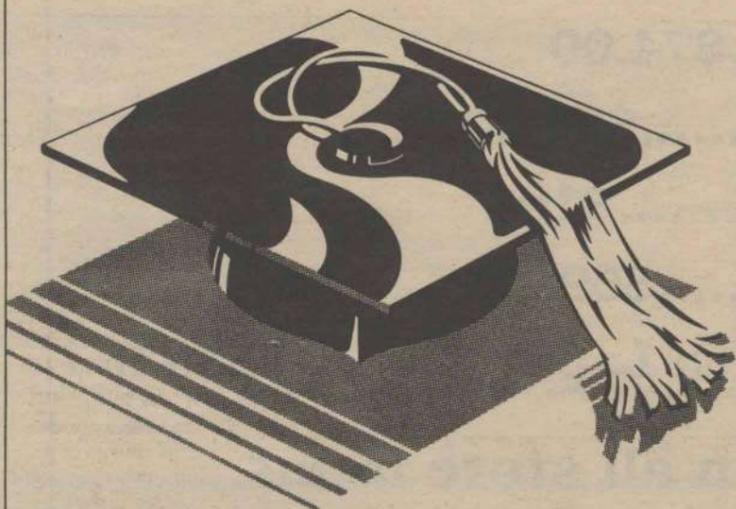
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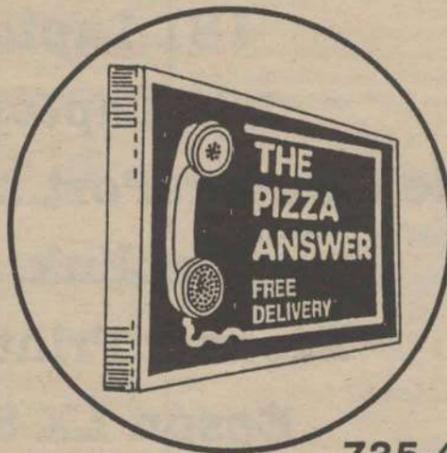
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