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Parking lot crimes bring police patrols

Concern about car thefts, vandalism growing after rash of incidents

by Denise Ko

Because of recent crimes occurring in GRCC's parking lots, King County police will be patrolling the campus regularly, as well as the continued patrols of campus security.

In January alone, there was a car theft, an attempted car theft, a car break-in, and a car vandalism incident.

On Jan. 7 a 1978 Oldsmobile Cutlass was stolen from parking lot I between 9 and 11:20 a.m. The car was recovered two days later by King County police after it was found in the Fairwood district of Renton.

"Apparently, it was not a professional car theft, but rather it was stolen with the intentions of taking it on a joy ride. It was smashed up, then abandoned," said Nick Smith, director of security.

Smith also remarked that King County police are investigating two suspects in the case.

Also in parking lot I, on Jan. 27, there was an attempted car theft of a student's 1986 Dodge Colt.

The owner was walking towards her car when she noticed a man sitting in the front seat attempting to hot wire it. She confronted him and he then jumped out and ran.

The man was oriental, about 5'3" and thin. He was wearing a light olive green jacket and blue slip-on loafers, which he left behind when he ran.

Smith said "He ran right out of his shoes and headed in the direction of the woods, when two other students noticed something was happening and tried to confront him. The man flashed a screwdriver at the other students and ran directly into the woods behind that parking lot."

A thorough search of the area was done by security and King County police within 25 minutes, but the man was not found.

On the 24th, a GRCC instructor had cassette tapes and five dollars in quarters stolen out of his Toyota Turcell from parking lot B.

Smith stated that there were no signs of a break-in and the theft possibly occurred through an open window or unlocked door.

A student's blue Subaru was vandalized on the 28th, in parking lot G. Dave Johnson from maintenance discovered that the car window was broken and glass was shattered on the ground, so he reported it at once to security.

Security then came and removed all of the belongings from the car and notified the owner. No items were reported missing and security believes it was a case of vandalism.

Smith said the crimes are "very frustrating, because it could be one person doing it, or several un-related incidents. Also because basic security precautions had been taken in most of the cases."

He stressed that students, faculty and staff should keep their car windows up and doors locked at all times. He stated "People should not keep valuables in their cars, especially out in the open. If a person must keep valuables in their car, then locking them in the trunk would be a good precaution against theft."

Smith also said "January is a traditionally higher incident month for some reason, possibly because it is darker."

He reported that last year in January several incidents occurred including a stolen tire and a stolen pick-up truck.

When asked if any extra security measures were going to be taken to help



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Tom Trindl, from the maintenance department, cleared broken window debris from a vandalized Subaru in the college parking lot.

prevent parking lot thefts and vandalism, Smith remarked, "One to two security personnel are out in the parking lots at all times of the day observing activities and issuing tickets, but we cannot be everywhere at the same time. We cannot put extra security guards out in the lots at this time, but the King County police will be

patrolling now also."

It was his opinion also, that many students can be found in their cars during breaks and lunch times, "studying or whatever, and they probably would not appreciate being disturbed or questioned by security guards as to why they are there and what they are doing."

Holman renovation to dislodge museum

by Marion Meyer

The Holman Library will be undergoing renovations with the earliest possible starting date being July 15. A bulk of the renovation will be completed by the start of Fall Quarter. A major change will be the addition of an enclosed mezzanine that will have study areas and a possible typing room.

By state requirement, the number of students attending a school determines a minimum square footage for its library. At

present Holman is 15,930 square feet short of the state requirement of 35,203 square feet for a school the size of Green River. The mezzanine addition of eighteen thousand square feet will expand the floor space beyond the requirement and allow for growth.

Every two years colleges put in requests for funds to remodel or expand. The library renovation was requested in 1984 for the

1985-87 biennium.

Rick Brumfield, Dean of Business Affairs, explained, "The library was short in footage causing overcrowding, giving it higher priority for funding of renovation."

The school received \$291,743 to bring the library up to state requirements.

The mezzanine will be "primarily for small group study areas and a possible typing room," said Bob Lawrence, Associate Dean of Instruction. There will be soft seating for reading purposes and small group study areas. There will not be any form of supervision.

During renovation there are plans to relocate the museum into another area. Brumfield said, "it (referring to the museum) will be spread throughout the library."

"We would relocate it to traffic areas along walls to give more attention to it," said Lawrence.

Jerry Hedlund, Green River anthropology teacher and the museum's coordinating force, said, "The area the museum is in will be walled off. The space behind the wall will become a viewing room."

It was the area in front of this wall where Hedlund said the museum would go. Lawrence confirmed that a viewing room would take the museum's place but said, Hedlund would prefer to have things hanging on walls with glass cases." Hedlund

didn't state this as his preference.

When Lawrence was asked why they are moving the museum, he remarked, "That's a sensitive situation."

He explained, "it's important to understand that exhibits and museums and other functions don't always belong in a library."

Hedlund said with a tightened voice, "I feel bad about the fact that I wasn't asked to help with the plans to move the museum."

He added, "I thought that I and my students made a unique contribution."

As of yet, plans of what to do about the wall mural depicting the use of the dugout boat in front of it have not been set.

"I'd hate to lose it," stated Hedlund. A student painted the mural, and Hedlund commented that it portrayed the people very well.

The video viewing room that will be placed where the museum now stands will be accessible on weekends. Lawrence said, "More people are viewing video tapes and previewing films."

He mentioned that classes like Art of Film and Language of Television would be using this room. Lawrence also talked about the school's possible showing of film series or foreign film series.

The library will still have an art gallery though it will be relocated. There are plans to provide special lighting for the gallery.



ROLAND PROCHASKA/THE CURRENT

Instructor Jerry Hedlund voiced concern for displacing student murals.

OPINION

Does prime time television need censorship?

WOW, did you see that?
Yes, I saw copious amounts of bare chests, bottoms and worse yet reflected in the mirror. Not just guy's... but female "boganza's," behinds and worse.

Editorial

Wow, what movie theater was this that shows the act of copulation within the first thirty seconds of the flick? Channel 11.
The movie was *The Jury*, uncut, uncensored except for language which was deleted like bad editing. Is this the height of intelligence or what?

Hey, I like seeing nudity, but halfway through I started thinking. I said to no one in particular, "Let's see, it's about 8:30, my little brother who's a whoppin' six years old is probably up now and wondering what these wobbling growths on the women's chests are. (I never knew until I was nineteen.) Then again why shouldn't he know what they are... it's natural. What bothered me was the twisted sexual fantasy of a psychopathic character who dolls up nude twins and rapes them with a knife." That even made me look twice.

At movies you can tell what the movie has in store by ratings, not just a viewer's discretion warning.

Golly-gee-willikers this is channel 11, home of the *Go-Bots* and *Cartoon Carnival*, kids watch this station big time. How can a society be callous enough to watch people even pretend to do this stuff, for viewing pleasure. Also get this, a movie of that kind came on right after the *Cosby Show*.

Local television stations such as channel 13 (KCPQ) and channel 11 (KSTW) have shown basically uncut versions of many movies. I think it's great when stronger material is relevant to the effect of the picture, but some discretion should be used on timing and eliminating ultrasensitive subjects that show too much violence and twisted, abnormal behavior.

At this point my tiny brain begins to fight itself. First, I think down with censorship and oppression of First Amendment rights. And then I think, should kids be allowed to watch this?

How many parents can monitor the TV well enough to catch the occasional naughty or twisted movie... elimination of the channel wouldn't work. The same channels have great cartoons (I know from personal experience) and even classic movies that I like to invite friends to watch with me.

When it all boils down to the last thought, I throw my vote for censorship. If I want to see nudies I can always rent a VCR... Kids today will be taking care of me when I'm old.
—Michael Forney



Smokers discriminated against claims reader

After reading the lead article in the Jan. 31 issue of the *Current*, I feel I must put pen to paper.

The article concerns the recently held Forum on smoking. After listing the articles previously published in the *Current* concerned with this issue, it goes on to state that a student had complained that the meetings were not publicized well enough. This makes it appear that the student was, perhaps, being a bit petty since articles were printed. However, I feel that the point should be well taken.

Mickie Pinches did hold a meeting last quarter on the subject but you can hardly expect a meeting that few smokers knew about until "after the fact" to have been well attended by that group.

The Nov. 8 article mentioned was a small one—on page 2, column 3. In it Ms. Pinches talks about a survey that was being circulated around campus, stating that the results of the survey would be the basis for

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her recommendations. She asks any interested parties to fill out the survey form.

It is interesting that the majority of smokers did NOT see that survey. When a few became aware of its existence, at least one student, a smoker, asked for some copies of it. That student was told that it was a "closed" survey.

At the recent Forum held in SS8, a member of the committee made reference to that same survey. When the above incident was questioned along with the fact that most smokers had not even seen it, the response was that it could not have been a "closed" survey since NO survey had existed.

I'm enclosing a copy of that form, which I managed to obtain. You will notice at the top are the words: "Smoking Policy Survey." Now who's kidding who?

The next meeting that was held was heard about by many late in the day in which it occurred. Too late, I might add, for the majority of interested smokers to attend. The point being that a couple of articles in

the *Current* is not publicizing. A survey that many never see, is not publicizing. A front page article, notes in the Gatorline, and signs in the Student Center would have been much more appropriate and THAT'S publicizing.

There could probably be pages written about the discrimination being lodged against smokers at this time. Let it suffice to say that while people are against smoking, they certainly have no objections to the use of funds, generated by the sale of tobacco products, in their benefit.

Instead, it has been used as a testing ground for those who would force others to conform to their views.

I have to say that I agree completely with the statements made by Ron Naud in his editorial on personal freedoms. Take it one step further. The next law that is passed, the next ruling made on this campus in this manner, may well limit one of YOUR personal freedoms. THINK ABOUT IT!

C.J. Brink

LINDBLOOM STUDENT CENTER
SMOKING POLICY SURVEY

- Smoking in the Lindbloom Student Center does not concern me.
- I would like the Main Dining Area of the Lindbloom Student Center to be "Non-Smoking"
Yes Don't care
- I would like designated smoking areas in the Main Dining Room.
Yes Don't care No
- I would like the Lindbloom Student Center Games area to be:
Non-Smoking Smoking Don't care

Editor's note: This is a reproduction of the survey form accompanying the letter sent by the reader.

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Limit on sweeteners recommended

Health in the 80's



Judy Names, R.N.

Green River Health Coordinator

It tastes like sugar, looks like sugar, and has almost no calories. What is it? NutraSweet. It is being hailed as the hot new sugar substitute. It is also known as Equal and Aspartame.

Soon the product will be approved for use in orange juice, yogurt, ice cream and other products. We cannot buy NutraSweet but only the products that contain it such as diet drinks, baked goods, cereals, and even vitamins.

NutraSweet is being marketed as a food rather than an additive.

Since the cyclamate ban in 1970 and the saccharin scare (it is to be banned in 1987), should we feel confident that this will be a

safe sugar substitute?

Remember Saccharin is to be banned in 1987, so the food industry needs to come up with another substitute. With FDA deregulation, the new sugar substitute has been approved for general consumption.

It has been described as natural because it contains two amino acids, phenylalanine and aspartic acid.

High levels of phenylalanine can interfere with two major neurotransmitters, serotonin and the catecholines; these are chemicals that mediate mood, thinking and behavior.

Drinking four or five soft drinks can interfere with the neurotransmitters and lead to headaches, mood swings, insomnia and behavior changes.

NutraSweet is being added to many food items and the amount of substance is not disclosed. It is easy to have a large daily intake.

The possibility that large doses might adversely affect thinking and behavior should be a consumer concern. For the time being, I am going to limit my intake of NutraSweet. It is advisable to keep the consumption of NutraSweet under 500 mg. per day.

When you use a NutraSweet product, try to include some dietary protein to help block its effect to the brain. Protein foods seem to buffer the adverse effects.

Try to limit the soft drinks to one or two a day. Sparkling mineral water is a good alternative.

Wellness Tips

Battering, breading, or deep-frying chicken and fish cancels out their low fat quality. Also, it is better to skip the tarter sauce and use lemon juice. "Jumbo," "giant," and "deluxe" should signal warning bells. Larger servings of fast food means more fat, cholesterol and sodium.

Quick Quips

Emotional fatigue cannot be rested or slept away. Only relaxation can help. Emotional fatigue can come from accumulated hassles or some other life crisis such as ending a relationship. Exercising helps in combating depression and restores the mind.

NEWS AND OPINION

Vet support for Casanova dwindles

by Wayne Clifford

Green River's veterans say they had support for Gino Casanova, the Viet Nam veteran who spent 51 days fasting in a hut by Highway 167 in Kent, but they feel he got a little off track from the MIA-POW issue.

Green River Veterans Club President Don Suzor said the club backs the original issue, and ... "even helped him out a little," but does not support what he's doing now.

Club treasurer Ray Andrews said, "I think he (Casanova) did a good job bringing the MIA issue back into the media, but now it's turned into a circus side show."

Club secretary Vance Percival said, "If Casanova really wants to get good national media attention, he should be in Washington, D.C."

When asked about the current nonsupport of what he is doing, Casanova replied, "Yeah, we got a little bitter, ... got a little bitter, but people are people."

When asked how long he intended to continue, he said, "We ain't givin' up until the last vet comes home."

Casanova went on to say that he was organizing a convoy to Washington D.C. that will leave on Feb. 16 and is scheduled to arrive in D.C. on Feb. 22, picking up supporters all the way.

Casanova is apparently very bitter towards *The Seattle Times* for coverage in a

news story on him.

Casanova has been joined by other concerned supporters of his cause. One supporter, identified only as Duayne, said with intense emotion, "There are a lot of half truths about Gino Casanova. He gave 51 days of his life."

Mike and June Maloon fasted from Jan. 5 to Feb. 1 in support of the MIA issue. The Maloons stated that they had never demonstrated for anything like this before. "I don't really hear them (nonsupportive vets) talking about the MIA issue; all they talk about is Gino Casanova," said Mike Maloon as he warmed his hands over a catalytic tent heater.

Another opinion about the fasting veteran came from club vice president Katy Collins who said, "I don't think the president's word is good any more," referring to President Reagan's recent decision not to meet with Casanova after stating in a telephone conversation with Casanova that he would do so.

"I support anyone who is demonstrating for a cause that should be everyone's concern," Collins added.

An anonymous Green River veteran said, "I admire the effort and energy spent on something like that, but it's fruitless. Society could care less. The only recognition vets have gotten is from each other."



DAVID BAUS/THE CURRENT

Gino Casanova fasted for 51 days in this compound he termed "LZ 1," (Landing Zone 1).

Efforts bring benefits to Green River

Students phone for foundation

by Marsha Heaton

More than 1200 Green River alumni in the Federal Way and Auburn areas will be phoned by volunteers in a Green River Foundation fund-raising campaign, ending Tuesday.

The foundation is a group of citizens committed to improving life in the community. In the past they have funded scholarships at Green River, purchased books and equipment for the library and supported different community arts performances.

The foundation is aiming to collect \$125,000 this year. The phonathon is just one way donations are made. Alumni are asked to make gifts of \$10 to \$150.

Each person who donates \$120 or more will become a member of the College Club. The club recognizes contributors who annually invest \$120 to \$999. Donors may pledge on a monthly basis.

During the last phonathon, in November, the Foundation collected \$680. Only 637 of the 1600 alumni in the area were reached. The group would like to double that figure.

Patti Sikora, alumni relations assistant

said, "Even when people don't donate, they have positive comments about Green River. That makes my job much easier."

Each phonathon focuses on different parts of the community. In November and December, the foundation makes calls in Pierce County. King County alumni are the center of the campaign, January through June.

Students who have graduated recently may still be going to a four year college or trying to make their way into the job force. According to Sikora, the foundation tries to contact alumni from several years ago, hoping to talk to people who are more settled.

The phonathons are not the only way the foundation makes contact with the alumni. "Currently," a newspaper that is published about twice a year, keeps graduates of Green River posted on what other students and faculty members are doing in the community. The paper is mailed to more than nine thousand people.

If you would like to make an investment in the Green River Foundation, call 833-9111, ext. 240.

Suzor new vets president

by Wayne Clifford

The Green River Veterans Club has lost three of its four officers this year. New Officers have been elected. These positions are now filled by Don Suzor as president, Katy Collins as vice president, Vance Percival as secretary and Ray Andrews as treasurer.

"One of the main goals of the club is to have a veterans memorial on campus," said Suzor. The club plans on raising money for the memorial by sponsoring events like office chair races on Feb. 18.

A fundraiser to look forward to is a bathroom fixture race in which the participant's vehicle must resemble a bathroom fixture of some kind. A show

and shine sock hop, which is a combination of the Show and Shine Auto Club and a 50's day, and a mini carnival are two more events now in the planning stages at the veterans office.

After the memorial is in place on campus, the club will use any extra funds from these activities to help other veteran organizations such as the Veterans Home and the Veterans Hospital.

"Any student can join," says Veterans Club Vice President Katy Collins. Being a veteran is not a prerequisite for joining the club, and she encourages people to participate and help support the club.

So you say you're horny . . .



Elwood's Column

by Elwood Stravinski

Trees are budding, animals are stirring and hormones are bubbling. Spring cometh. Those who have passed puberty feel the urge to hold hands, cuddle, and seductively eat certain fruits.

I, Elwood Stravinski, will be your guide through *The Wild World of Courtship*. Let's examine some film footage my assistant, Jim, shot earlier today. Ah, here we have the Uppy-Yuppitus—or in layman's terms—the Yuppie. His name is Skip and he is proud of his lime green 1973 BMW... note the fact that while he only earns \$30,000 a year, he skimps to look like he earns \$60,000. This is because the Uppy-Yuppitus places high esteem on the nesting habits of other Uppy-Yuppiti. Skip's date, Muffy, arrives and look what she's brought, expensive wine. They go out, eat raw fish (casually known as sushi), a standard Yuppie meal. But she only kisses him on the cheek upon the commencement of the evening (she doesn't like the fact that his

clothes clash with his BMW). Poor Uppy-Yuppitus.

If we had watched Eppy-Preppitus, or the Preppy, the entire evening would have just been scaled down, including a 1973 VW and McDonald's.

Our next unusual critter is known in scientific circles as Wave-a-Morphis or to laymen as Waver. If you ask a Waver if it is a Waver, it will assuredly say it is not, but no commoner definition exists, therefore, Waver will have to do.

Dating, as scientists define it, is not technically practiced by these rebels with no cause. Jim was injured getting this never-before-seen footage. Ooooh, look at the male approaching the female, he is wondering if she is a "poser" (poser—a Preppy or hick pretending to be a Waver). Upon recognition he makes his move. "Dance with me, or are you a Reaganite?" They gyrate onto the dance floor and prove to each other, each is a hedonist. The environment they crave is standardly called a "meat market." Goody for the Waver.

Courtship rites for a Waver subclass called "Punk" are similar, but tend to be more violent and involve sticky foodstuff.

Surprisingly enough folks, we have no data on Metalus-Rock-U, or Rocker—as far as we can see, it simply ingests huge amounts of drug material and squeezes its "babe" (babe—male or female reference used by the opposite sex, in no way does this constitute infant).

Well the rest of *The Wild World of Courtship* is yours to observe, just be careful not to get slapped.



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CAMPUS CLOSE-UP

Aviation students reach for HIGH HORIZONS

Following a course of aviation study at Green River leads to John Dinnis, a former air traffic controller who directs three degree programs.

Associate in Applied Arts Degrees are offered for Professional Pilot, Air Traffic Control, and Air Transportation, a program begun in the spring.

After working as an air traffic controller in radar for 11 years at the Seattle Air Route Traffic Control Center (known as the Seattle Center), Dinnis lost his job in 1981 when President Reagan fired thousands of controllers across the country.

He took a temporary teaching job at Green River and stayed for two years. Then in 1983 he began a year as manager of the Bellingham airport. Returning to Green River in 1984, he is presently near the end of year two in a three-year tenure track.

His experience as a pilot spans 21 years, with 3,000 hours of flight time and several flight ratings, including multi-engine and flight instruction. He has owned 19 different aircraft, presently owning a Mooney and a sail plane.

He said his favorite hobbies are "flying, flying, flying, and hunting." He indulges in a special expensive breed of hound dogs (he has two), known as Blueticks.

According to two of Dinnis' students, Bill Schreiner and Ray Andrews, his varied background and associated contacts are assets to his classes.

Schreiner said that Dinnis' experience gives him "a whole different view of what goes on."

Andrews added that Dinnis "goes out of his way and gets hold of a valid reputable reference" when it seems needed. He classified Dinnis as a "top-notch instructor."

Every aviation class has changed in the last two and a half years. Three new classes have

been added and everything else has been much updated, according to Dinnis.

To make these changes, he looked at "what is usual for any college and what is very basic and appropriate for controllers, pilots and persons entering many other jobs in air transportation." The curriculum is designed to give the students options. Many graduate with more than one degree.

A sampling of aviation classes includes air transportation, current aviation problems, airport management, aviation weather, instrument flight operations, three air traffic control classes, and three levels of pilot ground school.

Dinnis added that communications, interpersonal relations, speech, written communication and people-to-people classes are important.

Some aviation classes are usually filled to capacity or five to six students over. He said that the college administration has been very supportive of the additions he's made.

A hazardous materials class has been needed for a long time, according to Dinnis. A workshop on hazardous materials is sched-

uled in March, which will be valuable not only to aviators, but to anyone needing to know more about handling such materials.

"Purely in thought form, not on paper at all," are classes Dinnis believes to be worthwhile additions to the curriculum: Air Cargo, Reservations, and International Finance. "Air cargo people especially need to relate to the 'yen' or letters of credit from Yokohama," he said.

The professional pilot degree offered at Green River is only a part of the path to employment as a professional pilot, according to Dinnis. A two-year degree is minimal and a four-year degree is more common and recommended. Central Washington University offers a bachelor's degree in flight technology.

"Pilot people are competing for a job that's very appealing to a lot of people," said Dinnis. Building up 1500 hours of flight time along with several flight ratings can be an expensive path to a career. Flight time can cost 40, 50, or 60 dollars an hour.



John Dinnis checks the gas tank during his preflight inspection.



Aircraft take a rest on the ramp at Renton Field.



Mike Hall, Green River student, works on controlling "Instrument" aircraft without radar in the simulated facility in the SMT building.

A good way to go, said Dinnis, is to become an instructor. That way the student pays for the flight time, while the pilot logs his necessary hours. Once a pilot gets a multi-engine rating (passed or checked out by an instructor in a multi-engine aircraft), he can also build his time by flying freight. "Flying canceled checks at night; at four to five hours a day, it doesn't take long," said Dinnis.

The Air Transportation Program instituted last spring had input from an aviation advisory committee which included five air lines, the FAA, air freight, and other operators at SeaTac.

Heavy in people-to-people type classes, the course list specifies classes such as English, speech, math, management, interpersonal relations, communication, business, selling, administration, economics, and psychology.

Dinnis said, airport management "used to be phone, gas, and grass."

"It's a bit more sophisticated. (The manager) wears a tie now and is more involved in the business angle, a promotion. It's more profitable."

The Air Traffic Control Degree program grooms students to pass a competitive written test given by the Federal Aviation Administration twice yearly, in October and April. Scores must be above 90 percent to be competitive. The candidate then goes through physical and psychological screening and a security check.

If a student is selected and hired he goes to Oklahoma City for three months of rigorous and intensive training at the FAA Academy.

According to Andrews, the washout rate is high, around 60 percent, and "you're not talking about stupid people."

Dinnis' program, he said, was recommended to him by people at the Seattle Center. He is taking both the pilot and controller courses.

After passing the academy training, the controller is assigned a facility based on his performance and what the FAA has available. He may refuse and wait for a more preferred assignment. "There will be jobs for every graduate," said Dinnis.

Four different types of controller assignments can be made.

The area of greatest responsibility belongs to the Center controllers, such as the radar controllers at Seattle Center, the regional center located in Auburn that controls a multi-state area of three hundred thousand square miles of air space.

According to Dinnis, as a controller sits before a radar screen, the pay goes up. The controller in the tower who controls visually encounters the same degree of difficulty but a smaller area of responsibility, so the pay is not quite as high.

The radar controller earns forty-five to fifty-five thousand annually; some earn as much as seventy-thousand. The pay range of the tower controller is in the range of thirty to forty-five thousand. Controllers may retire at half salary after 20 years.

Approach controllers take planes landing at airports with approach radar after the center controllers have taken them through the region. As the plane gets closer to the runway, the tower controller takes over.

The fourth type of controller is

found in the flight service station. Weather briefings, taking flight plans and informing center computers of hazards are part of his work. The upper age limit of 31 does not apply to controllers working in flight service stations or centers.

According to Andrews, the task of maintaining separation between aircraft is complex. A certain technique and phraseology must be used; "You can't just say, 'Hey you! Don't go anywhere near him!'"

Joanne Andrus is a controller who "couldn't stand it" as a telephone operator. She entered the aviation program at Green River and was graduated with an Associate in Arts and an Associate in Applied Arts in Air Traffic Control. She also learned to fly.

After two years on the FAA waiting list, in August of 1981 she was in the first class after the strike, after the federal hiring freezes were lifted. Andrus said that the course at Oklahoma City was hard, but both Green River students who were there were graduated.

Andrus now works in the tower at Renton Airport.

She said, "Most controllers like to move on into the radar because it's higher paid." Also, the busier the tower, the higher the pay. A busier tower, like Boeing Field, would be a promotion.

She has a bid in for a tower job at SeaTac. She would like to stay in the area but still move ahead.

Andrus finds controlling enjoyable; most controllers do, she said, and most are pilots. She shares ownership in an aircraft.

On the responsibilities of the job, she said the controller must know the requirements for separation of the aircraft, understand the cockpit, when the pilots are busy and when they're not. She said, the controller "must have a picture, an 'eight by ten glossy' according to Dinnis, and keep everything moving.

"We can't see them," but after radio contact, have "a sense of timing where they were, when they'll arrive," and instruct them which direction to land, Andrus explained.

Feature by Myrle Rogneby
Photos by Ralph Radford

Writer suffers high-flying addiction

Never thought it would come to this when I said, "Gee, Ralph, don't you think the person writing the story ought to be on the flight as well as the photographer?"

Why am I so nervous? I don't have to fly it. Wish it weren't such a drippy day. At least the weather's not violent, and the clouds aren't too low.

Oh, yes. The walkaround. Dinnis is looking inside the wing to check the gas. Good, he cares about the details. He says it's green, which means it's 100 octane, just what we need today. It's clear, he says, with no dirt or water. Good.

Now the oil. Yes, there's oil, and no bird nests in with the engine. Dinnis says it's the wrong time of year for that. The nose gear is in place. The prop is on. Good. The tires look OK too.

Hurry, take the back seat. There's no danger of having to take the controls from the back

seat. Sure, Ralph. Put your extra gear back here. I'll hand you any lense you need. Good.

That's right, the Pre-Start checklist. It takes awhile, brakes and everything else. Good.

OK, it coughed once but started nicely the second time. Here we go, Runway 34, Auburn.

Wait. Yes, the Pre-Takeoff checklist needs to be dealt with. Looks good.

It seems so easy. At the right speed, the aircraft can't help but rise. My anxiety has lifted with it. What a feeling!

The mountains are so clear and beautiful; they look huge from here. And so close.

There's Renton Field. Down we go, landing toward the north. It's fairly peaceful in the tower, at least right now. Nothing like the stressful place for multiple burnouts I've heard about.

OK, back to Auburn now, and I know, it's my turn to ride in the front this time.

What? Me take the controls? No. No. I just don't remember any of it. Well, I might try it for a bit, since he's right there at the other controls.

Maybe I remember a little. Down here are the rudder pedals and their use has to be coordinated with movement of the yoke or wheel for turns.

She's climbing, Dinnis says. Oh, yes. Ease forward a little. That's better.

Try to keep it in the valley, Dinnis says.

Sure. No problem. I'm doing it! I'm glad I don't have to deal with the throttle too. Or the radio.

Dinnis tells me there's someone below me on my left.

Good. I'm glad he's watching. There's the Auburn Airport, he says. Are you ready to land it?

No. I'm not.

Follow me on the controls, he says.

It would be so easy to get addicted to this.



Dinnis explains the Cherokee controls to reporter Rogneby.



Joanne Andrus, former Green River student now conducts air traffic at Renton tower.

NEWS AND FEATURES

Regional airspace controlled from Auburn facility

by Myrtle Rogneby

Three hundred thousand square miles of air space are controlled from a Federal Aviation Administration compound on Auburn Way South. The facility is known as the Seattle Air Route Air Traffic Control Center (Seattle Center).

The region is bounded by Canada on the north, extends south into northern California, east through Idaho, and out to sea 100 miles.

"Our primary duty is safety of air traffic, getting aircraft from point A to point B in the most expeditious and safe manner. We are a service organization, here to serve commercial and private pilots and the military," said Don Brandt, who works in public relations, transition training, and quality assurance at the center.

The center incorporates information from eight long-range radar sites, receiving the information via microwave link and leased telephone lines. The information is filed into one large computer, an IBM 9020. The system is 20 years old, and a new wing is being added to the center to accommodate a new computer system, known as the "host computer."

The IBM 9020 is kept in an area with humidity controlled at 50 percent and temperature at 70 degrees to control static. According to Brandt, without the controlled atmosphere, someone could come in, lean against the framework, set off a static charge, and blow the entire regional control system.

The center also has several backup

power systems to protect the computer from power outages. A battery room provides instant backup power, and can continue for four to six hours. In two to three minutes, diesel generators begin producing power. They are capable of lighting the city of Auburn, according to Brandt.

The controllers at the radar screens of the center go through an extremely rigorous course of training. According to Brandt, after three or three and a half years of intensive training by the FAA, "you might say the controller has a master's degree in air traffic control."

Every October and every April, a civil service exam is given by FAA personnel management in the Federal Building in downtown Seattle. Would-be controllers

who score 90 or above on the test will be called in for screening which includes an interview, a rigid physical, security screening, and psychological testing to determine adaptability to the air traffic field.

If the candidate passes the screening, he is sent to the FAA Academy in Oklahoma City for three months of intensive training. This is the first of 13 levels of training. Sixty percent of the students at the academy do not pass. Of the four who survive the academy, Brandt said two more wash out before finishing the training program. Two out of ten become controllers.

Brandt said that a college education is not required. The student needs a high school diploma and excellence in mathematics, memory skills, English and communication skills.

Chicanos, Latinos exhibit variety of art at Holman Gallery

by Valeria Grey

Green River Community College will be host to a Latino and Chicano art exhibit Feb. 5-21. This exhibit is part of Green River's emphasis on the Latin American culture.

Each artist will exhibit three works in different media, including paint, mixed media, photography, print making, and sculpture.

All of the artists are living in the Pacific Northwest.

The culture of the Latins of the Pacific Northwest is of special interest because, until recently, it has been mixed with the Chicano culture.

Today, it isn't too difficult to find Latino foods in supermarkets. Some radio stations broadcast in Spanish.

Many of the Chicano and Latino artists have had exhibits world wide. Some of them have been one-person exhibits.

The works range from modern, interpretive art to the beauty of wax flowers from Oregon.

Evergreen State College produced the project with funding from the Washington State Arts Commission.

Eduardo Calderon, who works in photography, will present photographic portraits of the artists in their working environments, as well as artists' statements and biographies.

The artists are motivated by the needs of a struggling minority. These artists are not in the mainstream of the art world.

Artists from Seattle include Cecilia Alvarez, Alfredo Arreguin, Arturo Artorez, Paul Berger, Eduardo Calderon, and Jose E. Orantes. Included in the exhibit are Ruben Trejo of Spokane, Jose Reynoso and Jose L. Rodriguez of Boise, Idaho.

The exhibit will be available from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday.

During Spring Quarter, GRCC will include three classes on Latin America. Each class will focus on a different area: Latin fiction translated into English, Anthropology of Mexico, and a 15-part lecture series by Latin experts.

Robot technology becoming sophisticated

by Mark M. Cramer

GRCC students in Electronics 94 are becoming familiar with robotics, a highly sophisticated and complex field.

Recently Dale Olson, an electronics instructor, demonstrated a robot to the Board of Trustees.

The robot is named Arm-Droid. It is a new addition to the Electronics department. This robot is controlled with a Commodore 64 computer that is keyboarded by a person.

The robot Arm-Droid is directly connected to the computer at its base. The base houses the printed circuit boards, the motor that drives the robot, the rest of the arm.

The arm has a shoulder which rotates on the base by way of the main bearing which meshes with the reduction gears on the upper arm.

The upper arm carries the gears that drive the elbow, wrist and hand. It rotates about on a horizontal axis of the upper arm, and it carries the wrist and bevel gears.

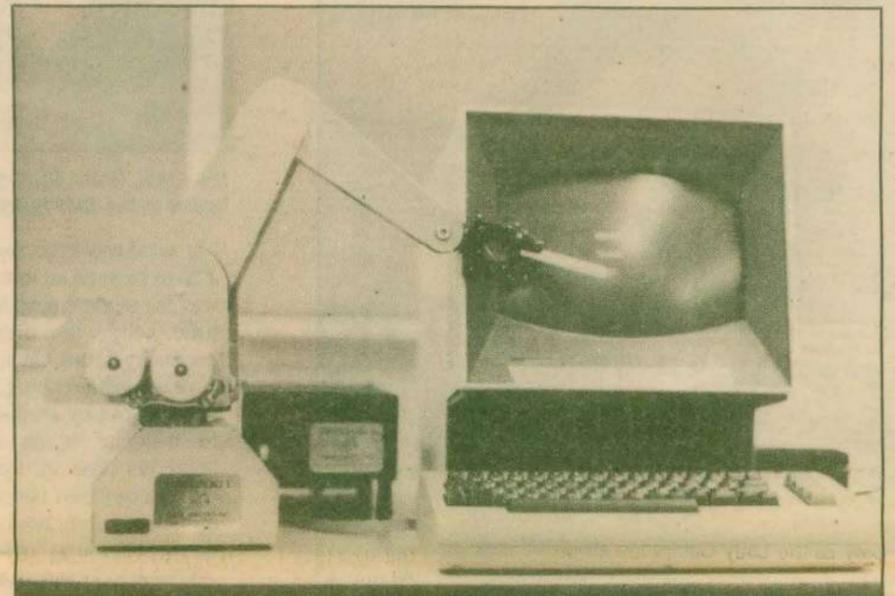
Although not very large, it is a high technology robot. "A robot is an extension of the person, or of you," said Olson.

Robotics has come a long way since early automation began. For example televisions are now built 50 percent by man and 50 percent by robots.

The reason that robots are becoming so much more popular as a work force is that human speed and accuracy must be maintained by the individuals motivation.

A robot does not get bored, they work 24 hours per day with no lights on.

The careers of today's grade school students have yet to be created.



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"Arm-Droid," a robot from Electronics 94 was recently demonstrated for the trustees.

technology will force people to be more knowledgeable and to have better skills, according to Olson.

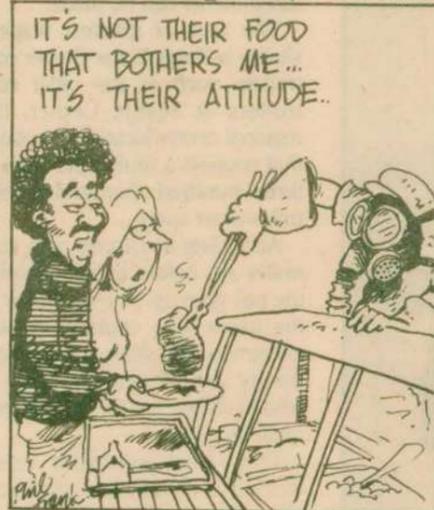
Several careers will be related to the use of robots. Many manufacturing plants have already incorporated the use of robots. Boeing, as an example has one robot that is programmed by remote control. It responds to commands such as: Go get x amount of parts from bin number X.

Other careers will be in electronic component maintenance and maintenance of the many mechanical parts involved in production.

Some of the tasks performed by computer-programmed robots are material handling, printing press operations, injection molding, machine load and unload, die casting, spray painting, welding, milling, inspection, simple and complex parts assembly.

Low, medium, and high technology are the three industrial categories of robots. The degree of sophistication required of a robot determined by the need as well as the cost of acquiring one at that level. The greatest technical advancement to the robot industry was adaptation to computer control.

Frankly Speaking by Phil Frank



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SPORTS

NWAACC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

standings through February 1

Western Conference	League W-L	Season W-L
Tacoma	8-0	16-4
Green River	6-2	15-6
Clark	5-2	11-8
Centralia	3-5	3-15
Fort Steilacoom	2-6	9-12
Grays Harbor	2-6	7-10
Lower Columbia	1-6	7-14

NWAACC MEN'S BASKETBALL

standings through February 1

Western Conference	League W-L	Season W-L
Tacoma	8-0	16-2
Centralia	6-2	18-2
Clark	5-2	10-10
Grays Harbor	4-4	14-8
Lower Columbia	3-4	12-10
Green River	1-7	12-10
Fort Steilacoom	0-8	1-20

Titans too tough to topple

by Duane Lee

Saturday night the Green River men's basketball team traveled to Tacoma with upset in mind and for 30 minutes played that way.

Green River scored first, but then fell behind 10-2 just like that, and you would have thought it to be over then.

After gaining some composure, they scraped their way back to a two-point deficit with just less than 11 minutes remaining in the first half, on a nice cross-over by Tim Helgeson as he was fouled and made his freethrow.

With 4:24 to play, Collins went to the free throw line to make both his shots and 25-23 ball game out of it. Exchanging baskets down the first stretch, Tacoma's Dan Dizon hit a shot at the buzzer to make it a nine-point lead for the Titans at 36-27.

In the second half the Gators hoped to come out with the same kind of intensity and execution. The closest the Gators were going to get was a five-point difference at just under 15 minutes to play in the game, the Titans couldn't get a bigger lead than seven as Green River was playing some tremendous "D."



LIZ JOHANSON/THE CURRENT

Cedric Collin (20) shot a pair from the line in the Ft. Steilacoom game.

Coach Gene Cash said, "We played hard for a good 30 minutes, but games are 40 minutes long. We executed well, did some things inside I was pleased with. Tacoma is ranked number one in the NWAACC and they played like it when they had to. We

also needed to stop their outside shooters, which we did for a half."

The final was 74-55 Tacoma.

Green River hosts Clark Community College tomorrow night.

Determination not enough

by Duane Lee

On Saturday night the Green River women's basketball team went to Tacoma hoping to get a tie—a tie for first place that is. A tie is what they got all right—for second place with Clark at 6-2 in conference play as the Lady Gators lost 61-60.

Green River led with 11-7 at 14:33 to go in the first after a three-point play on a foul conversion by Keri Strobeck and two more added by Sonia Swan. The Gators fell behind 23 to 21 with 6:46 remaining in the first half and would never lead again in the game.

Tacoma built an eight-point lead and kept that difference as they went into the locker room at half-time with 38-30.

In the second half, the Lady Gators were more than determined to fight their way back into this one, and fight they did.

When the Lady Gators needed a big basket with seven to play, they got one from Nancy Katzer to make the game a four-point difference at 52-48.

After Strobeck tied it up at 58-58, Green River played the hardest, most exciting two minutes they've played all year. Katzer fouled out on an apparently very poor call and fine game up to that point.

With 20 seconds left, Maura Doohan hit a 20-foot jumper to make it 61-60 Tacoma, then the Gators put on a tremendous full court press and came up short with several chances.

Coach Mike Willis said, "We just couldn't get over the hump when we got there. The tough ones like this hurt; now the rest of our games are all big ones."

Strobeck had 22 points, and Swan played a fine defensive game for the Lady Gators.

Green River intramural teams compete in local tourney

by Denise Ko

Three non-varsity GRCC basketball teams will be competing in the Schick Super Hoops Festival, Northwest Regional Tournament on Saturday, Feb. 22 at the University of Washington starting at 10 a.m.

The teams, two mens, Back for More, and the Hoopsters; and one womens, GRCC Gators, will be competing against 29 other schools including teams from Oregon and Idaho.

The two winning teams from the Super Hoops Festival will play against each other during a Sonics halftime in March.

The GRCC teams recently played in a Schick-sponsored tournament on campus. The winning team members all received athletic bags from Schick and the chance to play in the upcoming Super Hoops.

Some of the gifts to be awarded at the Super Hoops Festival will include plaques for the four final schools, and Sonics tickets for all participants in the finals.

The tournament is open to all interested spectators. For more information contact Ted Franz in PE-9, or call ext. 293

Intramural Standings as of February 5, 1986

5-on-5 Basketball

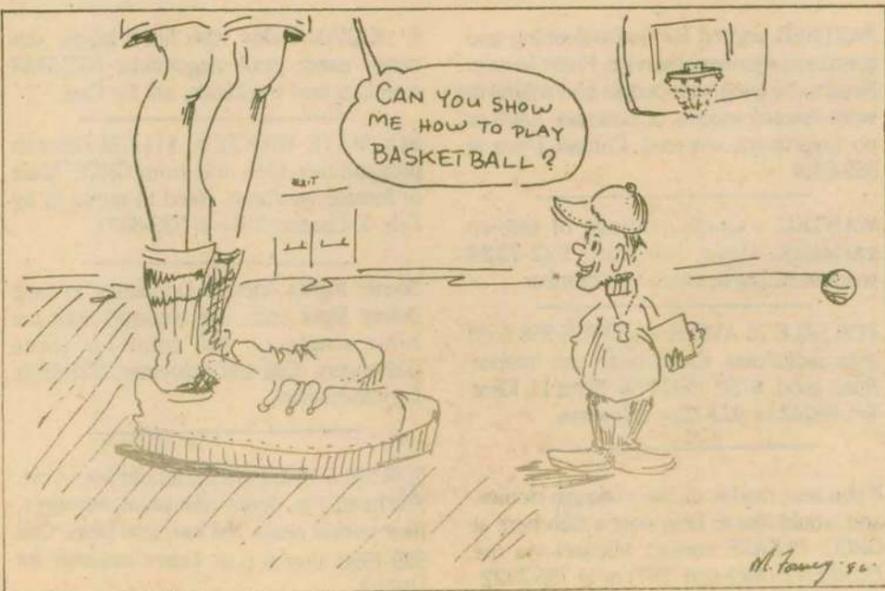
League A	W L F	League B	W L F
Run-n-Gun	4 0 0	Beer Bellies	3 0 0
Instant Offense	3 1 0	Jerry's Kids	3 0 0
Jordan Express	2 1 0	Slow Break	2 1 0
Mutants	2 2 0	The Conks	2 1 0
Six-Two and Over	1 2 1	Trampled Under Foot	2 2 0
2 Hot 2 Handle	1 2 0	Too Short to Dunk	1 3 0
The Slammers	1 2 0	Chem A	0 3 0
Tough Enough	0 3 1	Sandbaggers	0 3 0

Volleyball

League A	W L F	League B	W L F
Court Jesters	3 1 0	Gator Busters	3 0 0
Pet Shoppe Boys	2 1 1	Oldies but Goodies	3 0 0
Huff and Puff	2 1 0	Spectators	2 1 0
The Crue	1 1 0	VVAA	1 1 1
Tech's	1 2 0	Freezers	1 2 0
XS	1 2 0	Fexual Santisy	1 3 0
No Sweat	0 2 0	Never Ready's	1 3 0

INTRAMURAL GAMES week of Feb. 10

Volleyball		Basketball	
Monday	Fexual Santisy vs. Spectators	Monday	Run-n-Gun vs. Tough Enough
Tuesday	No Sweat vs. Huff and Puff	Tuesday	Too Short to Dunk vs. The Conks
Wednesday	Spectators vs. VVAA	Wednesday	Sandbaggers vs. Slow Break
Thursday	Never Ready's vs. VVAA	Wednesday	Six-Two and Over vs. Instant Offense
	Pet Shoppe Boys vs. Huff and Puff	Wednesday	2 Hot 2 Handle vs. The Slammers
	Oldies but Goodies vs. Fexual Santisy	Friday	Trampled Under Foot vs. Beer Bellies
	XS vs. No Sweat		Jerry's Kids vs. Chem A
Friday	Spectators vs. Gator Busters		The Conks vs. Trampled Under Foot



The tough get tough again

by Duane Lee

Wednesday night the Green River women's basketball team visited Centralia with some aggression to take out after last Saturday's heartbreaking loss to Tacoma.

And man, did their aggression ever come out as they whopped Centralia by a score of 92-49. The entire team played exceptionally well as a whole as both the starters and the personnel on the bench rose to the occasion.

However, the men's team still seems to have some trouble getting over the hump and back into the win column as they lost to Centralia by a score of 76-60

Late Scores

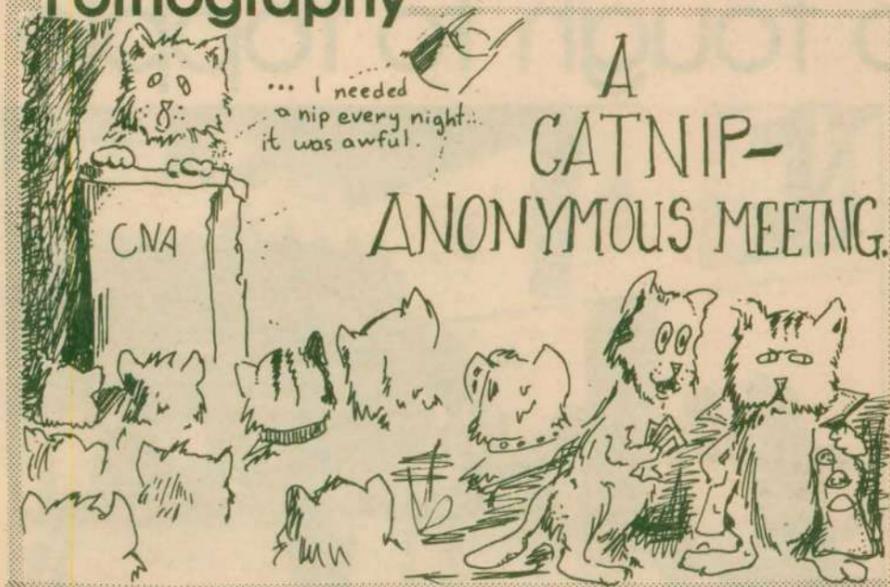
Women's Basketball
Green River Lady Gators 92
Centralia Lady Trailblazers 49

Men's Basketball
Centralia Trailblazers 76
Green River Gators 60

Buckle Up.

GENERAL NEWS

Fornography



On Campus

Puget Sound Blood Bank needs donors

The Puget Sound Blood Bank for King County will host a blood drive at Green River on Wednesday, Feb. 12. Donations can be made in the Glacier Room from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Mini-course discusses landlord, tenant rights

A mini-course on renter's rights discussing landlord and tenant responsibilities and obligations will be offered on Feb. 26 and 27 from 12 to 1 p.m. in room SS 20. The course cost is \$2. Those who want may sign up in the cashiers office or call Carol, ext. 337, in Student Programs.

Volunteer gentlemen sought by Student Programs

Volunteers are needed for the annual Senior Citizen's Valentines Day Dance. Gentlemen are needed to dance with the ladies. The dance is on Feb. 13 in the LSC building from 4 to 6 p.m. Interested individuals, and those wanting more information may contact Cheri in Student Programs, ext. 337, by Feb. 12.

Raising super tots to be discussed at lecture

"Facts and Fantasies about Raising Super Tots" will be the subject of a presentation by Dr. Cecile Mielenz on Tuesday, Feb. 11, from 7 to 9 p.m. on campus in room 214 of the SMT building. Dr. Mielenz, a parent education instructor at Shoreline Community College, will review relevant research and recommendations regarding the popular "Better Baby" program and analyze ways that this program may negatively affect a child's development. Suggestions for appropriate activities for children will be made. The lecture is presented free, sponsored by GRCC's Family Studies Department.

Adams to host Vancouver B.C. excursion

Dr. Nigel Adams, history instructor at GRCC, invites any interested individuals to join him and his Modern Asia class on an unofficial class trip to Vancouver, B.C. The class will be spending the day in Chinatown to celebrate the Chinese New Year. Activities include a traditional parade by the Chinese community, a trip to Stanley Park, museum visits, and a Chinese smorgasbord at Marco Polo restaurant. Carpools will leave at 7 a.m. on Feb. 9 from the softball field parking lot across the street from Green River. For more information contact Dr. Adams in SS-8, or call ext. 391.

Trade on Pacific Rim discussed at lecture

Bill Gilmore, Vice President of the International Trade Department of Rainier Bank, will lecture on the importance and significance of the Pacific Rim trade to our economy at Green River on Thursday, Feb. 13. Gilmore will be in SS-8 at 10 a.m. to discuss business statistics, marketing products, job prospects and differences in business practices. The lecture is open to anyone interested.

Senior Citizens Valentine Dance

Green River Community College's Student Programs presents their annual Senior Citizen's Valentines Day Dance. The dance is on Feb. 13, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Lindbloom Student Center. Music will be provided by the Fife Center Senior Combo. There will also be complimentary pictures and refreshments. For more information contact the Student Programs office at 833-9111 (Auburn); 464-6133 (Seattle); 924-0180 (Tacoma), ext. 337.

Armed Forces aptitude test being offered

The Armed Forces will be offering the ASVAB aptitude test on campus Feb. 11 from 1 to 4 p.m. The test is open to all students. For more information or to sign up to take the test contact the Career Information Center in the LSC, second floor.



Aramis, Porthos, Athos coming in March

by Cory Stevens

"One for all and all for one," shouts a musketeer as Green River Community College's Heavier Than Air Family Theater proudly presents "The Three Musketeers."

The Three Musketeers are portrayed by actors Scott Weiese as Aramis, Dave Wise as Porthos, and Dean Pendley as the quiet and moody Athos.

Director Joe Baker commented, "This play will be similar to the 1940 serial plays with popcorn girls and narrations at the beginning of each scene. The play is full of action and is a good play for the whole family."

The fight scenes in the play take a lot of time and practice. These scenes are directed by Rick Rohert and Dean Pendley who also hold important roles in the play. The swords that are involved in these scenes are especially made for the produc-

tion by the Green River metal shop.

Actor Kristi Sell states, "in this play, particularly, I like the fight scenes, even though a lot of time is spent on them. Because of the children, we have to be careful since the swords are made of metal, but they do make a good weapon while walking to the car after practice."

Most of the actors are either previously or presently enrolled students of Green River, and according to Baker, they are all hard-working performers who enjoy what they do.

The play runs through the weekends of March 28-30 and April 4-6. There will be fourteen performances throughout the production. General admission is \$2.50. Tickets are available now in student programs.

Peterson places first in GRCC math competition

by Myrtle Rogneby

The top five finishers in Green River's team competing in the National Student Mathematics League competition Fall Quarter were announced recently by math instructor, Larry Larson. Randy Peterson was first for Green River, followed by Galen Roumpf, Todd Rutherford, Gary Weiss, and Rolf Mogster.

Three competitions are sponsored each school year by the American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges. The results announced were for Fall Quarter's competition in November. Winter Quarter's competition will take place in mid-February.

The Green River team placed nineteenth out of 36 participating schools. This was not at the top, but respectable and "better than being thirty-sixth," according to Larson.

The contest consists of a one-hour multiple choice test. "The problems are all of a pre-calculus nature, so they're all in the realm of algebra and trigonometry, and it's fun," said Larson.

"If the tests don't have any effect on your life, they ought to be fun. They require some thinking," he added.

Those interested in the upcoming competition may contact Larson at extension 352. He has samples of previous exams to study, and is considering having some problem-solving sessions before the contest.

Most competitors are men, but a few women do compete. No woman has achieved the top score since 1974.

Larson said that his biggest problem with the test is getting people to participate.

Community Happenings

City of Kent presents Video Festival

The city of Kent Arts Commission is sponsoring the first annual Kent Video Festival on March 15, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Kent Commons, 525 Fourth Avenue North, Kent.

Scheduled events include: Kid Vid, Animation Video, Radio Production, and Child I.D. Video. Tickets are \$2 adults, \$1 youth and senior citizens and are available at Kent Parks and Recreation or at Kent Commons. For more information contact Kent Parks and Recreation at 872-3350.

Kent Parks seeking volunteer puppeteers

"The Kids on the Block" is a troupe of disabled and able-bodied puppets designed to teach children about disabilities in a puppet show format. Kent Parks and Recreation needs interested individuals to train as puppeteers in their volunteer program. All training is provided by the Parks and Recreation department at no charge. Classes will be given Mondays from 6 to 8:30 p.m. until Feb. 24 at Kent Commons, 525 4th Avenue North, Kent. For information call 872-3350.

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