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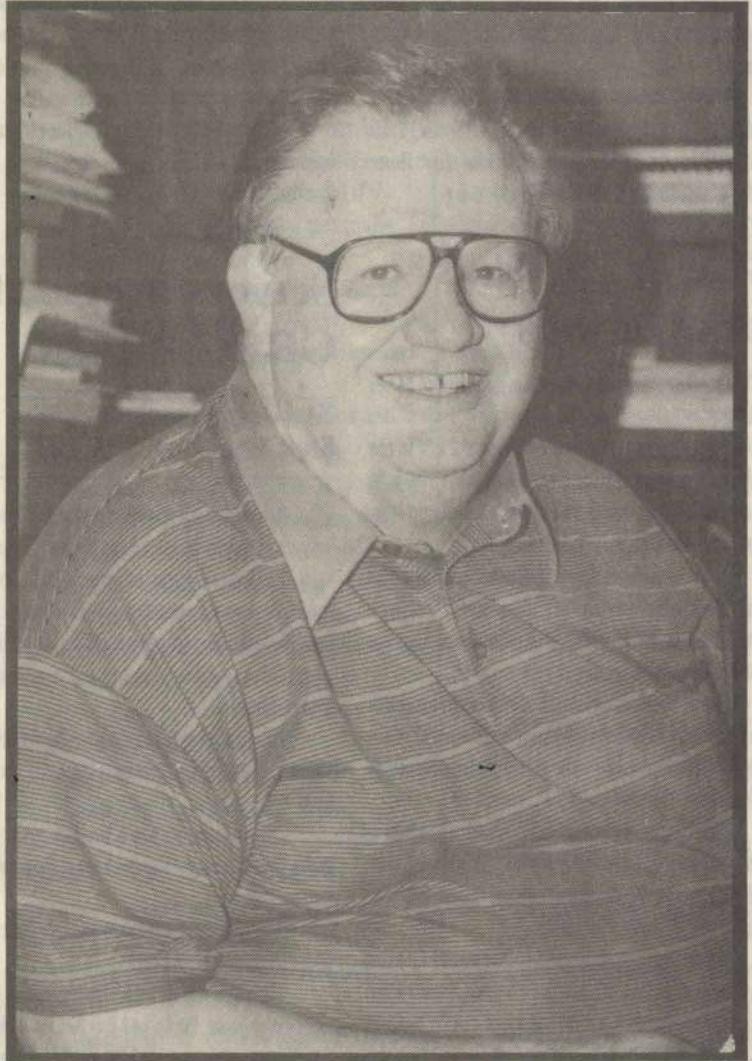
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Save lives, give blood

By John Carlile
Staff Reporter

Have you ever saved a life? It is possible to save someone's life and help two others with one donation of blood, and students will have that opportunity here at Green River Community College.

There will be a blood drive on Feb. 11, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with a break for lunch from 11:15 a.m. to 12 noon, in the Glacier Room, first floor of the Lindbloom Student Center.

Glacier Park has summer jobs

Glacier Park Inc. is looking nationwide for students to fill summer jobs.

The jobs are at Glacier National Park in the northwest corner of Montana. More than 900 jobs are available in all segments of the hotel and hospitality areas.

Jobs include many hotel positions, such as front desk clerk, room attendants, cooks, wait persons and bus drivers. Many students also are hired to entertain guests.

Employees are needed this year from mid-May to early October. The highest demand is for employees who can work through late September and early October.

The company is especially interested in students majoring in hotel/restaurant, culinary arts, travel/tourism, accounting majors, music and theater.

For details on jobs and salaries call Glacier Park Inc. at (602) 207-2620, or write Glacier Park Inc., 1850 North Central, Phoenix AZ, 85077-0924.

"I have donated several times," said Shannon MacDonald from Student Enrollment Services. "I know that if I ever needed it, it would be available for me because other people were willing to donate."

Students note a personal satisfaction in knowing that they were able to help someone, said Vicki McMullin. "It makes you feel good about helping people."

McMullin is a regular donor either here on campus or at the Puget Sound Blood Bank at South Center.

The busiest time to make a blood donation is 12 noon to 1 p.m. To expedite the process, make an appointment, said Julie French in Health Services. An appointment can be made in Health Services, on the second floor of the LSC.

To be eligible to donate you need to be 18 years old, or 16 with a signed blood program permission slip. You also need to be in good health and weigh at least 110 pounds.

It is also recommended that donors eat a good meal prior to donating.

If you have any questions about donating blood call French at ext. 2430.

Seniors boogie at GRCC

By Holly Blanchard
Staff Reporter

A free dance for senior citizens will be held on Valentine's Day in the Lindbloom Student Center.

The Senior Citizens' Valentine's Day Dance is sponsored by the special events department of Student Programs. René Popke, student activities coordinator, said the dance is advertised around the community and to nursing homes in Kent and Auburn.

This dance has been held annually for over the past 10 years, said Popke. She expects 200 to 250 people to attend.

Entertainment will be a live folk-music band, said Popke. The dancers get into the spirit of the event and wear festive clothing.

"We provide refreshments and free portraits for the senior citizens," said Popke.

The dance will be held from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the main dining room. Popke said it is just for senior citizens, but students are welcome to bring parents or grandparents.

The Green River

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Letters must be typed and signed with a phone number for verification purposes.

Please send all materials to: The Current, mail stop SP or stop in at our office in the Lindbloom Student Center.

GRCC communicates in cyberspace

By Louise Ladberg
Staff Reporter

Green River Community College has got a second home page, "Green River in Cyberspace!" The new site was donated by Bob Brehm, instructor in behavior science, to the students and faculty of GRCC.

The new home page so far contains the online class, Career Explorations, two editions of The Trusting Times in Cyberspace and the GRCC faculty contract.

The Current will also be going online with extracts from the paper.

"Anything in the Green River community that people want to announce will be put on there," says Brehm.

Students can post events on a special page for current events.

"The heart of a campus community, the central organ of communication, is the value of your student newspaper," says Brehm.

Brehm said that this home page is just a new and different form of campus communication.

The entry page is a black background with a moon, an astronaut floating by the moon and a lot of stars. The stars will be marked with the subjects of content. One star will say Online Career Class, another one will say Green River Current news. To get to the different pages just click on the star of choice.

The address of the new web page is: www.greenriver.com.

AIDS website

By John Carlile
Staff Reporter

There is information available on the Internet produced by the National Center for HIV, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, and Tuberculosis Prevention, division of HIV/AIDS Prevention. This page provides information on several HIV/AIDS related issues:

- * General HIV/AIDS information: HIV transmission, clinical trials, treatment and survival with HIV.
- * Publications and resources: Fact sheets, Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Review articles, AIDS daily summaries and bibliographies.
- * Statistics: National AIDS statistics and HIV/AIDS Surveillance Report.

The address for this site is: http://www.cdc.gov/nchstp/hiv_aids/dhap.htm

Another web site that is available is The Seattle-King County Department of Public Health. This page has information on health department programs and activities and an AIDS information page is available.

The address for the King-County Department of Health is:

<http://www.metrokc.gov/health>

The address for the AIDS section is:

<http://www.u.washington.edu/~aidsrc/app.html>

Stop STDs at GRCC

By John Carlile
Staff Reporter

"WITHOUT A CONDOM ANY SEX IS GROUP SEX," says a poster in Health Services.

"If you make love without a condom, you have plenty of company. Because you will be sharing your bed with everyone your partner had sex with, before you came along. And everyone of your partner's partners. So whenever you make love, make sure you use a condom. It won't diminish your pleasure— just your chances of getting AIDS."

Health Services and the Auburn Health Clinic have sponsored a display for students to learn more about the prevention of sexually transmitted diseases.

This informational display will be in the lobby of the Lindbloom Student Center, as the week of Feb. 10-14 is Safe Sex Week.

Brochures and pamphlets can be picked up at the display or can be picked up in the Health Services office on the second floor of the LSC.

~ If you have any questions about this you can call Julie French in Health Services, ext.2430.

Assess your risk

By John Carlile
Staff Reporter

Do you know all the risks involved in dealing with HIV and AIDS? Are you a risk taker?

If you would like to find out if you are playing Russian Roulette with your life, attend a free, confidential HIV/AIDS risk assessment in Health Services on Feb. 10, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

This is not a blood test. It is a written evaluation to help people understand what types of risks they are taking and how to protect themselves in the future.

The HIV/AIDS risk assessment will be given

by a Planned Parenthood representative and is confidential.

The representative will be available to answer questions regarding HIV/AIDS. There will also be brochures available.

"I will have a lot of hand-outs here for the students," said Julie French in Health Services. "These handouts will help students understand what some of the risks are that they are taking and hopefully will help them to change their way of thinking about the risks involved."

This is a time for students to see if a behavioral change is necessary, said French. This assessment will teach students about the myths and gen-

eral misinformation that people have regarding HIV/AIDS.

This questionnaire will take approximately 30 minutes to complete if you make an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome, but it may take longer to get in.

If you would like to talk to the Planned Parenthood representative or fill out the HIV/AIDS risk assessment, you can make an appointment or drop in to Health Services.

To make an appointment, or if you have questions, call French at ext. 2430.

**HEALTH SERVICES
PROGRAMS
EVENTS FOR THE WINTER
QUARTER 1997**

February

Feb. 10 - 14.

Safe Sex Week

This week is a designated week to aim at the prevention of sexually transmitted diseases. In the LSC Lobby, brochures and pamphlets will be available for your health concerns as well as information on local health resources.

**Monday, Feb. 10., 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
HIV Risk Assessment**

Do you need to take an HIV test? One-half hour appointments can be scheduled to take a brief assessment. A Planned Parenthood representative will be available in Health Services to discuss whether or not you should take an HIV test. Walk-ins are also welcome.

**Tuesday, Feb. 11, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Quarterly Blood Drive**

Who can donate blood? People who are in good health, who are at least 18 years of age (16 or 17 year olds may donate with a signed Blood Program permission slip), and who weigh at least 110 pounds may donate blood every 56 days. For more information, call Julie French at Health Services, ext. 2430.

March

March National Nutrition Month

**Tuesday, Mar. 4., 5.30 - 7.30 p.m.
National College Anxiety Screening Day**

This is a screening program during which students learn about anxiety disorders, view a video, obtain free literature about anxiety disorders and other mental illnesses. They will have the opportunity to complete an anxiety disorders questionnaire and have results

reviewed by a clinician.

Mar. 17., 10 am - 1 p.m.

Free Massages

Baker Room

Relax and enjoy a free 10-minute massage, a gift to you for all your hard work during the quarter.

For more information: Call Julie French, Health Services Coordinator, ext. 2430

**CALENDAR PERSONAL
DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS**

Personal Development Workshops
Tuesdays between noon - 1 p.m.

**Jan. 28, In One Ear and Out the
Pen - Tips on Note taking**

What kind of listener are you? What are the advantages of note taking? Discover techniques to help you become an active listener and improve your note taking skills by applying the Cornell Notetaking System.

Presenter: Harry Rosemond,
GRCC Instructor, Title III

Feb. 4, Some Women's Lives

Please join us to watch excerpts of the film "Don't Go To Your Room." This excellent film looks at issues of "abilities" and self-advocacy written by and about women with disabilities at the University of Oregon. You are invited to view and discuss this film in a supportive setting as we look at how this group of women define themselves and live their lives.

Presenter: Karen Bruno, Educational Planner

**Feb. 11, Math - How to Become
More Successful**

Have you ever said to yourself, "But I have never been any good at math," or "I have always hated math-

ematics," or "I have not had any math for so long that I have forgotten it all"? Learn how to begin changing your view of mathematics and learn helpful hints that will lead you toward success and open new doors for you.

Presenters: Steve Kinholt, GRCC Math Instructor, Title III, and Christie Gilliland, GRCC Math Instructor

**Feb. 18., Career Resources for
the 21st Century**

GRCC's Educational Planning and Career Center has recently expanded and reorganized to better serve students' needs for career planning and development. One specific change is the addition of an Internet link to a wide array of career and academic resources. Please join us to learn about GRCC's center and the resources and services available to you for successful academic and career choices. LOCATION CHANGE: Educational Planning Center, LSC-277.

Presenters: Educational Planning Staff

**Feb. 25, The 10 Forms of Twisted
Thinking**

Have you ever noticed that your mood is often closely related to your thoughts or self-talk? By recognizing which thoughts set us up to feel depressed, anxious or guilty, we can learn new ways to change the way we think, the way we behave and the way we feel. This workshop will introduce you to the ten most common errors in thinking that directly relate to mood and help you learn how to change them to more helpful thoughts.

Presenter: Ted Broussard, M.A.,
GRCC Counselor

**March 4, "So What Do You
Want To Be When You Grow Up?"**

Before you answer that, you might want to attend this workshop to find out how interest and values assessments can help you identify your strengths and skills and learn some helpful strategies

and tips on researching occupations, networking, decision-making and personal marketing.

Presenter: John House, Educational Planner

ON-GOING GROUPS

12-Step Recovery Meetings

Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous and Debtors Anonymous meetings on campus for GRCC and community. Anyone interested in leading a 12-step group or being a part of one is encouraged to contact the Counseling Services office, LSC-231, or call ext. 2460.

Sexual Minorities Support Group

A twice monthly support group for bisexual, gay, lesbian, questioning and transgendered students at GRCC. Call Counseling Services at ext. 4292 for more information.

Women in Transition

A weekly group for women returning to school to provide support for the challenge of being back in class and juggling work, family and school. Consider joining this savvy group of women who understand what you are experiencing and who can offer you friendship and community. Sponsored by Counseling Services and the Women's Center. Call ext. 2460 for more information or to sign up. Facilitated by Marie Sundberg, M.A., GRCC Counselor.

STUDENT PROGRAMS ACTIVITIES CALENDER

Feb. 3

- Mainstage Monday-Elvis
- Judicial Board Meeting
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 1-2 p.m. SG 62

- Eating Disorders Anonymous, 3-4 p.m. LSC-231

Feb. 4

- Asian Student Meeting
- ICC Meeting

Feb. 5

- Men's and Women's Basketball vs. South Puget Sound
- Senate Meeting

Feb. 6

- Senate Meeting
- Debtors Anonymous, 6-7 p.m. LSC 259

Feb. 7

- Faculty In-Service-NO CLASSES
- Narcotics Anonymous, 12-1 p.m. HLB 112
- International Programs Ski Trip
- Tet (Vietnamese New Year), Chinese Lunar New Year and Mienh New Year

Feb. 8

- Men's and Women's Basketball vs. Clark
- International Programs Indoor Rock Climb
- Saturday Activity
- Family Saturday Program, "Valentine's Origami," 1 to 3 p.m., at the Wing Luke Asian Museum

Feb. 10-14

- Safe Sex Awareness Week

Feb. 10

- Mainstage Monday
- Judicial Board Meeting
- Alcoholics Anonymous, 1-2 p.m.

SG 62

- Eating Disorders Anonymous, 3-4 p.m. LSC 231

Feb. 11

- Asian Student Meeting
- Blood Drive

Feb. 12

- Men's and Women's Basketball vs. Tacoma
- Senate Meeting

Feb. 13

- Senate Meeting
- Debtors Anonymous, 6-7 p.m. LSC 259

Feb. 14

- Senior Citizen Valentine Dance
- GRCC Valentine's Day Dance
- Popcorn & Move Night-"Beauty & the Beast"
- Narcotics Anonymous, 12-1 p.m. HLB 112

Feb. 15

- Men's and Women's Basketball vs. Centralia
- Outdoor Programs Snow Caving at Paradise
- Saturday Activity

**Holman Library will be closed
Feb. 7, an in-service day for
instructors
Feb. 8 Regional Technology
Conference**

This is a public announcement from Student Programs in reference to open hearings for the 522 Budget Development Process.

Open hearings are scheduled for:

***Wed., Feb. 26**

1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

***Wed., March 5**

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

These meetings will be held in the Rainier Room, Lindbloom Student Center.

Best in the Northwest Holman Library offers more

By Jessica Molnar
Staff Report

Many students still don't know that one of the best libraries in the Northwest opened Jan. 2 on Green River Community College campus, or what services are offered.

The new Holman Library has 72 computer terminals available to use for the Internet and Microsoft Word, Excel and Powerpoint. It also has 100 ports to plug-in lap top computers and 2,000 plus magazines full-text.

Student Help Services has special software on six PCs and eight Macintoshes that teaches reading, typing and grammar.

A classroom with 30 terminals is used to bring in classes and teach them how to use the available programs.

The classroom will also be used for free workshops available in the near future. A schedule of workshops has not yet been set up, as it is still in the works.

Initially there was some difficulty getting the computers set up and integrated in one week.

"Things are still pretty crazy," said Jennifer Dysart, information commons manger. Dysart added that there are such rapid changes in technology and with the tech fee they were able to get new networks. But this happened right in the middle of setting up the old system.

Help is offered to students the entire time the library is open. Library

hours are Monday through Thursday 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., Friday 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

"I love it, it's great," said second year student Kathryn Sprigg.

"They need clocks in here, it's hard to tell when you need to be to class, you get lost in what you're doing."

Use-patterns are being monitored to see if people are coming in to study or use the computers and which databases they are using. It is also being monitored to see if there are enough librarians on duty.

Dysart said that weekends are being monitored closely. The library is doing a body count once an hour and tallying up what people are using. If necessary, the library will add extra hours or cut hours on the weekends, depending on the turnout.

"What I anticipate is that we don't have enough staff," said Jim Grossman, director of learning resources.

So far, peak use times in the library are between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., and Grossman said that the best times to visit the library are between 7 a.m. and 9 a.m. or after 2 p.m.

"The library is good because there's a lot of computers and you can



Photo by Fred Dimaano

find hard-to-reach web sites, like Namba," said sophomore Stephanie Jacobson.

There are already plans to upgrade the current databases in the library. The library staff is looking to purchase the top social science, psychology, applied science and biology journals. The only problem is that these journals are much more expensive than regular magazines.

Grossman said that GRCC couldn't afford to buy a new database for \$18,000. But, if he can find five partners to go in on buying a database together it will bring the cost down to \$5500 per partner. He will look for buying partners at colleges around Washington state and around the United States, as long as they have Internet access.

The library is also hopes to buy specialized programs for foreign languages, and foreign exchange students.

For the most part the only road blocks being faced are getting enough money to buy these databases.

Teacher profile: Ed Eaton

By Melissa Powderface
Special to the Current

After 32 years of teaching at Green River Community College, Ed Eaton will retire at the end of this year.

The easy-going husband of 42 years and loving grandfather of 12 was sorting through books in his office barely large enough for one person. A stout man of 62, wearing eyeglasses and a slight smile, Eaton spoke with enthusiasm as he painted a picture of the past.

"When I was interviewed here, I walked through the side of the library building to go on my tour because it was still under construction," said Eaton.

Eaton went on to describe how the library was the main building at that time. The president's office, registration, student center and even the bookstore were all located under one roof.

"It's always been a beautiful campus — from the beginning," said Eaton.

Eaton came here the summer of 1965 to teach human relations to vocational students when the campus was called Green River Institute. Since becoming Green River Community College in September of 1965, Eaton has taught mass media, news writing, drama, history of the press and advised the school paper for 20 years.

"I can remember having to find a janitor to let me into the boiler room to process the film," said Eaton. "It was the only darkroom we had."

Currently teaching mass media, Eaton's advice to anyone considering the field of journalism as a career is to learn as much as you can about com-

puters.

"That's one of the reasons I'm retiring," said Eaton. "Hopefully they will get someone to replace me who knows more than I do. I don't consider myself mechanical."

Learning the Internet, taking writing classes and getting your writing critiqued are all very important steps toward success, according to Eaton.

Some positive changes that he has seen in journalism since he entered the field include more equality for women and minorities.

"We would never send a woman to cover a police beat," said Eaton. "We didn't want her to get her high heels dirty. That was silly for us to think that way — but we did."

Eaton went on to say that some of the best investigative reporters are women and cited Jean Enerson as an example.

Prior to becoming a teacher, Eaton worked for several newspapers. During summers he worked as a fill-in editor at a local paper for nearly 20 years.

One thing he is going to do after retirement is more writing. Being a Mormon, Eaton has written two books primarily for Mormon teenagers. He enjoys writing plays, and Green River

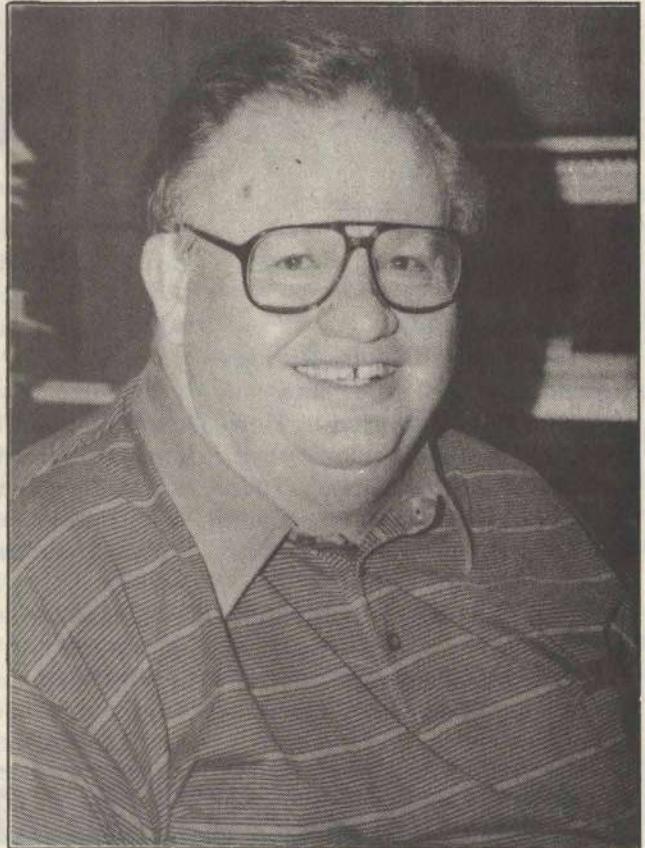


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produced a three-act play of his last spring.

He is planning an 18-month mission to Novell, Ill., to be a guide and provide information. A mission is where a Mormon spreads the word and tries to educate others about the faith. Novell used to be a town of 20,000 Mormons and is now being restored.

I never went on a mission as a kid," said Eaton. "I didn't want to knock on doors."

Truly a pleasant person, Eaton is a walking history book about GRCC. He is one of the last four remaining faculty member from day one. His colleagues have said that he is one of the nicest people you could ever know. He is always willing to help and do anything for anyone, is optimistic and possesses a big heart.

"I will miss him a lot," said art teacher Elayne Levensky.

Tour the new library

By Park Kyung Hwa
Staff Reporter

The new Holman Library opened on Jan. 2, and many students have already used it. However, many students don't really know how to use the library. There is a library tour for students who don't know how to use the information in Holman Library.

Though library tours are made for classes, any student can take a tour individually by making an appointment. Library tours are available any time the library is open.

The library is open Monday through Thursday from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m., Saturday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Someone who takes a library tour can learn how to use the library: for example, where the information center is, what the staff in the information center can do for students and what kind of information the library has.

There are more than 100 new computers, so students can get much information for their classes more easily than before. In addition, because there are many places

to study and rest, students can use the library as they want.

Several hundred students use the library every day, and they like the new library because it is large, clean and bright, Lee Semsen, a librarian, said.

Library tours are available to only students and staff of Green River Community College now, but tours will be available to the public soon. And someone who isn't a student at GRCC must pay a fee to use the new library and computers, because the new library was built by money from students' tuition, Semsen said.

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A Swedish Valentine's Day South Korean style

By Louise Ladberg
Staff Reporter

On Valentine's Day in Sweden people sometimes give presents or flowers to someone they love.

In Sweden it's called "Alla hjärtans dag" and the exact translation is "all hearts day." The Valentine's Day tradition is biggest among younger people and couples.

By Park Kyung Hwa
Staff Reporter

Feb. 14 is Valentine's Day in South Korea, the same as United States, but our holiday is a little different. Valentine's Day is a holiday for young people, especially for lovers.

Before Valentine's Day in Korea, most chocolate stores are crowded with girls who want to buy chocolate for their boyfriends. In Korea, girls give their boyfriends chocolate as a expression of love. Therefore, some girls confess their love indirectly by giving chocolate.

On the other hand, boys don't give their girlfriends anything, but one month after Valentine's Day, they give their girlfriends candy. They call that day White Day. March 14 is White Day in Korea, and most boys show love for their girlfriends by giving them candy.

White Day is an important holiday in Korea, but nobody knows the origin of White Day. No matter when and how it started first in Korea, most young people look forward to these days to give their lovers chocolate and candy with their love.

Say it with flowers. . .

Friday, Feb. 14

7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Lindbloom Student Center

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\$2.50 - Single large carnation - wrapped

\$3.25 - Bouquet of 5 balloons

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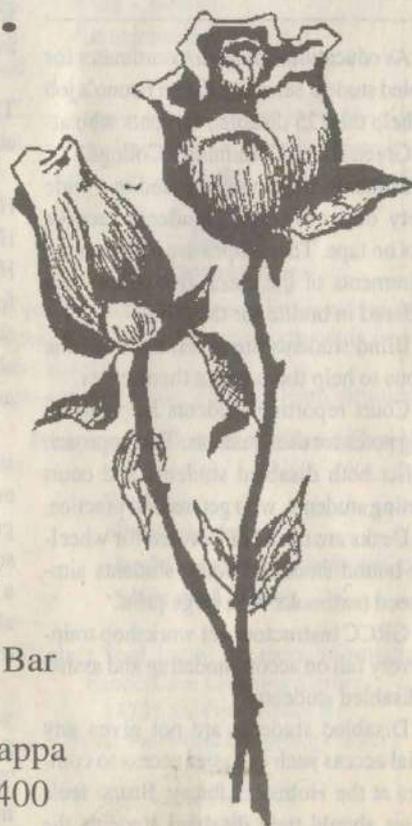
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New job resource on campus

By Louise Ladberg
Staff Reporter

J.C. Cordick is new to Green River Community College and she works for the state Employment Security managing a Job Service Center here at the college. She works very closely with the campus Student Employment Office.

The Job Center offers almost all of the usual services, like job listings, job placements and referrals. Students and others can post their resumés where employers can see them.

With Cordick and the Job Center came the JobNet employment listing, an automated system that calls a person seeking a certain kind of job, when the designated type of job turns up.

Cordick supplies information and projections on what careers are in demand and what the average wages are. She has information on jobs not just in the local area, but also state and regional.

Cordick doesn't run an unemployment office, but she can help people get started on their unemployment paperwork and direct them to the closest office. That way people can get their benefits faster.

At the Job Center there are also special programs and important tax information for employers.

Cordick helps place people mostly in permanent, full time jobs. The job qualifications vary from unskilled to highly skilled.

The clients do not have to be students or connected with the campus, they could be

people from the area. The Job Center at GRCC is just like any other branch office of the Auburn Job Service Center.

Cordick has many different job experiences. In her 20 years with a major commuter airline she did almost everything, from deciding wings and fueling aircraft to managing human resource functions.

For the last five years she has been employed by the state taking job orders from employers and being a state marketing representative, among other things.

Cordick's office is in the Educational Planning and Career Center in the Lindbloom Student Center. Call her at 833-9111, ext. 2648.

(Dis)abled students accommodated

By Fred Dimaano
Assistant Editor

As educational planner/coordinator for disabled student services, Karen Bruno's job is to help the 725 disabled students who attend Green River Community College.

Students are accommodated in a wide variety of ways. Blind students receive books on tape. These tapes are edited to the requirements of the class. Books can also be offered in braille for the blind.

Blind students are given a tour of the campus to help them orient themselves.

Court reporting students help out by taking notes for deaf students. This approach benefits both disabled students and court reporting students, who get needed practice.

Desks are raised or lowered for wheelchair-bound students. Some students simply need textbooks with large print.

GRCC instructors get workshop training every fall on accommodating and assisting disabled students.

Disabled students are not given any special access such as easier access to computers at the Holman Library. Bruno feels that we should treat disabled students the

same as abled students. "I don't like the special education separation that goes on in high school," said Bruno, "because it keeps them away from their peers.

"I just think that they're students first. They don't want to see themselves as disabled."

Students can get tutoring through the Help Center on the second floor of the Holman Library, the Math Center and the Health Center. Bruno hires up to 10 tutors for special needs. Students that are not disabled are encouraged to volunteer for Disabled Student Services for such easy tasks as note taking.

There are requirements for disabled students to get support at GRCC. For example, Bruno said, if a student is at a third-grade reading level, that student won't get support since GRCC students should be at a college level. The student wouldn't be abandoned, but would be encouraged to transfer to get the attention he or she needed.

Disabled Student Services is connected with other agencies, such as Departmental Services for the Blind, Labor and Industry, Tender Loving Care (TLC) and the Department of Social and Health Services. These

agencies refer their clients to Bruno to see if they would be interested in the DSS program.

This year or next year DSS will receive state funding totaling up to \$25,000. Last year the program got its funds through the school's general budget. The money will be used to get tutors and readers and to provide mobility training (teaching the blind how to get around on campus).

DSS has the technology to support students on campus. The office has a braille machine to create books or papers in braille, it can enlarge text for class information and has speech synthesizers to read information off a computer. For future technological support, some computers will have speech recognition technology, so that computer commands can be entered by voice.

Disable students need to register early for classes to schedule possible note takers and learning materials to fit their needs.

GRCC is bound by the Rehabilitation Act and the American with Disabilities Act to accommodate disabled students. For more information on getting support or to volunteer, contact Karen Bruno at 833-9111, ext. 2631.

From the editor

By Terry Clapp
Editor in Chief

Our goal at The Current, a campus newspaper, is to cover stories about issues and events at Green River Community College, but this isn't always easy.

For example, we feel it is imperative to run a "security blotter" in our newspaper because students have a right to know about crime on their campus. However, maneuvering through the bureaucracy in security to obtain and print this kind of information has been difficult, at best.

Aside from red tape, our reporters have also been faced with sexual harassment, broken appointments and phone calls not returned.

While reporting on a story about a GRCC student who died, a reporter recently encountered sexual harassment. She was called "sweetheart" and had to fend off advances made by a student during her appointment.

Another reporter was stood up recently when a faculty member failed to show up for his appointment with her. Later he didn't show up at his office during his office hours after confirming that he would be there.

Returning a phone call can be key to a good story, and essential for accuracy. When on deadline, returning calls in a timely manner can mean the difference between running a story and cutting it.

What makes it all worth-while is a story like the one that came to our attention when a GRCC astronomy teacher left a message on The Current's voice mail over the winter break about ice found on the moon. This turned into a nice story when it was revealed that GRCC astronomy students were privy to data about ice on the moon two and a half years before it was published in a scientific journal or released by the Pentagon.

The astronomy teacher was polite, returned calls promptly, kept his appointment, was prepared for the interview and followed up with another source for the story. He even agreed to be photographed.

My hope is that other reporters for The Current will be met with similar courtesies.

Public Service Announcement

Proposed Changes to By-Laws

Prepared by: R. Scott Prosser

Judicial Board Number: 0001

Senate Bill Number:

Date Prepared: 05 Jan 9

Article 1, section 1

6) should be re-written to state- The Board of Appeals is the four student members appointed by the ASGRCC Executive Committee and four faculty members appointed by the college president, who hear and adjudicate cases referred by or appealed from the Judicial Board.

14) should be re-written to state- The Judicial Board is the nine member group of students, appointed by the ASGRCC Executive Committee who hear and adjudicate cases, charges, and or interpretations as requested to do so by any student, call to and administer election polls, and work in conjunction with the clubs/organizations chair to facilitate the creation and monitoring of all GRCC clubs and organizations.

18) should be re-written to state- Official petitions for candidacy shall consist of the signatures and student ID numbers of 100 members of the Association.

30) The ASGRCC Executive Committee shall be a three person committee consisting of the ASGRCC President, ASGRCC Vice President and ASGRCC Chief Justice.

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Article 2, Section 1

1) should be re-written to state- Candidates for all positions must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits per quarter, while running at GRCC, excepting Senator-at-Large who must be enrolled in at least three credit hours.

Article 2, Section 2

5) should be re-written to state- A Sergeant-at-Arms can be appointed to preserve order during all Senate meetings and workshops. If a senator acts out of control and fails to respond to orders from the chair, the Sergeant-at-Arms shall reject him/her from the meeting at the request of the chair. A total of two ejections shall result in immediate investigation and possible probation by the Judicial Board. A total of three substantial ejections shall result in dismissal from office by the Judicial Board.

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6) to be deleted so no longer exist

Article 5, Section 4

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Security Blotter

By Jen Sandoval
Staff Reporter

Jan. 18: At approximately 11:40 a.m., Hopkins, a teacher in the Forestry Institute, reported hearing a loud crash. He had found the window in a door broken but didn't see anyone. Maintenance secured the door for the weekend.

Jan. 21: At 11:02, a student on her way to class tripped and fell next to Holman Library, injuring both her knee and ankle. Mountainview Fire and Rescue were called to the scene, where they treated the woman's injury after she refused additional medical aid.



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New Orleans Creole Restaurant bubbles over

By Patricia Jamieson
Special to The Current

Walk into Pioneer Square's New Orleans Creole restaurant and you will first notice the stage. Housed in an older, funky building, this restaurant and bar is long on atmosphere and short on formality.

Surrounding the stage are tables and chairs. The full bar is

around the corner.

New Orleans Creole Restaurant is one of Pioneer Square's hopping spots in the evening. "It is a really rad place," says patron Victoria Kier.

This is a place with more going on than just the food. But make no mistake about it, the food deserves to be center stage.

Lunch and dinner are served at the restaurant. An eclectic assortment of patrons at lunch includes business professionals,

tourists, twenty-somethings and up.

Soups and salads (\$2 to \$7) are served with a Cajun flair. Bayou stew has chicken, oysters and shrimp in a tomato stock. Sandwiches (\$4 to \$6) include standard fare like burgers or Creole specialties. The oyster loaf sandwich is a New Orleans version of the poor boy: pan-fried oysters on a toasted french roll served with Creole mayonnaise.

Lunch entrees include jambalaya, steak creole and fried catfish with hush puppies. Meals are served with an exceptionally fresh salad dressed with tangy creolaise dressing. Lunch entrees (\$5.25 to \$6.50) include corn fritters and red beans and rice in addition to the salad. This restaurant is a bargain!

In a class by itself are the gumbos. If you have never had this hearty tomato-based stew, try it. You won't be disappointed.

Deep burgundy-brown and piping hot, gumbo arrives at the table topped with rice and a sprinkling of file—ground sassafras leaf. The gumbo, available in a mild or spicy-hot version, is a perfect meld of strong flavors and spices. The mild has plenty of kick unless you are one of those souls who prefers fire to food.

Corn fritters, served with the gumbo, are bland and a perfect compliment for the gumbo's spices.

Seafood, chicken, cajun and vegetarian versions of the gumbo are available. Served with salad and corn fritters, the gumbo is a real lunch bargain for just \$4.50.

After your meal, take in the sights and sounds of Pioneer Square. The shopping is anything but dull. Don't miss the venerable Elliot Bay Books, the book lover's bookstore. If you are in the mood for viewing fine art, seek out Seattle's largest selection of galleries within walking distance of the New Orleans Creole Restaurant. The first Thursday of each month, Pioneer Square's many galleries stay open until 8 p.m. "First Thursday" is a Seattle tradition where people-watching is as interesting as the art.

At night, Pioneer Square's streets fill with music blasting from a dozen or so of Seattle's hottest bars, including Blues and Dixieland music at the New Orleans.

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Progressive dinner satisfies... Food, entertainment and games for all

By Louise Ladberg
Staff Reporter

Thirty people gathered at Green River Community College on Friday, Jan. 24, for a Progressive Dinner arranged by Student Programs.

Some of the participants were very hungry, almost starving, in anticipation of the three-course-dinner.

After a long drive the two vans finally arrived at the Emerald Thai Cuisine Restaurant on Pacific Highway, in Des Moines. This first stop was for appetizers.

The very hospitable hosts served everyone a plate with four different starters: a piece of spicy chicken on a skewer called Chicken Satay; a bundle of crispy rice noodles also very spicy, called Mee Rob; a spring roll filled with vegetables; and last some fried wontons.

Most participants liked the restaurant and said they would return.

Grade: A+

Everyone got back into the vans for the drive back towards Kent and Spiros Greek Islands for the main course.

To seat 30 people at the same time is not easy. Luckily, Student Programs had made reservations.

Spiros Greek Islands has great ambiance and a Mediterranean feeling.

Four people shared each platter of souvlaki and pita bread. It took some time before everyone was served.

Souvlaki is a selection of marinated and grilled meats, served with onions, cucumber, tomatoes, feta cheese and slices of pita bread and tzaziki (sauce) on the side. Tzaziki is made from yogurt, cucumber and garlic.

These kinds of food weren't popular with all participants.

The overall grade is still high, a B+.

After dinner, a belly dancer started dancing, and some people in the audience were a bit embarrassed by her very close-up performance.

Still at Spiros, Bonnie Fox, one of the organizers, started a round of the telephone game. One person starts by whispering a word or a short sentence to the person sitting next to him or her. And so it continues in a chain until it reaches the last person, who tells everyone out loud what he or she heard.

Finally, the person who started the chain tells everyone what the starting word was. For this particular group of people words like "cheesecake" turned into "Bonnie's feet," "whiskey and rum" went via "skating" to "location."

"Greek Islands" became "great eyes" and ended as "great times." "The bullfrog jumps at midnight" turned into "two farts jumped into the night" and ended as

"hmna, hmna, hmna..."

The last stop of the evening was at Gambardella's, also in Kent, for dessert. Everyone could have their choice from the dessert menu: spumoni, cannoli, cheesecake and so on.

Because of the late hour, the restaurant was out of some of the desserts, even though people from Student Programs had called in advance to ask the restaurant to make sure they had at least a few pieces of every dessert left.

The overall grade for Gambardella's is a B.

The organizers from Student Programs, Bonnie Fox, Jenny Gustavsson and Monther Al Sayouri, get an A+ for their well planned activity.

Sally Johnson

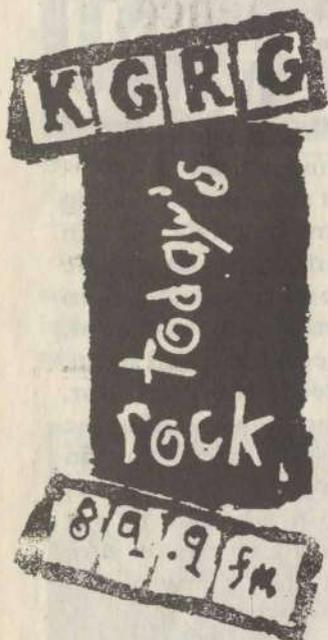
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What was your worst Valentine's Day experience?

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"I had three boyfriends at the same time." — Andrea Black

"Not having one!" — Danielle Chang

"When I was working in a flower shop and everyone wanted their flowers delivered on the same day!" — Judy Fuchs

"I'm not sure that I've had anything special happen on Valentine's Day." — Julia Lippert

"It's kind of a non-event." — Anonymous

"In junior high, people would send each other carnations, and all I got was a stem," said Melissa Kelly. "I was shattered and heart broken."

Valentine's Dance

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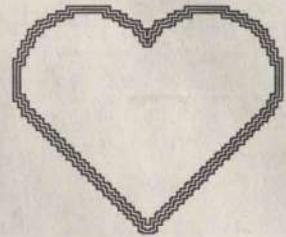
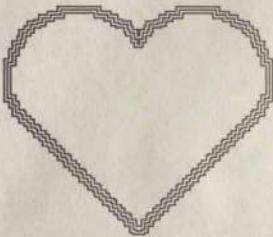
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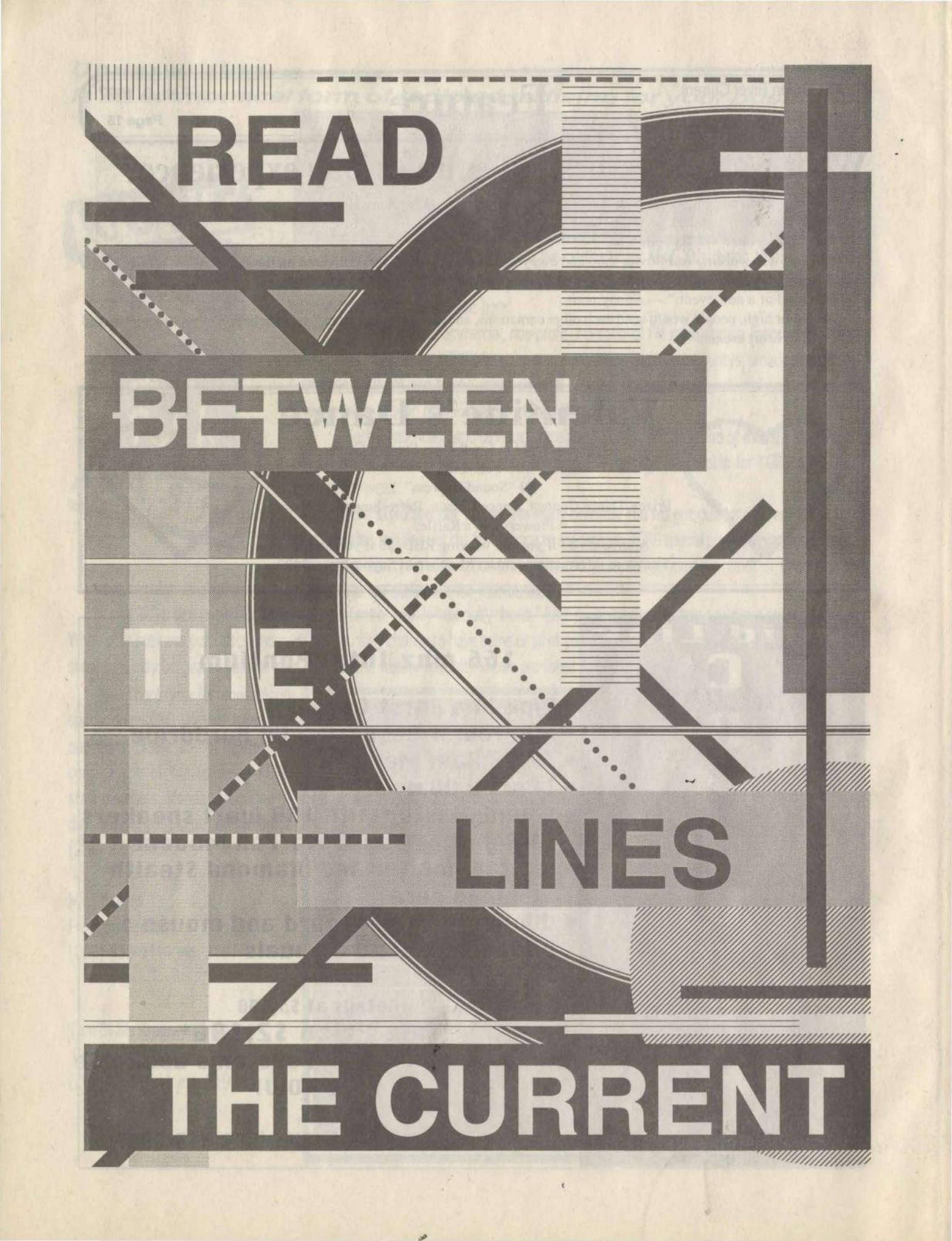
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