

# Special Election Extra!



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## Senate welcomes newcomers

### New faces prevail at Senate polls

By Luis Quevedo  
Staff Writer

Less than one percent of the student body turned out this past Tuesday and Wednesday at the Associated Students of Green River Community College (ASGRCC) Senate elections.

Don Eckhoff and Jay Demko were elected as sophomore senators; Toni Edwards, Jessica Ellis, James Sloan, Christy Marrison, and Kelly Jensen as freshman senators; and Tung Tran and Timothy Wheeler as senators at large.

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"At this moment GRCC has made a positive impression on me as far as education and activity-wise." Said Jensen who plans to add a Hawaiian club.

On the same subject, Sloan replied, "I want to make sure that all old and new

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**—Toni Edwards**

clubs alike, are given a fair amount of opportunity to grow and prosper in their

individual purposes."

Sloan welcomes the opportunity of being a senator to help and benefit all the students towards future personal and financial success, but was very disappointed about the voting. "People weren't really involved, it's like people didn't care," he said

Sloan likes the environment here at GRCC, but wants to find out more about the needs of the campus concerning the

people," as the year progresses I would like to examine what the needs are and find a way to satisfy them."

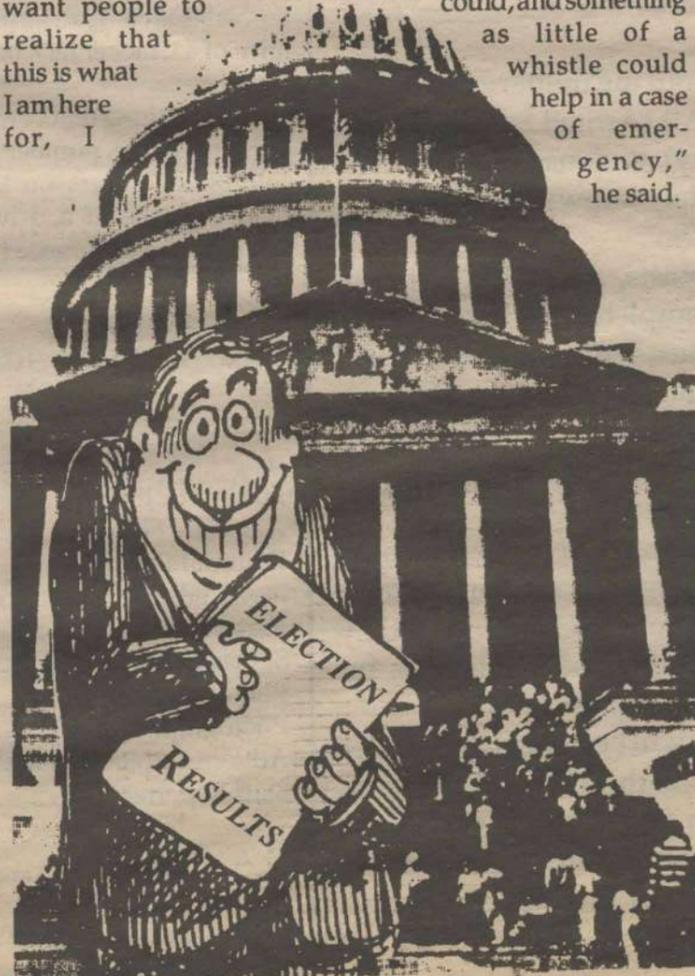
Edwards would like to see more people involved in the college activities, she wants them to participate and make the most of their college life.

Edward likes the position she is in because, she "can make things happen. There are a lot of activities and opportunities. I want people to realize that this is what I am here for, I

want people to know that I care," she said.

Eckhoff has big plans for the upcoming year. "I want to use every avenue I can to obtain the funds to provide the right clubs with the necessary help," said Eckhoff. Eckhoff also wants to promote the use of whistles by evening students. "It is an attempt to try to do something, I am not saying that rapes or anything have really happened here on campus, but there is concern that it

could, and something as little of a whistle could help in a case of emergency," he said.



The  
Associated  
Students of  
Green River  
Community  
College  
1991-1992  
Senate

#### Sophomore Senators:

Jennifer  
Bowman  
Jay Demco  
Don Eckhoff  
Chris Gleason  
Jayson Schafer

#### Freshman Senators:

Toni Edwards  
Jessica Ellis  
Kelley Jensen  
Christy  
Marrison  
James Sloan

#### Senators At Large:

Dean  
Bruggeman  
Tung Tran  
Timothy  
Wheeler

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Ignorance doesn't kill you, but it sure makes you sweat a lot.

—Unknown

## Students injured by lack of choice

The students of Green River have just been denied their freedom of choice.

Earlier this week, students went to the polls to choose who will represent them on the Associated Students of Green River Community College (ASGRCC) Senate this year. These are quite possibly the most powerful positions that students can have on campus, yet not enough students petitioned to fill the necessary positions. As a result, all candidates who petitioned were assured election as long as at least one person voted for them.

Whose fault is this lack of ambition among the students of Green River? Is it *The Current*, whose job it is to provide the campus with information regarding important events? Is it our ASGRCC officers, whose responsibility it is to promote participation in the school?

Actually, though people might think otherwise, neither the ASGRCC officers nor *The Current* are to blame.

The fault lies with all the students who have the intelligence and accumen to help the school, yet don't bother to get involved because of the time it would take out of their schedules to get elected and serve their fellow students. Not only have these people short-changed themselves, they've stolen the freedom of choice from the students. What is worse, is the fact that they've made the people who don't think their vote makes a difference correct in their innane assumption.

The students who did bother to try to make a positive influence at GRCC by potitioning to be on Senate deserve to be elected, for they have the ambition and drive to work for the improvement of the school. Let's hope the apathetic candidates who apply to fill the still vacant positions will show more initiative in their future responsibilities than they have in getting elected.

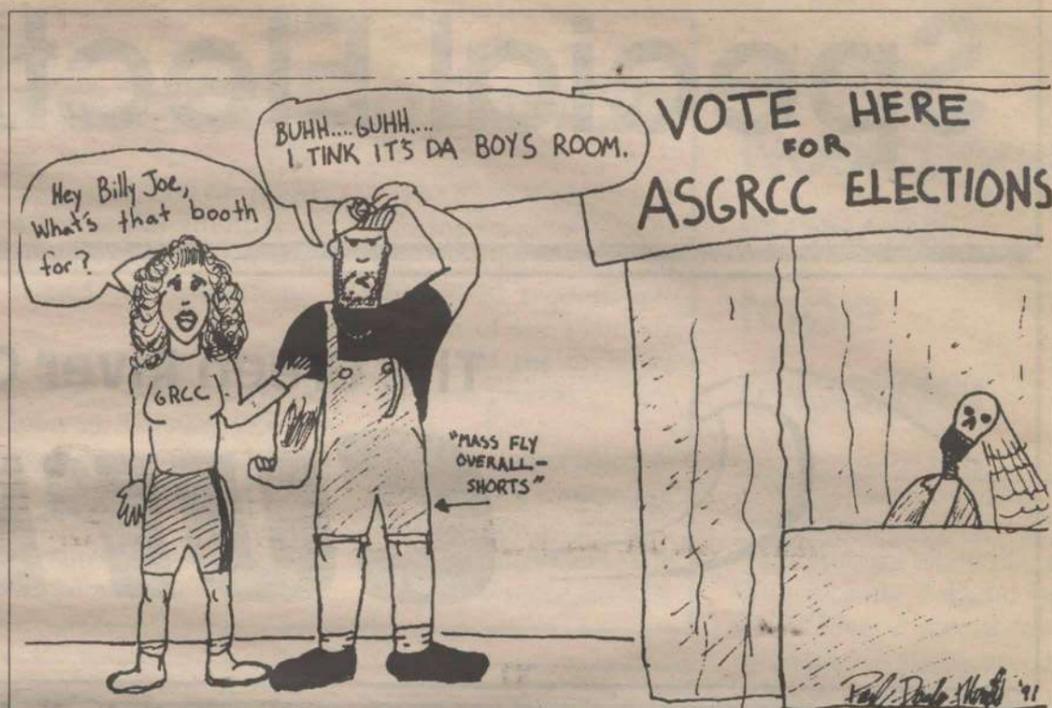
## ASVAB worthy test

Whether you plan to join the military or work at a civilian job, the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) is a useful test. The ASVAB is the most widely known multiple aptitude test used in the U.S.

It consists of ten subtests, and takes approximately three hours to complete. The battery measures aptitude in three academic areas: academic ability, verbal ability, and math ability. Four occupational areas: mechanical and crafts, business and clerical, electronics and electrical, and health, social, and technology.

The test is given twice yearly and free of charge by the Department of Defence to anyone to anyone sixteen years of age or older provided they have completed the ninth grade. There is no military obligation by taking this test.

For fall quarter the test will be held in the Rainier room on Tuesday, Oct. 29th, 1991, at 12:30 p.m. Additional information and sign-up sheets are available in the Educational Planning Center, located on the second floor of the Lindbloom Student Center.



## GREEN RIVER STUDENTS EXERCISING THEIR RIGHT TO VOTE

## Drivers must find happy 'median' in their speed

By Jillian Boucek  
Editorial Editor

Is there any happy medium between 45 and 85 mph while driving on the freeway? It doesn't seem so. I find myself either behind some poor slob who can't tell the difference between a five and a four, or I'm being passed by a speed demon from hell. I pride myself in doing between 55 and 60 most of the time, and I'm constantly amazed at the number of drivers that receive their licences from the Nabisco company in the form of a Cracker Jack box.

Another thing that bewilders me is the number of colorblind drivers on the road. Maybe, if a driver can't tell the difference be-

tween red and green, they might try to remember that red is on the top, green is on the bottom. There's nothing more frightening than going through an intersection and wondering if the cars on the other side are going to stop or not. I've seen some pretty amazing speeds at intersections, and it makes me wonder "are people trying to kill themselves?"

I have a very deep phobia about driving, especially at night. The numbers, and the types of accidents I've seen haunt me at night. I've seen cars flip on the freeway, vans explode in gas stations, head on collisions in intersections on side roads, the list of tragedies goes on and on. Where is

the common sense? Where are all the safety cautious? Is there some kind of inner demon that posses a person as soon as they get behind the wheel of a car? Are we all born with some kind of deep desire to drive as fast as possible?

I've always had an urge to find out why some people drive the way they do, and I've come up with two reasons. The old drive slow to avoid the inevitable, death. The young drive fast trying to stay ahead of what the old are trying to avoid. I can see someone telling the cop next time they're pulled over for doing 60 in a 35 mph zone, "Sorry Officer, I was running from death. Please hurry with the ticket, I'm losing time."



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This may be submitted to *The Current* Office (SC 3) or left in *The Current* mailbox in the Student Programs office.

# GRCC receives preplanning funds

By Shigemi Nakano  
Staff Writer

Green River has received \$56,000 for the preplanning of a 50,000 square foot building targeted for design and construction during the 1993-95 biennium. The goal of the preplanning project is to obtain full funding for design and construction of the new building.

During the 1991-93 request cycle for this project, the following areas of out campus were identified as being deficient in space: skill labs, science labs and the Learning Resource Center.

Three campus hearings are planned for the purpose of gathering ideas, suggestions and to assist the plan-

ning group and the project architect in identifying and/or confirming the intended space utilization.

The first hearing will be from 12-1 p.m. Friday, October 25. Tuesday, October 29, the second and third hearings are from 12-1 and 3-4 respectively. All the hearings will be in the Administration Board Room.

The agenda of the first hearing includes historical background of the 1991-92 request, formation of the planning team and the architect selection process.

Further information is available by contacting Larry Galloway, ext. 439; Rick Brumfield, ext. 275; or Bob Lawrence, ext. 233.

# Auburn Noon Lions donate tape recorder

By Dan Johnson  
Staff Writer

The Auburn Noon Lions Club recently donated to Green River a special format 4-track, variable speed tape machine to be used to record notes, tests, handouts, textbooks and other printed material for blind, partially sighted and other print disabled students.

Until recently, the Washington State Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped in Seattle handled the taping needs for those college students unable to use standard printed material.

Because of the budget cuts hitting most state agencies, WLBPH was forced to discontinue their widely used taping services. They do, however, still provide reference service for materials that have already been recorded on tape.

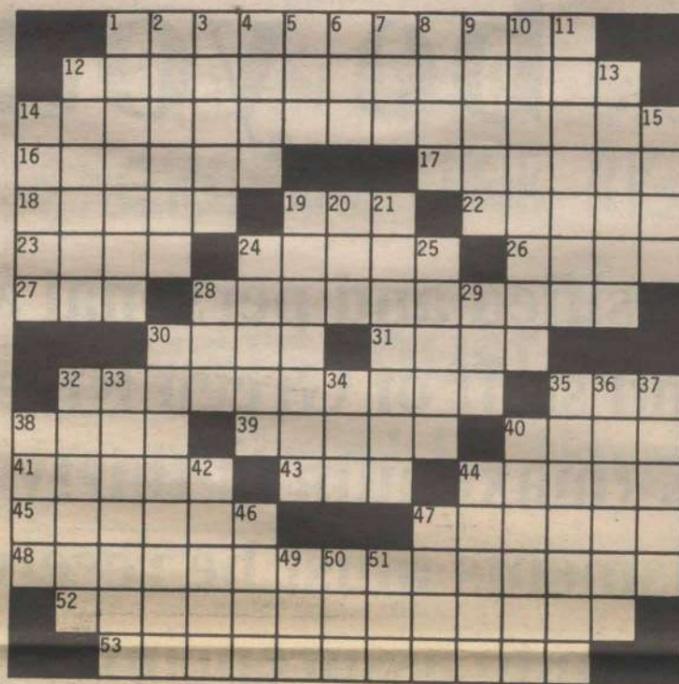
It is now the duty of each school to provide taped text books, and other printed materials needed by the print disabled student; however, WLBPH will continue to catalogue the titles available at each college throughout the state so duplicate recordings will not be made, and so schools can share their taped materials.

Steve Carkeek, of the Instructional Media Center in the Holman Library, will be heading up this new on-campus taping service. If anyone is interested in working as a reader, contact the Student Employment office in the Lindbloom Student Center for details.

A taping training clinic is offered Thursday, Oct. 24 from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Evergreen State College in Olympia. Interested readers should contact Carkeek as soon as possible.

Any qualified student or instructor who would like to use the taping service can contact Carkeek in the Instructional Media Center in the Holman Library between 7:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., or call 833-9111, ext. 244.

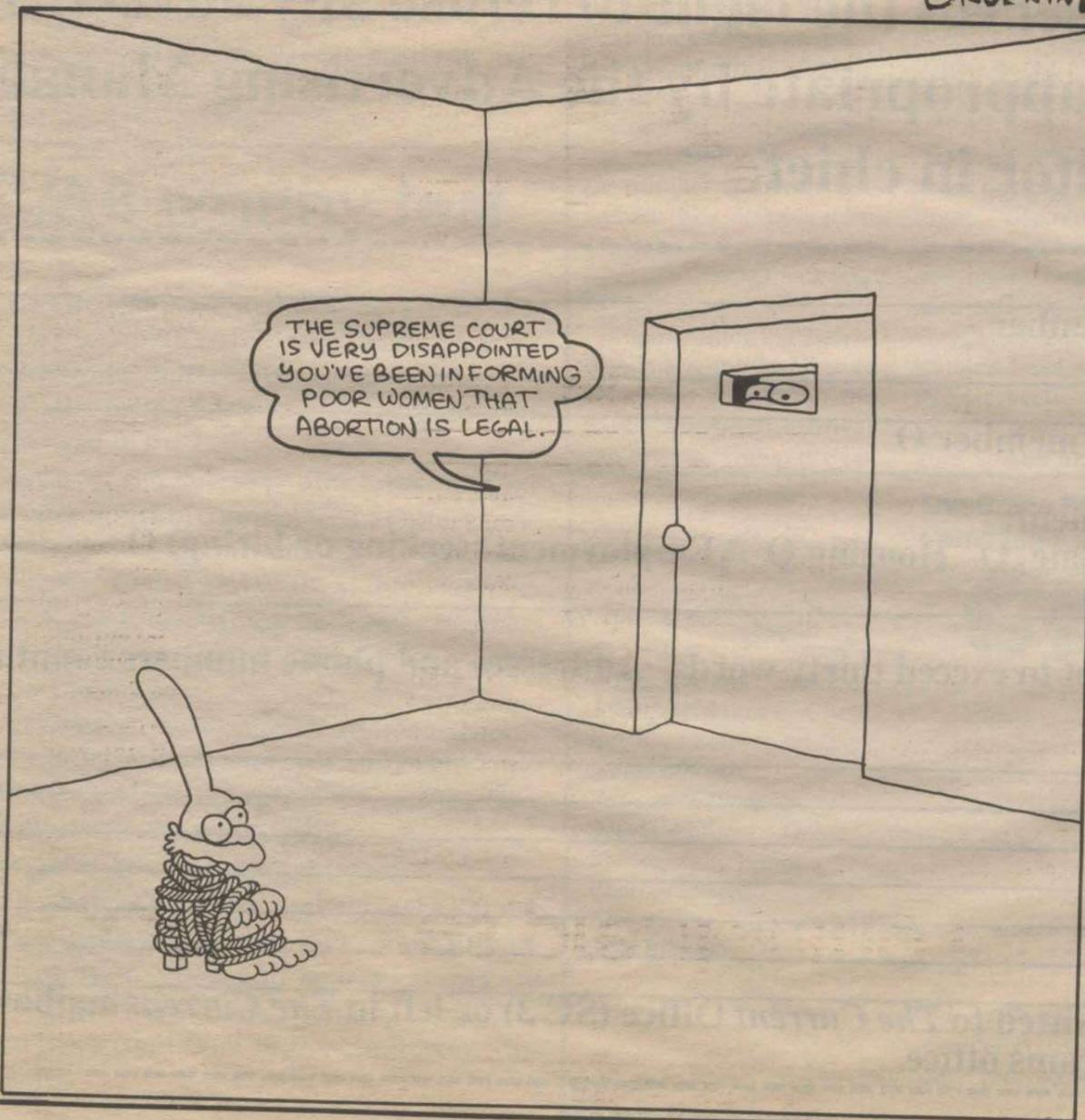
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- 1 Where one might study Andy Warhol's works (3 wds.)
  - 12 Enrollment into college
  - 14 "Calculus Made Simple," e.g. (2 wds.)
  - 16 Evaluate
  - 17 Extremely small
  - 18 Follows a recipe direction
  - 19 Belonging to Mr. Pacino
  - 22 Of land measure
  - 23 Meets a poker bet
  - 24 — Gay (WW II plane)
  - 26 Capri, e.g.
  - 27 Belonging to Mayor Koch
  - 28 Irritate or embitter
  - 30 Train for a boxing match
  - 31 — and the Belmonts
  - 32 Processions
  - 35 Diet supplement (abbr.)
  - 38 Scottish historian and philosopher
  - 39 College in Greenville, Pa.
  - 40 The Venerable —
- DOWN**
- 1 Those who are duped
  - 2 "Do unto —..."
  - 3 Fourth estate
  - 4 Goals
  - 5 Well-known record label
  - 6 Well-known king
  - 7 151 to Caesar
  - 8 Prefix meaning milk
  - 9 Confused (2 wds.)
  - 10 — husky
  - 11 Most immediate
  - 12 Like a sailboat
  - 13 Cash register key (2 wds.)
  - 14 En — (as a whole)
  - 15 Auto racing son of Richard Petty
  - 19 Political disorder
  - 20 — cit. (footnote abbreviation)
  - 21 Traveled on a Flexible Flyer
  - 24 Glorify
  - 25 Prospero's servant in "The Tempest"
  - 28 Well-known government agency
  - 29 American league team (abbr.)
  - 30 Fictional hypnotist
  - 32 Style exemplified by Picasso
  - 33 "She's —..." (from "Flashdance")
  - 34 Be unwell
  - 35 Visible trace
  - 36 Think
  - 37 Woman's undergarment
  - 38 Commit —-kiri
  - 40 — burner
  - 42 "...for if I — away..."
  - 44 Actress Gibbs
  - 46 African antelope
  - 47 Well-known TV band-leader
  - 49 Pince— (eyeglass type)
  - 50 1968 film, "— Station Zebra"
  - 51 1965 film, "— Ryan's Express"



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