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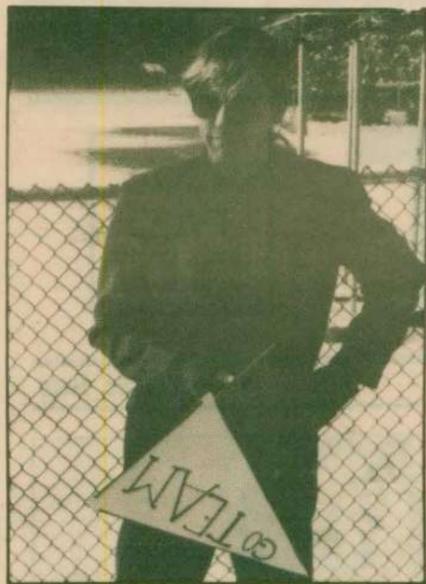


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As driving conditions worsened with the weather, Green River students and staff made a mass exodus of the campus around noon Wednesday after President Rich Rutkowski closed the school. See snow page 4.

# OPINION

## On the last day, God made the jock



### Elwood's Column

by Elwood Stravinski

Today I'd like to take a look at sports. It seems simple: There are the athletes and there are the spectators. Unfortunately for those of us who only occasionally watch athletic drama, my statement is far too simplified. Often I find myself in the company of overemotional beer-drinking, smelly, hairy football enthusiasts—and you should see the men. Oh well, it's not the people, it's their actions.

Hooley—there are a bunch of things that annoy me, things that some folks would pass off as idiosyncracies; I prefer idiosyncracies.

Several questions arise:

- Are these people members of the team? (They sure act like it.)
- Why do they jump on me when I don't know the name and life record of some obscure kicker on the New York Jets? (Is Arnaldo Zimbeckertun a name, anyway?)
- Does yelling at the TV help the game?
- Does yelling at the TV help the game when it has been taped earlier?

Yes, I am confused. What causes people to do these things?

Back to the actual game, pain is a part of the game, and you are not a man if you can't ignore that broken pelvis and continue devout service to your team. Sure, Bud. These guys are playing hard to win at all costs. High school players try to win for college scholarships, college players try to keep those scholarships, and professionals play for their paychecks.

OK now I can expect every jock (and jockette) in school to hit their fists with my face. I'm not knocking sports; I played football for six years and I run road races. I just don't think games are won for the "Gipper" anymore. ★★★★★

It's time for that wonderful holiday season again. Yeah, I know you are tired of powder blue Christmas trees and vinyl blow-up Santas. Heck, I am too, so I'd like to give all you non-professional-type poets

and short story writers the opportunity to write something and submit it to the *Current*, care of Elwood's Column. I'll print it if it's somewhere in the ballpark of tasteful. The theme is "anything to do with the winter season." So, if you're the religious

type, write about Christmas or Hanukkah. If you're a Rajneesh, write about whatever Rajneeshies do in the winter.

All material submitted needs to be typed, double-spaced, and no more than three pages long.

## Thanks to you too, Ed

Advisers to the campus newspaper don't write for the paper. That's the student's job. This is their newspaper. But let me make an exception this once.

The *Current* staff, headed by Myrtle Rogneby, went the extra mile this week. They always do. Two people—the editor and an assistant—get paid for 15 hours a week but they always work at least 40 to get the paper out.

This week classes were cancelled at 11 a.m. and the campus emptied—except the newsroom Wednesday is the key day for getting the newspaper out and some members of the staff—particularly Myrt, Denise Ko, Kathy Hansen, and Mike Forney (alias Elwood Stravinski)—stayed amid rumors they would be snowed in.

They went to the cafeteria before it closed at noon and bought a bunch of sandwiches. They plugged in their own radio when the KGRG staff abandoned ship and listened to

something, thank goodness, other than rock n' roll. And they kept on working.

The photographers ran to Seattle for something and couldn't make it back so Myrt broke out her camera and took snow pictures—some of the best pictures we have had all year.

Dennis McMurtrie, one of last year's editors who works part-time in the Instructional Materials Center setting type even came to the rescue and worked after the campus closed, setting type on stories that came in late (not an altogether unusual happening on the *Current* staff).

It was a marvelous team effort.

For that reason I want to violate one of my own rules that I don't write for the paper and submit this to the editor for the editorial page. I can't give them a raise or increase the class credits they get. But I can say "thanks" for a job well done.

—Ed Eaton  
Current advisor

## Men can turn swords into plowshares

On Wednesday, Nov. 13, the volcano, Nevado Del Ruiz erupted. In the towns and countryside of Colombia, tens of thousands of people were killed by the flowing mud produced by that disaster. Thousand more are refugees.

The Colombian government appears to be making an all out effort to help their people in this time of horror. Involved in rescue missions for survivors, and whatever aid may be given, are eight American helicopters from a US base in Panama.

Also on the scene is a British team, using special sound-detecting gear, trying to locate survivors buried in the mud. Scientists from the United States, Canada, France, Switzerland, Spain, Peru and Ecuador are converging on Colombia to set up sophisticated equipment designed to give earlier warnings of subsequent eruptions.

The point made is an example of international good will coming to the aid of a neighbor in trouble. In this age of tension, doomsday weapons, and seemingly justified cynical international postures, it is gratifying to note a recent optimistic counter-balance.

In the last few years, up to the present disaster in Colombia, a trend towards international caring and co-operation has been developing. There

are examples that must be mentioned. The recent earthquake in Mexico City brought relief efforts from everywhere. Food, clothing, medical supplies, and volunteer rescue workers went there by the plane load.

The starvation that took the lives of millions in East Africa is halting, and the situation, especially in Ethiopia, is beginning to turn around. This is because of contribution of people world-wide. America and Russia provided airplanes and helicopters to transport the supplies to the afflicted areas.

Another example that comes to mind was the United Nation's successful efforts to eradicate smallpox. This disease, which was the scourge of human kind for thousands of years, no longer exists today. The United Nations World Health Council launched a world inoculation program that left smallpox only a memory. It was America and Russia who provided the bulk of the money and medical teams that accomplished this great feat.

This week the leaders of the two most powerful nations in history have been talking together in Geneva. What an opportunity this would have been for the human race, to turn our resources from weapons production to world production.

The examples shown here prove that men are capable of turning their swords into plowshares. However, for it to happen, world leaders must rid us of the hate and fear that are the real cause of the nuclear sword.

—Bill Jernberg

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# GENERAL NEWS

## Elton Bennett silkscreens shown

by Denise Ko

GRCC's collection of 40 original silkscreens by Elton Bennett will be on display for the first time to the public on Dec. 7 in the Lindbloom Student Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Bennett is recognized as one of the Northwest's premier artists. His silkscreens are and have been widely accepted and sold around the world.

GRCC began collecting Elton Bennetts silkscreens in the early years of the college. Mike McIntyre and Elton Bennett, according to Kathy Johnson, show coordinator, decided which silkscreens would be "at home" in GRCC's forested atmosphere. The students then began acquiring some of his work, leading to the current extensive collection. The Green River Foundation has supported the effort of collecting Bennett silkscreens.

After Bennett's death, Green River contacted Barbara Bennett, his daughter, to ask her assistance in identifying which silkscreens they should collect in order to have the finest and most representative display of his work.

Ms. Bennett, knowing of GRCC's longstanding appreciation of her father's art, gave the college exclusive rights to distribute the reproductions. Proceeds from the sale of his prints go to the Green River

Academic Scholarship Fund, and also to purchasing additional original silkscreens to add to the collection.

During the GRCC display of Bennett's work, Ms. Bennett will also be in the LSC to show a collection of 200 prints that have recently been released from an 11-year trust. These newly released prints will be for sale.

On Dec. 8, Ms. Bennett will also be available from 1-4 p.m. in the LSC, to appraise her father's prints.

## Fifteen receive prizes

by Marion Meyer

Last week, in an attempt to raise money for a memorial, the Veterans Club, in cooperation with *The Current*, sponsored a pool tournament in the Lindbloom Student Center.

Fifteen of the 16 participants received prizes which range from dinners for two and free pizzas to free movie passes and show tickets. The 15 winners chose from the list of prizes. John Mournier, the first place winner, chose an Alf's pizza as his prize.

The memorial is still in the planning stages. It will honor the veterans that attend Green River. What form the memorial will take is still undecided. Rich Garmong,

Sixteen players participated in the double elimination tournament. Double elimination means that a player can stay in the tournament until the player has lost two games.

Veterans Club president, said it would be "more than just a piece of stone" with a small plaque inlaid in it. To determine its form, the Veterans Club will be taking a community interest survey to see what the veterans who attend Green River would want to see as a memorial honoring them. Garmong said the poll would determine "what is going to be beneficial" for the veterans and hoped that the results would be positive.

So far they have raised or received approximately \$200 from donations or fund raising projects. Some of the donations came from the State Job Services Center, the Lions Club, and from individual Veterans Club members.

In the future they plan to have more fund raising events. Two ideas discussed have been a pet contest and Adopt-a-Vet Day.

If they raise enough money, the club plans to dedicate the monument by the next Veterans Day.

## Pries foot from mouth



### GATOR-AID

Please note, there is a new letter box at the LSC. It is located upstairs by the candy counter, painted green and marked "Letters to GRACC."

Letters to GRACC (pronounced Gracie) may be dropped in the green box in the lobby of the Holman Library.

Dear Readers,

There were no letters to GRACC this week. It was just as well that there weren't, since I was busy this weekend prying my foot out of my mouth.

Last week someone wrote in about registration, needing a crystal ball to predict dates. I zipped off a hasty reply without checking my facts. So, this letter comes as an apology to the finance committee and to you.

It was called to my attention that the next quarter's registration dates are printed in the present schedule of classes. I am sincerely grateful to the instructor who informed me of this fact. I am also hopeful that those, like me, who never read anything that they don't feel pertains to them may benefit as well.

On page 40 of the winter schedule, folks, is printed the Spring Quarter registration dates.

Sorry, finance committee, sorry students. Thanks Ted.

Just sign me, Learned a Lesson.

GRACC

## Guidelines deal with holiday stress

### Health in the 80's



Judy Names, R.N.

Green River Health Coordinator

No one can make you feel inferior without your consent. . . Eleanor Roosevelt

The commercialization of the holidays can camouflage the spirit of renewal and reflection. It's time to look inward and change the way you perceive Thanksgiving and Christmas.

How many times have you gathered with relatives for an event and ended up feeling stressed out and depressed? This happens because the event is externalized and you expected "The Perfect Holiday."

People turn these days into tests of love. For example, you are disappointed with not receiving a gift you wanted and you say "If he really loved me, he would know what I wanted."

One of the first arguments that I had with my husband was over the perfect Christmas tree. I felt a noble fir was the right tree. I turned the tree selection into a right or wrong situation.

Here are some guidelines from Jenifer James to help you deal with relatives and get through the holidays:

- Take good care of yourself so you won't get sick or crabby.
- Choose to be happy, not right.
- Avoid competition and comparison: Don't keep score.
- Don't correct or criticize anyone.
- Remember, very few things are truly important.

Do what is important to you and celebrate the holidays in your own way. Don't have hurtful expectations.

Note: Wellness is having a seminar on self-esteem at noon in the St. Helens room on Nov. 25. Rebecca Koch is the speaker and she gave an excellent presentation when she was here in October. Bring your lunch.

### Wellness Tip

Everyone has an optimum stress level at which they function best. That level can be increased by allowing adequate time for sleep and relaxation, maintaining a regular exercise program, eating properly, and keeping a positive mental outlook.



## 2+2+2=\$21,000

That's Army math. It means that after 2 years of college (60 semester hours or equivalent) and a 2-year enlistment, you could have up to \$21,000 to continue your education. Courtesy of the New GI Bill + New Army College Fund. (Effective July 1, 1985).

That other 2 means you can get two years of ROTC credit by enrolling in ROTC at the third year level (with the approval of the college's Professor of Military Science) when you reenter college. You'll earn \$100 a month in ROTC.

Qualify, and you'll start your enlistment with a promotion. And just because you're out of school doesn't mean you stop learning. We'll teach you a skill that can help you go places later.

And you'll go places now, because we give soldiers an opportunity to travel. And a chance to make new friends.

Not to mention a lot of money for college. Plus the chance to become an Army officer. Contact your local Army Recruiter today.

Sergeant First Class Smith 255-7331

## ARMY. BE ALL YOU CAN BE.

# PHOTO FEATURE

## Early snow forces campus closure



Students head for the LSC to make a stop before leaving the campus.

### Snow closure plan given

When snow and other inclement weather conditions are severe, Green River Community College will be closed, according to a Nov. 1 memorandum to faculty and staff from Richard Rutkowski, college president. The decision to close will be made by 6:00 a.m. with radio KASY (1220 AM) receiving the first call from Rutkowski. Between 6:00 and 6:30 the message will be called to radio stations KASY, KING, KIRO, KJR, KOMO, KVI, KTAC and KGRG.

Unless a closure announcement is made on any of the above stations, classes will be conducted as scheduled. Rutkowski asks that the college switchboard not be called so that telephone lines free in case emergency calls need to be made. Students and employees will be notified through all office buildings if a college closure becomes necessary while school is in session.

Green River students and staff made a mass exodus of the campus at noon Wednesday, when worsening weather and driving conditions prompted Rich Rutkowski, college president, to close the school.

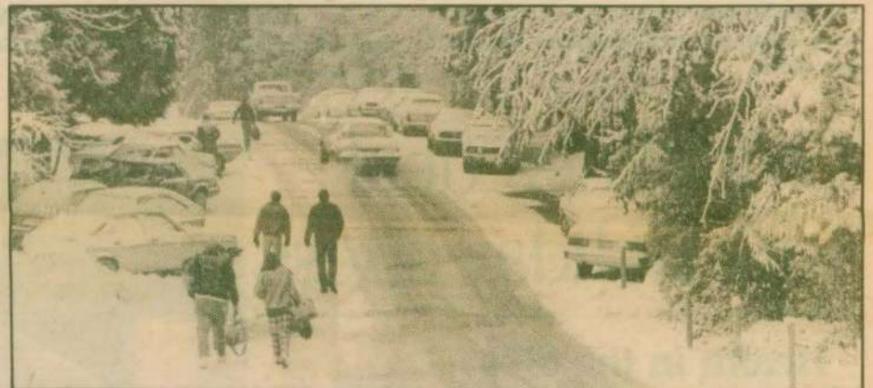
Ray Carter of Green River security urged a few who stayed to go home at the earliest opportunity. He suggested 124th and the Kent-Kangley Road as the best means of exiting the area.

Carter said, "Going down Lea Hill or 320th is not a good thought. You can end up going down Lea Hill sideways — not a good idea, considering the cliff on one side."

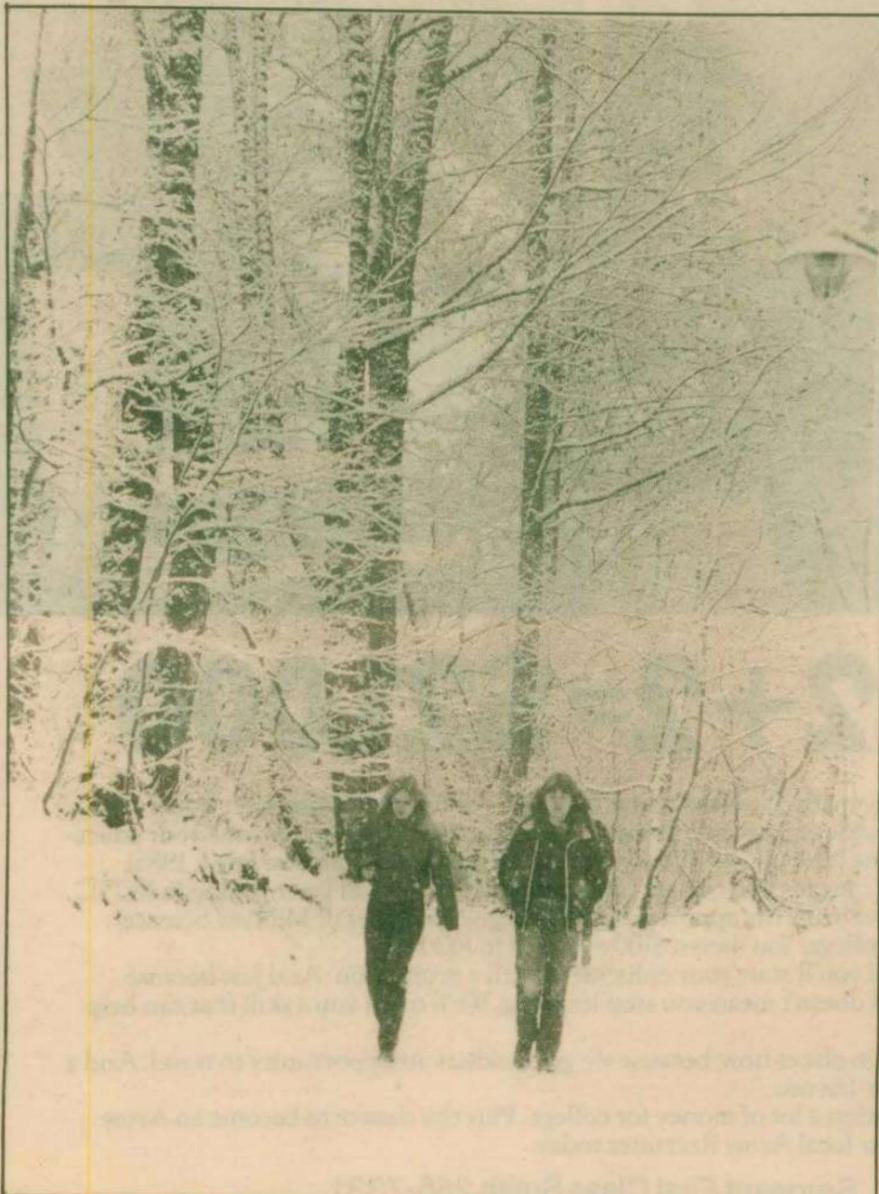
He explained that going up Lea Hill to the school and down the Kent-Kangley Road to get off the hill are sensible routes to take. In this way, the car is not on the cliff side of the road, allowing a little more margin for error.

Later in the afternoon, Dennis Garre, general manager of KASY radio, said that driving conditions were extremely bad. He said that cars were spinning out on I-5 and SR 18 was covered by black ice, although it remained open. He said the frozen conditions were forecast to continue through the night with a 50 percent chance of more snow.

The college opened on time Thursday with some classes having as much as 80 percent attendance. However, freezing conditions and more snow again prompted Rutkowski to close the school at midday.

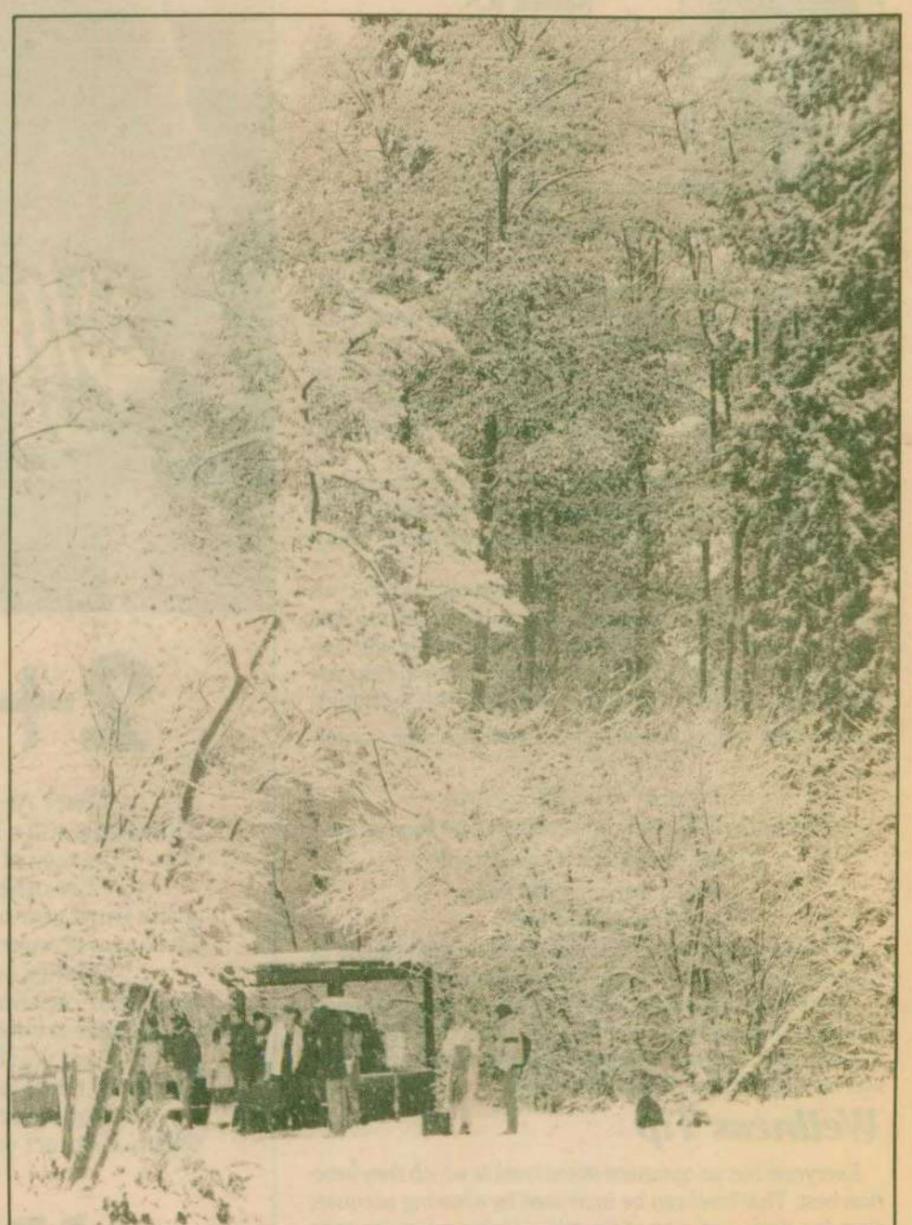


A few students beat the rush and avoided the parking lot jam Wednesday.



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A path near the center of the campus became a winter wonderland in early snow flurries.



Riders waited for the bus on Fournier Circle earlier than usual Wednesday.

## Annual Christmas pottery sale next week

by Myrtle Rogneby

Stoneware produced by students in Green River's ceramics classes can safely be used for cooking or feeding the cat, according to Ed Brannan, the ceramics instructor. No lead glazes or other toxic materials are used in the pottery. The stoneware pieces are also microwave and dishwasher safe.

Ceramics students have prepared a Christmas pottery sale. They will sell their wares at the Lindbloom Student Center, Tuesday, Nov. 26 and Wednesday, Nov. 27, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The sale, an annual event for the past 12 years, has been "very well received by the entire campus," said Brannan.

Participation in the sale is open to any currently enrolled pottery student. Samplings from beginning to advanced potters will be available, according to Brannan.

He said that ceramics techniques and methods are such that beginners in the art are frequently able to create very beautiful pieces. They often become attached to these early pieces and don't want to part with them.

Brannan has about 115 ceramics students and he said the Christmas sale is a chance for them to experience the public presentation aspects of a potter's work. It is an important opportunity for them and a half way step between the comforts and controls of the classroom and realities of dealing with the public.

The ceramics studio in H.S. 9 is really a collection of studios adapted to the five steps involved in production of a stoneware piece.

In the working studio, "hand builders" or

### Snow cancel registration? Go in now

Any student who misses a registration appointment because of the campus being closed during the snow storm may register at any time the registration office is open.

That was a decision announced Thursday by Richard Barclay, associate dean for students. All other students must register at the assigned times.

"wheel throwers" fabricate pieces from clay which then dry on racks into greenware.

The greenware is fairly fragile but the first firing, or bisque firing, hardens it into durable pieces.

For the next step, the pieces go to the glazing studio. Here the student chooses from a large array of garbage cans whose muddy-looking contents are really a collection of glazes. These offer wide choices of finish depending on the chosen properties of surface treatment including variations in color, texture, patina and sheen.

Brannan said a student who had been east of the mountains during the May 18 eruption of Mt. St. Helens brought him an ash sample within a couple of days of that eruption. He mixed it with water and found in his test of it that it needed a high firing temperature. Otherwise, he found it to be a fairly common brown color, indicating a high iron content, in that sample, at least. He had other good brown glazes and found it unremarkable.

The glazes can be applied by brush or sprayed on the pieces but usually the pottery is dipped in its glaze. Glaze combinations and overlaps can create a great variety of effects.

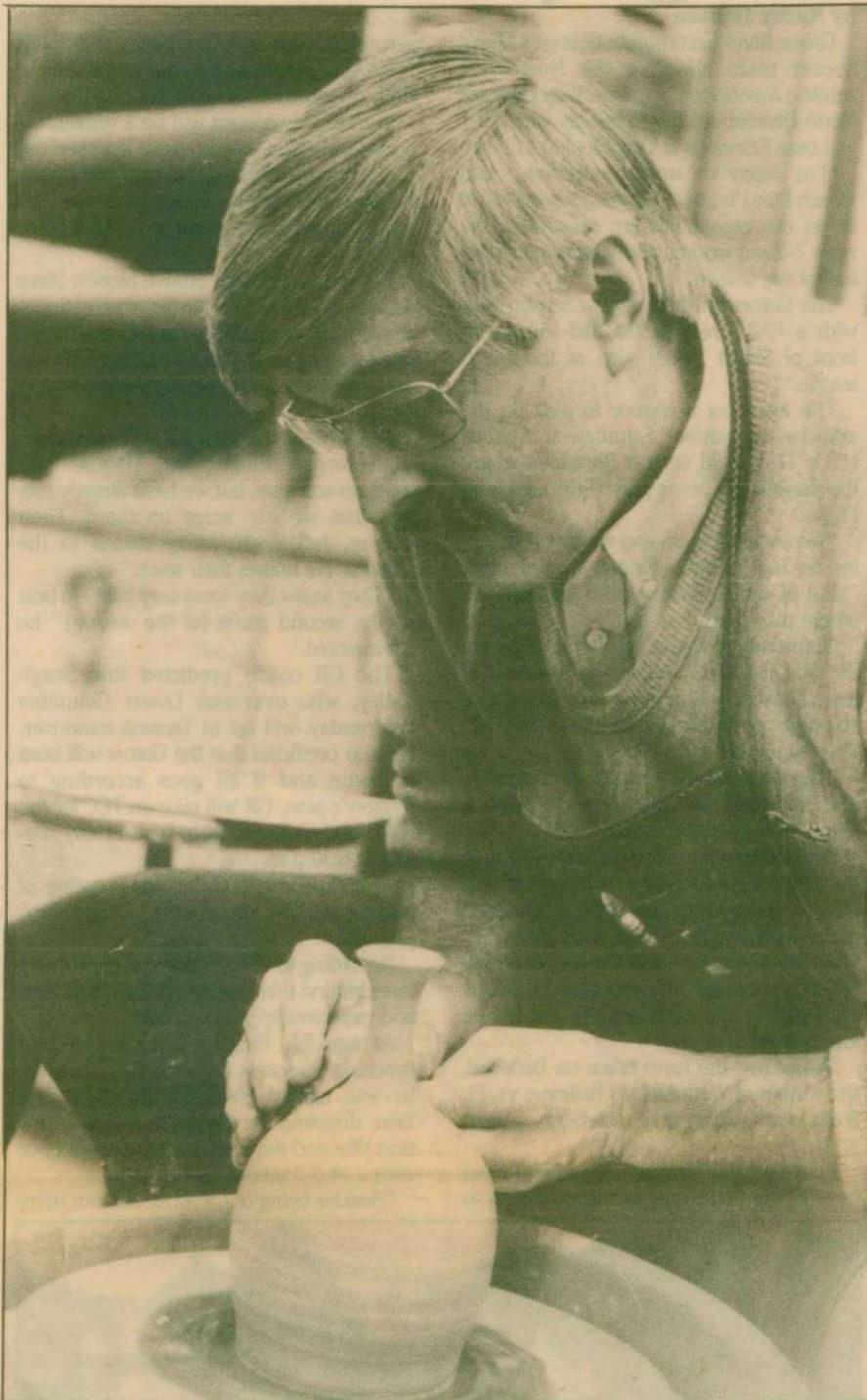
The final process is glaze firing or high firing, a hotter oven process than the earlier bisque firing.

An outdoor area of the studio accommodates exploration of "Raku" or a low-fire method of working with clay, according to Brannan. The product is not stoneware. This method is imported from the Orient.

The high fire kilns were designed and built by ceramics students in differing sizes and structure types. "Bertha," built Winter Quarter 1973, is a barrel arch, natural gas, down-draft kiln. Another kiln, built from used insulation brick, has a spring arch design. It has been rebuilt twice. A super-insulating material, fiberfax, used to plug port holes in the kiln doors looks like cotton and is actually spun silica.

There is no prerequisite to Art 114, the beginning class in the ceramics series. However, Brannan says it is to the student's advantage to follow course sequences after that.

Brannan has students who enroll for self-enrichment and some who go on to open their own studios. He also has students who transfer to fine arts programs at four-year schools.



DAVID BAUS/THE CURRENT

Instructor Ed Brannan demonstrated a smoothing technique on a "wheel-thrown" pot to a ceramics class.

## Apartment units to be new neighbors



DAVID BAUS/THE CURRENT

The Delco Group, a development company, is building a 90-unit apartment complex at 112th St. and S.E. 320th.

by Marion Meyer

The Delco Group, a development company, is constructing a three-building, 90-unit apartment complex tailored for college students at the corner of 112th Ave. S.E. and Southeast 302nd St. in Auburn.

Completion of the complex is anticipated early next year. The units will have one, two, or three bedrooms. Peter Orser, a Delco Group representative, estimated the rent will be \$300 to \$500 a month. However, exact rents have not been set because apartment value changes with the market.

Included in the rent are the utilities, sewer, garbage and water. Tenants will pay the electricity. The apartments will be unfurnished, but furniture can be arranged through the Delco Group.

The Delco Group is a developmental company based in Seattle. It specializes in the building of single family homes and multi-unit apartments. In some projects it not only builds the structures, but also manages them.

For the last half of Green River's basketball season, the Delco Group will be sponsoring both the men's and women's teams.

To promote their apartment project and provide students with more information about the complex representatives from the Delco Group will be at Green River Tuesday and Wednesday in the Lindbloom Student Center from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. They will be handing out brochures and answering any questions about the project that people might have. They will be on campus again Dec. 3 and 4.

# SPORTS

*Booters face Bellevue in quarter-finals tomorrow*

## Pingrey coaches team to division champions

by Kathy Hansen

Green River Community College's Men's Soccer team clinched the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges North Division title last Saturday with a 2-1 win over Edmonds at Troy Field in Auburn.

"I'm happy we won the division," said Coach Dan Pingrey, "I think it's deserved as far as our capabilities are concerned. We went 7-0 and worked really hard in the first half of the season."

The Gators finished regular season play with a 10-3-2 record, just half a game in front of Skagit Valley, also of the North league.

The team got a chance to play on the artificial turf surface Saturday at Auburn H.S.'s Troy Field against Edmonds where the playoffs are being played through next Friday.

"We are a turf team and we play a lot better on turf," Coach Pingrey commented, "Most of our guys came from high schools where they played on turf."

"Edmonds played a lot harder than we did and that's something we have got to learn because we are going to be facing a lot stronger competition in the playoffs," Pingrey noted.

"The playoffs are a whole new season, and hopefully, we will come out with a whole new attitude," he asserted.

Both teams went scoreless in the first half, but Gator defender Shawn Berglund was able to break away after 1:34 in the third period to score. Eric Guise, sophomore forward, blasted one past ECC's keeper off Billy Guion's assist six minutes later. Edmonds managed to slip one into the net in the fourth quarter of play.

Tomorrow, the team takes on Bellevue, the winner of Wednesday's Bellevue vs. Ft. Steilacoom quarter final match-up, at noon or 2 p.m.

Both GR and Tacoma CC were granted byes in the first round of playoff action as

respected winners of the North and South NWAACC divisions. The top three teams in both divisions advance to the playoffs.

Tomorrow's contest will be a rematch of sorts for the Gators who were knocked out of the championship game last year by the Bellevue Helmsmen in an overtime loss which dropped the team to a third place finish.

For veterans Guise, Shawn Stoner, Steve Mulvey and Brett McGinnis, that memory remains. It's a memory the players would like to avenge this year by beating Bellevue and thereby securing a championship game berth.

"Bellevue is the toughest defensive team in the league," Pingrey said, "They are very tough to score on, but we have already proven that we can score on them. Their keeper, Jeff Koch, really shines in the playoffs. He makes their team."

"They know they were very lucky to beat us the second game (of the season)," he commented.

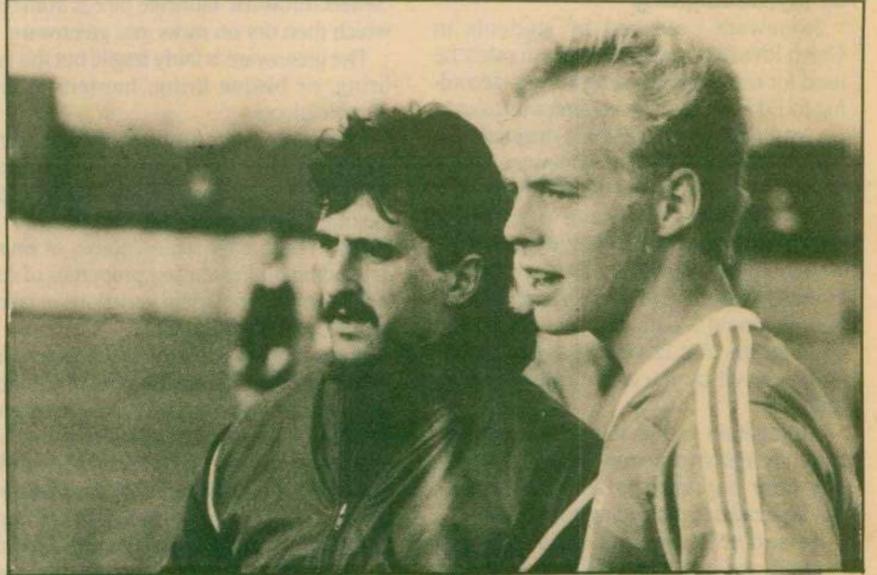
The GR coach predicted that Skagit Valley, who over-took Lower Columbia Wednesday, will fall to Tacoma tomorrow. He also predicted that the Gators will blast Bellevue and if all goes according to Pingrey's plan, GR will take on TCC for the NWAACC Championship next Friday starting at 6:30 p.m.

"We can beat TCC. It's just a matter of putting the ball into the net," Pingrey explained.

According to GRCC's players, the driving force behind their success is their dedicated and experienced young coach.

At age 24, Pingrey is in his second coaching season at Green River. In 1984, he was named NWAACC Coach of The Year, directing the Gators to a North division title and third place in the conference with a 10-3-3 record.

"Besides being our teacher and our men-



Green River coach Dan Pingrey and midfielder Brett McGinnis observe a key Gator drive in a recent home match-up.

DAVID BAUS/THE CURRENT

tor, he is also a good friend and someone we can always rely on," midfielder McGinnis explained.

Nearly half of the sixteen-member squad praised Pingrey as the best coach they had ever had, and all readily volunteered some of their insights.

"He's a good coach... The best I've ever had," Stoner, a defender explained, "He's willing to spend the time it takes, even after practice, if needed, to help us. He's easy to relate to because he is younger."

"He's close to our age, which makes him more effective as a coach," Guise said, "He is respected by his players."

Forward Simon Perkins also noted advantages of having a young coach.

"He's not that much older than us, so he can show us what to do. It helps when a coach can show you what to do instead of just telling you," he explained.

Freshman defender Stuart Lamarr added, "He gives you a lot of ideas. He shows you how to do it right, he doesn't just tell you."

"He sees the game as like an experienced older coach," McGinnis continued, "He takes a loss like he were out there himself. He's very involved in game situations."

"He is a really good coach, he has taught me to control the ball a lot better. He's not only our coach, but he's our friend, too," midfielder Joe Ness noted, "In game situations he gets really into the game, and is pretty intense, but the rest of the time he's just like the rest of us, just a little older."

Green River's goalkeeper Jerry Rehberger said, "He's a great guy. He's hard-nosed and people respect him. People should respect him more, but because of his age sometimes it creates conflicts. He should get more credit."

Forward Keith Vilhelmsen said Pingrey's playing experience has had an influence on his coaching abilities. "He's played the game. He knows what the game is about and he plays with us. He's also a professional."

As a senior majoring in Applied Physiology and Sports Medicine at Seattle Pacific University, Pingrey was drafted by the now defunct Seattle Sounders soccer club. The Sounders chose to break up their B team, according to Pingrey, and no one drafted made the A team. The franchise folded before the following season.

Pingrey currently plays for FC Seattle as left back, in the midfield. Last year, in his first season with FCS, he played in a backfield position.

According to Pingrey, the team was professional last season, but chose to turn 'top amateur' this year to attract the best players overall, including top college players who don't want to ruin their eligibility.

FC Seattle Coach Jimmy Gabriel scrutinized a few of the Gator games this year, and Pingrey said Gabriel was impressed with what he saw.

"He was really impressed with four or five of our players," Pingrey said, "He named some names."

When asked whether he has any long-term plans to play soccer, Pingrey replied, "I enjoy it and I want to play, but I just take it on a day-to-day basis."

"Soccer is a creative game, and the coach should be a trainer. A coach should get

them in shape and teach them new skills," Pingrey explained, "A coach should work to improve a player's existing skills, and then let the player go from there."

"My job is to give them a general idea of what we'd like to see, and let them take it from there," he added.

Pingrey has been coaching youth soccer since he was a teenager, and also coached the Renton H.S. girl's team.

Several of the players commented on Pingrey's approach to discipline and commitment.

"He allows us to screw around in practice, but when we get out of hand he lets us know and he comes down on us hard," Lamarr commented.

"He is great. He handles us well for his age. He knows his limits of letting us go," Mulvey said.

"Going into the playoffs, he has made us work on our attitude problems, he is asking us for a total commitment to the team for the next two weeks," Lamarr added.

Pingrey was described as tough, demanding, experienced, smart, understanding, motivating and caring by his troops. These qualities have seemingly helped Pingrey to transform a young team with only four veterans into a cohesive unit that has grown together to become a formidable force in the NWAACC.

According to Vilhelmsen, the Gators chances to take the championship "look really good. I think that just being in the playoffs will psyche us up to play." He continued, "Bellevue is going to be tough. We have beat them on turf before, and I think we will beat them again."

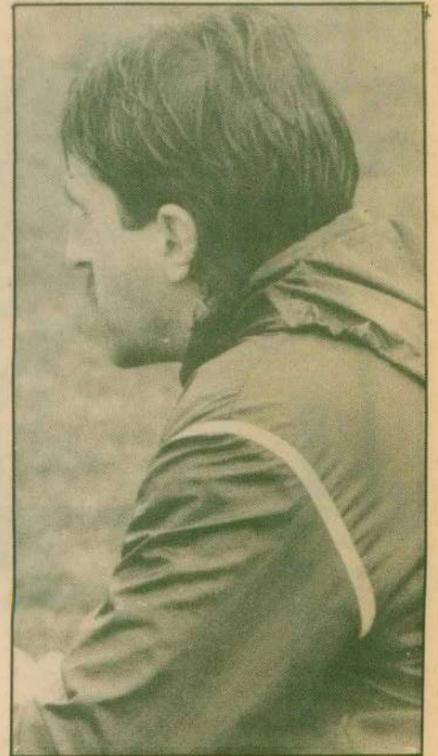
GR keeper Rehberger summed up the teams' general attitude and their championship hopes.

"We want to win it. But we have to work hard to earn it," he explained, "The season and the division is all behind us now and it doesn't count anymore. The playoffs are a 'do or die' situation."



"Please Dan, don't hurt me, I promise I'll get a goal next time," sophomore forward Eric Guise seems to be saying Coach Pingrey. Actually, the two were discussing game strategy.

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Pingrey studies the game.



## NEWS / ENTERTAINMENT

## 'The Ordeal'

by Michael Forney

It was not the thunder that broke my eardrums; as I said, I hate the screaming type. Now we were also left with no electricity. This makes it tough to assemble a newspaper, but we made makeshift candles from the massive quantities of wax on hand used for that ever popular activity known as paste-up. At two o'clock the paper caught fire. We finished the newspaper using assorted copy from the "dead" file and the few columns that our endearing typesetter agreed to type before he left to get Malaria medicine (you can bet on seeing a story on that one later.) "I'm hungry," Denise whined.

"I'm cold," sighed Myrt.

"I'm tired," they sobbed in unison.

"I'm Michael," I asserted with my usual biting wit.

"Where did you put all those sandwiches we bought at half-price, Michael?" Myrt asked me in a rather demanding sort of way. I was no second-class slob; I knew the best place to keep food fresh was outside where the cold would ensure edible eats. When I went out into the wilderness to my neo-boy scout cache of food, I had no idea that I would be risking my life. I've never seen a 400-pound squirrel before; I've never seen a hungry 400-pound squirrel before. So as you can guess when I returned with six frozen pieces of parsley (squirrels don't eat it either), they were less than happy with me. So we ate the tea.

Sleep was next on the list. We found that snuggling up to each other made things lots more cozy, until my gender was realized and I was told to sleep with the squirrel.

At 6 a.m. someone realized that we needed to get our newspaper to the printer.

"Oh pooh-pooh!" exclaimed Myrt. I think quickly in situations like this; I picked up the phone and persuaded the M.A.S.T. helicopter to pick up up and aid in the delivery. . . . And that my children is the tale of *The Current*, volume 21, number 8.

Wednesday afternoon classes were dismissed at 11 a.m. because of heavy snowfall. The ensuing rush to leave campus caused traffic jams at both exits and especially at the 8th St. bridge.

Few people stayed. Of the few, some of the key members of *The Current* staff remained to face the cold task of assembling the school paper.

Thoughts of hoarding the half-priced sandwiches, eating snow, stalking innocent squirrels, or even re-enacting the "Donner Party" experience flooded my brain. We had five different flavors of tea; we could make it.

At 6 p.m. the heat stopped. Denise and I rallied around the strength of our glorious leader. "Myrt, I'm scared," Denise sobbed. I just held onto her calf for warmth.

"Now kids," this was the voice of Motherhood speaking. "Get back to work so we can get this thing done." By the time nine o'clock rolled around, we discovered that turning the waxer and percolater up full blast, a little warmth was created. The fire I started ten minutes later was better. (At this point I'd like to pause to say that I don't appreciate panicky females who scream.)

Bright lightning struck not ten feet away from our diligent outpost of civilization, followed immediately by nuclear thunder. A large puddle of steaming water lay where a mighty snowdrift once stood.

## Classifieds

Classified ads in the Current are offered as a service to students, faculty, and staff free. Copy must be in to the Current office by 3 p.m. Monday of the week the ad is to run.

HELP WANTED: Banquet waitresses and dishwashers needed. Contact Rose Neuroth in LSC cafeteria.

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## Around Green River

## Auburn tournament needs teams

The Auburn Parks and Recreation Department is organizing the 1986 Auburn High School Alumni Basketball Tournament. All former graduates of Auburn High School are eligible to form teams. Interested persons should contact Auburn Parks and Recreation Department in City Hall.

## Smoking to be discussed at meeting

Tuesday, Nov. 26 at noon in the Baker room of the LSC, Mickie Pinches, student body president, will conduct an open meeting on the applications of the Clean Air Act. Student input on designated smoking and non-smoking areas will be addressed.

## Holiday craft workshops offered

Kent Parks and Recreation presents, *Home Decoration Ideas*, Tuesday, Nov. 26 from 7-9 p.m.; and *Creative Cards and Gift Wrap*, Tuesday, Dec. 3, 7-9 p.m. Both workshops are at Kent Commons; cost for both is \$5. For registration information, contact Kent Parks at 872-3350.

## Outdoor Programs hosts Leavenworth trip

Outdoor Programs is hosting a trip to the Leavenworth Christmas Lighting Festival, Dec. 14. A bus will leave GRCC at 10 p.m. and return at 10 p.m. Sign-up is in the Outdoor Programs Office.

## Auburn Parks host football tournament

The Auburn Parks and Recreation Department is hosting the 4th Annual Polar Bear Flag Football Tournament, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 7 and 8, at Brannan Park in Auburn. The tournament is 6-man, non-contact, all-pass flag football. It is a 16-team round robin tournament; each team is guaranteed three games. The \$100 entry fee, team rosters, and player signatures are due Wednesday, Nov. 27, at 5 p.m. Auburn Parks and Recreation in Auburn City Hall has more information or call 931-3043.

## Hillman to lecture on food, psyche disorders

Dr. James Hillman, known in Europe and the U.S. for his work with Jungian thought will be holding workshops at Antioch University in Seattle. Topics are food disorders, and mood disorders, Monday; and psyche in its disorders, Tuesday. For registration, 343-9150.

## Lenz, Schuur, Reilly &amp; Maloney headline show

Tonight and tomorrow night at 7:30 in the Auburn performing Arts Center, the Auburn Rotary is sponsoring a variety show to raise money for scholarships. The GRCC Foundation will receive one-third of all funds raised. Featured talent will be Cliff Lenz, Diane Schuur, Reilly and Maloney, and the GRCC Music Company. For tickets, 939-7950.

## Theatre in Sign to perform 'Thurber in Sign'

Theatre in Sign, a joint program of Seattle Children's Theatre and Hearing Impaired Arts, will perform "Thurber in Sign" Dec. 2, 1:30 p.m., at Kentwood High School. The performers incorporate American sign language, sign/mime, movement and voice. For more information, contact Kent Parks at 872-3350.



## Downstream

## Act to offer professional internships

A Contemporary Theatre (ACT) will initiate an internship program in theatre administration and production beginning in early 1986. The program will offer a career-oriented opportunity to assist in moving into professional theatre employment. Interns will be paid and college credits can be arranged. To apply, a letter of interest must be submitted to the theatre, along with a complete resume of theatre and/or performing arts work experience. The mailing address for ACT is P.O. Box 19400, Seattle, WA 98109. Deadline for application is Nov. 29, 1985.

## Table Tennis Club to decide on new table

The GRCC table tennis club will meet Tuesday. Club money has been allocated and a decision must be made about what type of table to buy. The club welcomes new members contact Don Hallstone for details, ext. 353.

## PLU transfer coordinator to answer questions

Pacific Lutheran University Transfer Coordinator, Camille Eliason, will be visiting Green River Community College to meet with students who have questions about admissions, course selection, transfer of credits and programs at PLU. She will be located in the Student Center from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Dec. 5.

## Steelhead clinic coming up

The Auburn Parks and Recreation Department and the Green River Steelhead Trout Club will host the 1985 Steelhead Clinic on Tuesday, Dec. 10, at 7:30 p.m. in the Auburn Parks Senior Center, 910 9th Street S.E., Auburn. The clinic is free. For more information, call 931-3043.

Rainier Symphony presents *The Nutcracker*

Rainier Symphony will present a free concert performing excerpts from *The Nutcracker*, Tuesday, Dec. 10, 7:30 p.m. at Kent Commons.

## Fun run and breakfast with Santa planned

White River Rapid Runners running club is hosting a 5K, Breakfast With Santa Fun Run, on Saturday, Dec. 14, at noon in Les Gove Park, 11th and Auburn Way South, Auburn. The run is free to White River Rapid Runners and \$2 to non-members registered by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 11. Day of race registration is \$3. Call 931-3043 for more information.

## OUTDOOR PROGRAMS

annual Christmas Lighting Festival trip  
to Leavenworth

December 14

our chartered bus  
will leave the campus  
at 10 a.m.  
and be back  
at 10 p.m.

\$17.50 per person

charter payment due by Dec. 1

Students, friends and families are all welcome.