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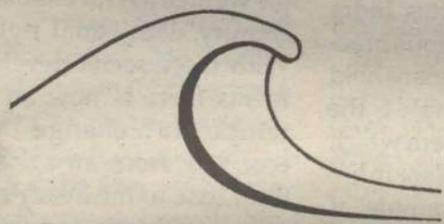
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ASGRCC makes attempt to change Senate by-laws

By Ray Carter
Staff writer

Associated Students of Green River Community College Senators will soon consider releasing the ASGRCC President and Vice President from the ASGRCC by-laws requirements that they complete a minimum of one credit in Student Government during Summer Quarter, in favor of allowing them to attend in either Summer or Fall, at their convenience.

Senators will also consider the wisdom of bringing the by-laws into conformity with the ASGRCC Constitution, repealing a by-laws amendment passed by last years Senate in attempt to re-define how class officers are selected and appointed.

The ASGRCC Constitution requires that all class officers be members in good standing of the Senate; the previous Senates amendment to the by-laws tried to void that requirement without the formality of amending the Constitution.

The repeal of the unconstitutional measure would bring the by-laws back into adherence with the constitutional requirement that all class officers be members of the ASGRCC Senate.

The proposed changes emanate from the ASGRCC Senate By-Laws Committee, as do most such changes. Typically a Senator will propose a change in the By-Laws, the President of the Senate (the ASGRCC Vice President) will send the proposed amendment (change) to the Senate By-Laws Committee, who will in turn return it to the Senate for a final vote with the committee's recommendations.

ASGRCC Senator Christie Marrison chairs the Senate By-laws committee, with Senators John Frostad, James Sloan, Timothy Wheeler, and Doug Bursch sitting as members.

HOP TO IT! GRCC's annual Easter Egg hunt bounds by this weekend



By Wendy New
Staff Writer

Every year, around Easter time, Green River Community College Student Programs puts on an Easter Egg hunt. This years egg hunt will take place tomorrow at 10 am. Participants should meet in the glacier room where they will be split up in to age

groups.

The egg hunts are open to the public and, as usual, there is expected to be a large turn out. The age range for participation is 12-years-old and younger.

Weather permitting the egg hunt will be held outside. There will be four Easter baskets given out as prizes. This is a free event.

Newsletter production workshop offered in April

"I started by getting ink all over me from those horrible ditto copiers we used to work with"

Ed Eaton

Green River Community College is offering a class for people who produce a newsletter for their company, club or church group.

The three hour workshop will be tomorrow from 9 am until noon.

Ed Eaton, instructor of journalism at GRCC for 27 years, will teach the course.

"I started by getting ink all over me from those horrible ditto copiers we used to work with," said Eaton.

Eaton presently works on the faculty newsletter, a church newsletter, produced a newsletter for a Pacific Northwest group of journalism instructors, a

political group and publishes a family news letter.

Included in the workshop will be topics such as the content of a newsletter, who should be on a newsletter staff, where to get articles and clip art, economical ways to produce a newsletter, style and format.

The fee for the class is ten dollars. Those wishing to sign up should stop by the registration office. No college credit is offered for this community service class.

Instructional assessment/high school-college conference on campus causes cancellation of all classes for a day

By Jillian Boucek
Editor in Chief

On April 21 all classes from seven am until five pm will be cancelled due to an Instructional Assessment on-campus conference. The conference also happens to fall on the same day as the high school/college conference which interferes with many classes in the morning, so manager of the project, Claudia Questo, feels it "will be less disruptive and confusing for the students if we simply cancel all the classes that day." Night school classes will not be affected. The day-long program for teachers, administrators and clerical staff will include speakers on the national, state, and community college level who will be addressing efforts to re-adjust the focus of the teaching and learning process. The program will give

the participants the opportunity to discuss the assessment movement and have their questions answered by the speakers as well as to share assessment methods and teaching techniques at round table discussions.

This conference is a faculty initiated project supported by the administration. "We all feel badly about canceling the classes," stated Claudia Questo, "but this full day provides an opportunity for the campus community to learn about the assessment movement on national, state, and local levels." Questo is an English instructor on campus and is also chair of the Instructional Assessment Committee and GRCC Liaison to the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC) for out-

comes assessment. The SBCTC has provided funding to all state higher education institutions for learning about and getting involved in assessment. Questo wants all to know that "The state of Washington is fortunate that the Higher Education Coordinating Board is allowing individual institutions to formulate their own assessment plans, rather than mandating uniform assessment for all. At Green River, we have begun to explore our own plans by learning from each other in Faculty Consultant Presentations during Winter Quarter about assessment methods we are using currently; now we have the opportunity to spend a day learning about the broader perspectives of the assessment movement."

Bill Nye "the science guy" appears on campus

Yasuko Watanabe
Staff Writer

Bill Nye "the science guy", a writer and active participant at KING 5's "Almost Live!" show, spoke to capacity crowd at Green River Community College during April 7's Tuesday Forum.

Nye appears on the Northwest's only local comedy show, "Almost Live!", Saturday nights at 11:30 on KING 5 and he also plays an active part on KXRX radio. He has received 11 Emmy Awards for his work on "Almost Live!" from the Northwest chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.

In addition to his regular television performances, Nye is known as a video scientist. He has also appeared on KING 5's "Music Magic" and "Flash!"

At GRCC Nye discussed the phenomenon of firewalking. He explained as people prepare to walk on fire, the fear on burning themselves causes the soles of their feet to get wet and cool. This is known as a cooling system and therefore people can walk on fire.

Nye has an interesting and entertaining way to present science to his listeners.

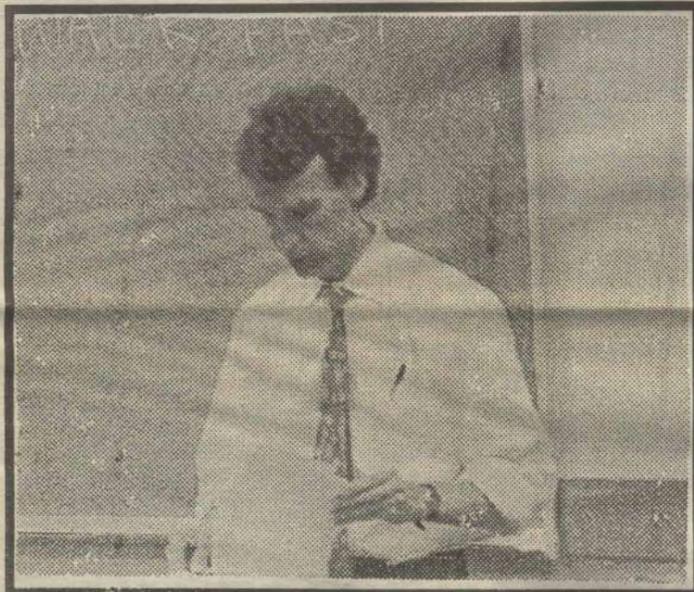


Photo by Wendy Ne

Bill Nye "the science guy" discusses firewalking phenomenon

GRCC Summer Quarter slated as self-supporting

Dawna Bird
Ad Manager

Summer Quarter at GRCC is scheduled to be a self-supporting summer. A self-supporting summer means that all of the funds collected for the quarter, such as the cost of facilities and payroll.

The biggest advantage of a self-supporting summer program is that GRCC will be able to offer additional classes during the rest of the year. Class closures won't occur as often do to the additional classes offered. There is an advantage to out-of-state students. There will be no additional fees for these students.

Due to the self-supporting

summer fee waivers and tuition discounts for Veterans and senior citizens will not be honored.

Classes will cost \$45 per credit. Students taking 10-18 credits will not receive a break in the cost. The administration doesn't see this as a problem due to the fact that most students take less than 10 credits anyway.

For those students that feel that the cost is an issue, Highline Community College is offering their Summer Quarter program at \$31.50 per credit hour with no additional charges for 10-18 credits.

Summer registration is slated for May 11. Fall registration will be on May 18.

By Ray Tellier
Staff Writer

India is a country which is only one-third the size of the United States yet has 850 million people compared to our 250 million. There poverty rate has been consistently the poorest in the world. According to 1991 research up to 45 percent of the population do not have enough to have both a roof over their head and eating just enough calories to sustain themselves. Although this country is in turmoil the country is trying to evolve into a self-sustaining society and one of the leading experts on this change is Dr. Suryanarayan. Dr. V. Suryanarayan is Director for the South and South-east Asia Center located in Madras, India and is a highly regarded author on South Asia. Dr. Suryanarayan stated that there are three things in which India is striving for:

1. Every person treated as a citizen
2. Country not promote certain religions
3. Pass laws that abolish anything that is against

Safer choices for sex in the 90's - what to say?

By Ann Darling
Director of Health Services

What's risky? What's sexy? How do I talk about changes make sense for me? If you're wondering how to cope with sexually transmitted diseases (STD's) and safer sex, than this workshop is for you!

Safer choices is a free workshop for adults to be held from 12 to 2 April 28 in the Rainier Room. The goal of the Summer Quarter program at \$31.50 is to help you understand the mental and emotional barriers to safer sex and become comfortable talking with a potential partner.

Basic information on STD's

economic and social progress.

In striving for this India has abolished religious practices that some religions hold sacred. One example is the Hindu's caste system which determines your place in life by birth. For example, if



you were born into a poor family then you were placed in only menial low paying jobs all your life, even if you were completely qualified. The government felt that practice for the caste system was not good for the economic progress of the country.

In the Muslim religion the men practiced polygomy and they married as many women as they saw fit. The

country abolished this practice because it didn't treat the women as citizens of the country with equal rights. With these social developments there is now an attempt to change the economy from an agricultural base to the heavy machinery industry.

According to Dr. Suryanarayan this has posed some problems in that the quality of these products are not on par with the world. To combat this the country has imposed huge tariffs on products such as generators and appliances to give more incentive to the Indian people to "Buy Indian". With 57 percent of the population illiterate the country of India still faces an uphill battle for economic freedom. Just in the last few years the industries of India

have begun to put more emphasis into research and development and less on production. Dr. Suryanarayan envisions a time very soon in which the country will drop the tariffs and have free trade amongst the world. According to Dr. Suryanarayan it is just a matter of utilizing the third largest skilled labor force in the world to pull his homeland out of poverty.



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and the risks of different kinds of sexual activities, useful opening lines and problem solving will be covered.

You will learn what to say to a new partner, how to tell someone you have an STD, how to hold out under pressure not to be safe and what to tell your doctor.

The workshops are a community service of KING TV and the foundation of group health cooperative, developed by planned parenthood.

To register call Ann Darling at Health Services ext. 330.

Isaac Asimov, 72, dies in New York

By Ray Carter
Staff Writer

Isaac Asimov, author of nearly 700 books on a vast number of topics, died Monday at New York University Hospital of heart and kidney failure. He was 72.

Best known for his science fiction, where he was generally acclaimed as a grand master, he also wrote mystery stories and novels, biblical analysis volumes, and texts on physics, biology, biochemistry, and astronomy. He also wrote collections of limericks and humor - as well as writing on a wide variety of other subjects, always displaying a thorough knowledge of his subject matter and receiving critical acclaim.

Born January 2, 1920, in Petrovich, Russia, (near Smolensk) the son of Judah and Anna Rachel Berman Asimov, he arrived in the United States in 1923, becoming a citizen in 1928 at the age of eight.

Asimov taught himself to read, using signs on his Brooklyn street, before age 5. A couple of years later, he

learned to read Yiddish with help from his father. At 15, he received his high school diploma.

A science fiction pioneer, he was a key figure in elevating the genre from pulp magazine adventure to a more intellectual plane.

He discovered science fiction on the magazine racks of his father's candy store - and overcoming his father's objections to the frivolous subject matter, he soon tried writing in the new genre, selling his first story "Marooned Off Vespa" at age 18.

In 1941, three short years later, Asimov sold the short story "Nightfall" to *Amazing Science Fiction*, the most prominent science fiction magazine of the era. The story was voted best science fiction short story ever written by the Science Fiction Writers of America, some 30 years later.

Asimov attended Columbia University between 1939 and 1948 (with a sabbatical caused by the Second World War) finally departing with a Ph.D. in chemistry, then accepting Nebula's awarded by his fellow writers. His

classic "Foundation Trilogy" chronicled the decline of a galactic empire and the rise of a new civilization from the ashes of barbarism and consists of "Foundation" (1951), "Foundation and Empire" (1952), and "Second Foundation" (1953) - received the unprecedented "Best All-Time Science Fiction Series" Hugo in 1966 amidst wide acclaim.

Among his non-fiction works, "Asimov's New Guide to Science" is widely believed one of the best and most comprehensible guides to science for the lay reader.

In recent years, expanding on the famed "Foundation" series, Asimov added "Foundation and Earth" (1986) and "Prelude to Foundation" (1988) to the "Foundation" lexicon, with a final novel "Forward to Foundation" due out of the Bantam Books stable later this year.

Asimov's contributions to the field of science fiction further include his "Three Laws of Robotics" governing the actions of his fictional robots and their relations with their human masters,

introduced in "I, Robot" (1950). The laws, below, finally elevated robots from unthinking killer automata to fascinating (and often unconscious) commentators on the nature of humanity.

1. No Robot may injure a human, or by inaction, allow a human being come to harm.

2. Robots must obey a human beings orders unless such actions conflict with the first law.

3. Robots must protect their own existence unless so conflicts with first two laws.

Asimov earlier this year stated he had undergone a prostate operation and would be cutting back on his writing, suspending his column in *Fantasy and Sci-*

ence Fiction Magazine, for whom he had written over 400 columns and articles over a 33 year span.

This was a burden for the man who - when asked what he would do if given only six months to live - once replied, "WRITE FASTER!!" He routinely wrote 10 or more books each year, in addition to two monthly columns and assorted articles, a pace he continued even after a heart attack in 1977 and bypass surgery in 1983.

Asimov married Gertrude Blugerman in 1942, divorcing in 1973. Asimov is survived by his wife, Janet Jeppson, who he married in 1973; his brother, Stanley, of Roslyn Heights, NY, a son, David, of California; a daughter, Robyn of Manhattan; and a sister, Marcia Repanes, of Queens.

Counselors extend their office hours

GRCC counseling services continues to offer short term personal counseling and outreach/education activities this Spring but there are a couple of changes in hours.

Walk-in hours have been expanded to every day of the week for one hour. Those times are Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 12 to 1 and on Wednesdays from 1 to 2.

Walk-in hours are a time when a student in a crisis or one who is not able to wait until the next available ap-

pointment can show up at counseling services and be seen by a counselor. These sessions are usually shorter than scheduled appointments and are offered on a first come first served basis. Evening hours have been moved to Mondays until 7 pm. Students taking evening classes are encouraged to make an appointment for an evening session if that better fits their schedule.

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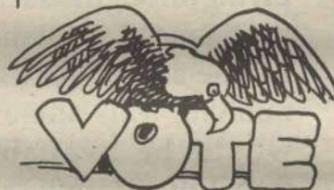
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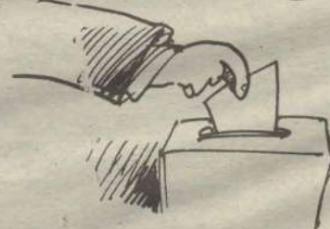
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The Judicial Board would like to remind all students to please participate in the spring elections on April 28 and 29. Many important student government offices and a change to the ASGRCC Constitution will be on the ballot.

Voter turnout is crucial, and a strong showing from the student body is the only way to make this process effective.

Campus Elections

No more donkeys and elephants, please

By Steve Olson
Associate Editor

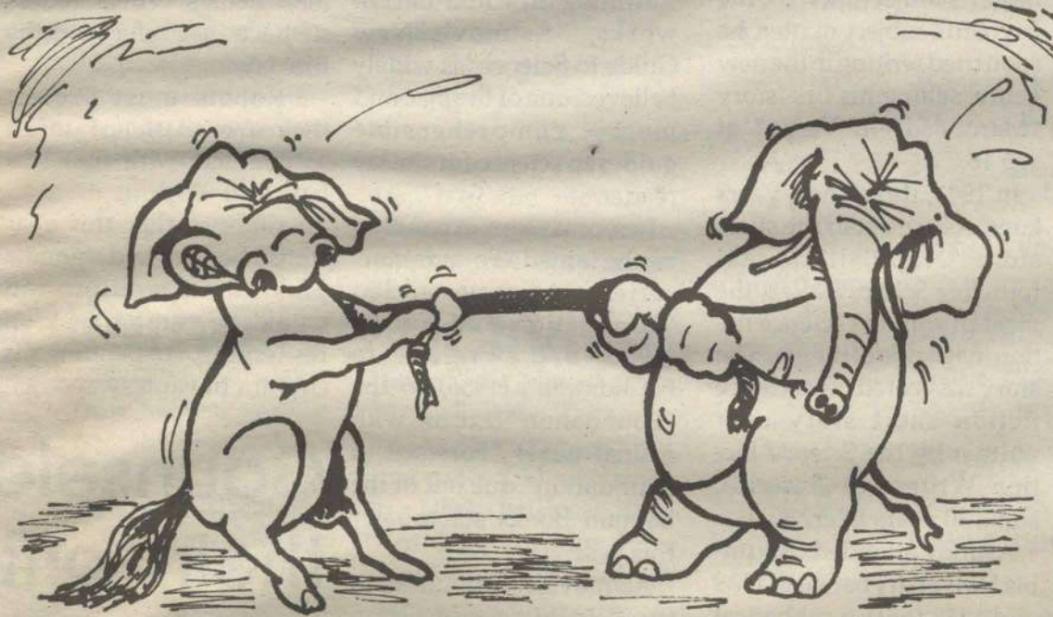
Political parties should be abolished. Gone are the days when it was good enough to just be a Democrat or a Republican. In the last three decades, we have learned that politicians are not to be trusted, regardless of the party they represent. Admittedly, the office of the President has been virtually dominated by the Republicans since 1968, so many will pointedly wave the flag for the Democrats. This, however, is probably not a safe stand to take. It is not that the Republicans are more prone to screwing up and getting caught (Watergate

and Contras come to mind,) rather, the Democrats haven't been given the opportunity to screw up for themselves. Not that they haven't tried, for it was Lyndon Johnson who felt that Vietnam was in our nation's best interests, and Jimmy Carter showed us his

strength in foreign affairs in dealing with the hostage crisis in Iran. The point of this is, it is no longer acceptable to just blindly follow either the donkey or the elephant. Public cynicism have brought current issues to the forefront, and a candidate's

character has recently proven to be more important to the public than the little 'D' or 'R' that follows his or her name in print. Perhaps the greatest shortcomings of the major political parties make themselves most evident below the office of the

president, in Congress and the House of Representatives, where members seemingly ignore the issues and simply vote with their party. All too often, we hear of 'The Democrats knocking out the Republican bill,' and vice versa. Just once, it would be nice to hear that a bill failed because it was a bad idea, and not because the political puppets voted according to the little 'D' or 'R' attached to their names. It strikes me as odd that only in election years do the politicians act upon public opinion. If the political parties were to be abolished, the politicians might have to conform to public opinion more often.



Rust in peace: Right or wrong, it's still our fountain

By Ray Tellier
Staff Writer

Can you smell it in the air, folks? No, I'm not talking about being downwind from Smith Brother's dairy. I'm talking flowers, sun, and freshly cut green grass. Sure, it may be raining as you're reading this but there will be sun, someday... Maybe. Well, if the sun comes out, you may want to take a stroll through one of the top community college campuses in the state. The varied trees, flowers, and wild life surround the senses as you stroll from class to class. You're feeling pretty good about attending a school in which the maintenance staff takes the time to make the campus beautiful. Then you walk into Kennelly Commons and sitting inside a little pool is a rusted monstrosity that is called by some a fountain. What's the

deal here? The fountain pool was cleaned and the fountain was turned on, but is it not like tinting the windows on a Gremlin? It looks ridiculous, to say the least, and it's time we said something about it. According to Tom Weisweaver, Head

of Maintenance, there are no plans to fix this thing in the near future. The maintenance department is currently applying through the state for financial assistance for the amount of \$1.8 million. This amount would be available from July '93 until July

'95, to fix the walkways and do something with that fountain. The question to ask is, who wants it there now? Some people suggested just tearing the thing down, making a 110 percent improvement. Some members of the student government suggest using the surplus of funds from the government towards a new fountain. A few years back, when there was just a pond, the art department announced to the administration that they would build a fountain for the school. They would only need funds for materials, since the students would be doing most of the work. This proposal was rejected because the administration thought that price was too high. So the maintenance department, in co-operation with the welding department, slapped together pieces of scrap iron to make the foun-

tain. This project went on with barely any funds being used. Well, I guess it's true that you do get what you pay for. If we can use the funds of the student body, and the talent of the art department, we could make a fountain which people would appreciate for years to come. Most of us are two years and out students, but if you want to change the world you've got to start with your doorstep.

Oops!

A story run in a previous issue of The Current erroneously indicated that SS-8 would receive plaques honoring Nigel Adams, when, in fact, the matter was still under deliberation and awaiting passage in the senate. The reporter who wrote the story expresses his sincere regret over this mistake.

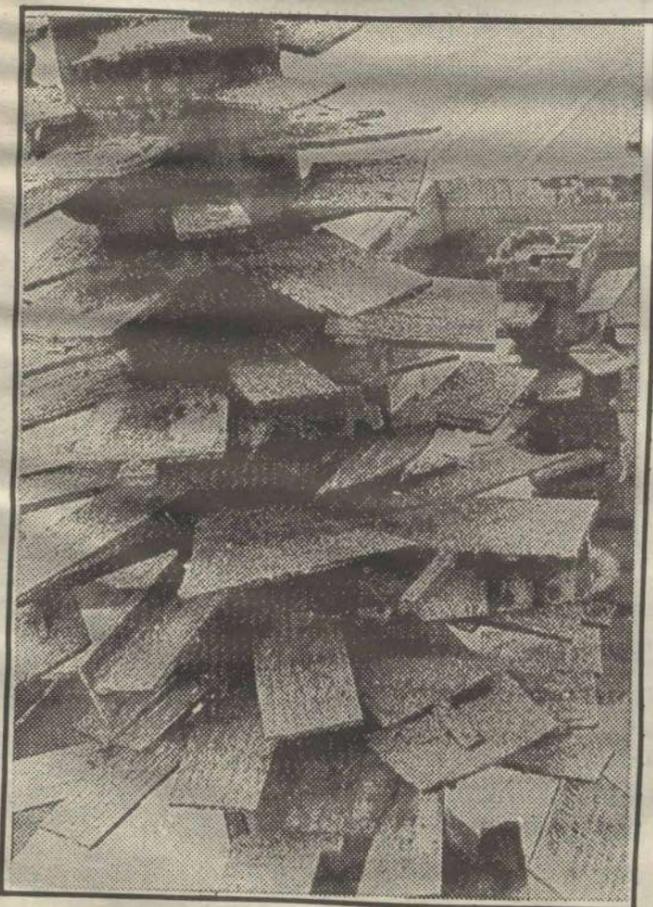


Photo by Wendy New
Iron Trees, GRCC's most prized possession. NOT!

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Editorial

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Vote fit for a king, of rock and roll, that is

By Abe Breadstrand
Staff Writer

The time has come; the time to make your choice. But, remember, the choice you make will have an everlasting affect on all generations to come. Do not make your choice lightly. Study the issues. Read the books. Watch for sightings.

It's time to vote for which Elvis stamp you want.

Think hard. Which face do you want staring out at your great-great-great grandchildren from your dusty old stamp collection book? The lean, mean, hip-wig-

gling rock 'n roller of the 1950's? Or the older, spare tire-packing pop singer of the 1970's? It's up to you.

Not registered to vote? Never fear. Uncle Sam's postal service, in an effort to reach all citizens (even those who may have forgotten that once upon a time men fought and died for the right to register to vote) has made the Elvis ballot available to all, regardless of age, race, sex, or hairstyle. The ballot I sent in came in an issue of People magazine. It was stuck right in there with Ivana Trump and her Italian lover.

It wasn't an easy decision. The burden of choice lay heavy on my shoulders. I studied

those two faces and asked myself: What would Elvis want? In the end it came down to cheeks. Yeah, cheeks. Lean, high-definition cheeks that had bones in them, or plump, squeeze cheeks framed by the stand-up collar of that famous white leather jumpsuit. Six-pack cheeks versus keg cheeks.

I made the choice. You can make the choice. You can make your voice heard, down through the ages. You can make your voice heard on other issues also. Issues like jobs, the environment, the economy, health care, daycare, military

spending, and education. Because this year, not only can you vote for Elvis, you can vote for the President of the United States, a Senate seat from our great state, and the Governor of our state.

You can vote any way you want. If you don't like the candidates from the major parties, you can vote for an independent, a Socialist, a Populist, a Whig, or any other wacky party that represents your interests.

Think of it this way: If you vote, and your candidate doesn't win, at least you've earned the right to complain about the candidate who did.

Or think about it this way: It would

please Madonna (the female Elvis of our day). Yeah, Madonna. She did that commercial, the one where she wasn't wearing very many clothes (big surprise!) and she said, "Rock the Vote." I have no idea what that meant, but somehow, upon hearing it I was magically pulled towards City Hall to register (It was probably hormones), way back when I reached voting age. I'm glad I did. I'm proud to be a registered voter in a country where I can please Madonna, choose Elvis cheeks, and fight for candidates and issues I believe in, all in one year.

Go for it. Rock the vote.

Anti-activist activist speaks up on issues

By Jonathan Schwingh

Arbor Day, harbinger of environmental radicalism, approacheth. Oh, joy. Yet again we will hear trumpeted from the treetops (by protesters who've carefully chained themselves there) the virtues of "Save the Environment - At ANY Cost!!!!"

Begun after the first World War as a harmless memorial to fallen heroes of the Allied forces, Arbor Day and subsequently endorsed celebrations have taken on the status of High Holy Days' of the "Save the Earth, Kill the People" movement. Typical of the movement is the effort to eradicate loggers as a species.

Such celebrations of self-destruction are at best bizarre and at worst, simply sick. Why should the child of a logger support his parents economic

emasculatation for the sake of a fictional species created for the sole purpose of such an emasculatation? I speak, of course, of the supposedly endangered spotted owl.

The environmental movement, founded with the best of intentions (however misguided) did not truly hit it's full destructive stride until the children of the sixties turned into yuppie members of the "cause of the month club". Given their common attitude of "if the establishment opposes it, it must be good" and

"original thought outside of predetermined limits, is simply evil" the yuppies joined the movement in ignorance, and seldom looked for information beyond the radical newsletters they were and are sent.

The "green" indoctrination of the yuppie "non-thinking" class occurred. Hunting was barbaric. No species could be sacrificed for any reason. No species designated as wild (by some mighty

odd standards) might be commercially exploited; even if such exploitation would result in an increased population of the species. And logging old growth, regardless of care exercised and/or any reforestation efforts, was simply evil.

THIS is what Arbor Day, Earth Day, and these iniquitous environmental holidays have come to celebrate. Political correctness, illiberalism, and eco-terrorism. From this so-called "peaceful" mentality springs groups such as

EarthFirst, happily entering the wilderness to topple power towers and spike trees - killing power of hospitals and exploding sawmills near them, at a cost of both lives and dollars.

Do we really need to celebrate latter day Luddites with a serious problem with consistency? After all - if they were so enthused about living the all-natural life, shouldn't they be living naked in the dark, shivering? Love the activist, for without the activist there would be no hypocrites.

Theft upsets student

Editor, The Current
This letter is really to the person who stole part of my ceramics piece in the student art show. Thank you for liking my piece. You must have valued it highly to be willing to sacrifice your honesty

and integrity to own it. Whatever you do comes back to you three times; I hope you are willing to pay that full price. If you consider that price to be too high, you may return it to the ceramics room, no questions asked.

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Tennis coach gets 600th win

By Don Eckhoff
GRCC Student

"Just win," is the phrase Green River Community College men's and women's tennis coach Steve Sauers is accustomed to doing. Sauers recently passed the 600th career winning mark.

Sauers was credited with the milestone victory against Yakima Valley Community College on April 6. Since then the men's and women's teams have pushed his all-time record to 602-92.

The winning percentage for Sauers is .867, however, the most impressive number is his loss record. More than half of the losses were to university teams.

Sauers has coached the Gator mensince 1970. In 1979,

the women's tennis program was established. His teams have accounted for 16 Northwest Athletic Association of Community College championships. Eight have gone to each of the men's and women's teams. The Gators have finished second in the NWAACC nine times.

Nearly half of all of the banners located inside Gator Gardens (the gymnasium), belong to Sauers and his past tennis teams.

"I have a 'just win' philosophy. I tell the players that tennis should be their fourth or fifth priority. Their top priority should be themselves, then their family, then school, then

their job, and tennis. I also tell the kids that none of them are going to make a living playing tennis professionally, so the only reason they're playing here should be for fun. But to have fun, you have to win, and that takes hard work," comments Sauers.

Hard work is something that Sauers is used to doing. He has been coaching tennis for 22 years and is currently a business instructor here at the college.

For the explanation concerning the success of the tennis programs, Sauers is quite modest. He gives credit to the players, "I prefer they get the attention when we win," concluded Sauers.

Noon time alternative activities

By Lisa Tedmon
Staff Writer

A variety of sports activities are being offered during the noon hour for energetic students.

On Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, "Pitch to yourself softball" is offered. This is a co-ed sport involving teams consisting of 12 students per team, four of which are required to be women.

The new game in town is Ultimate Frisbee, played on

Tuesdays and Thursdays. There is no real scoring process, it will be judged by time.

For a more strenuous activity, step aerobics are being offered. Aerobics are in the gym and the cost is \$15.

Stationary bicycles, a stairmaster, a walking machine, Nautilus equipment, and free weights are also available at no charge to students.

A home run hitting con-

test will be played on the baseball fields. The contest will be played by setting up two cones and seeing who can hit the ball the farthest.

Athletic Director Harry Beggs stated that he would like to have tournaments at the end of the quarter for intramural sports.

Students are charged a special fee for some of the sports. If students have to pay to participate in the event they are more likely to follow through to the end.

Nichols prepares to take over where Willis left off

By Ray Carter
Staff Writer

Gary Nichols, assistant women's basketball coach at Green River Community College, for the last three years, recently ascended to the post of head coach of the women's team, replacing long-time women's coach Mike Willis.

Willis recently left Green River after twelve years as women's coach, for a full-time coaching and teaching position at Kennedy High School, a private school located in Burien.

Until Willis stepped down, Nichols never really wanted the job of head coach.

"This is a bittersweet time for me," stated Nichols, "I'm very pleased that the college administration has confidence in me. I would have been Mike's assistant forever, if he had stayed. I had no aspirations to be head coach."

Nichols comes to his new position with four years experience coaching three sports at Foster High School, before arriving at Green River three years ago as an assistant coach of the women's basketball team.

Nichols expects to be coaching at least eight returning players from the play-off qualifying Gators 1991-92 Women's team that finished 20-7, though until letters of intent are filed that number is uncertain.

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Sports Calendar

- April 17 Baseball and Softball vs. Columbia Basin
April 18/19 Softball @ Olympic Crossover Tournament
Baseball vs. Tacoma
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Baseball vs. Olympic
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How much do GRCC students know about sexual minorities

By Ted Broussard
GRCC Counselor

If the ten percent theory is accurate, one in ten people is gay, lesbian or bisexual. Because our society generally devalues differences in sexual orientation, the possibility for misinformation, fear and hatred continues to grow.

How much do you know about homosexuality? Take the following quiz to find how much, or little (as the case may be), you actually do know about homosexuality.

Answer **FACT** or **MYTH** to each of the following items.

- _____ 1. Homosexuals commit more crimes than straight people.
- _____ 2. Everyone is born straight, but some become gay because they have been seduced by a gay person earlier in life.
- _____ 3. You can always tell homosexuals and lesbians by the way they act, dress and talk.
- _____ 4. Boys raised

by domineering mothers and weak or absent fathers, usually turn into homosexuals.

_____ 5. Gay people can never become mothers or fathers.

_____ 6. Homosexuals are more inclined to molest children sexually than heterosexuals.

_____ 7. If a person has one or two sexual experiences with someone of the same sex he/she is gay.

_____ 8. The American Psychiatric Association classifies homosexuals as "sick".

_____ 9. Homosexuals can be legally married to each other under the law in the United States.

_____ 10. Most homosexuals try to convert young people into becoming gay also.

_____ 11. Children raised by gay parents (or gay people) usually become homosexuals themselves.

All of the above items are myths. Any questions can be directed to counseling services in LC 231 or ext 304.

For the health of it: How to know when it's strep and what to do

By Ann Darling
Director of Health Services

Your throat hurts... what should you do?

It isn't always easy to know when a sore throat is "just a sore throat" or the more serious "strep throat." If you have the opportunity to have someone look at the back of your throat (all the way at the back with a flashlight and you going AHHHHH with your tongue poked waaayyy out!) and it only looks red then it's probably safe to wait and see how it feels in a day or so. Redness usually only indicates a viral infection. If, however there are white spots on the back of your throat/tonsils (if you have any) and you feel as if your throat is filled with razor blades it is advisable to see your Health Care Provider promptly.

Why do people get all excited about "strep throat"?

The bug which causes strep throat can cause severe damage to the valves in

your heart. It can be very serious. Untreated, strep throat can leave your heart function impaired for life.

Antibiotics are prescribed for strep throat. It is essential that you take every pill or capsule prescribed, even if your feeling lots better. The only reason for not taking them all is that the person who prescribed them tells you to stop taking them.

Some people stop taking them because of side effects. If you have side effects then call your pharmacist and ask them for advice or call the prescriber - but don't just stop taking them.

Why? If you take just a few antibiotics you can reduce your sensitivity to these drugs. In other words your body's response to the medicine is lessened and what that means is the antibiotic will perhaps not be effective in fighting the bacteria causing the infection.

Never take someone else's medications. Never take "just a few antibiotics" for your cold or sore throat. Never take the antibiotics proscribed for another infection.

Antibiotics are prescription drugs. What that means is that this drug (through lengthy scientific research) has been determined to require medical supervision both for appropriate dosage and that some assessment of you form a health care provider is needed.

Some people feel that gargling with warm salt water (one teaspoon to a pint) relieves a sore throat. You can try this but if you fit the description mentioned above, see your health care provider.

Stop by Health Services if you have any questions - right next door to Financial Aid in the Student Center - or call ext 330.

Swiss student returns home after nine months

By Lisa Tedmon
Staff Writer

Susan Schwaller, an international exchange student from Switzerland, is returning home after being here for nine months. While attending Green River College, she was actively involved in Green River Active Christian Encounter (G.R.A.C.E.). Susan spent her spring break on the Oregon coast with G.R.A.C.E. at a beach retreat.

Susan, 17, is young for a college exchange student. She has already selected a major, business, and hasn't chosen a minor.

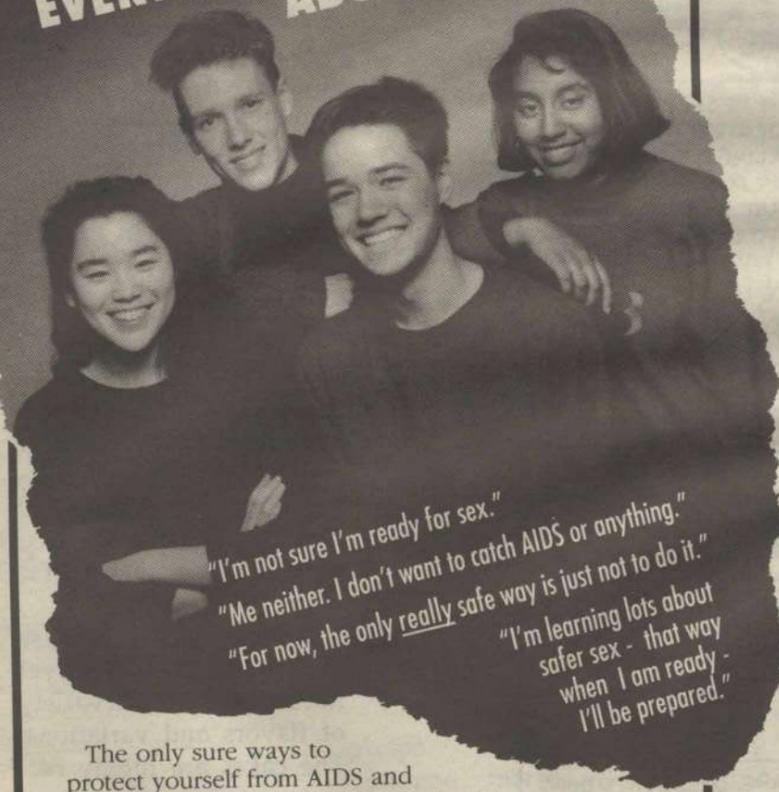
It was hard for her to study being away from home, she stated, it was hard at first with no friends, not knowing what academic level she was at, and the customs are so much different.

Susan did a lot of different things while she was here. She took a trip to Mt. Rainier, went to the Space Needle, took the ferry to Vashon Island and went around the San Juan Islands. She went to Deception Pass and saw the tulip festival. When asked what she liked best about Washington she replied that the people in Washington were the best. She stated, "The people are more outgoing and they know when and how to have fun."

Susan also mentioned that one of the major differences between living in Washington and living in Switzerland was that she liked the attitudes of the people here. However, the one thing that she liked better about Switzerland than here was the food. She said that it was a bit more extravagant and the school system was also a little bit better than it is here.

She is the youngest of four. She has two older sisters and one older brother. Both of her sisters and her brother are all married and have kids. "I love being an aunt" she said. The one thing that she always wanted to do was to go to a Mariners game. So she went with the G.R.A.C.E. club to the opening game on Monday, April 6. The Mariners lost but at least she was able to see an American tradition.

EVERYBODY'S TALKING ABOUT SEX.



"I'm not sure I'm ready for sex."

"Me neither. I don't want to catch AIDS or anything."

"For now, the only really safe way is just not to do it."

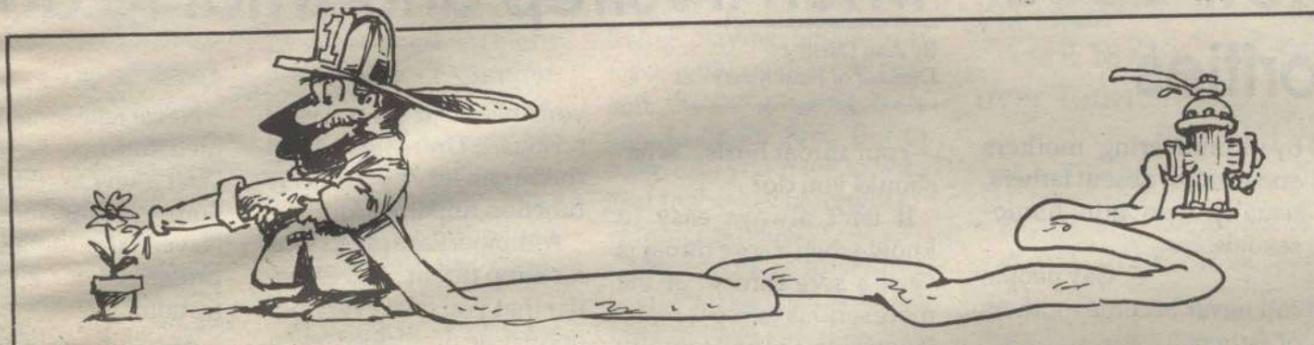
"I'm learning lots about safer sex - that way when I am ready - I'll be prepared."

The only sure ways to protect yourself from AIDS and sexually transmitted diseases are not to have sex and not to share needles if you do drugs.

If you are having sex, use a latex condom every time. Learn all you can about protecting yourself.

Don't just talk about sex. Get the facts. For more information call the Northwest AIDS Foundation at 329-6963 Ext. 241. TDD# 323-2685.

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Sam Kinnison falls into the clutches of mortality

By Keri Buhnt
GRCC Student

Sam Kinnison is dead. Yes, sports fans, the man famous for coining the phrase "AOUGH AOUGHHHHHH" has joined the land of the un-living courtesy of one drunk teenager. Kinnison was killed in a head on collision with the drunken teen earlier this week. Of course alcohol seems to make men immortal because while Kinnison bit the big one, our friend Mr. Drunk Driver lives to get a slap on the hand by a California judge and the sound advise not to drink and drive. What a concept!! The youth pleaded not guilty to charges of

vehicular manslaughter, and even though there was a large piece of evidence against him (Kinnison was not the thinnest man in the world) he was let go into the custody of his parents. A comic relief is already in the works in memorial of the late Kinnison. Among the organizers are two of Kinnison's close friends, Robin Williams and Billy Crystal. Of course where there's Williams and Crystal there has to be Woopie. Undoubtedly the special will air sometime in the near future. Until then, remember Kinnison with a gleam in your eye and an "AOUGH AOUGHHHH" in your heart.

Rosebud Cafe gives a good cup 'o' jo

Seattle sports literally hundreds of coffee shops and espresso bars, yet some few rise above the fray, achieving a special notoriety or infamy. Such is the Rosebud Espresso Shop, near the corner of Summit and Pike on Capitol Hill.

Devoid of grimy political literature and propaganda, an ever-changing art display decorates the delicate yellow walls of the Rosebud, beaming down over stuffed couches and chairs surrounding homey coffee tables. A uniquely peaceful atmosphere reigns over the establishment, with blues and jazz music playing gently in the background.

Thundering steam roils the surface of foamed milk for a mocha as the ever-civil staff prepares yet another espresso drink to accompany their fine pastries and cookies. Soon, it to will cross the elegant oak and marble brass-railed bar.

Rosebud creates a very mellow espresso, strong yet not bitter, with a full variety of flavors and variations. The cakes are highly recommended, and the cookies are faultless.

I've been visiting the Rosebud for two months now, and never failed to receive polite service, quality triple tall mocha's, and excellent cakes, cookies, and other munchies. HIGHLY RECOMMENDED!!!

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| <p>I'LL KISS YOU ONLY IF YOU PROMISE NOT TO BITE ME AGAIN.</p> <h3>BINKY'S GUIDE TO LOVE</h3> <p>WARNING: CONTENTS UNDER PRESSURE</p> | <p>CHAPTER XIII: ARE YOU DOOMED?</p> | <p>LOVE SECRET #17: USING TENDER ENDEARMENTS SUCH AS "DARLING," "DEAR," AND "SWEETIE" WILL TAKE THE STING OUT OF UNPLEASANT DISCUSSIONS.</p> <p>WOULD YOU MIND GETTING OFF YOUR BUTT AND HELPING AROUND HERE, SWEETIE?</p> <p>GO TO HELL, DEAR.</p> |
| <p>PERHAPS YOU THINK OF YOURSELF AS A NORMAL, RATIONAL HUMAN BEING.</p> <p>EXCEPT FOR THE ANXIETY ATTACKS, NIGHTLY INSOMNIA, AND CHRONIC LOW-LEVEL DEPRESSION, YES I DO.</p> | <p>BUT THE FACT IS, YOU'RE A WALKING, TALKING GRAB-BAG OF UNCONSCIOUS FEARS AND DESIRES.</p> <p>I DIDN'T THINK IT SHOWED.</p> | <p>YOUR BRAIN IS SECRETLY RUN BY A COMPLICATED MISHMASH OF BAD FEELINGS, UNWARRANTED ASSUMPTIONS, AND UNSPEAKABLE FETISHES THAT DETERMINE YOUR RESPONSE TO LOVE.</p> <p>THAT WOULD EXPLAIN A LOT OF THINGS.</p> |
| <p>THIS IS PARTLY DETERMINED BY BIOLOGY-- THE GENETIC MAKEUP AND TEMPERAMENT YOU GOT FROM YOUR PARENTS...</p> <p>UHP.</p> <p>MOM & DAD</p> | <p>... AND PARTLY DETERMINED BY YOUR FAMILY ENVIRONMENT, ESPECIALLY DURING THE EARLY YEARS OF CHILDHOOD.</p> <p>OH, SHUT UP!!</p> <p>YOU SHUT UP!!!</p> <p>NO, YOU SHUT UP!!</p> <p>WHAT'RE YOU LOOKIN' AT, BOY??</p> <p>HI.</p> | <p>THESE THINGS CONTROL THE WAY WE APPROACH LOVE-- INCLUDING OUR LUST FOR POWER, OUR WHIMPERING NEED FOR DEPENDENCE, AND OUR BASIC SEXUAL CRAVINGS.</p> <p>WHAT'RE YOU LOOKIN' AT, PAL?</p> <p>I CAN'T STAND THIS PERSON, BUT I MUST HAVE HER.</p> |
| <p>WHICH IS WHY IT IS HARD TO FACE UP TO ONE SIMPLE FACT...</p> <p>UH OH.</p> | <p>YOUR RELATIONSHIPS ARE DOOMED TO BE AS SCREWED UP AS YOUR PARENTS' MARRIAGE.</p> <p>THAT EXPLAINS THE SARCASTIC.</p> <p>THE BITTER RECRIMINATIONS.</p> <p>BUT MY PARENTS NEVER THREW DISHES AT EACH OTHER.</p> <p>OH WAIT-- NOW I REMEMBER. THEY THREW DISHES ALL THE TIME.</p> | <p>BEING AWARE OF YOUR DOOM IS THE FIRST STEP TOWARD MENTAL HEALTH.</p> <p>LET'S TRY TO BREAK THE CYCLE OF DAMAGING HOSTILITY THAT WE EACH LEARNED FROM OUR PARENTS. OK?</p> <p>NICE TRY, JERK.</p> |