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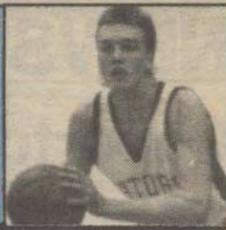
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Master Plan could boost college admission

By Hamilton Underwood
Staff Reporter

Public higher education in Washington state might change drastically if the state legislature approves the Higher Education Coordinating Board's package of "recommendations" titled the Master Plan. Introduced to the

House and Senate a week ago last Thursday the Master Plan has received criticism from educators who feel the plan has drawn too many unfounded conclusions and doesn't even address the issue of financial aid and tuition. This is particularly distressing because in the next biennium tuition is expected to increase.

The HEC Board is a group of individuals appointed by the governor, none of those appointed has any experience in professional education. Most of those appointed are businessmen and women including John Fluke of Fluke Industries.

The HEC Board proposes through the Master Plan, among

other things, a three tier admissions system. At the bottom rung or tier of educational/cooperate ladder are the state's community colleges (who will continue their open door policy), next are regional colleges (Western, Eastern, Central) and at the top are research universities, which are Washington State and the University of Washington. As a result schools will be more selective who they admit.

This would take away from the schools the freedom to decide their own admission standards which is unfair to the schools and students because all the schools offer undergraduate programs which others don't.

Big business influences are clearly evident "The final product", as the Master Plan is referred to states students whose

interest might not be business oriented might see all types of art classes dwindle because higher education will be focused to graduating students who can immediately help the state economically.

Poets, painters, actors and other artists obviously don't fit this criteria; marketing, engineering and business graduates do. As the Master Plan states, "stronger partnerships should be forged between academia and industry to encourage collaboration and the effective transfer of scientific and technological advances, and to this end, universities should review their current policies to remove barriers to participation by research personnel in these partnerships. Sounds like a sell out to big business.

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Summerfield 'dorm' mellows out



Photos by Brian Klippert

Pat Miller, manager of Summerfield Apartments, says Summerfield's party image is being dispelled

By Dewayne Collins
Staff Reporter

Summerfield Apartments has been commonly referred to as, "the closest thing Green River Community College has to a dormitory," because it houses more GRCC students than any other apartment complex in the area. Along with being known as the "dorm", it is also stigmatized as the, "place to party." Yet according to the manager, Pat Miller, this reputation of being known as the, "place to party" is becoming a part of the past.

After many months of seeing innocent 'get-togethers' turn into bash parties, where property was being destroyed, not by the residents but by uninvited guests. Miller has gone to great lengths to ensure that Summerfield is a

respectable place for college students and young adults. Miller feels this problem started when the apartment complex first opened its doors in 1986. The new manager had two big parties back-to-back with the new residents and things got out of control. Miller also mentioned the word of mouth among the non-residents and kids with the first time experience living on their own. "Most of the property damage and vandalism was being done by non-residents and high school kids that heard about the party from somebody else." "Another problem is with students first time away from home, no parental guidance, it's like a bird out of a cage for the first time."

The apartment complex contains such a wide variety of personalities and that's what makes it

such a nice place to live. Paul Brienen, who wants to become a civil engineer, has lived here for only 22 days. "I moved in to be around people my age." But Paul finds a problem with the self-locking doors. "The doors become a problem if friends decide to drop by." He suggested maybe a intercom system.

Danielle Kolling says when she first moved in parties were a problem, but that has changed. She also stated that the manager was great. Dan Springer, who is a second-year architectural drawing major, has seen a lot of changes. "Since last year after every dance or event at school, this was the place to go and party but that has changed thanks to the manager." Dan also mentioned that he almost didn't return to Summerfield after

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Remember when...



Photos by Brian Klippert

The long hot summer of '87 brought the tropics home to Washington to the delight of convertible owners and sun worshippers. New things became popular such as the mini-skirt, beach parties, and Corona beer. The local youth survived the hot spell by donning muscle shirts and bathing suits to cruise Alki or Point Defiance, sharpening their screaming skills.

The drought was a major concern in some more serious ways also. Crops were devastated, water reservoirs were dried up and local residents were unable to wash their cars or water their lawns due to water rationing. details page 5.

Courts censor students high school press

Washington D.C.-The supreme court ruled that school administrations have the right to censor high school news papers and other student publications. The ruling continues the trend towards limiting the rights of students. "This is the second step in the retreat of student rights," stated Kathleen Tayler, of the American Civil Liberties Union, referring to an earlier ruling involving Matt Frasure, a Bethel High School senior that made, what the court deemed, an offensive speech during a high school assembly.

The 5 to 3 ruling upheld the decision made by a principal in the Hazlewood school district in Missouri, to censor whole pages in the high school paper because they pertained to teenage pregnancy and divorce.

Writing for the majority, on the ruling against the students, Justice Byron White compared the rights of school officials to that of a newspaper publisher who has the right to remove certain articles from publication. Justice White went on

to comment that, "The school must be able to set high standards for student speech that's disseminated under its offices. Standards that may be higher than may be demanded by some newspaper publishers. 'in the real world' it may choose to desament student speech but, it's not definitely the standard."

In the opinion joined by Sandra O'Conner, John Paul Stevens, Antonin Scalia, and Willam Rehrst, White continued, "In addition, the school must be able to take into account the emotional maturity level of the audience to disseminate student speech on potentially sensitive topics. . . . such as teenage pregnancy."

Just as Willam Brennan wrote for the minority that "Such as seeking contempt for individual rights is intolerable from any state official particularly incidious from one who the public can trust inoculating in it's youth an appreciation for cherished democratic liberties the constitution guarantees." Brennan continued, "

"The young men and women of HazzleWood east expected a civic's lesson but, not the one the court teaches them to day."

School administrators praised the decision Gwendin Gregory, deputy general council of the national school board association, summarized their position, "The ruling recognizes the realities of the school environment. . . These are high school students, not members of the editorial board of the Washington Post."

While Mark Goodman, of the student press law center in Washington D.C., said in a prepared statement, "The Student Press Law Center is appalled by the Supreme Court's decision . . . To teach good journalism you must allow press freedom." Commenting on the depth of the decision Goodman continued, "We believe college students have been treated as adults by the court in the past, and will not be subject

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Opportunities available to take courses in London

By Ben Angel
Staff Reporter

Time is running out for students who still want to travel to 'jolly ol' England' this spring. On Feb. 1 the list of students from GRCC who want to study in London for college credit at the lowest price available to Washington students will be complete.

Certainly, students ask themselves, "Why study in London, when I can get a perfectly good education here?"

The answer may surprise most people. Not only is it an opportunity to see a new land, meet new people, and learn new ideas from another culture, but there is at present a serious deficiency of foreign experience in the marketplace as compared to the amount of foreign business conducted by

American companies.

There is a fee of \$3,100 which includes travel to and from London, room and board during the school week, which lasts four days long, and various other services provided by the program sponsor, the American Institute for Foreign Studies (AIFS). Students are also asked to bring a minimum of \$1,200 to cover full-time tuition, books, required classroom activities, and various social events which inevitably attract visiting Americans.

The courses available for study at the University of London, the host campus for the project, include a British Life and Culture class, with a number of social science courses available at many Puget Sound Community College. Next year, the focus will switch towards the humanities.

Student employment gives opportunity to earn money



Biology aide enjoys work study

By Cheri Stow
Staff Reporter

GRCC offers more than just classes.

GRCC students can be eligible for:

1. Earning an income
2. Receiving a head start in a career
3. On-job training
4. Earning college credits for working
5. Free employment service
6. Free college grants

General student employment at GRCC includes: the Federal Work Study program, (a financial aid program); the Co-op Education Program, (earning college credits for paid work experience); the Aide Program, (Pell Grant Program, State Need Grant Program, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant program); and the job board.

The Student Employment Center is located on the second floor of the Lindbloom Student Center in room RLC-122. It is open Mondays and Tuesdays from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

The co-op coordinator is Mary Hughes, the director is Frank Cox, and the work study coordinator and job developer is Linda Smith. They can all help students on resumes if the student can't make it to the workshop. Smith's job description includes locating jobs outside the college for students.

The job board is located on the wall outside the employment office. It lists part-time and full-time positions which are open from employers over the greater Seattle area.

Sometimes, the college offers on-campus recruiting from such companies as Sears, Godfathers and the Best Co. These companies and others have students fill out applications and will sometimes

even hold interviews right then, here on campus.

GRCC offers several grants in the Grant Aid Program. One is the Pell Grant, which is a federal grant and is based on the previous years income.

Another is the State Grant, it is given out by Washington state and is based on need.

Third, is the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant which is also given out by Washington state and is based on need. A student might be eligible for one or more of these grants. These are out right grants which you don't need to pay back. Grants will only cover 50% of college costs. The student can then decide whether to use the work study program, or work outside on their own, or they can get a loan.

The State Work Study involves profit employers where GRCC will

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last summer's vacation because of the wild parties. But he's glad he did.

The manager is making several changes that she thinks will contribute heavily to getting rid of the bad reputation. First of all, remodeling is being done on the buildings such as self-locking doors to keep unwanted visitors out, new handrails for safety of residents, and the brightening of the hallways and stairwells by painting the GRCC's colors, Gator green, on them. Secondly, she is starting to screen applicants a lot better before allowing them to move in. Miller also doesn't recommend families because it becomes a problem with the college students. "It's like mixing oil and water or the Hatfields and the McCoys." The third change is to control the "get togethers" because no parties are allowed.

Miller stated that she understands that a lot of her residents are students and that they are going to make some noise yet they must also control their behavior. She doesn't want the residents to feel

like they've join a convent, but they need to use their head. She teaches the residents responsibility because they are legally responsible for everyone at their apartment. "I try to educate the residents from within without bringing in outside help."

Miller added that she feels the residents are beginning to understand the actions which she has had to take to keep the standards high at Summerfield Apartments.

Gaming Club new to GRCC

You've read the book, you've seen the movie, and now you can participate. The Green River Simulation Gaming Society will be holding its first meeting on Monday, Feb. 1, at noon in the Baker Room on the lower level of the Lindbloom Student Center. Students are invited to "come and let your imagination roam free," in simulation games ranging from Dungeons and Dragons to Gamma World, including whatever members bring to play.

Masterplan . . .

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A standardized test to be taken in the sophomore year to evaluate how well the school has done its job is another aspect of the Master Plan which many people are opposed to. Understandably so because standardized tests are widely acknowledged to be culturally and classically biased. If the SAT, ACT and WPCT test weren't enough.

The Master Plan is to often vague in its solutions. Almost wanting the legislature and the governor to hand over a blank check to solve our states higher educational woes. This could mean surprises in the future when these indefinite

solutions take unforeseen form.

In realizing that I've only touched upon only a few aspects of the Master Plan and that I've presented only one viewpoint I encourage you to get your own copy of the Master Plan to come to your own personal conclusion. To do so, contact the HEC Board's office in Olympia.

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The ASVAB testing for the Winter Quarter will be held on February 16 at 12:30 to 4:00 p.m. The Armed Service Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) is a widely-used multiple aptitude test used for entry into the military.

The ASVAB is a student testing program designed for two purposes; helping schools assists their students in identifying their aptitudes and developing future educational and career plans. The test

is also designed to aid the Department of Defense in attracting well-qualified volunteers. The battery consists of ten subtests and takes approximately three hours to complete.

The ASVAB testing is free of charge to anyone 16 years of age or older who has completed the ninth grade. For additional information and sign-up sheets contact the Career Information Center.

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OPINION

Children: the other victims

Half the people in America will go through divorce

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Statistics say that one out of every two marriages end in divorce. Many people in their teenage years have already been through, are going through, or will go through a divorce, whether it is their own, their parents, or children.

My parents are presently going through a divorce, and it's tough, and I don't believe anyone could possibly understand until this situation arises.

My father, who is going through his mid-life crisis at exactly the age of 40, moved out of our house about three months ago, without much notice to anyone, including my mother.

This has, of course been hard on all of us, but especially true for my eight year old brother. To him, my dad is God, Superman, and He-Man all rolled up into one person. He absolutely idolizes my dad.

After my dad left, Joey kept asking silly questions (silly to us, although important to him) such as "why doesn't dad love us anymore?" and "Why is he leaving us?" How does one answer a question like this from an eight year old who is feeling so hurt and deserted?

As the weeks went by, the change in Joey was becoming more and more obvious, he would do his homework and suddenly start to sob for no apparent reason. He also started to sleep in my mom's room with her. After three months he still sleeps with her every night, and he waits up until she goes to bed.

About a month after my parents separated, Joey started the brat stage. When you would tell him

something he would say no and do the exact opposite. It even got to the point where he would hit my sister and I, which is something he has never done, and is quite unusual.

Joey is really going through a tough time-it has to be hard for an eight year old kid to try to understand why daddy's moved out.

My parents and I have always been close, and even more so now. It's almost as if the tables have turned and they need my support now instead of me needing theirs.

Sometimes it's hard not to scream when my parents say bad things about each other to me. I do feel like the middle man now and I'm not sure if I like to too much.

My father has even gotten involved with another woman, it's a "platonic relationship right now, but who knows what will happen later," he says. Now this is really wierd to me, since I've known my parents to be together all of my life. This woman also has two kids, I think, two girls, one older than me and one younger. Who wants step brothers and sisters? Yuck. I've got enough right now thank you. Ad who knows what could happen five years from now, I could have six or seven of them. Not cool.

I don't blame either of my parents at all, I love them both very much and I want what's best for them, but this is so hard to get accustomed to.

I suppose my main worry is for my little brother because he is so young and he is so confused and angry. I keep getting this eerie feeling tat he's going to grow up calling some strange man "dad", and that his real dad will just be someone who will give him money and take him to a movie once a week. That really scares me



because I want Joey to get to know my dad as much as my sister and I, and I think my dad will miss out a lot unless he makes the effort to know Joey.

I haven't decided whether divorce is worse for he younger ones because they don't understand, or if it's worse for the ones like my sister and I who have totally matured and have never known the parents apart.

In the situation my family is in right now, with an eight year old, a 17 year old, and a 19 year old, I suppose we'll find out.

People spend months remembering

1987, an unforgettable year so why not forget

It seems that in January people are overloaded with year-end wrap-ups. America has a fascination with looking back at what they did, may it be good or bad. The media loves this because they can use pages upon pages, network hours upon network hours, and radio waves upon radio waves to show everyone exactly what they did in case, like Reagan, they(forget).

'Sports Illustrated' has the year in sports, 'Rolling Stone' has the year in Music, 'Life' has the year in pictures and this year the presidential campaigns have the year in comedy.

By the time we're done, we know what the number one song is, top video, best box-office movie and we learn that Gorbachev is 'Time's' man of the year. It has also been rumored that he will be selected for best dressed edging out Cher and Brigitte Nielson.

Due to the increasing popularity of informing people of what they have been doing all year (we realize it's not easy to remember .) the Current will offer their year-end awards to the people that made 1987 an unforgettable year.

1987 was the year of Jim and Tammy Baker, Boeing, and Donna Rice. Yes, the year of nuts, bolts, and screws.

Last year can be summarized by scandals, terrorism, summit meetings and Friday the 13th part XXVI. So, without further ado, may I have the envelope please.

First of all, one of the most important awards, Man of the year. No one deserves this more than Ronald Reagan. Unfortunately, he forgot he was a man.

Many women had outstanding achievements last year so this category was a little harder to decide. However, overall I would have to give it to Dr. Ruth Westheimer. However, she was too tied up to accept the award.



SHAKEN NOT STIRRED

By Lonny Mitzel

Undoubtedly, the foot-in-mouth award would have to go to Jimmy 'the Greek.' His comment on black athletes shows that you can't be too old or famous to have a complete lack of brains.

My most-talented award goes to Tammy Fae Baker. Her artistic skills with plaster-of-paris and an industrial sand blaster shows me that she must have an abundance of talent. In fact, she tied with Mick Jagger's lips in another award, the natural resources award. Her face alone could solve our OPEC problems.

The make-up award goes to Prince. Tammy Fae was simply overqualified.

The Rodney Dangerfield award or the 'no respect' award should go to Arnold Schwarzenegger. People will just not believe that he can actcan you imagine that.

Winner of the dog award was Spuds Machenzic. Runner up was Steve Tyler, lead singer for Aerosmith.

The comeback award should go to Gary Hart. After dropping out of the race and pulling a Nixon, "you won't have me to kick around anymore," he returns to the race and

comments "I haven't been the first to commit adultery .but I've been the best."

Song of the year is 'Dude Looks Like a lady,' the true life story of Annie Lennox who is actually a man.

The funniest name award goes to the newly elected president of Japan, Noburu Takeshita. He just barely won the election over Iwannna Dumpa. The most obscure hicky award goes to Gorbachev, given to him by Mick Jagger on the forehead.

The cheapest wine, at \$1.09, would be Sun Country and the most expensive wine, at \$11 million, would be Brian Bosworth.

Since 1987 for the most part was a fluke, 'Ishtar' would be a good choice for best documentary.

The hero of the year award goes to David Letterman since more people trust and believe him than they do Ronald Reagan.

Best game show contestant goes to Oliver North since that is all the contra hearings were anyway.

Best hairdo goes to Dolly Parton. When asked how long it takes to do her hair, she replied "I don't know, I've never been there."

Fight of the year was a tie between Hagler/Leonard and Sean Penn/anybody with a camera.

Couple of the year went to Micheal Jackson and his chimp.

Best actor should go to Sylvester Stallone. He somehow convinced a lot of people that he was one.

These are by far not all the awards that I could give out. There were so many people that made 1987 the memorable year that it was. But for now we'll just have to wait and see what 1988 brings. This could be interesting.

Predictions for '88

From Reagan to Boz, what's in store for new year

- Tammy Fae will come to Green River in the next Artist/Speaker Series and present an hour long discussion on how to religiously apply make-up. Due to the need of a industrial sandblaster, it will be held in autoshop instead of SS-8. A chisel and hammer will be required.

- Nancy Reagan runs away from the White House to join the circus to be a clown figuring she has the face for it and husband who is one.

- The Partridge Family goes on world tour with the Bee Gees. The tour flops.

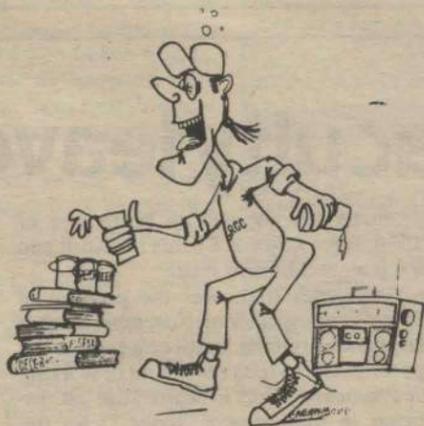
- Residents around Green River start to sell parking places in their yards for students.

- The White House proclaims that 1987 was all a nightmare.

- Ex-PTL leader Jim Bakker and wife Tammy Fae will finally gain spiritual success when they open a chapel in Disneyland. Goofy will be their leading minister.

- Michael Jackson will marry Madeline Kahn in Scotland. And as they both ride into the sunset bystanders will hear Michael singing Billie Jean. Their honeymoon will be spent at NASA in the anti-gravity chamber.

- Bruce Willis will finally learn how to sing.
- Donna Rice will make a good-will tour of



the Soviet Union to give Mikhail Gorbachev a taste of American hospitality.

- Tammy Bakker will rebuild the PTL from proceeds of a new line of cosmetics that are right for an evening on the town or body work on cars.

- Sean Penn and Madonna will suffer more domestic problems as Madonna beats up a

photographer for taking a picture of Sean Penn.

- It will be found that Al Capone's vaults were actually hidden in Geraldo Rivera's eyebrows.

- Over the next two years, GRCC will slowly slide downhill towards Green River and become the first snorkling Institute.

- A GRCC student will set out to prove that large consumptions of alcoholic beverages, T.V., and loud music contribute to the learning process. However, he never proves his case because he couldn't find the school.

- When classes are cancelled, your instructor will call to tell you so you can sleep in an extra hour.

- KGRG will begin to play 24 hours of country music.

- The Green River CURRENT will finally get desk-top publishing.

- Nigel Adams will run for United States President and win.

- Whitney Houston will write a book on 101 ways to change your hairdo in every video.

- America will be shocked when they watch Moonlighting and it is not a repeat.

- Several of the male journalis on THE CURRENT staff will streak across the campus if the women's basketball team doesn't win the championship.



- Brian Bosworth reveals in the summer of '88 that the interview with the Washington Post was all a publicity stunt cooked up by his agent and team officials.

- It will be discovered that Fawn Hall, Jessica Hahn and Donna Rice are all the same person.

SCENE

A reflection of an unforgettable school year

By Cori Smith
Editor

It is a bit frightening coming to the realization that 1987 did not begin in September along with the school year, but that yes—it did have its start in January. This is when (again!) we began our climb up the rungs of the ladder to make it through yet another year. Let us take a glance back through the many moments that have affected us here on the Green River campus in 1987.

One very important news item which affected Green River as a whole was the death of Dr. Earl Norman, former Dean for Students, who passed away February 5. He was one of the original administrators when the college was founded in 1965. Dr. Norman was continually praised for his involvement in student services and his leadership qualities which he offered to Green River for 23 years. Norman was also deeply involved in athletics, regularly enjoying a game of pickleball, golf, tennis and basketball along with being a football coach.

Bruce Compton was named Dean of Student Programs this past May.

Compton's former positions at GRCC included director for student programs since 1978, and coordinator of student programs during the years of 1976-1978. Compton graduated from Green River in 1971 with an AA and recreation degree and also holds degrees in business and physical education from Pacific Lutheran University.

Another hard-hitting news item was the death of Donald J. Isaacson, the coordinator of admissions and advising and a member of the GRCC faculty for 20 years. Isaacson's death occurred August 24 at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane, resulting from a severe heart attack four days before. Isaacson joined the faculty in September of 1967 as a psychology instructor, and later became a counselor. He was so successful in working with students that he was named Director of Counseling in 1968 and later made coordinator of admissions and advising in 1972. Many feel that Isaacson's experience in guidance counseling and knowledge of the college system has made Isaacson irreplaceable, he will be missed.

Focusing now on a much different note of news in 1987, GRCC's school (student-run) radio station, KGRG applied for an increase in wattage and stereo broadcast. They are currently operating under 100 watts in mono, and will not know if they have been accepted or denied until March. KGRG (90 FM) has been in existence for over 14 years and remains on the air for 24 hours, seven days a week.

1987 was also the first year of the Earl Norman Leadership Award. It was presented to Dr. Bill Taylor, GRCC's recently retired vice president. The Earl Norman Leadership Award is a new award which the Washington Community College Administrators Association plans to present annually to a community college administrator who demonstrates visionary leadership and excellence in management. It is named in honor of the late Dr. Earl T. Norman.

More than \$550,000 was set aside this past year for GRCC renovations. \$100,000 of that went to the new track facility located between the Occupational Education and Science Technology Buildings. The track will be used by varsity sports, intramural sports, physical education classes, as well as any and all students who are overcome with the urge to exercise.

Other renovations include the roofs around campus. The moss and old paint was removed by workers who pressure washed with a non-toxic chlorine bleach. Afterwards, new roofing and painting took place.

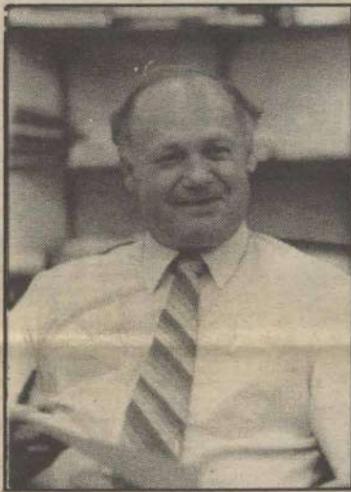
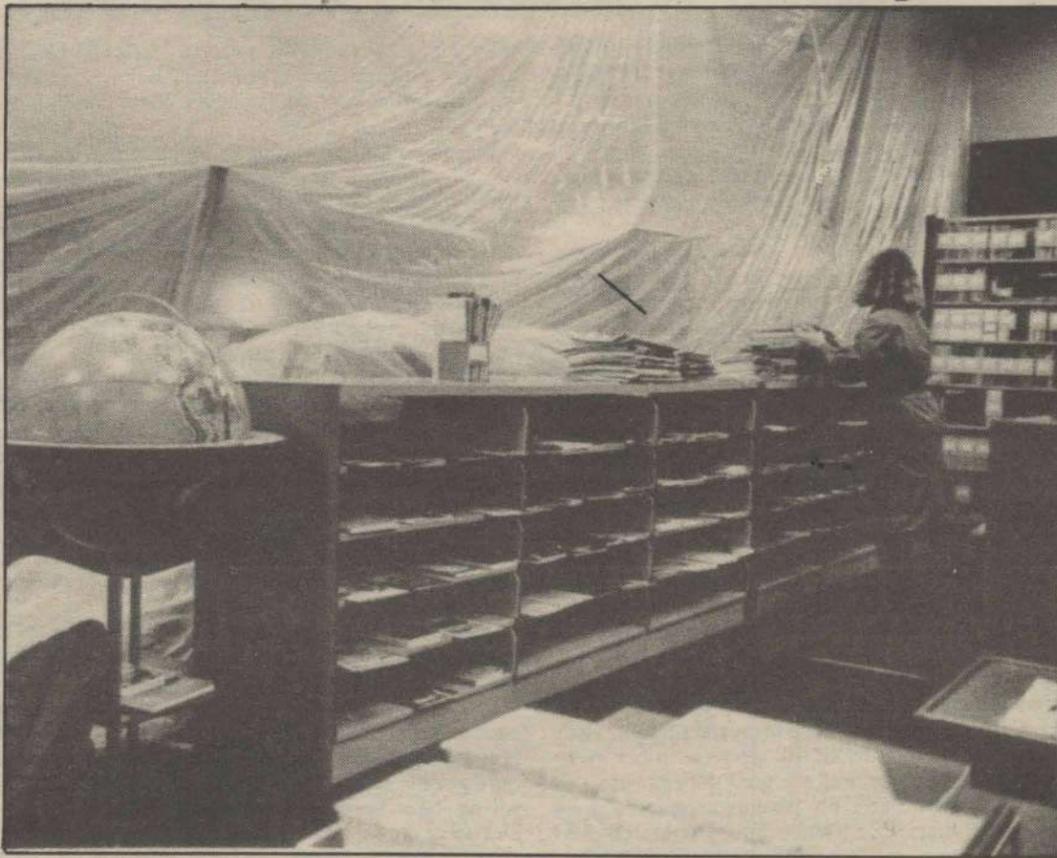
Finishing touches were put on 73 new parking spaces, which are located on the West side of campus near the Holman Library. Classroom remodeling also took place and is still occurring in 1988.

The Vocational Music Department was awarded \$380,000 for several improvements in their department to take place. The biggest of these being the attachment to the Lindbloom Student Center. Still, it is uncertain how, when, and where exactly on the LSC that this will all occur. The new building however will be a place for students to entertain the community.

One major item which definitely cannot be overlooked is the overcrowded parking problem. Green River is still attempting to accommodate the unexpected rise in enrollment, attempting to fit 383 new students into only 73 new parking slots. Nick Smith, head of security, still advises students to arrive five to ten minutes before the hour, rather than 15 or 20 minutes, this then is leaving the opportunity of taking the spot of someone who is leaving from their last class. He also suggests carpooling.

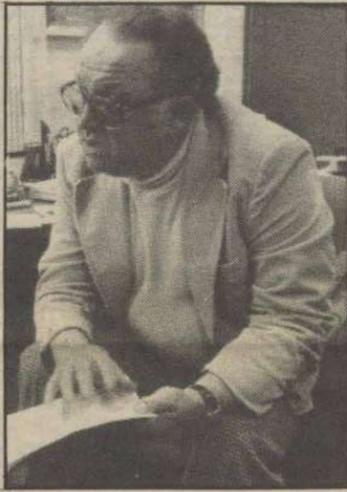
Cyril Van Selus, president of the Green River Foundation, was selected for special recognition by the Making a Difference program. Van Selus was one of five honored volunteers featured on a special television presentation on KING 5. Van Selus joined the Green River Foundation Board of Directors in 1982, although now retired he devoted himself to raising funds for the foundation annual campaigns, which support scholarships and awards.

The 17th annual Artist and



Clockwise from top left; last year the campus was given a facelift and the Holman Library renovations were completed. Don Isaacson past away last fall and was missed by many. Nigel Adams went through chemotherapy after being determined to have cancer of the colon. Mazes of water hoses covered the school as maintenance pressure washed all the roofs. Earl Norman passed away last year after giving many years of dedication to GRCC.

Photos by Brian Klippert



Speakers Series brought us Gerald Ford on November 19. Ford, 38th president of the United States, was the first vice-president in American history to succeed to president. He was also the first man to occupy

the White House without being elected either president or vice-president.

Dr. Nigel Adams, a favorite instructor here on the GRCC campus, entered Enumclaw



Memorial Hospital for surgery due to cancer of the colon in mid-November. Dr. Adams' problems began with a ulcer which progressed to the bleeding of his lower intestine.

Coming & going...

Jobs shuffled when faculty leaves, retires

By Cori Smith
Editor

Green River Community College has said several sad good-bye's and warm welcomes to many different faces here around campus during the year of 1987.

Bill Taylor's retirement, right at the end of the year, will be marked into GRCC history for many years to come. Taylor, being one of the original staff members, actually started working for GRCC one year before the campus was even open. Taylor has no harsh feelings about his retiring, he sees it as a part of life's plan. Taylor stated before his departure, "the profession of education at Green River has been very good to me. I only hope that I've

been as good in return."

On November 9, Mary Edington became GRCC's new director of financial aid and employment services for students. Her job responsibilities include financial aid and scholarships programs, student employment, cooperative education, placement of new graduates and alumni, and employer relations. Before arriving at GRCC, Edington was the assistant director of financial aid at Highline Community College, a position she held since 1983.

Former Paper Tree manager Wayne Larson retired on October 30 of 1987. Larson came to GRCC in February of 1970, first being employed as a stockroom attendant at the Paper Tree. He was then

promoted to manager in September of 1976. Larson turned 61 this last April and felt it a good time to retire.

Gary Jones took over the position of Paper Tree manager on November 1, after Larson's retirement. Jones came across the position after a ten year period of working at a Standard Paints in Seattle, the last five being in management. Jones views the position as, "a new challenge with a different outlook in a different type of retail." Jones feels the bookstore has an "extremely positive atmosphere," to work in.

1987 also brought the change in GRCC's school newspaper, THE CURRENT. Ed Eaton, whom advised the paper for 22

years resigned this year looking for a change... and wanting to not having to be going in 40 different directions at one time. Other than advising the student paper, Eaton also has directed plays at GRCC, handled public-relations part-time, including athletic PR, taught journalism at senior centers, and has written free-lance for major newspapers.

When Cary Ordway saw the position as advisor of THE CURRENT open, he decided it was time to "get his fingers back into teaching." Along with advising his students three hours a week, Ordway is also editor and publisher of 'Adventure Northwest', a monthly publication promoting travel in the Pacific Northwest.

SCENE

America survives roller coaster year of 1987

By Laurie Briese

Although 1987 was a very exciting year in the news you could never guess what was coming next.

Through all of the ups and downs of this year's national news we were lucky to come out in one piece. But now we can look back over it with a grain of salt and laugh. The news of the nation began to soar from almost day one with stories such as the PTL scandal which made Jim and Tammy Fae Bakker household names, and we must not forget the hot stories on the Iran contra hearings.

The same news that told of four-year-old Cecelia Cinchan being taken alive from the wreckage of an airline in Detroit and of baby Jessica McClure being pulled alive from a well in Texas also brought the distressing news when four teenagers killed themselves in New Jersey.

One of the hottest news items of the year was the AIDS epidemic, which made people start to ask questions about "safe sex". This brought about the Surgeon General C. Everett Koop's support of condom ads.

Gary Hart got his name in the paper early in September when he decided to take a secret trip with "friend" Donna Rice. Unfortunately all the publicity caused him to drop out of the presidential election. Just when it started to die down he decided to re-enter the election which brought a whole new onslaught of news.

Other political highlights were that Robert Bork and Douglas Ginsburg were turned down for the supreme court because of their past exploits.

Meanwhile as Wallstreet plunged Americans feared another great depression and to stop the markets plunge it was closed down for a couple of days.

For 2 months this summer the contra hearings covered T.V. radio and newspaper. Names like Oliver North, Fawn Hall, and John Poin-dexter became heroes and villains. One of Reagan's most memorable lines for the year came out of the hearings, "I can't remember." Unfortunately when it came to the Star Wars project he did remember. Reagan and Gorbachov couldn't seem to decide what to do with all their nations nuclear weapons, but in the final summit meeting of the year they finally decided that they had enough toys so they could afford to cut back.

In South Korea students rioted, during one incident students overwhelmed police and stripped them of their riot gear. At a wreath-laying ceremony in Northern Ireland a bomb killed 11. American journalist spent his 1,000th day as a

Students pick most important issues of '87

Only now can we look back at the year and reflect on all that has happened. In a recent poll of Green River students to find the top ten news stories of the year The Current compiled the following results.

1. Iran Contra affair, investigation
2. Reagan-Gorbachov summit
3. Wallstreet Meltdown
4. PTL scandal
5. The Detroit plane crash
6. AIDS spread, AZT approved
7. Gary Hart quits presidential race
8. Federal budget, national dept battle
9. Jessica McClure rescued from Texas well
10. Pope John Paul II visits the United States.

hostage in Beirut. Cuban prisoners took over two U.S. prisons to demand that they not be returned to their homeland.

This year was the year to celebrate the constitutions 200 years of life. The world noted the 75th year of the Titanic's death. Elvis Presley's fans marked the 10th anniversary of his memory living forever. This year Rolling Stone celebrated it's 20th Birthday.

This year saw a lot of firsts. Margaret Thatcher became the first British Prime minister to win three straight terms. Texas judge William Sessions became the forth FBI director and ex-U.S. embassy guard Clayton Lonetree became the first Marine convicted of spying.

Johnny Carson had a flash of

total stupidity and got married again but Joan Collins on the other hand got divorced. Sean Penn was arrested for hitting a photographer but when he left the country to do some filming, police feared he might not come back. Then to top of the year Madonna sued Sean for divorce but she had a change of heart over the holidays so she decided to keep him. Meanwhile, actress Cybil Shepperd gave birth to twins.

1987 also was the year that Pope John Paul II toured the United States. A Federal Court struck down a law requiring girls to obtain parental permission for an abortion. A New York judge sent seven Mafia bosses to the slammer.

Some big names that died this

year were car maker Henry Ford II age 70, comedian Jackie Gleason age 71, and one-time presidential candidate Alf Landon. Convicted Pennsylvania Treasurer, R. Budd Dwyer called a news conference just to commit suicide.

In Cincinnati, a hospital orderly admitted to murdering 59 people. This was also the year that mass murders moved to the more rural areas in America. In Elkland, Mo., seven people were murdered, in Russellville, Ark. 16 and in Algona, Iowa seven.

The Detroit plane crash killed 156, a South Korean plane crash killed 115 and a murder-suicide aboard a Pacific Southwest plane ended in a crash that killed 43. In England a fire at a subway station

killed 31. The worst accident of the year was when an oil tanker collided with the cruise ship the Dona Paz. Both sunk leaving 1,600 dead.

Though the numbers lost were great, none could equal the 30,000 lost to the AIDS virus. In the year 1987 an estimated 52,397,000 died and 139,102,000 were born. For the first time the world's population topped 5 billion.

1987 brought many tears and laughs. People died, people were born, rumors were started and so were some affairs. Some people even did or some things they regretted. Now after the years excitement is all over and done it quietly fades out like a candle at the end of it's wick.

Drought most important issue in state

Washington in trouble as state tries to recover

Salmon struggled against the harsh wrath of mother nature as they tried to make it upstream. Many died before making it to their traditional spawning ground. Apples suffered "sunburn," leaving Washington's bumper crop to shrivel on the trees and a late harvest resulted, losing millions of dollars. The nation's Christmas tree supply dwindled and many worried about fires from the dry needles. Irrigation reservoirs ad all but dried up. Seattle and Tacoma areas were forced to go on strict water rationing.

This was the year of the drought. No other event had such an impact on our state as did the record-breaking dry spell of 104 days. Associated Press, in a listing of the top ten stories of the year picked the drought as the single most important issue of 1987 in our state.

The drought was something that affected everyone. People had to give up watering their lawn, washing their cars, or any other mass "waste" of water. With many of the state's top crops diminished such as wheat, our economy showed its need of water as well.

Soon, people showed their support and reported cases of water waste. Only grocery stores could wash their parking lots because of sanitary reasons.

The long, dry summer and fall was followed by December rains which helped to ease the water shortage, but not before millions of dollars were lost.

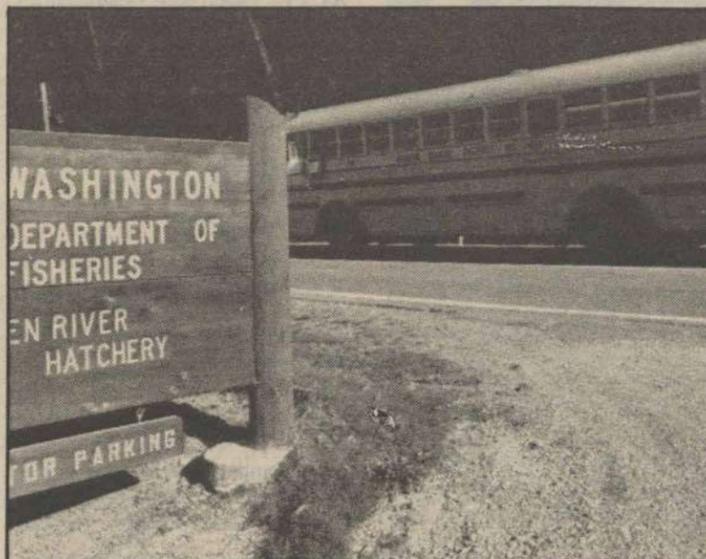
An important local issue was Gov. Booth Gardner's "year in education." Gardner pushed major reforms and a \$1.5 billion funding package. Some of the results were higher college faculty pay, lowered class size and some adopted experimental programs.

By the end of the year, the Higher Education Coordinating Board proposed their master plan for major strides in the public colleges and a branch college program.

Another story was met with some heated dispute by area residents, especially in the latter months, on locations of the counties incinerator site. The county narrowed down a list of many sites to six, three in South King County, the number five spot in South Auburn, the number three spot on the Soos Creek Plateau (three miles east of GRCC). The South Auburn site met complaints that it



From top to bottom; Pictured is the Soos Creek. The level was so low that salmon found it hard or impossible to make it upstream to the nearby fish hatchery. Booth Gardner's reforms on education set the way for public awareness of the needs in the state school system. Lakeview Elementary bus passes the Green River fish hatchery. The school, hatchery, and a crowded road condition are the main concerns with the possible location of the county incinerator.



would be next to the proposed mall site. Kent mayor, Dan Keller and the city of Kent raised a lawsuit against the county, contesting that laws and guidelines were broken in King County Executive Tim Hill's and the county's selec-

tion process of these sites. Soos Creek residents hired a lawyer and formed a committee, SCAR, to oppose the county. Concerns of an elementary school only a mile away from the site, a nearby fish hatchery, and road conditions not

being able to handle the over 200 trucks per day were the main issues. Many area residents meetings were held between neighborhoods and the county, one of them on the GRCC campus.

The other three sites were Issaquah (number two), Redmond (number four) and an area outside North Bend (number six).

The N Reactor at Hanford was shutdown on Jan. 7 for \$68 million in safety improvements. The scheduled restart has been delayed numerous times in congressional debate with the Department of Energy and the lawmakers tangling in power-play maneuvering. Permanent closure of the reactor, which produces plutonium for the nation's arsenal of nuclear weapons and steam to generate electrical energy, could mean the loss of 16,000 jobs in the Tri-Cities and Central Washington. In the news it was also announced later in the year that they had been dropped from the list of possible dump sites for the nation. Nevada won that honor.

Senator Dan Evans announced that he would not seek re-election in 1988. The announcement set off a scramble for his Senate seat, and the domino effect was felt all the way down the line of political offices. By the end of the year, it appeared U.S Representatives Mike Lowry and Don Bonker, who has only won one election, were fighting it out for the democratic nomination. The picture was more clouded on the Republican side, where there is a possibility of former U.S. Sen. Slade Gorton seeking re-election.

The Navy proposed its new port location in Everett. The massive project cleared all of its red tape, including environmental permits for dredging and Puget Sound disposal of spoils. The aircraft carrier USS Nimitz arrived in Puget Sound to await completion of its new berth.

The tragic story of 3-year-old Eli Creekmore was a shocker in the news of 1987. His father, Darren, was convicted in the brutal beating death of the little boy and sentenced to 60 years in prison. The case triggered a flood of child-abuse bills in the Legislature.

Another shocking story was the execution-style shootings in a Pasco auto body shop that left five dead and one wounded. No arrests have been made as of yet.

The Legislature came out with landmark programs for basic health care for the working poor, welfare reform, funding of the state convention center, child abuse bills, lottery re-authorization and the new 65 mph speed limit.

The convention center in Seattle was the first to span across a five-lane freeway.

CAMPUS LIFE

PROFILES

The Current will feature a weekly column on outstanding students and faculty, staff members that have contributed to the school. If you

know someone who deserves recognition, contact The Current office at ext. 267.

STUDENT PROFILE

Plans are set, only needs success now

By Dewayne Collins
Staff Reporter

While most freshman in college are still trying to decide on a major, Bryan Allen, who is a communications major, has his future all mapped out. The only thing Allen has to do now is follow through with his plans and become successful.

Allen, whose father was in the Air Force, was born in Hamilton, Bermuda. His father was stationed in Georgia, Florida, Nebraska, and then Germany. After living in Germany for five years he came to the states in 1977 and now refers to Puyallup as home.

After graduating from Rogers high school in 1987 Allen decided to attend GRCC on his brothers' advice, whom is a former U of W student. He had recommended that Allen attend a community college to prepare himself for the class size in most of the larger universities. With his brother's advice in mind, Allen decided to attend GRCC and later transfer to Western Washington University. "I chose Green River because of the reputation of the radio program, so far I haven't been disappointed." He also mentioned that after only one quarter here at GRCC he is very impressed with his instructors. Jayney Dillion, who in



Bryan Allen

addition to being an instructor is also a disc-jockey at KOMO, has had the strongest impact on Allen, "because she works in a major market station, she lets me know the facts about in's and out's of the radio business."

When Allen is not at school, you can probably find him involved in his photography, skiing on the slopes, hanging out with his friends, or listening to the Beatles. "I feel that the Beatles were bigger than Elvis. They were probably the greatest group of all times."

Allen, who sees a job as a program director at a major market station in his future lives by one motto: "It's better to regret something that you've done than something you haven't done."

Pep Club cheer sporting Gators

"They are a fun bunch to work with," said GRCC pep band director Clyde Johnson of his current group. The pep band is an extra-curricular activity, and although musicians only participate in the band for their own enjoyment at the present time, there has been talk of making credits available for pep band.

The band performs at all home games through the basketball season. The band is not equipped to play outside so they cannot perform at many of the spring sport

events. Sometimes the band goes to special tournaments, and this year they went to Puyallup for the Christmas Classic tournament and they hope to travel to Vancouver, Washington to support the women's basketball team. On occasion the band plays for special events. Last year they played at an employee party for the Marriott hotels 10th anniversary.

There are 21 members in the band this year. The members of the band are usually Green River students but they have had two

high school students, one from White River and one from Kent Meridian high school. Tryouts are held at the beginning of the school year.

The pep band is always open to new ideas and welcomes chances to play with other bands, including those of Orting, White River and Kent Junior High. Kent Jr. High's 105 member band will be performing on January 23 with the Green River band. White River's dance and cheer squad will also be performing here on February 3.

Students cash in on bank machine

As it now stands, Green River has only a verbal agreement with First Interstate, yet the written contract is being drawn up. Two things that are pending in the deal are approval by the banking commission in California and the writing of the final contract. Once these two items have been completed, GRCC will be awarded with its bank machine!!!

There is no cost for Green River to operate the ACCEL system for the first year, except for the \$100 for the electrical outlet. Student

Government is even hoping to make money for the school.

The First Interstate company doesn't produce a large amount of the machines, instead they just move them to different locations if they do not prove successful. "We don't know where the machine will come from, but they have one for us," said Mark Bottorff, student body President.

As it now stands, the chance of Green River receiving a machine in the future looks good, yet another concern of student government,

for good reason, is the popularity of the machine. If not enough transactions are made, the machine will disappear as soon as it came.

Green River students will soon be able to do their banking right here on campus. If all goes well for Student Government, GRCC will receive an ACCEL machine from First Interstate Bank. The machine will handle all banks in the ACCEL system, which include Rainer, Seafirst, First Interstate, and a recent member, Puget Sound.

GRCC nurses pass exam 100 percent

Each fall quarter a short term of nursing study is offered here at Green River. After the quarter is complete all nursing students take a final exam which is offered in April and October. In October one hundred percent of GRCC's most recent practical nursing graduates have passed the state exam for licensing.

The curriculum consists of progressive, related courses which include prerequisites of five credits of science with one lab, reading

71, or its equivalent, medical terminology and nursing math.

Julia Short reported that "14 students passed out of the 14 who took the exam."

Elaine Hicks of Auburn received the top score among GRCC graduates.

"She scored twice the required amount," says Short.

Carol Milan, Tacoma, placed second, and Sarah Palmer, Kent, was third.

These students will obtain the title of a licensed practical nurse (LPN). The LPN's job duties will vary, but will usually include administering medications, changing surgical dressing, and assisting with minor surgical procedures.

GRCC offers a four quarter practical nursing program. New students are admitted to the program every fall, although many enroll in prerequisite or skill building courses during spring or Summer quarter.

FACULTY/STAFF PROFILE

Teacher likes Atmosphere of GRCC

By Bill Asher
Entertainment Editor

For Rainer Dirks, community colleges are a great go between from high school to a university.

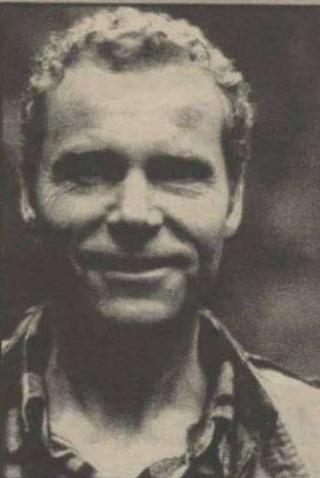
Dirks was born in Berlin, Germany and attended high school in Frankfurt, West Germany.

He studied the basics there, liberal arts, math and sciences. In liberal arts he studied three languages: English, French and Latin.

At age twenty, he moved to the United States and went to a liberal arts college in Santa Barbara and then went to Stanford. He went for six years and majored in business and got his masters degree in languages.

Shortly afterwards he went to Honolulu where he taught at a college prep school. He became a teacher because he enjoyed being around academic institutions. Two years later he moved to Washington. In 1968 he was hired here at Green River as a French and German and now just teaches German. Dirks feels that it is important to learn another language. With improved transportation, the world has become smaller so we trade and communicate with more people from different cultures.

"You discover a lot about your own language when you



Rainer Dirks

learn another."

"In Germany, the parents try and provide the best education possible. They will look after you as long as you are in school." Dirks feels that it is harder to go to college here than in Germany. In Germany, the state helps support the student with financial aid. In the U.S., it seems that most students have to choose between a job or college and that financial pressure.

There are no community colleges in Germany, only universities. Dirks feels that community colleges are needed for local communities and areas since most universities are well spaced out and hard to commute to. One thing he would like to see here at GRCC is a program where students can get a four year degree on campus.

Censorship . . .

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to the same limitations on their rights allowed in the *Hazzlewood Case*

A source close to Goodman commented that The S.P.L.C. had received over 200 calls in one day regarding should they censor or not, Goodmans prepared response was "Don't begin censoring your selves..." The source went on to relate that it's too soon to tell how far reaching the Courts ruling will be.

Locally Katleen Taylor, exutive director of the Washington A.C.L.U. stated her organizations position, "The courts trend of limiting student rights is disturbinghis decision teaches the wrong things to students it doesn't

teach anything about freedom of speech or responsibility, instead it teaches that authority can censor I don't think that's the best way for one to learn about responsibilities." In a latter telephone interview Taylor said, "The A.C.L.U. participated in the case and was very disappointed in the decision." Summarizing her position, "This is clearly a step backwards for student rights."

Reached at home, Fern Valiten state journalism president and advisor at the Auburn high school paper, said "The main thing (the decision) allows censorship but, doesn't mandate it." Valiten as many others attribute the ruling to a conservative court.

The court's ruling has left many

local advisers out in the cold as to where they stand. In Vallitens words, "Advisor don't want to act as censors..." but the courts decision seems to state clearly "Schools have the right to control curriculum." She also believes that one of the only avenues open to student press rights is the passage of state legislation that clearly defines student rights, much like those in California.

Dorothy McPhillips, past state journalism president and free speech activist, summed up the national feeling by saying, "The student press is now a controlled press, where it has been a free press in the past..." The Supreme Court reinforcing authority rather than freedoms."

Work . . .

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reimburse up to 65% of the student's wages. There is a limitation where each student has an awarded amount of money that cannot be exceeded.

The Federal Work Study Program involves non-profit agencies and can be reimbursed up to 80% of the student's awarded wages.

For the student to fill out the necessary forms to find out what they qualify for, there is a cost of \$7.

"If there's one thing I could say," Smith says, "it's that the return on the investment of \$7 is the best investment they could ever make."

To become involved in either program, a student must fill out a financial aid form, and the financial aid office will determine eligibility. Any student employed in the Work Study Program must be

enrolled for a minimum of 12 credits per quarter. The student is limited to a total of 19 hours of work per week.

A student's employment will be terminated when their Work Study or Work Grant award has ended, and a final evaluation will be made of their work. These evaluations will be kept on file at the financial aid office and will only be released with the student's permission.

Some of the questions that a student will be asked will be about their previous work experiences, prior education employment refernces and volunteer work.

Some of the off campus jobs include working for the city of Seattle; jobs in school districts; and jobs in aviation, such as working for small air cargo companies.

The Work Study program is for

financially needy students who must qualify through the financial aide dept. to receive work for on or off campus.

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SPORTS

Men win, playoff hopes still alive *Ted Franz offers education with recreation in intramural sports*

By Steve Young
Sports Editor

Standing at three wins and two losses on the season in league play, coach Bob Ross is now able to put the men's basketball season into proper perspective.

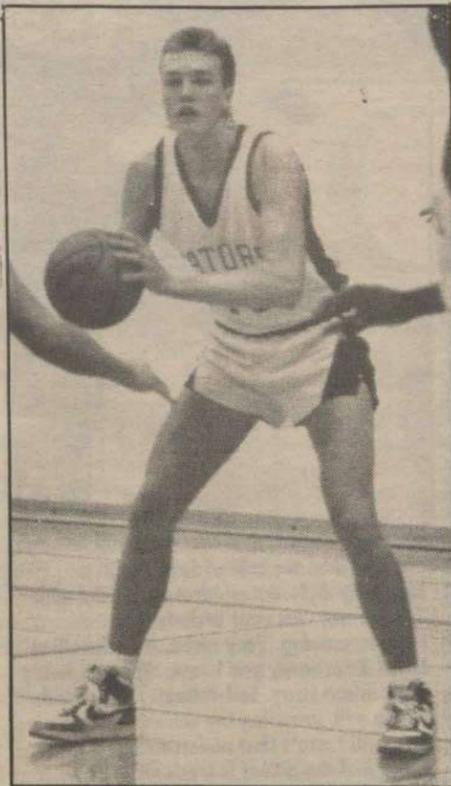
"We need to win our remaining home games in order to be in contention for a playoff spot," Ross said. He continued, "We lost a game to Centrailia here that we probably should have won, that hurt us." Ross emphasized that his team has been very balanced up to this point in the season, noting that, "We have had some players play very consistently this season. On any given night a player can step forward and pick up the slack for us."

Ross was indeed pleased with his team's performance against Lower Columbia on January 23 as GRCC ran off with their third victory in league play this season. Grays Harbor was the next Green River victim on January 16 as the Gators posted an 81-73 victory. Matt Burns hit for 35 points in the win and Mark Henke and Brett Taylor put in 16 and nine points respectively. Chris Aman collected seven rebounds in the effort for Green River.

The win put GRCC at 13-4 on the season and gave Ross hope for receiving a berth to the NWAACC tournament. "The players have to play very tough from here on out", said Ross. "Every game becomes a must win situation for us, especially at home."

Centrailia is a favorite to make the tournament according to Ross, they have yet to lose in league play. Tacoma and Clark will also be competing with Green River for the three playoff positions as the season winds down.

One thing that Ross stressed as being very important to the success of the team is that he continues to receive steady play from his team and that the Gators can avoid lapses of



Jim MacDonald

concentration during the games. He noted that in the second half of the game in Aberdeen, his team let a 12 point lead slip away to three before finally running away with the game.

Ross also mentioned that the fan support through the first part of this season has been good here at GRCC and he is hoping that this will continue as the year winds down to playoff time.

Women smash Lower Columbia

By Steve Young
Sports Editor

Green River Community College has had a history of good athletic teams throughout the 1980's. It appears as though 1988 will be no different. Mike Willis' women's basketball team is the hottest team around right now and there is no indication that the lady Gators will be slowing down any time soon.

With the return of point guard Kelly Williams to the lineup, GRCC has run off some impressive league wins in the last two weeks.

By handily disposing of Lower Columbia last Saturday, GRCC moved to the head of the division with a very good 5-0 record in league play. Along with Lower Columbia, the Gators have also beaten Clark, Centrailia, Grays Harbor and Pierce Community Colleges.

January 9 against Clark, Margaret Henry led GRCC to a narrow 51-50 win by scoring 14 points in the contest. Jennifer Lindquist

scored 13 points and added 10 rebounds and Joy Mehr brought down 16 rebounds to keep the Gators alive. January 13 against Pierce, GRCC enjoyed its biggest margin of victory of the year in a 92-33 drubbing. In that game, Willis used wholesale substitutions and each

Gator played twenty minutes. Lindquist led all scorers with 19 points and Karen Bryant had 14. Mehr collected ten rebounds in the game.

Williams has returned to the lineup as primarily an offensive threat and shares the point guard position with Kelley Connelly who adds a defensive spark to the Gators attack.

With a healthy Williams and Bryant, Henry, Lindquist, Mehr, Connelly and January Agnew playing well, they look to be tough to beat as the league schedule continues.

GRCC will be in action again tomorrow night as they travel to Centrailia to take on the Trailblazers. Tipoff is set for 6 o'clock.

Superbowl preview

Denvers downfall is defense

By Dewayne Collins
Staff Reporter

At the start of the 1987-88 preseason, many major publications and sports magazines were picking teams like the Seattle Seahawks, the San Francisco 49ers, the Chicago Bears and the New York Giants as possible superbowl teams. With all these teams sitting at home, getting ready to watch the Superbowl with the rest of the world, preseason picks are no more significant than teams with winning records.

Superbowl XXII will be played on Jan. 31 on ABC television from Jack Murphy stadium in San Diego. With all the surprises and the upsets in this year's playoffs, the field has finally been narrowed down to the final two candidates for Superbowl XXII. Representing the National Football Conference is the Rodney Dangerfield of the NFL, the Washington Redskins. Meanwhile in the American Football Conference, returning to the Superbowl for the second straight year, is the Denver Broncos.

The Washington Redskins, who have made the playoffs for the fifth time in the last six years under coach Joe Gibbs, is led by quarterback Doug Williams. If for some reason Doug Williams can't get the job done, back-up Jay Schroeder is capable of leading the Redskins. The defense features such stars as defensive ends Charles Mann and Dexter Manley, who were very effective in the wins

over the Chicago Bears and the Minnesota Vikings. With key injuries to offensive players, the Redskins has held their own by replacing the injured with talented players such as Ricky Sanders and Kelvin Bryant. If the Redskins wants to win the Superbowl two things must happen. First of all, the defense must contain the Denver quarterback, and second, the offense must not commit any turnovers.

Last year the Denver Broncos seemed like a team that was just happy to be in the superbowl, but this year the Broncos are hungry. The Broncos led the Giants at the half of last year's Superbowl but lost 39-20. Led by the most talented quarterback in the NFL, John Elway, the Broncos are a team that wants to show that they can win the big one. Despite losing key defensive players, the Broncos, under coach Dan Reeves, has regrouped and shown a lot of class by making it back to te Superbowl for the second straight year. The offense features such stars as Vance Johnson, Ricky Nattiel, and running back Sammy Winder. The Broncos are coming off victories over Houston and Cleveland. The question remains, however, can Elway carry the team to a Superbowl victory?

The answer is no. It is very unfortunate that Elway does not play defense, because that will prove to be the Broncos' downfall. The final score for Superbowl XXII: Washington Redskins 24, Denver Broncos 20.

By Hamilton Underwood

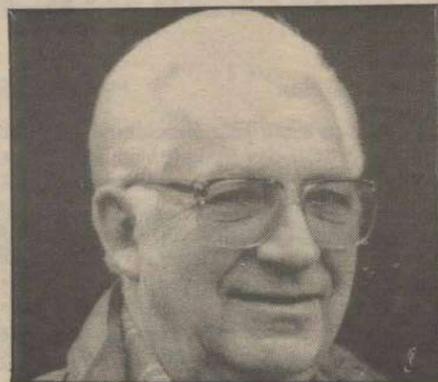
Since the fall of 1970 Ted Franz has been involved in the running of Intramurals at Green River.

He was a student himself at Green River in 1969-70 then transferred to the University of Washington where he received his Bachelors in Recreation while working at GRCC.

Intramurals can be a key element in success in school, according to Franz, who said, "For new students intramurals can help break the ice, make friends and become involved in school. You don't make friends standing around. If you have friends in school it can help you stay in school. People in intramurals don't drop out."

After 17 years as the intramurals director of the state's largest community college intramural program Franz describes GRCC as a great place for a student to study and enjoy themselves. "I would recomend GRCC to anyone who is not aggressive." "I have yet to see an instructor not help a student."

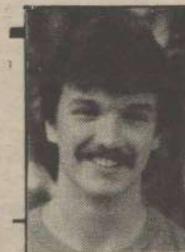
Franz sees intramurals providing a type of education which can only be found in the field



Ted Franz

of competition. "If you can make it in intramurals, especially officiating, you can make it any where because students aren't bashful when it comes to expressing their opinions about your performance," further, he said, "you may not learn two plus two but you learn to get along with people." That might be the most important education of all.

No matter how much it's never enough



ARMCHAIR OPINIONS

By Matt Autio

How typical. No matter how much is written for the sports page here at The Current, there is always some little hole that needs something stuck in it. Let me rephrase that. There always seems to be more to do ("I certainly wouldn't want to get in any trouble," he said, knowingly. Nod, nod, wink, wink).

Anyway, it happened again. We had roughly a ten inch hole to fill in the page, and I ever so bravely stepped forward to donate my valuable time for the good of this publication.

"I volunteer to ever so bravely step forward to donate my valuable time for the good of this publication," I said, ever so bravely. Lonny, our production director, said, and I quote, "good." So I proceeded to sit down at his desk and shuffle his papers and type. Then a thought came to me. "What shall I write about, and why?"

Then it hit me. Why not, I said, and in a flash, a maelstrom of words flowed onto the computer screen. I couldn't stop writing; it was as if God himself was coming through my fingers. "Hey, everyone, come and look at this," I gasped. They stumbled over only to inform me that I had typed out "ncfhjhrjrtfvrkriudfxfkjv-(6%gm!!/?)" "How do you pronounce that?" asked Bill. Emotionally depleted, I crawled outside to wash myself of the spittle so lovingly deposited on my face by my associates. There, that should be enough. Paste 'er up, Lonny.

Most Valuable Gator Karen Bryant



Summerfield Apartments

This issue's Most Valuable Gator is Karen Bryant of Green River's defending NWAACC champion women's basketball team. Bryant, a 5'8" redshirt freshman guard from Woodway High School in Edmonds, has been a

force both offensively and defensively for GRCC this season. She will receive a \$25 Paper Tree gift certificate compliments of Summerfield Apartments. Recipients of this award must remember to pick it up at the Summerfield Apartments.

ENTERTAINMENT

1987, an excellent year in entertainment campus

By Bill Asher
Entertainment Editor

1987 was a big year for entertainment at GRCC. GRCC had everything from some great plays to having some well-know groups perform on campus.

The first big event was the 17th annual Green River Vocal Jazz Festival. 33 high schools jazz choirs attended along with the GRCC Music Company and the Nylons. They had just returned from a seven-week tour of Australia when they hit GRCC. The Nylons, Arnold Robinson, Claude Morrison, Marc Connors and Paul Cooper, 'rockappella' and choreographic act was a big hit. They performed such hits as 'One Fine Day,' 'Chain Gang,' 'Bop 'till You Drop' and 'Do You Remember.' They rounded up their performance of a favorite 'The Lion Sleeps Tonight,' and ended the show with an encore of 'Kiss Him Goodbye.'

Later in the year in October, Sha Na Na came to GRCC to perform. Sha Na Na, started 17 years ago at Columbia University as undergraduates, singing a capella. The original cast of Chico, Jocko, Lennie, Donny,

The year was wrapped up with the most popular play of the year, "Annie." Joe Baker's The Heavier Than Air Theatre Co. opened their show December 11 and had sell-out shows every show after. The cast consisted of several GRCC students, ex-students and members of the community.

Gary Taylor and the Theatre Extempore started off their season with the play "Amadeus." This play covers the life of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart with a mixture of history, humor and, of course, Mozart's music. Along with the students, several community people were in the play. The lead part of Antonio Salieti was played by Bill Dazies who has played in theatres all over the U.S. Screaming Scott, Tito and Cummings. Along with them is a new addition to the group, Dora, the first "greaserette."

Along with these presentations, the Theatre Extempore and The Heavier Than Air Family Theatre Co. put on two great plays.

1987 was a good year for entertainment at GRCC with Sha Na Na and the Nylons performing and two great play, "Annie" and "Amadeus."



"I approached the role of Sandy with a completely different mindset than I did with Toto. (Toto) was your archetypical midwestern dog. Very rustic. A Rockwellian bit of Americana, you know. Whereas Sandy is an urban stray. Self-reliant. A lone wolf, if you will, prowling the concrete jungle. But, still there's that undercurrent, a silent rage. And the accent is much different."

— Spot

Experimental art to be exhibited at Green River

The Helen S. Smith gallery at Green River will display original works by Margaret Ford from Feb. 1 through Feb. 25. The gallery is open free to the public Monday through Thursday 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The work on display is a result of experimenting with new materials and techniques. After focusing on the "robe form" for several years she has tried new variations. Some of these include moving inward from robe to person and outward to place or context.

Ford has conducted more than 40 workshops and lectures on ceramics since 1975. Her works have been shown in Seattle, Spokane, Los Angeles and Portland and have been included in more than 120 juried and invitational shows. Dr. Bernie Bleha, chairman of the creative Arts Division and director of the Helen S. Smith Gallery is coordinating the exhibit.

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Jazz combo beats the blues

By Don Allen
Staff Reporter

Monday's Beat the Blues concert features Boden & Zanetto who will be performing Feb. 1st in the Glacier Room from 11:45 to 12:45. Steve Boden, originally from Illinois, and Winy Zanetto originally from Pennsylvania, got together twelve years ago in a song writers band. Touring seven states in the Northwest including Wash., Ore., Idaho, and Hawaii, Boden and Zanetto are now a duo playing original 1920's style jazz with some renditions from Bing Crosby and Jimmy Durente.

Most jazz bands use up to 16 different instruments. Boden & Zanetto however, use

only the basics, a piano, a guitar and their voices.

At the beginning of their show they always use the expression, "Fasten your seatbelts, we're taking you to the twenties." They actually do look like they are from the twenties.

Being here before, Boden & Zanetto enjoy playing for GRCC mainly because we have so many "sophisticated students who like something new," according to Steve Boden. GRCC is also near Interstate 5 which is on their touring route.

Spectators can purchase a tape of their original renditions while they're visiting us.



Drunk Driving IS Cracked Up

REVIEWS

'Broadcast News' offerstwistsandturns

By CarlJon Goodwin
Staff Reporter

Broadcast news, the fatal attraction of the professional world is a hard hitting masterful mix of satire and realism. Questioning social and professional ethics in a uniquely entertaining way.

Brooks first introduces his audience to Tom Grunick, portrayed by Willam Hurt, a man born with undying good looks and not much else. He then brings in Arron Altman. Portrayed by Albert Brooks as a boy genius horribly misunderstood by his high school peers, and assumably everyone else. A brilliant writer and your basic emotional basket case. Holly Hunter is dealt the hardest role in that of Jane Craig, an updated and slightly remodeled version of Brook's highly succesful character Mary Richards, from the Mary Tyler Moore show, using this tried and true formula he creates a woman who externally is brash and professional, while externally very emotionally troubled and tormented by her success.

Craig, in attempt to bury her true feelings for Grunick hides in her work, revealing only to Altman her true feelings. As the story twists and turns, Altman's feelings for Craig become seemingly obvious yet with the underlying feeling that there's nothing but true friendship complicated by Altman's stunted career growth.

Craig and Altman's romance starts to blossom, a interoffice shake up pushes them all over the edge. With firey exchanges between the major characters and guilt feelings on Craigs part as she moves ahead leaving Altman behind.

In short 'Broadcast News' is a entertaining film that takes a hard look at the professional dilemma, tempering it with enough comedy to keep it flowing and holding the audiences interest. It's definitely a must see for the professional bound college student with enough appeal so that the average 'movie-goer' will come away feeling very entertained. Don't miss it!

Tommy Shaw's latest is right on tap



VINYL TAP

By Aaron Vaughn

Although 'Crystal Ball' was the first STYX album that Shaw recorded with the band, many people felt then, and still feel today, that it was the supergroups finest vinyl ever. Afterwards came 'Grand Illusion,' 'Pieces Of Eight,' 'Cornerstone,' 'Paradise Theater' and 'Kilroy Was Here.' This catalog of albums represents a continual decline in the artistic promise shown in the re-grouped STYX when 'Crystal Ball' recorded, and led to the eventual break-up of the band.

Tommy Shaw and lead singer Dennis DeYoung attempted solo work on the STYX label A&M records. DeYoung eventually struck top 40 paydirt with "Desert Moon," a

wimpish Styx-a-like that quickly faded into oblivion. Shaw fared less successfully on "Girls With Guns," a catchy little number that teased the top 40 for a few weeks, and then joined DeYoung's song in the "whatever-happened-to" file.

Both DeYoung and Shaw left (were dropped from) A&M records, and joined Atlantic records. 'Ambition' is Shaw's second release on the Atlantic label, and sounds like it has about as much chance to succeed as his previous solo work; none.

Tracks like "No Such Thing" rock nicely enough, but lack the lyrics to keep you interested for very long, and some of the tracks (i.e. "Weight Of The World," "Love You Too Much" and "Ever Since The World Began") are just too lame to bother with.

Bob Garcia, Head of artist relations for A&M records, and the STYX band manager, tells me that STYX still has one more album left in their contract. If and when they all agree to record it, I hope that it provides the new listener, as well as the longtime fan, something with merit.

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