

# THE CURRENT

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## Fall elections hold many exciting opportunities for new officers

By Randy Pizarro  
News Reporter

Once again with the beginning of fall quarter, GRCC is looking for senators and justices to run for offices again.

Exactly what is open are 15 positions; five freshman senators, five sophomore senators, five senators at-large, and concerning justices, four freshman justices, and four sophomore justices.

Requirements for senators are ten credit hours. The position of senator-at-large requires three credits. Upon election, a senator's duties consist of ratifying all appointments of the student body president and vice-president and review planning of school events. Also \$10,000 of the school budget is allocated by the senate to various clubs and ratifying club constitutions is also a job handled by the senate.

Senator-at-large is a position for part-time students that requires ten hours per quarter during the term of office. The same types of duties listed above apply for senator-at-large.

Justice positions are also up for grabs. Starting with chief justices, which are appointed by ASGRCC are subject to the approval of the student senate. Justice is also chairman of the judicial board and represents the board at Wednesday meetings.

For justices, the positions are four freshman and four sophomore justices. Also, six credit hours of classes per quarter during their term of office.

The Bookstore Committee, which is appointed by the president, generally reviews how the bookstore is doing.

The Environmental Committee, along with the Tenure Committee are also open for volunteers. The Environmental Committee,

reviews the campus, what's happening on and around the campus. The Tenure Committee evaluates the school teaching staff that is eligible for permanence of position.

Anyone interested in senate positions is highly encouraged to apply at Student Programs, upper floor of the L.S.C. Many opportunities are available in these positions.

People ready for justice positions are to fill out applications and turn them into ASGRCC President Amy Stroud in the Student Programs room. Stroud can be reached at extension #337.

Campaign rules set by the constitution are as follows:

1. Campaigning shall begin no earlier than Oct. 3, 1989,
2. Spending limits on Campaigns shall not exceed \$75.
3. No campaigning past 8:00 A.M. on Tuesday, October 17, 1989.
4. The Current will only be used for PAID advertisements only.
5. No slander during campaigning.
6. Campaigning materials shall be supplied by individual candidates.
7. No usage of school property will be allowed.

To be considered for campaigning, no less than 100 signatures from students along with their social security numbers must be supplied. Those names without social security numbers will be considered invalid. Also, anyone suspected of breaking any of the campaign rules listed above will be reviewed by the Judicial Board, and it's possible to be barred from the position.

Election dates are Oct. 17 and 18 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Upon being elected into office, receipts will have to be produced to show one did not exceed the \$75 spending limit.

## Gardner's new 'no smoking' policy could mean a 'smoke free' campus

By Kathy Mullins  
Staff Reporter

Governor Booth Gardner has recently mandated a no smoking policy that will be enforced in all Washington state facilities under his jurisdiction. Although Green River Community College is not directly affected by this mandate because it reports to a board of trustees and not directly to the Governor, the issue of indoor smoking has still surfaced on campus where smoking is permitted in half of the Lindbloom Student Center, in faculty offices and outside. A special task force, recommended by college president Rich Rutkowski, has even been formed to aid in making the decision to retain or discard the currently designated indoor smoking areas.

The task force, which held a meeting Sept. 28, is headed by Dr. Margaret Kaus. Select staff members, faculty and student leaders make up the rest of the group.

"There's a thrust to have as much input and discussion that is necessary before making the final decision," said task force member Bruce Compton, Dean for Student Programs. Open forums will be held in SS-8 at noon Oct. 12 and at 6:30 p.m. Oct. 16 to inform students of the laws and their rights.

Compton, a non-smoker who is "here to serve the students," also showed concern on behalf of Green River's increasing popula-

tion of international students and the outside groups that rent GRCC's facilities for various activities; both groups seem to have a large percentage of smokers.

ASGRCC president Amy Stroud is also actively involved in the smoking task force. She is planning a survey to be taken during the elections Oct. 17 and 18. The results of the survey will serve as a recommendation of student feelings to the task force.

Stroud, who said that the smoking issue has come up all over the state, stresses that she sees both sides of the issue.

Stroud also pointed out that since the Lindbloom Student Center is being remodeled, it would be nice to keep the smoke out.

Green River, although it is an indoor smoking-school minority, certainly isn't alone on the smoking issue. Stroud said that other schools she has visited, like Edmonds, South Puget Sound and Clark community colleges, Pacific Lutheran University and some Oregon colleges, have the same problem.

The fate of Green River smokers will be decided after the survey of student opinions is taken and the issue has been discussed in more detail. The task force will tell the Environmental Committee and the College Administration Cabinet how they stand and the "very difficult decision," according to Compton, will then be made by Rutkowski after consulting with the board of trustees.

## Campus security: would guns increase effectiveness or wreak havoc?

By Kathy Mullins  
Staff Reporter

Washington community colleges and four-year universities will be required to have armed campus security officers by June or July if Tacoma Democrat Bill Smitherman's proposed legislation meets with the satisfaction of both Congress and Governor Booth Gardner.

Smitherman, the ranking Democrat on the Senate Higher Education Committee, said the legislation is necessary so that college police can respond to problems on campus.

Green River's director of security, Nick Smith, disagrees though. While he does not recognize that at times a police force on campus would help, he feels that the college would not be well-served by the mandatory police force bill.

"The reality is that our campuses have become small cities," said Smitherman, "and in recent years, the number of on-campus rapes and assaults has increased significantly."

"As a parent and lawmaker I am concerned about the safety of our campuses," he said. "Students must be assured that no matter what the time of day, they can walk from class to class knowing their campus is safe."

Smitherman said the recent killings at the University of Washington and the murder of a student several years ago at the Evergreen State College are two examples of why campuses need to have armed security officers.

"Campus security officers are facing increasingly dangerous situations," said Smitherman. "Unarmed officers facing an armed suspect can do very little to protect themselves or students."

Green River Community College security officer Floyd Schmidt has mixed feelings about the issue, however. While he agrees that violence is "picking up" on college campuses and that guns would be helpful for self-defense and life-saving, he also believes "if you don't have one (a gun), you can't get in trouble with it."

What Schmidt may not realize is that the eight to 12 member police force will be hired through the civil service and some of GRCC's current security officers may be dismissed; security officers which Smith thinks would be better for GRCC than a police force. Smith cited very extensive training and high expenses as only two of the many negative aspects of mandatory police forces on campus. Mandatory is the key word that irks Smith. He favors a bill that replaces "mandatory" with "shall or can."

"Atonomy is not the way to go with this," Smith said. He believes that Green River's board of trustees have a better idea of what GRCC needs, because they are more closely involved with the student body and community.

"When a student is facing a life threatening situation, seconds can mean the difference between life and death," said Smitherman. "I'm not willing to wait until another young person is killed on campus. I want to give campus police the tools they need to respond to protect students."

Smith feels that GRCC can count on the extensive King County Police Department in emergencies and that the expensive police forces that Smitherman wants to enforce are simply not necessary at Green River Community College.

"King County (Police Department) has always been here to help us," said Smith.



Photo by Steve Sanders  
ASGRCC vice-president Amanda Fox scoops away at the ice cream social.

# NEWS

## Vietnam veterans: uniting in an effort to create a better understanding

By Patricia Rathbun  
Guest Reporter

The United States lost approximately 59,000 men in the Vietnam War, but more than 130,000 have been lost to suicide since the end of the war. Chuck Lawrence, organizer of a South King County chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America, is angry about this. He thinks it is largely due to society's nonacceptance of Vietnam vets and the frustration vets encounter when dealing with the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

"My own case with the VA has been going on now for almost nine years, simply because they refuse to admit they made a mistake," Lawrence says.

Lawrence has Chrones disease, the most severe form of colonitis. He believes the condition is directly related to his service in Vietnam, and he has had difficulty obtaining disability benefits. He angrily recalls the story of another veteran which was told on a segment of the "20/20" news report. This

man had severe back injuries received in Vietnam and, according to Lawrence, "The VA was playing games with his benefit checks." The man, without the VA's financial assistance, became destitute and homeless. Feeling hopeless, he shot himself. Three weeks later, the VA sent a check for \$12,000 to his widow, informing her that he should have been receiving benefits.

The Vietnam War, the longest in America's history, was officially fought from 1964 to 1973. The U. S. spent approximately \$700 billion dollars funding the war, according to Nigel Adams, instructor of the history of the Vietnam War at Green River Community College. Adams says, "America is tied to that past as if it were yesterday. The post-war effects of the conflicts continue to be felt."

Many Vietnam vets suffer from Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome (PTSD), turning their anger inward. They become depressed and suffer a sense of helplessness and isolation. They find dealing with delayed stress from the war difficult. "Being jerked

around by the government," Lawrence says, adds to their stress.

Lawrence however has taken his anger and directed it into the organization of the new chapter of the VVA. He says, "Rather than committing suicide, which I contemplated on several occasions, I chose to fight the system through legal and legislative means on a personal level."

"From a broader standpoint, the VVA is a nationally recognized organization which acts on behalf of the Vietnam vet specifically. Its main purpose is to correct wrongs and to establish a local vets' center where vets and their families can receive counseling, legal services, job services and financial assistance, and join support groups."

Another goal of the VVA is to help vets get involved in positive outreaches for the community, such as establishing a program to help the homeless. Lawrence, a GRCC student, also currently speaks at local junior and senior high schools, and community colleges, hoping to help students better understand the Vietnam War.

Lawrence adds, "We're tired of all the negative publicity Vietnam vets are getting." He illustrated his point by recalling the incident of a young man in California who opened fire on a schoolyard in which many children were present. "Because he had weapons from the Vietnam era and was wearing camouflage, a tremendous assumption was made by the general public that he was a Vietnam vet. No one bothered to check his age, proving he could not have been in the Vietnam war."

A membership drive for the Green River Chapter of the VVA will be conducted Oct. 9-13, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Lindbloom Student Center at GRCC. A minimum of 25 Vietnam veterans or Vietnam-era veterans must join to obtain a national charter. Non-veteran concerned citizens are also welcome to join as associate members. This chapter will serve the Auburn, Enumclaw, Kent, Federal Way, Buckley, Sumner and Renton areas. For more information, contact Lawrence at 854-4446.

## Smith provides *Current* with new direction for 1989

By Cheryl Rajcich  
Staff Reporter

The new Editor-in-Chief of the *Current* this year is Cori Smith. Smith was elected by her classmates and is extremely excited about her new position, "I am excited about the opportunity to work with Ed Eaton, now that he's back as our advisor along with the much needed Macintosh computers and the return of quality staff members."

Smith graduated with honors from Thomas Jefferson High School in 1986. She was also very involved with her high school newspaper, *The Monticello*. Her sophomore year she served as a staff reporter, junior year she continued on to co-editor and in her senior year she was Editor, which also brought forth an award in her name presented by the Tacoma News Tribune. Outside of journal-

ism Smith was also active on annual staff and served the position of DECA secretary.

From high school, Smith went on to Bates Voc. Tech. to become a certified dental assistant yet found that journalism was her true career goal so she then made the move to GRCC. Smith is currently working on her AA at Green River so that she can further her studies at Washington State University where she plans to major in public relations and minor in journalism.

Smith has been at GRCC since the fall of 1987 and has been a committed student since. She has been active on the Judicial Board, Philosophy Club, the Book Store Committee, Program Board, Tenure Committee and with the *Current* staff. Smith started out on the *Current* staff as Editorial Editor and immediately moved to Associate Editor. She

has held positions ranging from a contributing staff reporter to editor and has now once again moved on to Editor-in-Chief.

Aiming high for a quality product is something Smith believes to be very important. She has positive outlook for *The Current* in the quarter to come, "My main goal is to bring the student body of Green River an informative, up-to-date, accurate newspa-

per. I hope to accomplish this with the help of an excellent, experienced staff and advisor."

Smith also has many interests outside of school. When she is not working at her job as a dental assistant, Smith enjoys going to plays along with out dancing, spending time with her friends, playing sports, going to Denny's and concerts.



New/returning advisor Ed Eaton and new/returning editor-in-chief Cori Smith join to guide the *Current* staff through fall quarter. Photo by Steve Sanders

## Ed Eaton takes the helm as *Current* advisor once again

By Burt T. Talcott  
Staff Reporter

The *Current* has a new advisor, Ed Eaton. Eaton is returning after a two year absence. Prior to his resignation in the 1987 school year. Eaton has served as the faculty advisor for the past 22 years. He gave up his position because Green River did not have plans to purchase the appropriate computer equipment to run the *Current* to his standards.

During his two year absence the student paper acquired two Apple Macintosh computers and worked its way through two advi-

sors.

Eaton did not wait in vain. In those two years he lost 110 pounds and published a book. He also continued to teach.

Eaton claims he returned to teaching because, "A strong school paper is vital to our journalism program."

Eaton takes pride in the fact that former students hold journalism advising positions at Western Washington University, Highline, South Puget Sound, and Bellevue Community Colleges.

Eaton has plans to push for more computers for *The Current*. He also expresses great confidence in the fall quarter *Current* staff.

## In Brief...

### FALL COLLEGE TRANSFER DAY

Avoid transfer problems by speaking with Admissions Representatives from the school of your choice when they visit GRCC on Wednesday, Nov. 1, 1989.

Representatives from Washington four year colleges and universities will be available from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the main dining area of the LSC to discuss admissions procedures and course equivalency policies.

### HIGH SCHOOL/COLLEGE CONFERENCE

Just a reminder as you return to campus this fall that Green River will be the host college for the Washington Council's High School/College Conference on Monday, October 9, 1989, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. On that day, over 2,500 juniors and seniors from the high schools within Green River's service district will be on campus to meet with representatives of 24 colleges and universities. This is a very important event for Green River, and, once again, we thank you for relinquishing your classrooms for the morning's activities.

### SKI WHISTLER

Ski Whistler, Crystal, Stevens, The Big 3

and Mission Ridge. The Ski Club will be meeting weekly starting in October. Yearly dues are only \$5.00.

Monday, December 14 to Thursday the 18 stay at the Blackcomb Lodge for four nights, ski at Whistler/Blackcomb for three days! All for just \$245. Bring a friend - you don't need to be a GRCC Student to join. There is a \$120 NON REFUNDABLE deposit required by October 25, 1989. The balance is due no later than November 20, 1989. Contact Student programs or Jennifer Gue for more information.

### GOLD! FEVER

Developed by the Cities Des Sciences et de l'Industries in Paris, France, GOLD! may be your first opportunity to pan for gold, or to see a \$15,000 bar of gold melted and recast.

The GOLD! exhibit will be featured at the Pacific Science Center from September 30 through January 7, 1990. Volunteer opportunities are available seven days a week, in 4 1/2 hour shifts.

If you are interested in learning about gold prospecting, as well as its uses in crafts and industry and its role in the world economy, call Ted Cox at 443-2868 today!

# EDITORIALS

## Wedding goes wild in GRCC student center

By Boris and Natasha  
Guest Columnists

Hello and welcome to our column. First, let us introduce ourselves, we're Boris and Natasha. We enrolled at Green River because we are both entranced by the beautiful scenery and had heard of the wonderful wholesome reputation GRCC holds. However, since we both serve as discjockeys on the campus radio station we spend many late nights at the station and observe many strange occurrences.

For example, there was the evening when the beautifully tranquil campus of GRCC transformed to a playground of eniquity. You see, GRCC (the profiteering mad-men that they are) make extra income by renting the LSC out as a reception hall occasionally. Not a bad idea until anarchy sets in. That's what happened at the last event anyway.

Saturday, September 23 at approximately 10:30 p. m. the fire department flew into the Paper Tree loading bay like art fags to clove cigarettes. The firemen stood around and talked and smoked for half an hour until a lone King County officer arrived and bravely entered the LSC where drunken brawls had been rampant all night. It seems some people couldn't hold their alcohol, felt embarrassed, so they broke out a fight. A courageous GRCC security guard risked his life to stop the riot, but was tragically snubbed out (this resulting in the Paper Tree window being

broken). By 11:45 p. m. all was over and what was meant to be a celebration for a beautiful bond of marriage ended in a hellish nightmare dream world that will leave a scar on the newlywed couple's psyche forever.

Another night, while enjoying Coke and pretzels with Shane, "The Bad Boy" Resler at 12:37 a. m. on Thursday morning at KGRG, I observed a fascinating phenomena. Masses of automobiles with no obvious purpose in mind came streaming by the station steps. We called this to Shane's attention and he hurried out of the booth to see what the ruckus was about, "Dude" and "What the \_\_\_\_\_ is goin' on Dude!" was all he had to say.

Next thing we knew we were able to count over 25 primered grey '68 Cougars passing by. We came to several possible conclusions for this bizarre behavior:

- A. The Nightmare Squirrel Watching organizations weekly field trip?
- B. Mindless children driving around in oblivion?
- C. A new student security force?
- D. High school seniors taking an after midnight tour of their choice college?

What is really going on at our usually peaceful campus? We want answers!

Readers write to The Current and enlighten us. All sources will be protected and kept anonymous.



## Students should be able to decide their own fate

By John Kephart  
Staff Reporter

Should Green River Community College ban smoking totally from campus? There is a lot to consider on both sides. Passive smoke has been shown to be harmful to non-smokers, most notably in Surgeon General Koop's report in 1986.

Besides the obvious long term effects on those that do not smoke, there are other effects that are readily noticable, like sneezing, coughing, and having trouble breathing. The people who suffer from this kind of allergy do not appreciate being trapped in an enclosed building with someone who smokes.

It would seem to be in Green River's best interest to have a non-smoking policy, like many of the other colleges in Washington State, and promote its students' health. The popular logic concludes that students who don't smoke spend less days absent and get better grades. It follows then that those who graduate to the work force and are non-smokers usually are more productive and don't have as many sick days.

But does GRCC have the right to deny smokers their rights in order to protect non-smokers? No, not totally. They can limit it to outdoors and designated areas, but it would be unconstitutional to curtail smoking completely. GRCC, no matter how good its intent, is in no position to decide for its students what is best for them. Only the students can decide what the smoking policy will be.

## Security needs clearly defined requirements

By Thor  
Guest Columnist

I've been a student at Green River since last fall. In that time I have spent many hours working and just hanging out. Last fall I discovered a fun new hobby. In between classes, and whenever else I get the chance, I watch the Green River security forces at work. After a year of casual observation I have found gross inefficiency and the waste of my hard earned money spent on a parking pass that provides no protection for my vehicle and the near impossibility of finding parking after 7:30 am.

Those folks in green jackets with their ticketbooks in hand are not campus security. They are parking enforcement and little more. Sure, they check doors at night and watch for obvious drunkenness around dances, but what is their main objective? Are they here to

patrol the campus, provide a deterrent to vandals and car thieves, and help make Green River a safer more secure environment? Or is their only concern ticketing illegally parked cars?

Our campus needs clearly defined requirements for the security company we contract to follow. The security officers are our employees. They are here to serve us. When the students of Green River see a deficiency in any area of their college, especially with something as important as campus security, there had better be procedures for the resolution and correction of the problem, if there indeed is a problem. With the totally unacceptable number of car thefts last year and the lack of cooperation received from Nick Smith, Director of Parking and Security, in discussing student concerns tells me there is a problem. A big problem.

## The Current wants to hear from students

By Cori Smith  
Editor-in-Chief

The lazy days of summer are over and fall quarter has begun. The staff of the Current has once again filed in the Communications Annex with notebook and pen in hand ready to meet sleepless nights and hurried deadlines.

The Current is a student run newspaper, we like to use the phrase, "By the students, for the students." Yet our staff of 15 cannot possibly know the opinions and views of the entire student body. That is why we need to hear from you, our readers, in order to produce the types of articles you want. It takes only a few moments to write a letter to the editor. We want to hear from you! Do you want more sports, more album reviews, less of something, please let us know. A letter to the editor does not have to be regarding a topic covered on a previous issue, it can be a campus, community or society concern or just some personal views that need to be aired.

The staff of The Current this quarter looks promising. We have a top-notch faculty

advisor, four returning staff members along with a group of enthusiastic new reporters. Our purpose is to bring our readers an accurate up-to-date, informative newspaper. Included in this is letting you know everything from the dates and times of club meetings, sporting events, community events to more in-depth coverage of issues such as the parking problem, student government activities and controversial editorials.

Many long hours are put into producing a newspaper. We can work to please you, the student body, yet this can not be accomplished without your input.

And if you'd like to do more than just a letter to the editor why not join our staff. The Current is always looking for new faces. Experience is a plus, but not necessary, all that is required is enthusiasm and dedication to make The Current top-notch. We are looking for not only reporters, but also for cartoonists, photographers, advertising representatives and graphic artists. Stop by and see us in the Communications Annex, room SC-3 or call ext. 267.

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# ENTERTAINMENT

## GRCC welcomes Phyllis Diller to the Performing Arts Center in Auburn

By John Kephart  
Entertainment Reporter

Green River Community College proudly welcomes Phyllis Diller to Auburn as part of the Artists and Speakers series on October 12 at the Green River Performing Arts Center at 7:30 pm.

The 72 year old comedienne is making her first ever appearance in Auburn. She began her show business career 39 years ago when, at the encouragement of her husband, she started appearing at clubs.

Ms. Diller soon found herself propelled to fame after an appearance on The Jack Parr Show. From there, she did many other guest appearance and even starred in three of her own series and several specials, such as ABC's "Phyllis Diller's 102nd Birthday Party" in 1974.

Though small, her first movie role came in 1961, as Texas Guinan in "Splendor in the Grass" with Natalie Wood and Warren Beatty. 1966 saw the release of two more movies, "The Fat Spy" and "Boy, Did I Get A Wrong Number." The following year saw her appearing in four more movies, "Eight on the Lamb," "Mad Monster Party," "Did You Here the One About the Travelling Saleslady?" with Bob Denver, and "The Private Navy of Sgt. O'Farrel." "Eight on the Lamb" and "The Private Navy of Sgt. O'Farrel" both co-starred Bob Hope, with whom she'd become close friends. Of all her roles "Mad Monster Party," an animated puppet movie, voice of Mrs. Frankenstein.

Ms. Diller continued making films, most

notably 'The Sunshine Boys' in 1975 with George Burns and Walter Matthau. She also continued her numerous television appearances and club dates all across the United States and abroad. Meanwhile, she also found time to write four best selling books that capitalized on her brand of humor, recorded several comedy records, film commercials for such companies as Texaco, appeared in several plays, and traveled all over the country as a piano soloist with 100 different symphony orchestras. This does not even include the personal appearances she makes all over the world! And now she has brought her act to the 10,063 seat Green River Performing Arts Center.

"It will be one you'll remember for years," promises Bruce Compton, Dean of Student Programs. "I think we are fortunate a big performer like her would perform for a community the size of Auburn."

Jeff Heglar, student co-ordinator for Artists and Speakers adds, "This [series] gives people a chance to see big name performers such as Phyllis Diller, but there are also other acts that are lesser known. It will be fun for people to come see those lesser known performers. Phyllis Diller will be an excellent night of comedy."

Other performers include Hollywood history writer A. Scott Berg; con man turned authority on crime prevention; Frank Abagnate; Robert Kennedy Jr.; and vocal jazz/gospel group Take 6. For information on these shows call Green River Community College at 833-9111, ext. 337. Ticket prices reserved.

## Tuesday Forum: an opportunity to learn

By Lauren Morgan  
Entertainment Reporter

Tuesday Forum's intent is to bring to the students an opportunity to learn more about current and newsworthy topics by the experts who know all sides of an issue.

The free series, held every other Tuesday in SS-8, is open to all students, faculty and members of our community. Coordinator Emily Nagel is very enthusiastic about the upcoming quarter. "I would like to see a lot of student and faculty involvement."

The festivities have already begun. Last

Tuesday local News anchor Kerry Brock became the first Tuesday Forum speaker of the new quarter.

October 17 brings Zoltan Kramar. Kramar will be speaking about the past, present and future of Communist Europe, as it affects peaceful relations between the U.S. and Russia. The Church of the Divine Man will discuss psychic forces on October 31. November 14 features the a debate on Sea Lions: Greenpeace vs. Steelhead. Featured are Bob Byrne of the Department of Fish and Wildlife, Greenpeace campaigner Ben Decble, Joe Scordino of the National Marine Fishery Service, and Will Sandoval, biologist for the Muckleshoot Indian tribe. Keith Scales, will perform Shakespeare's Hour Upon the Stage on November 28. Scales will also discuss the role Shakespeare played—both actor and playwright—and the privileges he had within his company.

Come out to SS-8 every other Tuesday and prepare for an informational and educational experience.

### TUESDAY FORUM

October 17 - Zoltan Kramar  
October 31 - Psychic Forces  
November 14 - Sea Lion Debate  
November 28 - Keith Scales

## To rent or not to rent

The latest in home video releases and where to find them. Also: Top-Ten...

By Kris Edwards  
Entertainment Reporter

If you haven't seen the hottest movies of the summer or just want to watch an old but good movie, then renting a movie from the video store is just for you.

There are a lot of video stores in the surrounding area that are all competing for us to come to their store. Some use popcorn as a gimmick, others provide free movies after a certain amount have been rented. Some simply claim that they have the best selection of new releases.

After reviewing different video stores around Auburn, the selection was the same at every store. The only thing that really changed were the prices. Among the good bargain deals, the local grocery store would be the place to go, new releases start at \$ 2.99, premium at \$ 1.99 and old movies \$ .79, Auburn Video Shoppe, new releases \$2.50, premium and older movies \$1.99 and at Kent T.V. and Video new releases cost \$3.00 and premium and old movies \$2.50 with a free childrens video.

If you are the type that rent movies often, you may be interested in joining a membership club, prices range from free to \$20.00.

If you are interested in saving money check out the nearest, local video store, which offer hundreds of great movies new and old.

New releases that are going to be out in October are "Pet Sematary," "Fright Night II," "Major League," "Working Girl," and "The Dream Team." "Batman" is scheduled for release November 11, while "Who Framed Roger Rabbit" will be out October 12.

If you're on a budget and not able to afford the six dollars at the movie theater, check out the nearest video store and stock up for a night of fun.

## ★ NEXT WEEK ★

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Lloyd Brown reviews the Hoodoo Guru's latest album; John Kephart reads Patrick MacNeas autobiography; and Lauren Morgan previews Wednesday Spotlight!

## Underrated "Mona Lisa" stands up on small screen

By Jastyne Shea  
Entertainment Reporter

The number of people who remember this sordid, gritty British film that made a brief but brilliant run in theaters in 1987 is probably few.

Though hailed by critics, "Mona Lisa" was largely overlooked by audiences. There are several reasons for this; the main one being that it just wasn't obvious enough. So

### VIDEOS

many movies of the last decade have rolled over us with the glitz and hype of a has-been's Las Vegas comeback we have allowed our minds to become sedentary—or just plain lazy. We have forgotten what it's like to actually think about what is taking place in front of us. The message of a story has faded into the shadow of visual attractiveness. Let's face it, a good car chase, sex scene or slow motion killing is far more entertaining than real, identifiable human interaction presented in an intricate plot with good dialogue and believable acting any day—or is it?

MONA LISA  
Starring - Bob Hoskins  
Cicely Tison

If this question has sparked your interest for even a fleeting second, then "Mona Lisa" be for you. The plot, entailing a flunkie con man with a limited mind and a big heart, is well thought out, excellently performed, visually effective and thought provoking. Mixed into this is a beautiful call girl with a great deal of secrets and a healthy dose of bad guys who throw the two together to use and manipulate them for the satisfaction of their own greedy and purely sadistic needs.

It seems simple enough on the outside, but this overview can be deceiving as the players change their colors as often as chameleons. Morality is never black and white, and before you know it you'll be questioning your own sense of right and wrong.

How much wrong can be done in the name of right? Is it just to avenge for the cause of love? Is deceit a valid avenue to find truth? The film will not answer these questions for you, but it will make you think and for that reason, if for no other, it is worth a second look.

### Top-10 Videotapes for the week of Sept. 25

1. Tequila Sunrise
2. Mississippi Burning
3. The Naked Gun
4. Beaches
5. Dangerous Liaisons
6. Rain Man
7. The Burbs
8. Twins
9. Dirty Rotten Scoundrels
10. The Accidental Tourist

## KGRG

Top-10 List for October 6, 1989

1. The Pogues - Cotton Fields
2. Red Hot Chili Peppers - Higher Ground
3. Hoodoo Gurus - Another World
4. 54-40 - Kissfolk
5. Big Audio Dynamite - James Brown
6. Camper Van Beethoven - Pictures of Matchstick Men
7. Max Q - Way of the World
8. Sugarcubes - Regina
9. The Primitives - Sick of It
10. Flesh For Lulu - Decline and Fall

# ENTERTAINMENT

## KGRG kicks off year with promotions and concerts

By Lauren Morgan  
Entertainment Reporter

A walk into the Student Communications Annex and one might find oneself asking "Am I in the right place?" The walls are covered with years worth of student's hand-picked Rock, Punk and memorabilia posters. People are milling around and in a split second they can scatter. One goes into a glass enclosed control room while others stand outside like a cheering squad, yelling words of encouragement and support.

Welcome to KGRG, Green River's own radio station. It's made up of 58 students, the highest enrollment ever with 30 returning and 28 rookies.

The staff is headed by Faculty Advisor John Ramsey, who is beginning his second year as the link between the students and the Administration of Green River. Next in line is Station Manager Lloyd Brown, who is returning as a third year veteran and standing on the highest rung of the student ladder.

The students who run KGRG have high expectations for the station, with a sense of family and solidarity the staff guarantees the best year yet for this student station. DJ Shane Ressler stated, "There is good chemistry between the jocks, and we are all working towards the same purpose of getting the station's name out into the public." DJ Dizzy Dean Thomas added, "We're climbing a rope that burns towards the top and because it's burning we have no place to go but up!"



DJ Dean Thomas spins the tunes in the control room of KGRG Photo by Steve Sanders

"With the coming events that KGRG has got planned," Mitch Cook, resident production director and DJ said, "this coming year will definitely be an exciting one! KGRG does reach farther than the parking lot."

The station will continue to broadcast the Men and Women's home Basketball games. October 16th through October 22nd is the Fall KGRG fund drive. The pledge goal for Autumn 89 is approximately \$ 3,000 plus and the staff hopes to hear from all of it's lis-

teners. Those who wish to contribute may call 833-5004 between the pledge days listed.

Many exciting events are already outlined including a live broadcast by Comedian Spud Goodman on October 17th 7-10. To finish off the week right, the airwaves will be graced by such radio alumni as Doug Cooper and Ric Hansen from KPLZ, Marty Riemer from KXRK, Paul Thompson from KVI, Tony Miner from KING 1090 and KZOK, and last

years broadcaster of the year Bryan Allen from Western Washington University's KUGS Bellingham.

KGRG will continue to bring the same Alternative music that listeners are asking for, plus more exposure to new local bands in the area. For those who listen for the rising stars, tune in to Local Motion on Sunday evenings, 7:30 to 10 pm with Lloyd Brown. Those who wish to send demo tapes may mail them to Lloyd Brown, KGRG Radio, 12401 SE 320th Auburn, Wa 98002 or drop them by the Student Communications Annex.

For the newer sounds of House, Techno and Rap lend your ears to Will Mac, Head DJ for Seattle's newest club, Mirage. Ten to midnight Monday evenings featuring the only live mixes in the Pacific Northwest north of Sacramento.

The station continues to provide the listen-

**"KGRG does reach farther than the parking lot."**  
— Mitch Cook, Production Director

ers the concerts that they want to see. To liven up the Thanksgiving weekend, Friday November 24th the station will bring the Dharma Bums from Portland. Also appearing will be Stumpy Joe.

The year coming up will prove to be anything but predictable. Many DJs, new and old, will be perfecting their talent live on the air. Many will succeed. Keep an ear out for the Puget Sound's college radio station of the 90's, call letters KGRG, Today's Rock 89.9.

## HORRORSCOPES

Tales from the dark and obscure guaranteed to make or break your day!

By Adamant Ash  
Contributing Astrologist

October 6th, 1989

If today is your birthday:

Smile, even though your boss is like a diaper, full of 'bleep' and always hanging around.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

Children should be seen and not heard—either grow up or shut up!

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

If you love something set it free. If it doesn't come back, hunt it down and kill it.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

Better safe than sorry, a tisket or a tasket, a condom or a casket.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You don't have to go home, but you can't stay here.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)

Make sure every blind date is equipped with a six pack, they get better looking with every beer.

Pisces (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)

If the shoes don't fit, then why are you still trying to wear them?

Aries (March 21-April 19)

Better late than never right? WRONG-no one is irreplaceable!

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

It's right on the tip of your tongue. Speak now or forever hold your peace.

Gemini (May 21-June 22)

If you give them the ring, they may give you the finger.

Cancer (June 21-July 22)

No matter how hard you try to control the past, you can't predict the future.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Listen at the keyhole and you'll hear news of yourself.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

When the going gets tough the tough get going. The hard part is letting the tough go.

It's a dark and mysterious movie theater. Late at night, the latest horror flick is teasing its' viewers enticingly. Suddenly, the night takes a quick turn at the nearest corner. You have now entered into the...

## DATES OF DEATH

(NOTE: This column is strictly for entertainment value, designed for readers to submit their best, or worst as the case may be, documented—or fictional—cases of bad, uncontrollable or offensive "dates." So, without further ado, the first installment of...Dates of Death)

It was a blind date for Jake and Teresa, set up by Jake's brother-in-law. Jake decided to take her to a drive-in to see a "Friday the 13th" flick.

From what he had heard she was pretty cute, and he certainly couldn't pass up the chance of her seeking solace in the comfort of his arms in the scary parts. The date was going pretty well, it was obvious that they were both nervous, so he figured being the gentleman that he is, he'd offer her some popcorn.

At one of the most frightening parts of the movie as "Jason's" masked face suddenly appears in a window, Jake leaned over to ask Teresa if she wanted some popcorn—so suddenly in fact that it scared her and she flagitiously expelled a flood of explosive air.

Jake tried to pretend that he didn't hear, and soon after that smell it, yet could not stop laughing—hysterically. He then began snorting loudly and uncontrollably. To his surprise he snorted a fair amount of mucus all over her jacket and jeans.

At this point her embarrassment turned to revulsion at the mucus he had presented on her, she opened the car door just in time to vomit into the grass. Needless to say they never dated again and Jakes' sister divorced the brother-in-law a few months later. Jake is hoping that he will soon get the chance to return the favor and set his now ex-brother-in-law up with a blind date.

-- Ashley Senyohl

Those who wish to contribute their own personal "Date of Death" may call 833-9111 ext. 267 (ask for Ashley Senyohl), drop them off at the Current office (SC-3) or write: Green River Community College, Green River Current - Dates From Hell, 2401 SE 320th-Auburn, WA, 98002. Last names will not be printed, and will be kept confidential.



# SPORTS

## Green River volleyball put roadblock in Blazers' trail

By Brandon Dutton  
Sports Reporter

### Green River 3, Centralia 0

The Green River Women's Volleyball team upended The Centralia Trailblazers in three straight matches, last Friday night, 15-8, 15-9, 15-12. After their loss last week to Clark, the Gators set out to prove they were a team to be reckoned with in the league.

The Gators improve their mark to 3-1 in the Western Division. Coach Becky Stanczyk thinks her team has a pretty good shot at winning the league title, and placing at the tournament. "Our girls have to play with intensity and be aggressive, there can be no room for mental lapses", Stanczyk said.

Standout performances came from Shannon Helmer who had an ace, nine kills, and three blocks. Dina Deitz also combined for two aces, five kills, and seven blocks. While Carol Stidham led with 16 of the teams 22 assists.

Green River combined with a team total of 19 kills, 12 blocks, and 22 assists.

The Sports page of the Current would like to encourage all readers to write letters to the Editor. Please drop letters by the Current office (SC-3), or in mailbox in Student programs. The letters may consist of any topic of sports. All letters will be published!

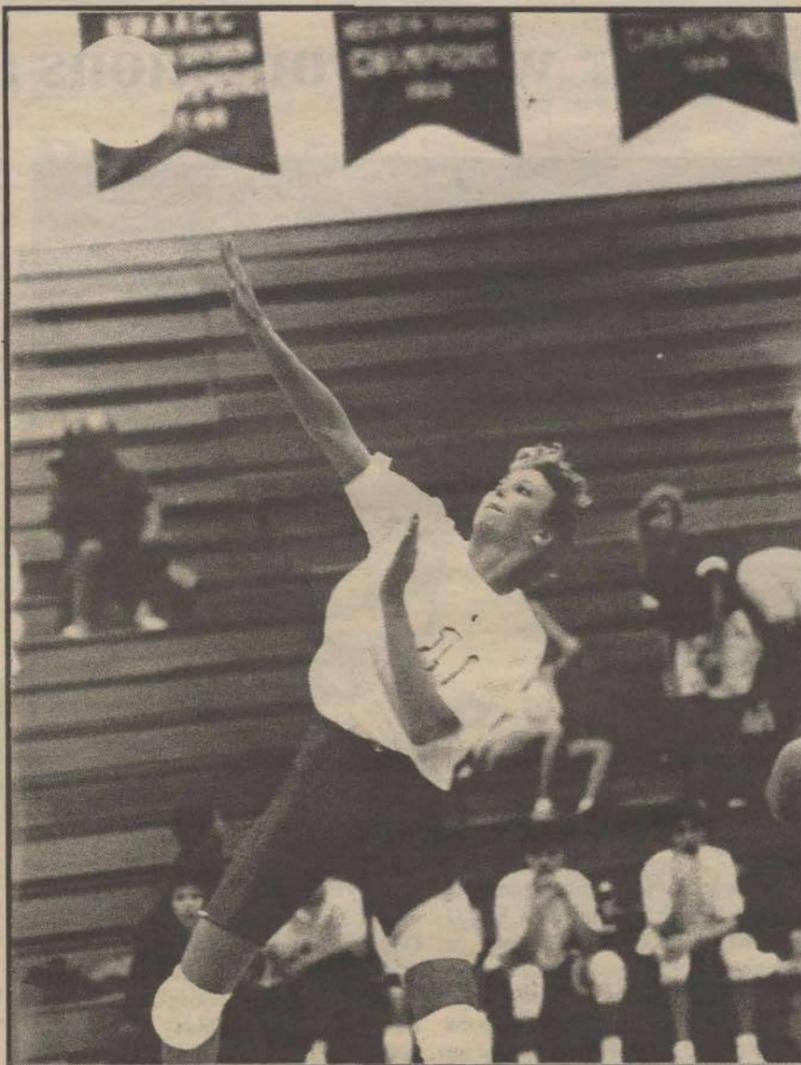


photo by Steven Sanders

Outside hitter, Dina Deitz (5'11") came all the way from Homer, Arkansas to serve this one. Deitz led the Gators with seven blocks in recent victory over Centralia last Friday night.

## Gators put 'Choke hold' on The Harbor

Christopher Deraitus  
Sports Editor

When Green River's volleyball team got hold of Grays Harbor, there was no mercy.

The Gators traveled all the way to Aberdeen last Friday night to tame the Chokers in straight sets, 15-3, 15-7, 15-9.

"We played real well," said Gator coach, Becky Stanczyk. "It was probably the best we played all year."

Sophomore outside hitter, Angi Dahl, and freshman, Tanya Fischer, from Decatur High School were "hot" according to Stanczyk. On fire would better describe the 5'9" duo, who combined for 20 kills, 12 of them came from Dahl. Fischer respectively led the blocking with seven stuffs. Other above par performances came from setter, Kim Manke, who led the team with 12 assists and Shannon Helmer added with a pair of aces.

The victory gave the Lady Gators a 4-1 league record and a 4-3 mark overall this season. The Gators proved to be flawless this week with wins over Centralia and Grays Harbor and are the hottest team in the division, but will have to continue their streak tonight when they face Tacoma tonight at TCC.



photo by Steven Sanders

Defenseman, Brian Williams (19), a freshman out of Wilson High School manages to swipe one away from a Pierce College attacker.

## We have what you need to pass the hardest college test of all.

The test has only one question:

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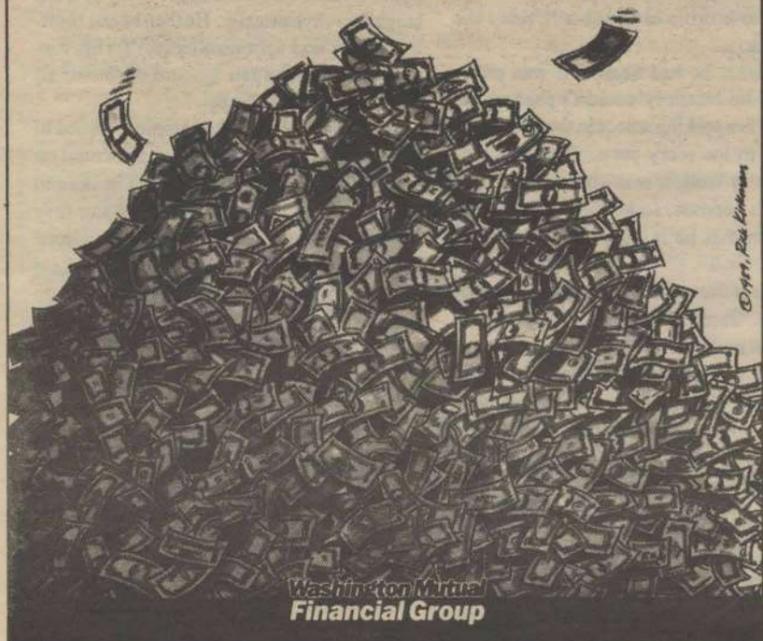
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## Pete's Betting box

### Today's game

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Toronto is hosting Oakland for game three of the series, tonight. Oakland leads series 2-0.

### Tomorrow's game

NATIONAL LEAGUE

San Francisco is hosting Chicago for game three of series, Saturday.

# SPORTS

## Coach Walker prepares his team for spring

By Brad Groghan  
Sports Reporter

Those baseball fans who suffered through what Gators' coach Ray Walker called a "horrible" season last year are in for a surprise if they expect the same in 1990. "We've improved 100% from last year," Walker said. "We've got some key players returning - out of the 32 home runs we hit last season, players who contributed 25 of them are still on the team."

Walker also said that pro and college scouts are already visiting the Green River practices, even though the Gators have only been practicing for two weeks and are still working up to game speed.

The Gators are in their fall season and are currently preparing for five games in Yakama this weekend, where they'll play teams like Walla Walla, Columbia Basin and Edmonds.

Walker expects players like Darryll Cloud, Scott Thompson, Shane Sykes, Bill Owens, Kurt Grindley and Todd McDougall to help the Gators battle for the Western Division title once the regular season starts in March.

The Gators are practicing hard everyday from 2:30 to 5:30. Practice is open to the public, who should be ready to help cheer the Gators back to their winning ways.

## The Gator sports Schedule

### SOCCER

Saturday, Oct. 7 at Everett 1:00 pm

Wednesday, Oct. 11 at Lower Columbia 3:00 pm

### VOLLEYBALL

Today, Oct. 6 at Tacoma 7:00 pm

### CROSS COUNTRY

Saturday, Oct. 7 at Camp Casey Invitational

### AP College Football Top-15

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|--------------------|---------|
| 1)Norte Dame       | (4-0)   |
| 2)Miami (Fla.)     | (4-0)   |
| 3)Colorado         | (4-0)   |
| 4)Nebraska         | (4-0)   |
| 5)Michigan         | (2-1)   |
| 6)Tennessee        | (4-0)   |
| 7)Arkansas         | (3-0)   |
| 8)Pittsburgh       | (3-0-1) |
| 9)USC              | (3-1)   |
| (ties) W. Virginia | (4-0-1) |
| 11)Auburn          | (2-1)   |
| 12)Houston         | (3-0)   |
| 13)Alabama         | (3-0)   |
| 14)N. Carolina St. | (5-0)   |
| 15)Clemson         | (4-1)   |

## GATORBOARD

### Volleyball

**Centralia 0, Green River 3**

**Kills:** Shannon Helmer 9, Dina Deitz 5, Julie Everett. **Blocks:** Deitz 7, Helmer 3, Everett 2. **Assists:** Carol Stidham 16.

**Green River 3, Grays Harbor 0**

**Aces:** Helmer 2, Tayna Fischer 1. **Kills:** Angi Dahl 12, Fischer 8, Helmer 6. **Blocks:** Fischer 7, Dahl 4, Helmer 3. **Assists:** Kim Manke 12, Stidham 10.

### Soccer

**Tacoma 1, Green River 0**

**Shots:** TCC 2, GR 3. **Saves:** TCC 3, GRCC 4. **Corner kicks:** TCC 10, GR 4. **Fouls:** TCC 1, GR 3.

## Gator soccer must battle tough league after shaky 0-3-1 start

Roy Dixon  
Sports Reporter

### Green River 0, Skagit Valley 1

The Green River soccer Gators were shut-out in their third league match at Skagit Valley last Saturday, 1-0. GRCC held the Cardinals in a stalemate until when Skagit scored with eleven seconds left in the game, despite a fine game effort by Green River goalkeeper, Jarred Owens. Considering the loss the Gators kept composure throughout the match.

### Tacoma 1, Green River 0

Brannon field in Auburn was the setting as

the Gators played host to the Tacoma Titans in a game that had much emotion not only for the players but Coach Dan Flint as well. The Gators fell a goal short one more time.

"We have a good defense and everyone has a positive attitude", said Green River coach Flint before the game. That good defense prevailed until early in the second half when the Titans marched down the field and scored.

Green River's loss means they drop to 0-3-1 in league play. GRCC faces the Everett Trojans tomorrow at Everett, 1:00 pm.

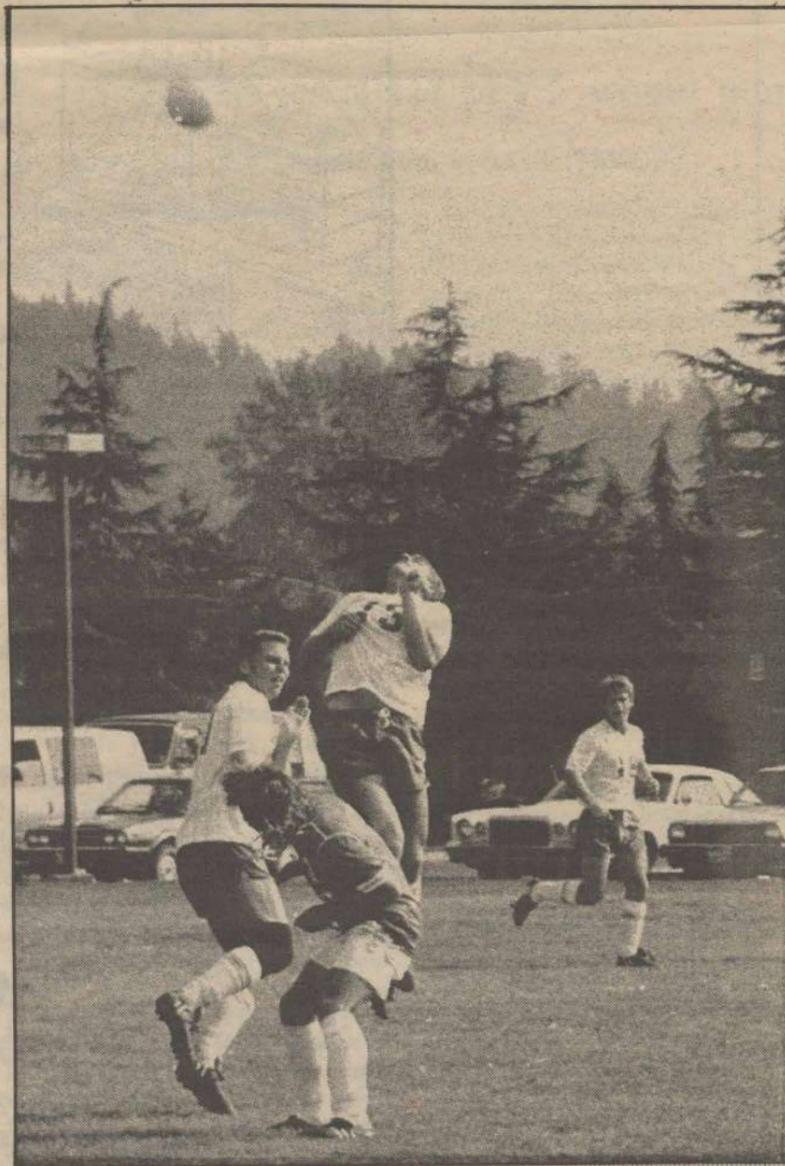


photo by Steven Sanders

Freshman, Darren Proctor (13) goes up high for a loose ball, while fellow defenseman, Keith Godfrey looks for the rebound. The Gators hosted the Pierce College Raiders last week at Brannon Park. The Gators boosted a 0-0 tie with the Raiders.

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# THE BACK PAGE

## BUSH ASKS STUDENTS TO JOIN THE FIGHT

"Drugs and the College Student"  
George Bush

Summer is over and classes are back in session. As we begin the school year, our thoughts again turn to the future — a future gravely threatened by drugs.

Americans agree that the biggest threat we are facing as a nation is drugs, in particular cocaine and crack.

Who is responsible? Everyone who uses drugs. Everyone who sells drugs. Everyone who looks the other way.

Some people used to call drugs just a benign form of recreation. They're not. Drugs are a real and extremely serious threat to our schools, our homes, our friends and our families. It doesn't matter where you live or what school you attend. No one is free from the threat of drugs. Inner cities, small towns, and college campuses all are under siege — because America is under siege.

On September 5, I announced the first comprehensive national strategy to end the siege — to fight drugs with tougher laws and enforce-

ment, and with improved treatment, education and prevention. The programs we've proposed are an all-out assault against the evil of drug use and drug trafficking. We are aggressively attacking the problem from every angle, and proposing a 1990 drug-budget totaling over eight billion dollars — the largest single increase in history.

America is fighting a war against drugs. Yet the most important weapons in the war on drugs are the least tangible: self-discipline, courage, character, support from one's family, faith in God and in one's self.

Fundamentally, the drug problem in America is not one of supply, but of demand. We are taking strong new action to stop the flow of drugs into this country and to stop the dealers themselves; but as long as Americans are willing to buy illegal drugs, somebody, somewhere in the world will sell them.

Recently, I met with Mrs. Everett Hatcher, the widow of a veteran DEA agent who was killed by drug-using cowards. A woman of considerable dignity, she put responsibility for

her husband's death squarely on "casual" users of cocaine. She's right -- and there is now blood on their hands. Similarly, President Barco of Colombia recently made an appeal to Americans to stop buying the cocaine causing the slaughter of innocent civilians in the drug wars there.

Every student in America at some point — at a party, in a locker room, in a dorm room — every student must choose to accept or reject drugs. But there is another choice that college students, as responsible adults, must make — whether to get involved in a personal way to end drug use, or to look the other way.

College campuses have long been center of conscience and idealism in this country, places where students have raised their voices to protest oppression, injustice and human suffering around the world. Yet, no one would deny that often drugs go hand in hand with injustice, suffering and even death. But where is the sound of protest? Innocent bystanders are killed at random on city streets. Babies are born addicted to crack and heroin. Young children

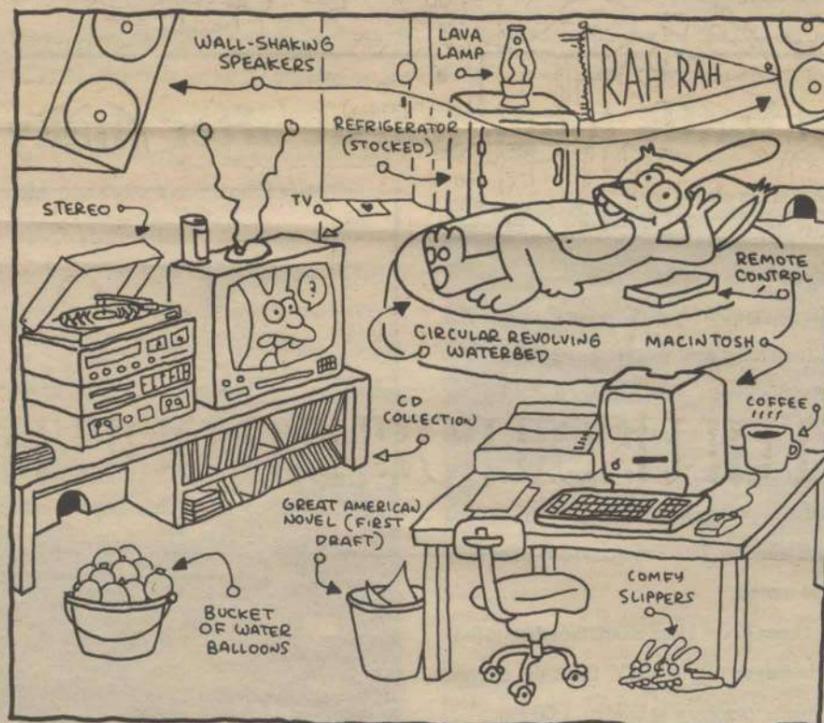
are forced into the drug trade by addicts. What greater human rights violations exist? What greater injustices? Yet, recreational drug users still on some college campuses are ambivalent to the death and destruction they are financing.

We must appeal the the social conscience of every college student on every college campus in America. The way to protest the misery and oppression brought about by drugs is to commit yourself to staying away from drugs — and working to keep them away from your friends.

Drug use doesn't usually begin the way most people would think, with young people getting their first drugs from an addict or a dealer. Instead, they get them free from "friends" who think casual drug use hurts no one. Peer pressure is what spreads drug use and peer pressure can help stop it.

You can help stop it — if you get involved.

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MATT GROENING

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Soon, as in right away. Pronto. Quick-like.

But hey, you can take a hint.



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