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Vice-president elect and president-elect Maurice Baxter and J. Douglas Anderson contemplate their future duties.

State mark missed, but...

Voting mark shattered

Ivan Pickens

Last Thursday Green River's student elections turnout hit a record high of 886 compared to the previous high of approximately 350.

"We were trying to surpass Ft. Steilacoom's Washington State record of 907," said Greg Stuart, ASGRCC president, "but we came up 21 votes short. It's kind of a shame but we tried."

The students elected are Doug Anderson, ASGRCC president; Maurice Baxter, ASGRCC vice-president; five sophomore senators, Laura Reynolds, Rhonda Johnson, Mark Hanson, Phil France, and Craig Lawson; and three senators-at-large, Janice Murray, Mike Reed, and Lori Riggers.

"One reason we had such a large turnout is because of the diligent, hard work of Chief Justice John Hayes and the restaurants who donated dinners for our raffle whom I'd like to thank for their cooperation," stated Stuart.

"The raffle was the idea of the Judicial Board," stated John Hayes, chief justice, "and it worked out well. The individuals, Keith Hanson, Colleen Chamberlain, Reed Severson, Melanie Goss, Jane Gullot, and Patty Silvis

along with Greg Stuart put forth a marvelous effort into making this election the largest in Green River's history."

"I would also like to add," continued Hayes, "that this has been the cleanest and fairest campaign run in a long, long time and I commend the candidates for it."

The raffle was conducted in the Lindbloom Student Center by John Hayes, Betty Whitney, and Ivan Pickens.

The winners were Beth Forgie, Brad Helle, Patty Ferraro, David Kester, Brian Huey, Adam Ryenolds, Mike Flasko, Mike Flemming and Mike Selfors.

Commented Stuart, "I hope everyone had an enjoyable dinner."

Correction

Ed. note: Last Friday's editorial "Apathy in government a way of life" by Ivan Pickens, the percentage of 40 of student programs personnel in the student senate was in error and should read 33.

Dawley gets scholarship

Sheryl Ann Dawley of Auburn, a sophomore at Green River Community College, is among three state students chosen to receive scholarships for the 1979-80 school year from the Seattle Professional Chapter, Women in Communications, Inc.

The scholarships were announced April 17 at the group's 48th annual Matrix Table banquet honoring women in achievement.

Other winners are Rudy L. Yuly, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. Yuly of Kirkland, a sophomore at Western Washington University, and Catherine Rose Tate, 27, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Tate of Lake Stevens, Snohomish County, who will enter the University of Washington as a graduate student in communications in the fall.

Ms. Dawley, 19, daughter of Mr.

and Mrs. George Dawley of Centralia, received three quarters of tuition at the U.W., which she will enter in the fall. She is a reporter-photographer for the Auburn Globe-News, has worked for Fournier Newspapers since 1977, was employed by the Daily Chronicle in Centralia and has been a staff member of G.R.C.C.'s Current Newspaper.

Her activities at G.R.C.C. include membership in the student senate, the legislative budget committee and the governing body of the Green River Active Christian Encounter. She also is co-leader of journalism Explorer Scout post.

The scholarships are awarded annually to students majoring in communications. Awards for the 1979-80 school year totaled nearly \$1,800.

Health fair opens

Free CPR classes and blood pressure screening are among the special events that will be happening at Green River's Spring Health Fair April 23, 24, and 25.

The Fair will be open at no charge to the public in the Lindbloom Student Center's cafeteria from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

The community and national service organizations scheduled to participate are: the American Cancer Society; the American Heart Association; Planned Parenthood; the Washington

State Lung Association; King County Rape Relief; the Valley Pulse Community Clinic; the Southeast Community Alcohol Center; the American Diabetes Association; the Seattle Indian Health Board; and the Center for Addiction Services.

In addition, a local fire station will present a display of aid and rescue equipment, free samples and literature will be available from several pharmaceutical companies, and literature on nutrition will be offered.

GR sponsors moon cruise

Green River Community College will have its annual Moonlight Cruise on Friday, April 27. The Moonlight Cruise is a semi-formal dance aboard the Goodtime II cruise ship.

The band for this year's cruise is Panda. The Goodtime II will be leaving Seattle's Pier 56 at 9 p.m.

The dance ends at Midnight. Tickets are \$7.00 per person and \$12.00 per couple. A lasagna dinner is included in the price of a ticket.

Space is limited. For tickets or more information one may contact Student Programs at extension 337.

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N-plants subjected to stringent tests

Dave Buchannon

"You can't make your dream come true unless someone will review your idea and tell you why it does or doesn't work," declared Ben Burton, nuclear engineer for Puget Power and Light, who spoke at three informational sessions on campus last Friday.

Burton took great care to explain many of the basics, especially those concerning safety, which go into the building of an N-plant. Burton, who is helping design the nuclear power plant on the Skagit River, demonstrated some of the seemingly ludicrous steps the Nuclear Regulatory Commission required builders of power plants to go to.

An N-plant must be able to withstand an automobile flying in a tornado and hitting the containment at 30 feet when traveling at 60 miles per hour. It must also be able to withstand the force of a telephone pole striking the containment under the same circumstances without penetrating the containment. The containment is the large concrete super structure that is visible from the outside when one looks at a nuclear plant.

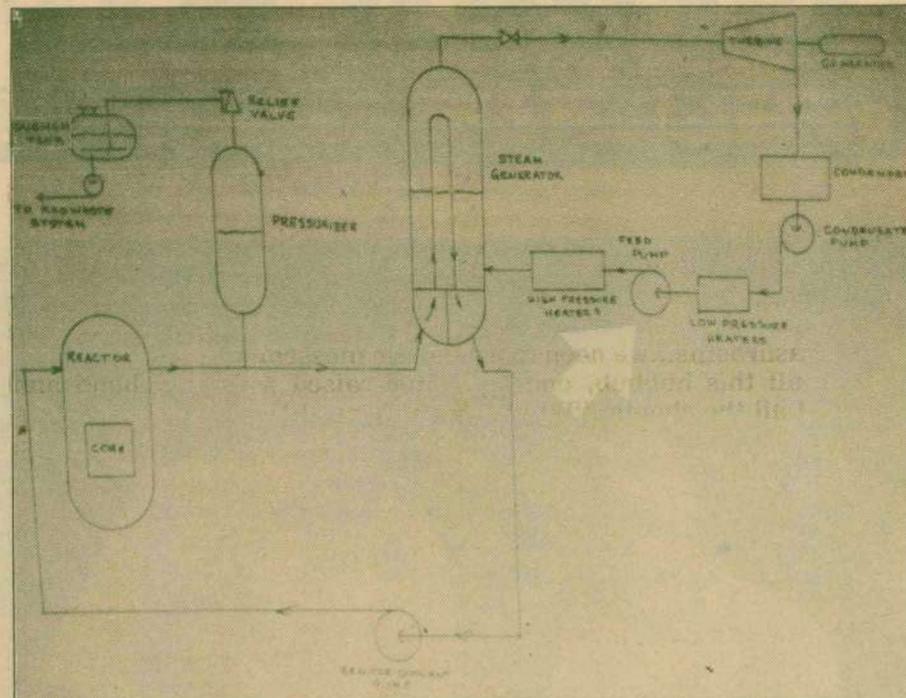
These are just a couple of the possible hazards that must be con-

sidered when one sits down to design a nuclear power plant. According to Burton, "The responsibilities involved will scare many designers away from the drafting table, when something goes wrong it's your neck out there and you have to prove why you weren't wrong."

Burton claims that the plans have undergone 21 days of seismic testing. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission has asked a series of 85 questions on the Skagit seismic problem, most of which take entire volumes to answer.

The power plant is scheduled to be built on a potential seismic fault that could possibly cause problems for it. The plant is designed to withstand a quake of VIII on the Mercalli scale, far and above any quake this area has ever experienced.

When probed on the problems the Three Mile Island nuclear power plant in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania has been experiencing in the past few weeks, Burton could only repeat the speculation the newspapers have been printing. "All of the safety systems operated exactly as they were designed to . . . it stumbled and fell, but it hung together, it didn't scatter like everyone said it



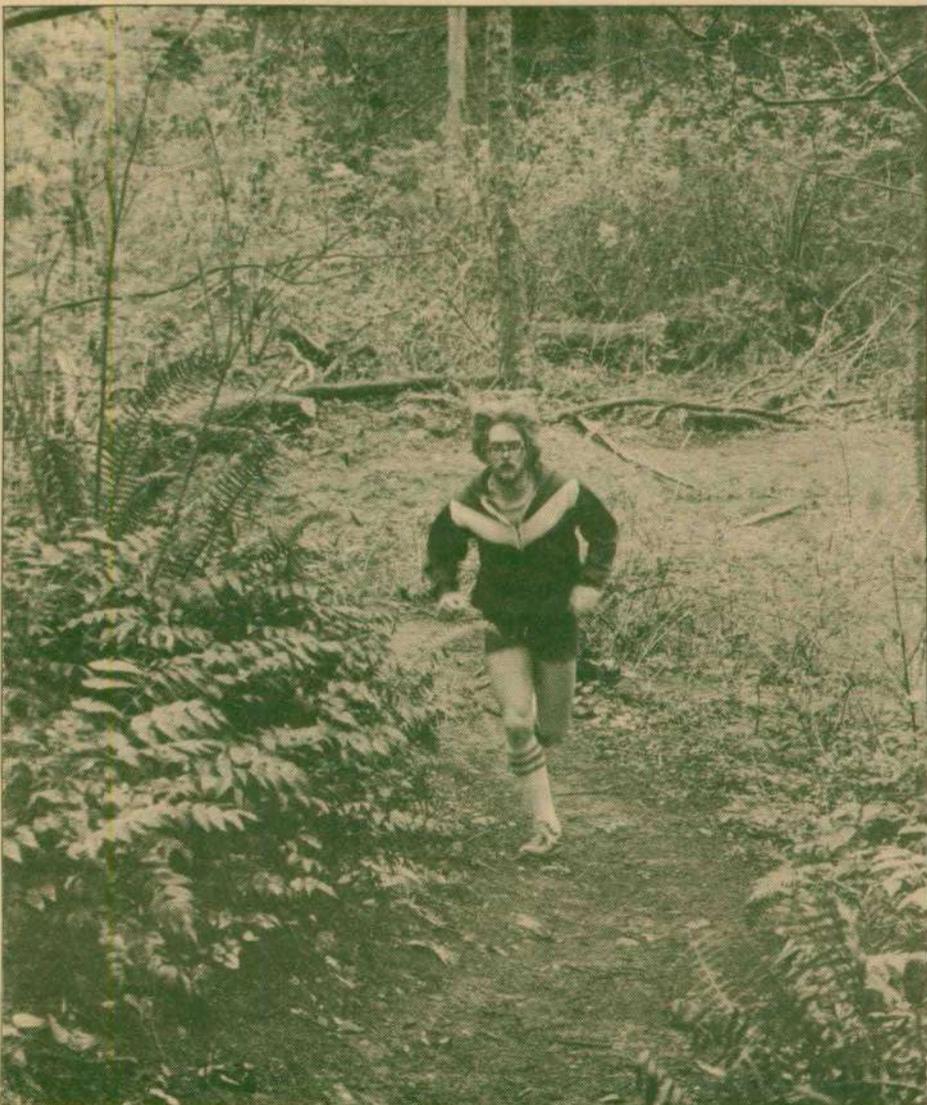
The schematic of a steam pressure plant like the one used in Harrisburg, Pa. The arrow points to the alleged trouble spot which caused the mishap while work was being done on the feed pumps, they apparently shut off. The lack of cool water caused temperatures in the reactor to rise dramatically, causing it to release radiation through the quench tank (upper left).

would, it held together."

Burton did not have harsh words for those nuclear skeptics who were in the audience, in fact he said, "The skeptics were the ones that made the design the way

it was." The skeptics bring to light every single problem that could possibly arise, no matter how impossible it may seem, and the designers have to defend their design against those challengers or change it.

Exercise course works out



A Green River jogger takes the trail system on a test run.

Mary Flaten

There is a possibility that the long thought about the exercise course that was to be built in the Green River Community College trail system will become a reality.

Doug Carr, of the physical education department, who tried to get the ball rolling a couple of years ago is scheduled to meet with the Penney Co. of Kent and Auburn next week to discuss the project. Carr said that Penney is willing to provide the signs and possibly help with funding.

The idea began two years ago but the planners ran into a money snag. The project would have been a joint effort between the Forestry, Art, and Physical Education departments. The physical education department would have been responsible for the layout, the forestry department would have been responsible for the actual building, and the art department would have been responsible for the signs. The departments didn't cooperate as well as planned so the plan fizzled out. Carr plans to take a different route with Penney.

During the meeting with Penney Co. Carr will discuss the specifics concerning the project.

Carr thinks that with any luck the course might be built this summer.



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Editorials

Symbols priority for legislature

Bob Ogle

Once upon a time, the Washington State Legislature was in turmoil. Shouts were rising from all over the debate floor; "We need a new budget... We need a new way to fund schools... We need new keys to the washrooms... we need more female messengers."

With all this hubbub, one legislator raised a mighty hand and silenced all the shouts. "What we really need," said he, "is a state dance." The other legislators, greatly pleased with themselves, smiled, and nodded their heads in agreement.

Not only did this brilliant legislator propose the square dance as the state dance (an idea which reportedly shocked both John Travolta and the Bee Gees), he also amended his idea to include the following state symbol ideas:

Official state animal, Bigfoot; state needle, Space; state forest, rain; state weather forecast, rain; state duck, Dipstick (a cartoon); state allergy, tansy ragwort; state fever, Husky; state bridge, Hood Canal Floating Bridge; state bivalve, Geoduck; state bottle, returnable; state bark, red cedar; state dog, poodle.

Unfortunately, the Legislators thought the ideas were a bit much, and didn't warrant passage. Except, of course, for the square dance, which they approved as the official state dance.

Since those ideas were defeated, here is a list of more possibilities for state symbols:

Official state rock, sponge; state disease, swine flu; state car, 1965 Rambler; state news source, The Green River Current; state sport, buffalo chip flipping; state road surface, asphalt; new state capital, Orting, Humptulips, Sequim or Pacific; state insect, sowbug; state amphibian, three toed newt; state insane asylum, Highline Community College; state swamp, Algona.

Official state armpits, Auburn (left) and Federal Way (right); state pond, Gator pond; state reptile, Green River Gator; state clown, J.P. Patches (selected over various state politicians); state fish, dogfish; state crustacean, crab; state light, match; state beer, Rainier; state foot, webbed; state pornographic publication, Hustler; state plant, Hanford; state idol, Pierce Co. Sheriff George Janovich; state swimming stroke, breast; and, of course, the official state joke, which was "I just got back from Harrisburg. Now my wife glows in the dark."

Although this list will probably never be seen by the Legislature, they have still taken a step in the right direction by approving the square dance. Perhaps with more of this infinite wisdom, qualified insight and precise leadership, Washington will soon replace marijuana-legalizing Oregon as the most radical and innovative state in the union.

After all, who needs school funding or a balanced budget when they can square dance instead?

Swing your partner...

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Letters to the editor

Dear Editor:

I am writing in response to the recent editorial, "Apathy in government a way of life". I am the recently appointed senator-at-large whom Ivan Pickens kindly calls a "masochist" in this article.

In this editorial Ivan has charged me with an inability to perform "quality service" as a senator. He has also charged Student Programs with corruption and attempting "total control" over events in Student Programs and Student Government. I feel much of the information in this article is erroneous and that these charges are false and unjustified.

It should first be pointed out that Ivan is a member of student senate and did have a say in my appointment as a senator. On the occasion that I did attend the senate meeting for the appointment, I was questioned by senators. Ivan Pickens at this time showed no concern regarding my work load, which had been brought up by other senators. Ivan, in fact, did not ask me one question. Instead of discussing my work load at the meeting, which would seem to be normal procedure, it would seem he preferred to write about it in the paper. If Ivan was that concerned over this he should have brought it up at the time of my appointment. By not doing so he was disregarding his responsibilities as a senator.

I do not feel Ivan has any reason for concern though. I am no longer a member of Academic Board since my appointment as a senator. I am currently taking 20 credits, and I do work in Student Programs. This does not mean that I have to be "almost super human" to handle this and perform the duties of a senator, with quality service.

Mr. Pickens stated that by not letting "new blood" enter "...results in a lack of new ideas, changes, diversification, and goals. A standard pattern is set by the old blood with attitudes and prejudices spilling into all positions held by the individual." Ivan

seems to forget that as a newly appointed freshman that I am the new blood in the senate. That he, as a re-elected senator from last year, is the old blood.

Ivan has charged Student Programs with corruption and attempting to control all positions in student organizations. I do not know any corruption in Student Programs. He mentions no facts in his article, only an unsupported claim.

At the time of my appointment 25* of the senate positions were held by Student Programers. Now that I am a senator the figure is 30*, not 40* as Ivan indicated. If I was to obtain this position I had to receive votes from the other 75* of the senate which is not made up of student programs personnel. In fact, student programers are encouraged to run for office by members of Student Government.

How can Student Programs control the senate with only 30* of the vote? The facts are, Student Programs does not control the senate or budget committee which are the governing bodies over student funds, and there has been no organized effort to control them, as charged by Mr. Pickens.

I do feel there is a great need for more involvement from students in student government and student programs. But I do not feel someone who is "...qualified and possesses the desire to get involved", should be denied a senate position just because they work in Student Programs. It should be mentioned that one of the two people I competed with for this position has been elected to an office in next year's senate. The other campaigned but did not obtain an office. They were not a "...waste through non-utilization", but have become involved.

I believe we are getting quality service out of our student leaders, that they are striving to do their best at their jobs and senate positions. So Ivan, whether you believe it or not, I intend to deliver quality service.

Sincerely,
Craig Lawson

To the Editor:

A combined and coordinated effort — those are the only words to describe the energy and time put into the recent ASGRCC student government elections.

This having been my first experience in working on a college level political campaign, I had the "usual" preconceptions of just what was involved and what response would be given by the general student body: apathy, fun and games, and a general attitude of "it really won't make that much difference anyway."

Though some of these attitudes will be prevalent in any student activity, the interest that was expressed by both those running for office and those voting at the polls was at the highest level GRCC has ever seen.

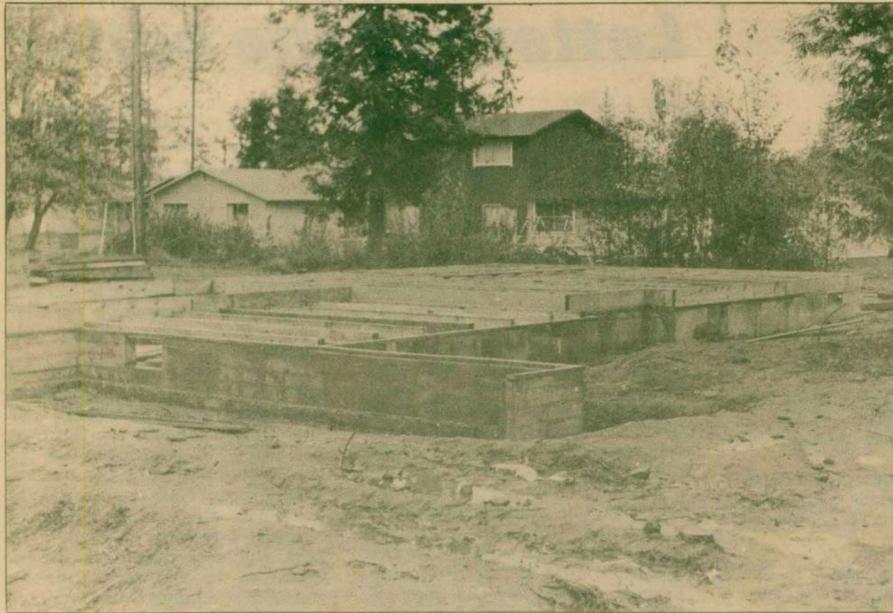
Two individuals deserve special recognition for their efforts in drawing voter turnout. ASGRCC

president Greg Stuart and Chief Justice John Hayes were prime factors in publicizing the elections and the candid turnout at any community college in the state, falling only 25 persons short of the state record of 907 voters.

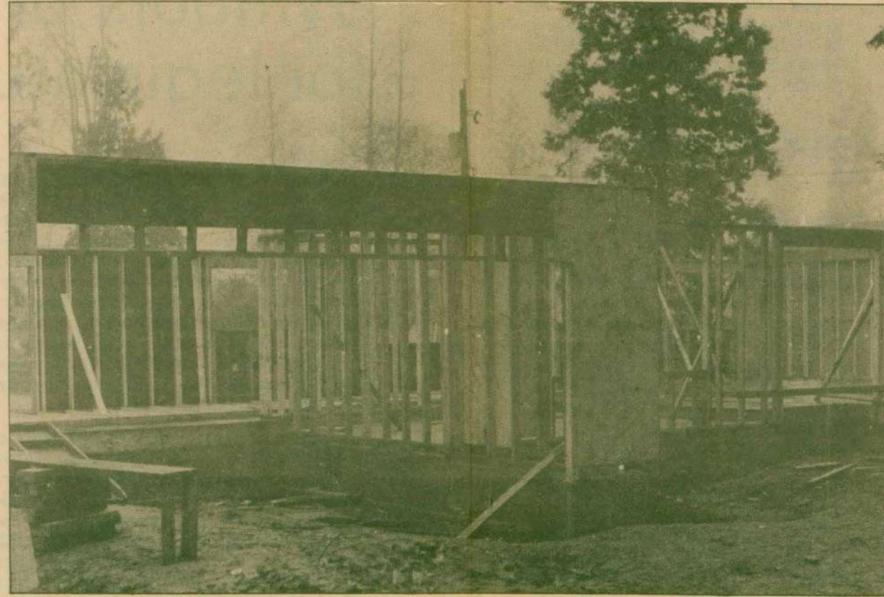
Having gotten a close-up look at the campaigning on both sides of the president and vice-presidential races, I felt the cooperation and fairness that was exhibited by and between the four candidates is an indication of the leadership they will offer through their newly-elected offices and their continued work with Student Programs.

The high level of interest on the part of the candidates, the election organizers and, most importantly, the voters, I'm sure is greatly appreciated by all those who were involved in the elections.

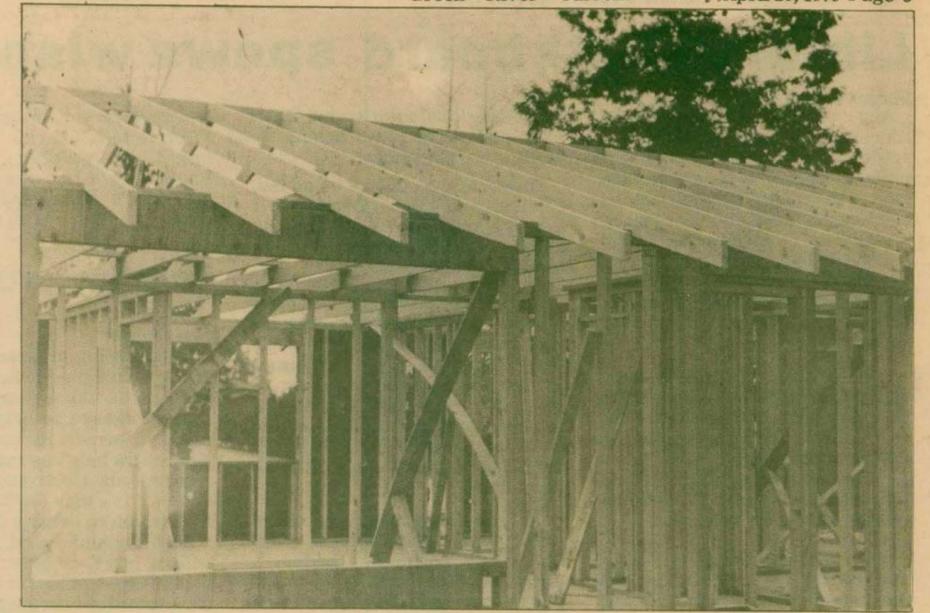
Sherry Dawley



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And that's what makes a Green River house.

Library chalkboard spews wise sayings

Torger Helgeland

Any veteran of the GRCC educational system will tell one, if prodded sufficiently, that the school's library is a unique one. Part of the reason for such a statement exists about five feet directly above the head librarian, David Willson's, desk. This is, of course, the chalkboard which hangs from the library ceiling by what appears to be a dangerously slender thread.

It's the brainchild of the same man who thought it fashionable to fill every nook and cranny of the "old" library with impressive gas station memorabilia. Also, it has been the source of much debate and controversy amidst budding philosophers the school over.

But what is the "the chalkboard"? Why is it where it is and how did it get there? It was hoped that answers to some of these questions would be uncovered when this assignment was undertaken.

As if to belie its present state of fame and recognition the chalkboard was a child of humble beginnings. According to Willson it was installed only as a guiding beacon to the librarian's desk.

"People have always noticed the blackboard," Willson said in reference to its initial reason for being, "the desk they kind of tuned out."

But Willson continued, perhaps

revealing involuntarily his more lofty and noble ideas behind installing the blackboard.

Still, that was before he added, "Actually it's kind of an ego trip. I get an egotistical feeling in being able to distribute power to others in the form of information."

Apparently Willson chooses adages and sayings that catch his eye from daily readings to write on the chalkboard. He sometimes allows others, even students, to suggest a proverb or two and on occasion will permit a person to chalk it up himself. Still Willson is the judge of the maxim's ultimate worthiness.

"It's an extension of my ethical stance, my philosophical position," said Willson. "I believe a librarian should be visible to the public, not tucked away in some corner or back office."

"If I don't like it, I'll erase it," he said, alluding to his status as chief chalkboard keeper.

Willson usually tries to keep the sayings "short and sweet" and prefers those which "characterize the mood of the moment" or "make a point pertinent to campus affairs". He said that no subliminal indoctrination is involved in his chalkboarding, adding that the mottos he usually selects for print are "about as subtle as a ball peen hammer".

One of his aphorisms is by ex-

baseball player, Satchel Paige, "Don't look back, something might be gaining on you". Another is "He who waits for deadman's shoes shall long go barefoot", which is an old folk ex-

pression he's particularly fond of. One adage which he says he drew the greatest response of any he could recall was, "I'd rather have a bottle in front of me than a frontal lobotomy".

Tutoring program helps students

Sue Clerget

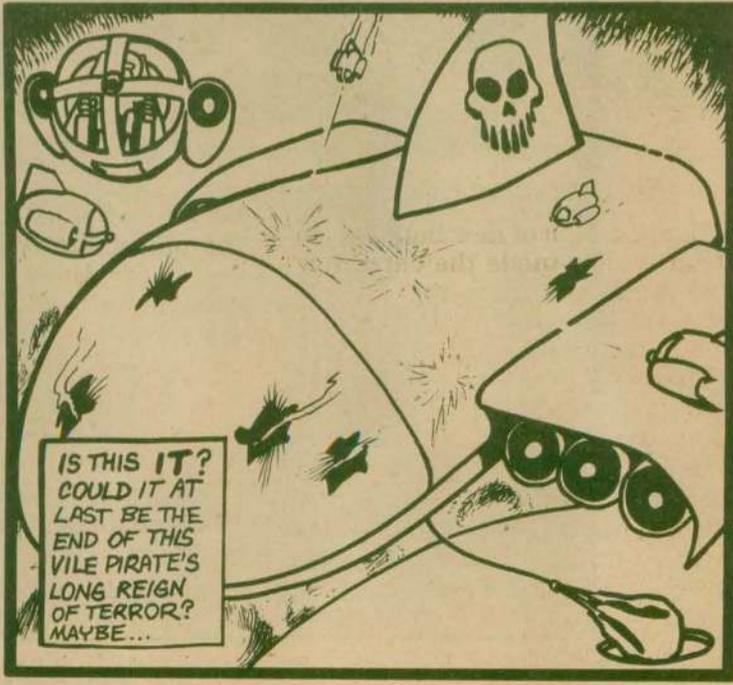
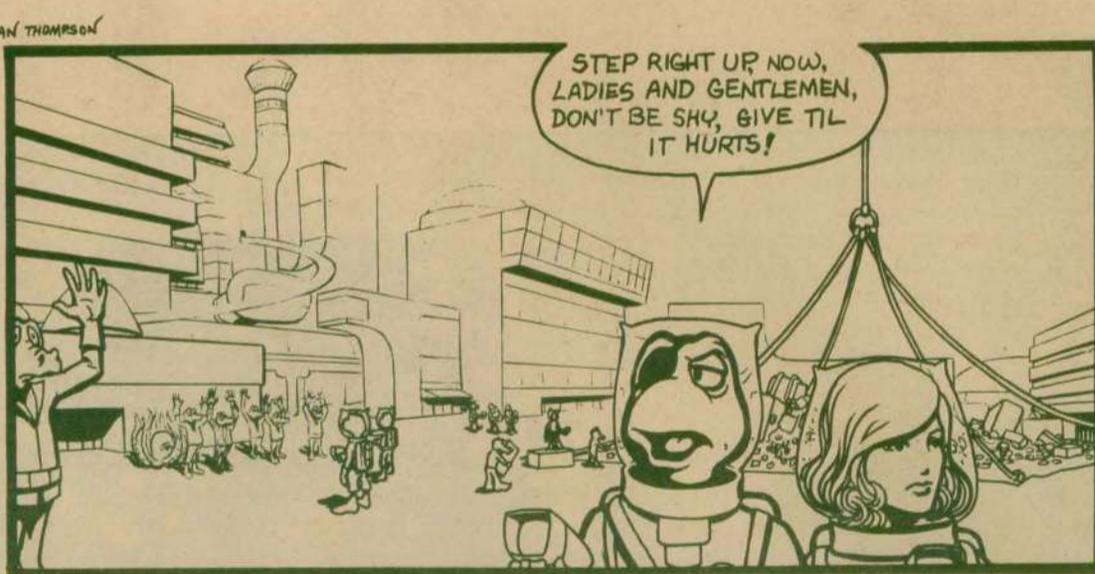
The tutoring program at Green River is designed to help students earn some money and it gives them a chance to help others. It also is a benefit for students who need extra help in a subject. Dave Agnew, an electronics student, stated, "It's nice feeling when someone you're helping does better. I wish I could spend more time with it but it is hard with a full load." Other students involved in the tutoring program find it rewarding and gratifying.

Tutors get paid over three dollars an hour by Minority Affairs and Veterans office. Up to six dollars is earned for tutoring a veteran. The hours spent in tutoring are completely up to the individual. Off-campus tutoring is three to four dollars an hour, depending on the knowledge required. This sometimes involves high school and elementary students. A person can earn up to five credits per quarter. Eleven hours equals on credit and can be accounted towards an activity or a

tutoring credit.

To become a tutor a person needs a signature from a teacher that he or she has or has had pertaining to the field that the individual will be tutoring in. This is to confirm that the person who's going to be tutoring has knowledge of the subject. A form is filled out by the instructor and by the tutor. A time log is kept by the tutor to determine work hours. The log must be turned in a week before the quarter ends or no credits will be earned.

Tutors are greatly needed in Beginning Piano, Basic Education, and English as a second language class. Anyone interested in tutoring or would like to be tutored may contact Sherry Hartness in room HL-24 between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays, or phone extension 361. If one is a student attending Green River, there is no cost for tutoring. Tutors are paid by Minority Affairs and Veterans Office.



GR student creates home for widows

Sue Clerget

Joi Hwang, a Korean student of the English as a Second Language class at Green River, was the creator of the Freeman Widows Village near the demilitarized zone in Yonchun, Korea.

After the Korean War, in which Hwang lost her husband, she bought a farm house and made it into a home for widows and children who had lost their husbands and parents during the war. She had a small factory for ten years making handmade Korean dolls in which she had saved money to buy the farm.

After three years of managing the farm a fire broke out and members of the Forty Fourth Engineers in the United States Army came to the rescue, in which they had discovered the real function of the farm. Colonel Wheeler sent a newsman to the farm and he put an advertisement in the paper to let people know about it. The colonel had units built onto the farm to make more living accommodations for the 89 women and children.

Rice, corn, and potatoes were raised on the farm to earn money.

Each person rotated jobs and worked together to keep the farm

functioning.

Hwang received honorary certificates from the Head of the Yuen Cheun Police Department, the governor, Kyung Ki Province, and a solid heart placque from the Forty Fourth Engineers for the contribution and establishing of the farm.

Ed Dahlbeck, a member of the Forty Fourth Engineers, contributed a lot of time and help towards the farm. After returning to the states two years later he began a contribution drive through his church, Seventh Day Adventist, in Seattle. Many goods were then sent over to the farm. He had become a good friend to Hwang and the other members on the farm. His influence on Hwang made her decide to move to the United States.

Hwang has lived in the United States for seven years. She spent the last seven years in Los Angeles until moving to Seattle two months ago. Hwang's son is now managing the farm that benefits mostly for poor people. "I love everything about the states and have no desire of living in Korea." smiled Hwang.

Hwang has two daughters both



Joi Hwang

attending Green River. They moved to the states six months ago. A dramatization of Hwang's life story was put on a reel to reel and was broadcasted in Korea.

Voc/Tech places grads

Tim Hyatt

With the Pacific Northwest in the midst of an industrial boom, the demand for trained vocational and technical people seems immeasurable. Vocational classes are constantly full and often have to turn away hopeful students.

The success of the vocational program is due in part to the close proximity of several industrial giants. These local industries are in frequent contact with class instructors in the never ending search for qualified employees.

Roy Watson, Dean of Vocational Academics, indicated increased technology in many fields has amplified the need for formal training. Watson said that mechanics, for example, deal with modern technology with the emphasis of clean air engines, necessitating greater understanding of engineering.

Construction of new buildings in the area has made the carpentry and welding trades top choices among job seekers. During the construction of the Alaska pipeline, welding classes were conducted around the clock in an effort to meet demand. The Boeing Company seems to have a never ending thirst for qualified machinist, draftsmen, engineers and other technically oriented personnel.

As the building and industrial trades grow, so does the popula-

tion. With the increase comes the need for more medical personnel. The health occupations program fills this need with qualified nurses and therapists. During the period of rehabilitation from an injury of surgery, the role of practical nurse or therapist is irreplaceable.

Watson also pointed out that incorporating some communications and or self-help courses into the program makes the Green River graduate a valued employee.

These additional communication courses also help the business student relate to customers as well as fellow workers. In the case of air traffic controller, lives can depend on how well communication is handled.

The measure of success with the vocational/technical program is the placement of students in the career for which they were trained. Watson indicated at present the GRCC program is placing 97 percent of it's graduates.

Professional Entertainer Training (PET) was recently added to the vocational program. Along with Law enforcement and Recreation Leadership classes, GRCC now offers the surrounding community a comprehensive cross section of skill and pride in the vocational and technical trades.



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Sports

Women outslug Ft. Steilacoom

Denise Ryan

The GRCC women's slo-pitch team acquired their fourth victory of the season by defeating Fort Steilacoom in a tight game at Auburn Fulmer Field. The afternoon doubleheader, played on a soupy field, hindered the Gators usual fine defense and batting ability in the 6-1 and 5-4 final scores.

With six hits and only one error in the first game, the GRCC defense held Fort Steilacoom to only one hit for the entire match. Outstanding efforts by Donna Kern and Sue Strong (both hitting home runs in the doubleheader) and Becky Bryson, executing an unusual face-first slide into the base bag to keep the bases loaded, were instrumental in earning the needed runs to clinch the match.

The second game was tied at 4-4 up until the fifth inning, and according to Coach Jan Kochel, the win could be attributed to the confidence of the women at their last turn at bat and their determination to keep the visiting team in the dug out.

Kochel stressed, "We've had consistent hitting as a team, but our girls haven't reached their top potential at the plate. They have the ability, and when our sticks start coming alive, we're gonna schellac 'em one of these games." She added in regard to the defensive efforts of the team, "Our defense is so good that we've been lowering the other team's batting averages by shutting off their rallies. On the other hand, we seem to be getting enough base hits to keep the bases loaded, and then when we're in scoring position, our girls can come through with the hit. It's been pretty much the same story in all the matches, but when the team reaches their peak, look out."

The slo-pitch team faced Olympic College in Bremerton on Wednesday, and also has an away game scheduled in Grays Harbor on Monday.

Women netters go undefeated

Mark Blaisdell

Following an opening 5-4 triumph of defending state champion Tacoma, the Gator women's tennis team proceeded to register four more victories, including a 9-0 pasting of Highline.

"The girls are really playing well" commented Coach Dave Lester "they're growing a little bit stronger each match."

In addition to the victories over Highline and Tacoma, the team also registered triumphs over



"Which way, coach?" Janet Best seems to be asking as she rounds second base in a recent women's slopitch game. But the Gators know very well which way to go as they sail along undefeated.

Track stars shine

Bob Orndorff

With an outstanding performance by Jody Grace in the 400 meter hurdles, the Gator men and women's track teams proved that within a period of three weeks both teams will be within the top five in the state. Grace who was running the hurdles for the first time qualified for conference by almost two seconds, with a time of 66.25 which puts her in the top spot for the conference meet, she also captured first in the race.

Other high points for the women were the third place finish of 400 meter relay team composed of Willette White, Debbie Millian, Kerry Burrell and Grace in a time

of 53.46. Christie Kendell and White finished second and third respectively in the high jump with leaps of 5'2" and 5'; White also captured third in the 100 meter high hurdles with a time of 16.6. In the distance races Shawna Lakin finished second and third in the 1500 and 3000 meter races with times of 5:04.5 and 10:49.9 respectively, Burrell 2:27.1 for fourth in the 800 meters and the 1600 meter relay composed of Janet McCone, Millian, Grace, and Burrell.

On the men's side the 400 meter relay team of Harry Gause, Bryan Scott, Ed McCallister, and Mike Strong with a time of 44.4 for second. Karl Iams 15.8 in the 110 meter high hurdles for sixth, and the 1600 meter relay team of Greg Thomas, Gause, McCallister and Scott in a time of 3:27.17 for fourth.

Coach Gwen Robertson commented, "We place well in the meet especially with the women as they improved greatly. We may have started out slow but in the end we will be there for the conference meet."

This Saturday the Gators travel to Mt. Hood for the Mt. Hood relays, with the first event scheduled to start at 6:30.

Men's tennis wins again

Mark Blaisdell

Continuing their march to the men's tennis crown, the Gators recently posted successive 7-0 triumphs over hapless teams from Skagit Valley, Everett, Tacoma and Seattle Central. In the process the team upped their season mark to 8-2 as well as improving their league record to 6 and 0.

"Those teams were absolutely no challenge to us," commented coach Steve Sauers. When asked about future matches he replied, "We shouldn't have any real challenges except for our two upcoming matches with Yakima. Against them we're considered the underdog. Their number one player last year won the state championship and he's number two on the team this year. We should have some good matches." The team will play at Yakima on May 3 and will come home for a rematch on May 17th.

Against Seattle Central last Friday, the team lost but two games in seven matches in posting an easy 7-0 shutout. "It really was boring," noted Sauers. In the process, Brian Stanley (no. 1 player) improved his season mark to 8-2, as did Tom Kennedy, the number three ranked player. Dave DeMulling, the number four player, did them one better by raising his individual record to 9 and 1 with a victory. The tandem of Kennedy-DeMulling remained undefeated in doubles play by winning their match, pushing their season record to 8-0.

As a whole, the team's match record is 49 wins, 2 losses after their return from California. In fact, Sauers was quick to point out, "We haven't lost a community college match in Washington state since May of 1977 when we lost to Bellevue. But, then again, we played that match with two of our top players injured."

Speaking of injuries, Randy Wong (former number 3 player) is back on the court and hitting "extremely well" according to Sauers. He recently had an emergency appendectomy. He's expected to be back in a week or two.

With Wong rapidly improving and the rest of the team playing so well, the team truly looks like the class of the league.

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