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"Rarely do we find men who willingly engage in hard, solid thinking. There is an almost universal quest for easy answers and half-baked solutions. Nothing pains some people more than having to think."

—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

## Conflict end in sight

By Jason Boyd and Christine Gleason  
News Editor and Staff Writer

The United Faculty (UF) and the Administration have made "lots of progress," according to Chief Negotiator for the Administration, Clark Townsend.

In fact, according to Mike McIntyre, vice president for Marketing and Student Development, "We're real close."

The current status of the contract negotiations, now nine months old, has the UF reviewing the latest offer made by the administration. This comes after the two sides met from 2:00 p.m. Wednesday afternoon to 5:30 the following day.

Both sides are definitely scheduled to meet Feb. 4, however arrangements are trying to be worked out so that all those who need to be there can be without scheduling conflicts, can meet before that date.

"I think it will be very good news to the students," said UF President Jerry Hedlund.

The major setbacks of the negotiation teams have been agreeing on whether or not the counselors, librarians and media specialists should be considered part of the teaching staff, to include or exclude the Educational Training Center and its faculty in the provisions of the contract, the assignment of certain causes to particular department division, an extra ten days of compensation for division chairpersons for work beyond the contracted academic year, and the faculty workload.



Photo courtesy of Public Information

Well-know mountain climber Lou Whittaker will leave his somewhat precarious position and come to Green River Community College to speak as a part of the Artists and Speakers series, Jan. 24.

## Renowned mountaineer set to climb atop GRCC stage

By Dian Wright  
Staff Reporter

Climbing mountains ranging from 19,340 ft. to 29,028 ft., discovering new places, meeting new people, going to ends length to have the thrill of a life time. That's what 61 year old mountain climber Lou Whittaker does.

Whittaker's first guided climbing tour was in 1951. The climb was done up

Mount Rainier. It cost \$28 then, now it is around \$250. His most exciting climb was in 1984. He lead a party of 12 in the first American ascent of Mount Everest, which is located on the borders of Tibet and Nepal. It took 3 months to complete the expedition.

At age 61, Whittaker is still climbing. He just returned from an expedition up Mt. Kilmanjaro with his family. Most people may think that he is to old to be climbing

mountains, but as Lou put it:

"There are old climbers, and there are bold climbers, but there are no old bold climbers."

Whittaker will be at Green River on Jan. 24, at 7:30 p.m. in the Lindbloom Student Center. He will be showing slides on his ascent up Kanchenjunga. He lead an expedition of six team members, being the second team ever to ascend the third largest peak in the world.

## War news bombs students

By Jason Boyd  
News Editor

Approximately 40 people sat silently in the Glacier room of the Lindbloom Student Center Wednesday evening as President Bush graced the presence of the large television screen, explaining his military intentions to the country.

Most of those present al-

ready knew what was happening, and were waiting to glean more information. Some were awestruck. Nobody disrupted the still anxiety of the room.

The president said what the majority already knew: United States air power had begun bombing Baghdad, Iraq several hours earlier under the code name Desert

Storm.

In his speech to the country Bush expressed his ultimate objective of peace, while stressing the fact that he had backing from the United States Congress and the United Nations to take the action that he did.

Then the actions in this war began making history faster than anything could be written down.

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"You can protest without hating, you can demonstrate without violence. Love will outlast hate."

—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

# Congressman defends 'yes' vote for war

By Jennifer Bowman  
Contributing Writer

Approximately 50 students and teachers from business and political science classes attended a small session with guest speaker, Congressman Rod Chandler last Tuesday morning.

The lecture, originally planned for the business classes, began with Chandler giving an overview of his career and accomplishments as a former news anchor for KOMO, an entrepreneur and currently a politician representing the 8th district of Washington.

Most minds were not concerned with Chandler's accomplishments, but with the Persian Gulf crisis and the midnight deadline that evening. They wanted Chandler's input on the situation.

Expectedly, the first question that popped out, immediately following Chandler's opening was, "Can you tell us what's going on?"

Chandler replied that he

really wasn't sure and that Congress didn't know exactly what was going on because most information is military and unavailable.

Once the first question flew, all others, having been loaded, were all shot at him as fast as possible for the next hour.

He expressed calmly that he does agree with President Bush's position on the crisis and did vote in favor of passing the second resolution last Saturday in Congress, allowing the President's authorization to use force if necessary. Chandler commented that he feels that Congress was at its best last week and has discharged its duty as far as the Constitution.

"I feel that (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein has had enough time to withdraw his troops from Kuwait. Unfortunately, now I think that it is best to just go in (Iraq) and get it over with as soon as possible. Saddam Hussein's goal is to control the entire gulf and to be-

come its leader - those are his own words. The two major factors of this are Israel and the oil which is the significant supply of the world's energy. To have all of that power taken over by one person is unthinkable!" explained the Congressman.

Other positions taken by students were hotly aired to Chandler. Such positions as the view that the U.S. is not the world's policeman, that our soldiers are dying for oil, that the Gulf Crisis may become another Vietnam, concerns about the Soviet Union, the reinstatement of the draft, the number of troops being sent from other countries and the problems the economy will face in a war situation were acknowledged by Chandler, ignoring the harsh tone in which many of the questions were asked.

Chandler answered some concerns by saying that there are currently no plans for reinstating the draft and there probably won't be unless a war takes place in a

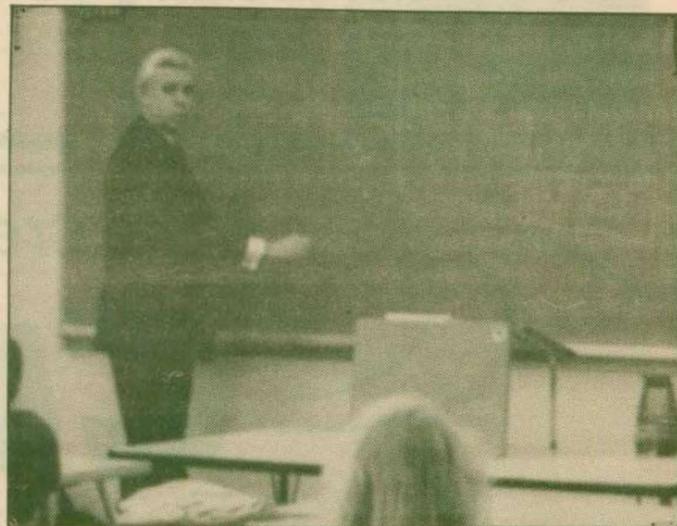


PHOTO BY DAVID KELLEY

United States Representative Rod Chandler, who voted in favor of authorizing President Bush to use military action in the Persian Gulf, defends his position to business students.

long time frame.

As of Wednesday there are 27 nations who have sent troops: 335,000 are U.S. troops (430,000 are authorized), 65,000 are Saudi Arabian troops, 35,000 are from Great Britain and 30,000 are from Egypt, as well as the 245,000 troops from other allies. He described our weaponry as 'highly sophisticated' and capable.

Political Science teacher John Barnard expressed in-

terest in the Gramm Rudman bill that Congress had passed to force the government to balance the budget with specific goals to cut the deficit. If this doesn't happen then a flat amount is to be cut out of other government programs.

"During war there are only two things that can be done. They can either rescind the Gramm-Rudman bill or raise taxes."

## Wells speaks at Forum

By Kathleen Donovan  
Staff Reporter

"Everything we write is autobiographical whether we've actually done it or not. It tells you a lot about who wrote it and how they see and hear the world," said Rebecca Wells, who spoke at the Tuesday Forum Jan. 8 in the Lindbloom Student Center Rainier Room.

Wells is an actress, essayist, playwright, and storyteller. She is known for her award-winning works *Splittin' Hairs* and *Gloria Duplex*. She has performed and taught in theaters and universities all over the country and is also a subject of a PBS documentary. Her fiction has been published in *The Mississippi Review* and *Crab Creek Review* and she frequently contributes to the *Seattle Weekly*. Wells has also written teleplays for CBS and ABC and is the recipient of numerous grants and fellowships. Wells conducts workshops on writing and acting, with an emphasis on the relationship of soul and creativity.

Wells' workshop is entitled "Learning to Compost:



Rebecca Wells

Wells feels that when people write about their life experiences their first feeling is sadness. "We've spent most our lives acting like everything is fine," said Wells.

Wells gives her students the space to feel everything they need to feel. She tells them it is alright to cry because "the beauty of writing is that you just write through the tears to find out what is on the other side of the tears." Usually there is some laughter in there because they are closely related and once they are able to tap into one part, the other part is opened up, she believes.

Wells feels that "what we write is not the truth, it is our perception and only we have the right to write, nobody else has that little flashlight glimmer of that part of the truth."

Wells read "Pilgrimage," a selection from her upcoming book tentatively titled *Little Altars Everywhere*. The story was about a family and its journey to Houston for a Beatles concert.

For more information about attending Wells' workshops, call 842-8209 or 842-5601.

Writing from the Heart."

"Our life experiences are rich if we learn to value them and try to get them down on paper," said Wells of her workshops.

Wells feels that anybody can be included from high school students to published writers. She tries to create a very protective, secure environment "so that the fears that we've carried around for so long about writing have some chance to dissipate," said Wells.

"We get so crippled because we're basically terrified and have been told for so long that we can't write," said Wells on writing.

During her workshops Wells works to facilitate the students in giving themselves permission to write.

## Rape video to air

By Dionna Faherty  
Staff Reporter

The Counseling center working with health services and the Women's center is re-showing the "Campus Rape" video that was viewed at Green River last quarter. This time, however, they have put more of themselves into it.

"There has been time set aside at the end of the video to talk with students on how it affects them," Says Nan Henderson of the Counseling department.

The video, hosted by Corben Bernson and Susan Dey of "L.A. Law," deals with both stranger rape and acquaintance rape (also called date rape). This video will focus mainly on rape that occurs on college campuses. "Campus Rape" will show real victims sharing their personal experiences.

"It is very emotional to view and contains invaluable information for both men and women," Henderson states. Henderson thinks that it is imperative that men be more involved in rape education. "Rape is not just a women's issue," she says, "men need a full understanding of it as well."

Though women are the more common victims of rape (statistics show one in three women will be raped in her lifetime), it can happen to men as well. There may also come a time in their life where they are called upon to understand a loved one's trauma.

Since the video does cover acquaintance rape, men who attend could really get a good education on how not to be involved in something like that themselves.

This video is full of lots of helpful information for women as well. "Rape is never the woman's fault, Henderson points out, "but there are things she can do to avoid being in a potentially dangerous situation."

Both Nan Henderson and Tom Broussard will be present before and after the video presentation and will be leading separate discussion groups for men and women so each sex will feel free to speak openly.

"Campus Rape" will be viewed on Jan. 29 from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m., it runs for one half hour leaving plenty of time for the above mentioned discussion groups. It certainly promotes

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# BSU celebrates King on birthday

By Murr Helledy  
Staff Writer  
and Jen Gonyer  
Features Editor

"I will not stand idly by when I see an unjust war taking place and fail to take a stand against it. We initiated the buildup of this war on land, on sea, and in the air and we must take the initiative to end the war."

Those are the exact words of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr, as he denounced the Vietnam war in front of fellow members of the civil rights and peace movement, almost 24 years ago.

January 15, 1991, was the 62nd anniversary of the Reverend's birth, and the United Nations deadline for Iraq to withdraw troops from Kuwait before war starts.

While Green River students remembered the life of Dr. King, the imminent threat of war was clearly present in their minds.



Photo by David Kelley

The local gospel group *Temperance* sing their praise in front of GRCC students and faculty, who had gathered to celebrate the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr.

"It is ironic that today is the deadline for war, on the birthday of the man who stood for love and peace," reflected David Armstrong, one of the members of the Black Student Union who spoke to nearly 80 GRCC students

and faculty in the Glacier room last Tuesday.

The BSU put together a full hours worth of speeches, poems, and video, plus live gospel music from the local group *Temperance*.

"Martin Luther King, Jr, has always moved me -

just the sound of his voice," said Theresa Timms, another speaker, "He taught me that no one has to choose, we are all humans. He never asked me to choose, and that's what is important."

Dr. King's work has

touched all of us in some way, yet racism still exists, even on our campus.

"I think there's a little bit of racism here, but it's not really out in the open. People generally keep it to themselves," replied John Shearer, a GRCC student, "I'm a minority too, so most people don't give me any problems."

"People come up to me and tell me their racial ideas, thinking I'll agree because I'm white," said an anonymous student.

"Discrimination will always be around," added Armstrong. He invites everyone to become a member of BSU, regardless of color.

It is strange how history tends to repeat itself. Today we face racism at home and war across the ocean, on the birthday of "The Dreamer", the man who fought with non-violence to rid our society of these evils.

# Students able to spend quarter in London

By Anne Autio  
Managing Editor

Green River Community College students have the opportunity to spend spring quarter in London in a coordinated studies program presented by the Puget Sound Consortium and the American Institute for Foreign Study.

Students will spend nine weeks living in the Kensington section of London and studying at the Maria Assumpta Pastoral and Educational Center. Classes offered include introduction to art history, introduction to drama, English 101, environmental science, Great British writers and math, a practical art. Students are allowed to choose two of these courses in addition to the required British life and culture class for a total of 15 through 18 credits.

Green River's own Dr. Edward Fohn will be among three local community college instructors chosen to teach the interdisciplinary program which focuses on the environment.

"We'll contrast what Londoners do to protect



Students visiting London have the opportunity to visit sites like the Tower Bridge pictured here.

their environment compared to what we do here," said Fohn. "Hopefully the students will develop a stewardship for the land. The Londoners already seem to have done this."

The quarter begins on April 14 and lasts until June 13. The London Quarter program costs \$2,905 if the student chooses to reside in a studio apartment or dorm or \$2,580 if the student chooses a shared homestay. The program fees do not cover textbooks, independent travel while in London, a dam-

age deposit on lodgings, some meals and personal expenses.

Students may also choose to join an optional nine day European tour that departs on April 6 that includes the Netherlands, Belgium and France. This tour is an additional \$545.

The cost doesn't seem to deter most students however. There are currently between 35 and 40 students registered for the program which can have as many as 60. Twelve of these students are from Green River according to

Bob Lawrence, Dean of Instruction and Green River's London program coordinator.

Green River is in its fourth year of involvement with the program and everyone appears to be satisfied with the results.

"So far the reports back from the students have been wonderful," said Lawrence. "They seem to get quite a lot out of it. It's more than just a travel experience for them."

"You develop a maturity," said Fohn, "a global prospective from travel. I

enjoy the different cultures and that will be the most interesting part of the trip."

Not all time in London will be spent in the classroom. Fridays have been set aside for field trips to museums, theaters or other places of historical interest. Students will also be given ample free time to discover the city at their own pace.

"There's so much in London to see, museums, a lot of history, drama and theater. It's a fantastic city to be in or be by," according to Lawrence.

Most of the students interaction will be with American faculty and students. There will be some mixing with British students but "not as much as we would like to see" said Lawrence.

Green River plans to participate in this program next year but it is uncertain whether the program will be in London.

Applications may be picked up at Lawrence's office in the Holman Library and all payments are due by Feb. 1 to AIFS.

# State's sexual predator laws challenged

The 1990 Washington Community Protection Act was a revolutionary decision in protection from sexual predators. Unfortunately it was a plan that required apparent deviation from some of the basic principles of our justice system. It was hotly disputed at the time, and

the Washington State Psychiatric Association has recently rekindled the debate, backed this time by medical science.

"Our criticism of the sex-offender legislation is that it defines mental illness by a category of crime" says Dr. John Chiles, president of the 500

member association. "To state that all sex offenders have a mental illness is an assumption that's probably not true." We have a state law that defines psychiatric illness quite well according to Chiles, and the association is on guard against any attempt to circumvent it.

The American Civil Liberties Union has involved itself heavily in the debate as well, challenging the premise that it is legally and morally acceptable to commit a person to an institution indefinitely for reasons other than potential rehabilitation. "Essentially [the Act] is preven-

tive detention under the guise of psychiatric treatment" said John LaFond in a legal brief filed by the ACLU.

Is our new policy right? How much deviation from legal standards is acceptable for increased security and protection? What other options do we have?

## Students talk about state's policies



**Julie Baird**  
I'm absolutely for keeping sex offenders

in mental institutions. I don't think that it's against their rights because they made that choice when they committed the sexual offenses. And your comment here about 'To assume that all sex offenders have a mental illness is an assumption that's probably not true.' - I totally disagree with that. Anyone that commits a crime like that's got to have a mental illness. I think we've got every right to know where they're going to be located or keep



them in an institution if we feel that a crime like that can happen again.  
**Ron Hillis**  
Rehabilitation rather than punishment. But then the question is whether or not the person is really rehabilitated.



[The issue is deciding who is rehabilitated.]  
**Chris Butenko**  
[Castrate them], or something like

that. In the state of Washington they're required to register in the county they live in, which they're not doing. I think that's the wrong way to go about it. They don't desire help. If they desired help they would have gotten help before they did it.



**Kris Shimek**  
The

problem is basically with men. It's not the men who are dealing with all these things, it's the women. It's up to the men to stand up and stop other men from doing these things. I think it would help out a lot if

the males got together. I don't think there's going to be a solution until the men get together, both the sexes get together, and fight for the cause.



**Angie Haggland**  
If the people are put in an institution, they still don't get

what they deserve. Think of the people that were victimized, why should this [offender] go walking around? And they lie all the time; what are they going to say "Oh, OK, you're right, I should be in here"? I think it's unfair; there should be more [punishment].

## Current adopts editorial policy

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## Affirmative action challenges society

By Jim Storment  
Editorial Editor

Affirmative action has challenged the conscience of the nation for decades now. For many the thought of overt racial discrimination in the name of racial equality seemed ridiculous, and under scrutiny it is.

One of the great misconceptions on the issue is that reverse discrimination is a more equitable system. Affirmative action does promote equality of one sort, but only at the cost of equality of another sort. It's only as we admit that true equality in this context is impossible that we can begin to deal with the necessary issues. When we reserve spots for minorities in schools, jobs, or other valued positions, we sacrifice equality between the person who fills that position and the person who would have filled the position if race had not

been a consideration. As a trade-off we indirectly promote equality between the groups represented. We don't actually gain equality, we merely exchange one kind of equality for another.

Which type of equality is more valuable is a philosophical issue that can't be dealt with conclusively here if it could be dealt with conclusively at all. The questions that may have value to us are which form of equality is politically consistent and which is most practical. The answer is the same.

If a person loses what he once had, our government doesn't guarantee that it will be restored. For a family, a neighborhood or a sector of society the standards are usually the same. Our political system tries to guarantee that each person will have the opportunity to do the best possible with the means he

has. It doesn't, and realistically couldn't, guarantee that everyone will find identical opportunities. Unfortunately the crimes of our ancestors with regard to racism have been brought back to us so forcefully in the last few generations that we've apparently felt obliged to bend the social contract.

Green River has become interested in "cultural diversity" at an appropriate time, as it gives an example we can all identify with. Please consider for a moment whether you believe it would be more beneficial for you and other students to be taught by a faculty hired because they have proven their dedication and competence in past years here or a faculty whose members are hired because they have the right shade of skin or checked the right box under "ethnic origin" on their applications.

Don't take too long with that one; we're getting close to the end. When we apply the affirmative action philosophy to other issues its ridiculousness becomes more evident. I'm concerned about homelessness, but I don't claim that families with incomes of over \$40,000 shouldn't be allowed to own homes to combat the problem. I'm concerned about child abuse, but I won't advocate any parent abuse programs because of my feelings. (Perhaps this isn't a good comparison to affirmative action since it really does increase equality like it's supposed to. Does that make it more philosophically sound?)

I'm concerned about equal opportunity, but I still believe in right and wrong ways to achieve it. Affirmative action isn't it.

## Seattle's I-5 protesters are out of line

By Christine Gleason  
Staff Writer

WAR has been declared, and Americans are still wondering what in the hell is going on.

Wednesday afternoon, after the astonishing announcement that the U.S. declared war on Iraq, many Americans planted themselves in front of their televisions to hear about how the war has and will affect the United States, and its people. The declaration came as a shock to some, a relief to others and a reason for sadness to most.

Jan. 14 was the day marked for protests to begin, all over the country. In Seattle, protesters were sitting in federal buildings, marching down streets, standing on the freeway and climbing buildings in order to promote their cause. PEACE!! is what

their signs say, as they walk onto I-5 to hold up traffic.

Peace, the purpose of the protesters is something everyone believes in, everyone wants. However, some of the war protesters have not been using "peaceful" protesting to prove their point. Wednesday morning, when protesters marched onto I-5, they stopped traffic completely. One of the automobiles in that jam was an ambulance carrying a man who had suffered a heart attack. The ambulance could not get to the hospital, and the man died. In other words, before the war was started, a life was lost, because of the people who didn't want the war to begin in the first place. Somehow, those people who are protesting, have gotten away from their cause, just

to gain attention.

After an incident like this, it would seem that these protesters would stop blocking traffic. They haven't. There are still more plans for I-5 blocking, as if one man's life meant nothing.

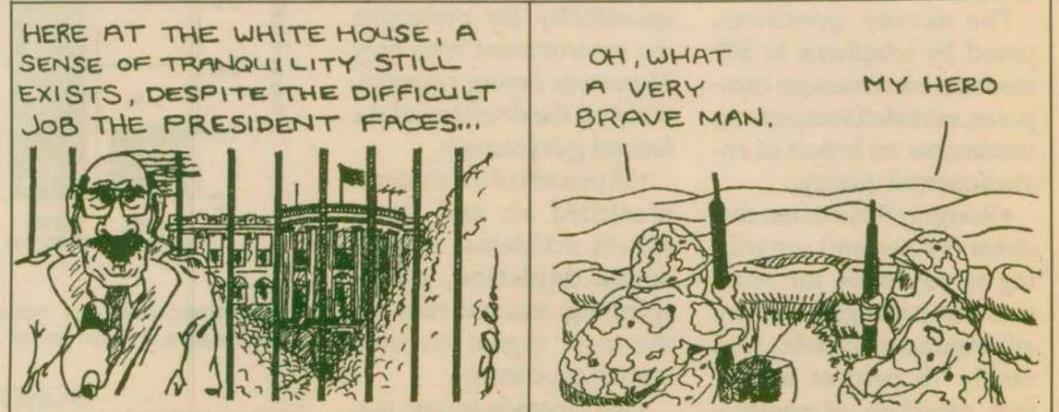
The point to all of this is that protesting can be positive. There is good that comes out of protesting, such as opening up public awareness, express-

ing feelings, and perhaps even changing people's minds. But protesting should be civil. The man on the freeway should not have lost his life because a group of people believed in a cause, and wanted to flaunt it in front of the media.

War is not something that people enjoy. We don't like to have our servicemen and women in another country facing

combat, or death. If we don't believe in the war, it should be protested, but we should remember that the troops need our support.

There have been many feelings that this war will be another Vietnam. If protesters are exhibiting an air of dislike for the men, or don't show support, Vietnam II could be created.



## Letters to the Editor

### Student comments on possible effects of war in Iraq

Dear Editor,

It seems that most people do not grasp the effect that this war will have on their lives. First and foremost, the lives of many people will be lost if our government decides to enter into battle with Iraq. I speak not only of American soldiers but also of

Kuwaiti and Saudi citizens who may become caught in the crossfire. Second, the cost of such a war would not help our floundering economy. American has enough economic and social problems as it is; we do not need to create more. The list of reasons against war could go on

and on, but this is already well covered territory.

There are actions the average citizen can take against this to make your voice heard. You can write or phone members of Congress, the President, local government, and anyone who will listen. You can vote. You can

participate in rallies and marches to join your voice with other voices. The next demonstration will be at Gasworks Park, on Saturday, Jan. 19 at noon. We must break through the apathy that surrounds this issue.

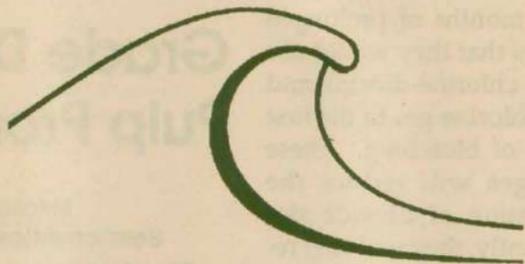
It is important that we all find our voice and use it.

Even if we disagree, let's make it a war of words, not weapons, and rationally discuss our differences, rather than fighting without listening. Peace.

Joe Stremick

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## U.S. foreign policy can only lead us into more trouble

By David Kelley  
Staff Writer

In light of the world situation I realized that if the United States of America gets into a war, all of us, that is the male gender at Green River, could get called to go to war. I could be called up because I am in the Naval Reserve. Still, ask yourself this question: Are you signed up for the draft? Do you want to jump out of a perfectly good airplane just to be shot at while trying to save an oil field

halfway around the world? Maybe it's just me but I would have a little trouble feeling good about it.

This nation's policy is getting it into trouble. Running around fighting everyone else's wars or petty arguments is bound to get the world united against us, and then we will all be in REAL trouble. But hey. Oh well. Right. It appears to me that the U.S. government is either uninformed, really arrogant, or outright insane.

God gave us the right to be free but he didn't give us the right to play God with the rest of the world. I think we're going to start a war at this rate, with or without the Iraqi problem. Fighting the world's wars will weaken our country, expend our resources, and get us in debt even further (the national debt is already 2.34 trillion dollars).

When we signed up for the draft, we practically enlisted in the Saudi Army. What's wrong with this picture?

# Is the Earth facing environmental disaster?

## Students voice environmental concerns; answer environmental phone survey

This information was taken directly from "PLANET IN PERIL: A View from the Campus," an opinion survey provided by the National Wildlife Federation.

The survey questions, posed by telephone to 500 students on American campuses, revealed some strong sentiments on behalf of environmental quality:

•Roughly 9 out of ten students (94 percent) are willing to pay more for products and packaging that are environmentally safe. And nearly 75 percent believe that recycling of newspapers, glass and cans should be required by law in all communities.

•While 66 percent believe industry today is more concerned about environmental protection than it was five years ago, 76 percent believe that industry influences government to pass less effective environmental protection laws.

•Students say they take their environmental concerns into voting booths, with more than 70 percent agreeing that environmental protection is important

in electoral decisions.

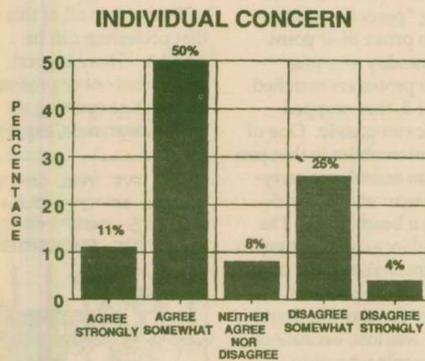
•95 percent believe that Congress should pass tougher laws to protect the environment.

•60 percent believe that "all of us" have primary responsibility for protecting the environment with only 24 percent laying responsibility on the doorstep of the federal government.

•54 percent of the students identified air and atmospheric problems—such as ozone depletion, global warming, and acid rain—as the most urgent environmental problems.

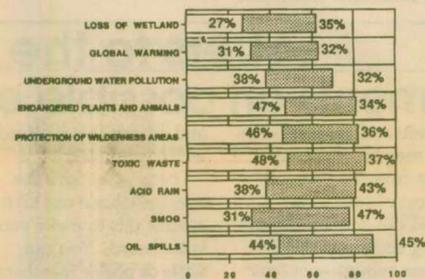
•An overwhelming majority (94 percent) agreed that students can make a difference in environmental protection.

•The media got high marks for their environmental coverage, with students listing newspapers (35 percent), television and radio (23 percent), and magazines (14 percent) as their primary sources of information. More than 80 percent believe they could do more for the environment if only they were better informed as to what they could do.



Question: Are you more concerned about the environment than most people you know?

### CONCERN FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS



PERCENTAGE VERY OR SOMEWHAT CONCERNED



## Local water quality damages marine ecosystem; Metro to help problem

Marine life is suffering greatly from pollution due to carelessness. Seagulls can be found starving to death on the beaches of Puget Sound after eating non-digestible foam broken up into tiny white beads. Even more graphic are the images of soft drink six-pack rings, abandoned fishing nets, nylon cords, and other waste entangling and killing marine animals. Oil and other chemical spills are other hazards that destroy marine life.

Washington has established a taskforce to examine the problem. DNR's Marine Plastic Debris program was started in 1989 to put the action plan into work. This can only be accomplished if all of us are committed to keeping chemicals and plastics out of our waters.

A big step aimed at improving Puget Sound water quality is the Seattle City Council Jan. 14 approval of a project permit allowing Metro to begin construction of secondary treatment facilities at its West Point plant, the largest ever Puget Sound municipal water quality project.

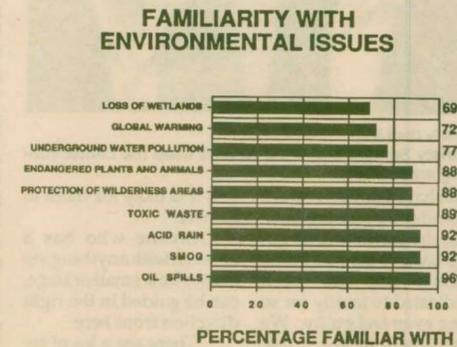
Metro will advertise for bids on the first major construction contract, an esti-

mated \$80 million site preparation which must begin by mid-1991 to meet a deadline from the state Department of Ecology and federal Environmental Protection Agency to provide secondary treatment by the end of 1995.

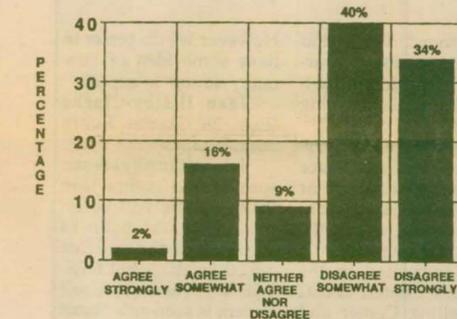
"Now we can begin building a secondary treatment plant to protect the health of Puget Sound and improve the beach and shoreline next to discovey park," said Penny Peabody, Metro Council chair. "If we miss the 1995 deadline, the Department of Ecology will impose a \$1,000-a-day fine and a moratorium on construction in most of Seattle and areas of north King County and south Snohomish County until the plant begins operating."

Secondary treatment will remove roughly 70,000 pounds of pollutants that the West Point plant currently discharges into the sound every day. Design of the secondary treatment plant is about 90 percent complete.

"I think it's time to look to the future and build the best plant possible at West Point. I think it's time to show our regional commitment to the environment and the health of Puget Sound," said Peabody.

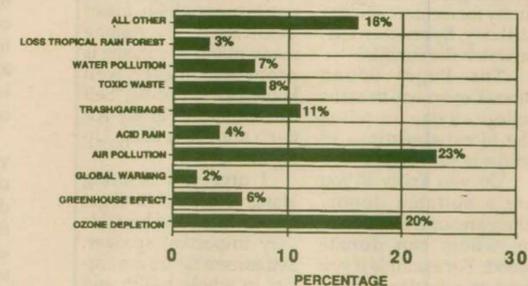


### ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



THE OVERALL QUALITY OF THE ENVIRONMENT IS BETTER NOW THAN IT WAS FIVE YEARS AGO.

### MOST URGENT ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEM



WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE MOST URGENT ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEM FACING THE UNITED STATES TODAY?

### QUALITY OF ENVIRONMENT NEXT FIVE YEARS



## Paper products pose potential problems

Most people if asked which is more environmentally safe, paper shopping bags or plastic, would probably answer paper. Mainly because it is a natural product, it's biodegradable, and it's made from a renewable resource. What we do not think about is the Spotted Owl in the tree we used to make some kind of paper product, or the toxic chemicals so dangerous that one drop can cause generations of birth defects, still births, and sterility.

There are sincere efforts to save the Spotted Owl. The owl was listed in July 1990 as a threatened species under the Federal Endangered Species Act.

Under that law, Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan must prepare a recovery plan to guide government and private activities and promote the species' conservation and survival. Lujan has established a recovery-plan team to help with the process. The team will have one member from Washington, Oregon, and California governors added to the team. Lujan feels that the recovery plan will be drafted by the end of 1991, with the final version taking effect by June 1992.

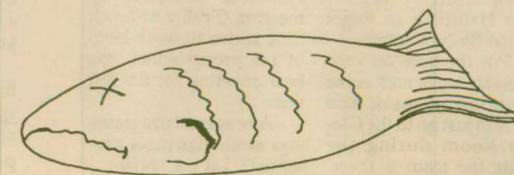
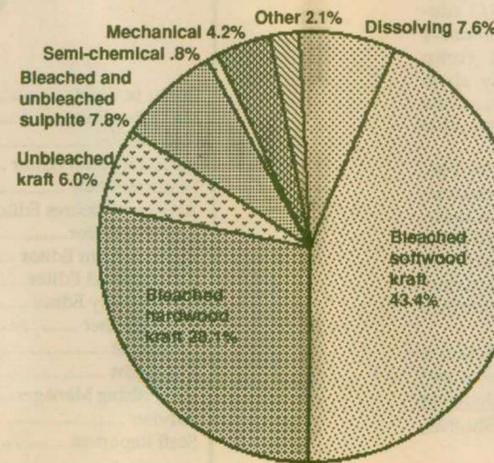
One of the most potent chemical toxins known is dioxin, which is produced during the chlorine bleaching of pulp. Dioxin is carcinogenic and it is known to suppress the immune system.

Most importantly, tests on many species of animals have shown dioxin can cause reproductive disorders, including severe birth defects, still births, and sterility. It is reasonable to conclude that humans are equally sensitive to the effects. Dioxin also remains in the bodies of organisms that ingest it, and contamination levels in wildlife therefore rise with the food chain. Documents leaked by the American Paper Institute and EPA revealed that dioxin had been found in almost all household paper products such as; diapers, sanitary products, facial tissue, toilet paper, kitchen towels, copying paper, and coffee filters. The paper company did decide

after months of prolonged delays that they would use more chlorine-dioxide and less chlorine gas in the first stage of bleaching. These changes will reduce the formation of dioxin significantly, they will only reduce the overall organo-chlorine discharges by 40 percent.

Consumers can help by first demanding unbleached and chlorine free paper, and by writing producers with their opinions on chlorine paper use. If consumers make non-chlorine paper a demand, producers will make it to please them. They can also help by avoiding disposable paper products, recycling paper, and conserving paper.

### Grade Distribution of World Pulp Production (1987)



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# Women's Center is there for everyone

By Murr Helledy  
Staff Writer

Where can students go to find a friendly face? Where does one go for information and referrals or maybe just for a hot cup of coffee or tea?

The answer to all of these questions is the Women's Center in the Occupational Education Building in room 17.

Don't let the name be deceiving because anyone who walks through the door whether it be male, female, young or old, is welcome.

The center helps people who are in abusive situations, have eating disorders or are single parents with child care

problems; even simple questions such as "Where can I find a typewriter?" are answered.

There is a reference library available to both men and women for papers, research, speeches or just personal knowledge. The library includes information on such topics as career planning, domestic abuse, sexual abuse, parenting issues, marriage, divorce, being single, growing older and personal growth.

The center also helps women who are reentering the job market or those who are thinking of returning to school after a long break. Maid Adams, director of the Women's Center, said, "It can be a scary feeling for women



Photo by David Kelley

**Christy Schutte and Maid Adams keep the center running smoothly**

who have families and are considering getting back into the work force or going back to school. Some women who have been dedicated to family for so long even feel guilty. We want them to know that

yes, it is okay for them to be here!"

Anyone who has a concern with anything, no matter how small or large, can be guided in the right direction from here.

"There are a lot of re-

sources available on campus and while you are here take advantage of all you can get. We offer support here and we want to see that you get it," said Adams.

Adams has a master's in Educational Psychology from the University of Washington. She has been with the center for 13 years and feels she can relate to women who are trying to get back to school. Adams went to school later in life and understands how difficult it can be to juggle a family and school let alone finding the financial and emotional support that is needed.

The Women's Center is open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

## FOR THE HEALTH OF IT: "Campus Rape" seminar kicks off February Health Service activities

Where IS Health Services anyway? Do YOU know?

Last week a student came breathlessly into my office, looking for "the nurse." There had been an emergency and I was needed. The students was embarrassed because of not knowing where to go, just "someplace in the student center."

Health Services is on the second floor of the Student Center (in room 227) next door to Financial Aid. My hours are 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. My telephone extension is 330.

If you need me for an emergency and I am not in my office, you can go to the nearest phone and call the Campus Operator or go to Student Programs (also on the second floor of the Student Center) for assistance.

I am there to provide first aid (including Band-Aids, Tylenol, aspirin, cold remedies, etc.) for the campus community as well as referrals for care and lots of allied health information either just for your own knowledge or to assist you with research for papers.

Stop by, so if you need to know where the office is in case of an emergency, you'll know. You can also just stop in to say hello.

**What's in store for you this quarter from Health Services?**

"Campus Rape" (video and discussion) Jan.

29 in the Glacier Room from noon to 1 p.m. There is grave concern nationally about the increased incidence of violent acts toward women on college campuses. More than 60 people attended a showing of this sensitive and non-sensationalized video last quarter and there have been several inquiries, about repeating the pro-



By Ann Darling  
Health Services

gram, from both female and male students. Susan Dey and Corbin Bernsen of "L.A. Law," narrate this video based on the true stories of three women college students.

There will be an opportunity following the video for questions and comments.

Members of the GRCC Counselling Center Ted Broussard and Nan Henderson will be present and available, as well as Maid Adams (from the Women's Center on campus) and myself.

We urge you to come,

bring a friend too, and find out ways to protect yourself and gain more knowledge about this alarming situation.

If you have any questions or need assistance now because of abuse or an abusive situation, please contact one of the sponsoring persons.

Co-sponsored by the Women's Center, GRCC Counselling Center and Health Services.

**Blood Drive . . . Feb. 27 Glacier Room 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

Once again the Campus Community will have the opportunity to give another person the opportunity to celebrate another birthday, fly another kite, or watch the sunset.

The Puget Sound Blood Center will be at the college all day to collect the blood donations of students, staff and faculty.

Do you know if you are a suitable donor? There are some restrictions on whom can donate blood. For example if you have an infection and are taking antibiotics you cannot donate.

If you have concerns or questions about your eligibility to donate you can contact either Health Services, faculty member Don Hallstone or Puget Sound Blood Center.

Put the date on your calendar now and come sign up for a timeslot. You can also just go to the Glacier Room during the hours the team is there.

However we do prefer to have some idea of how many donors to expect.

**Jean Illsley-Clarke (Feb. 28 Glacier Room noon- 1 p.m.)**

Internationally known speaker and author Jean Illsley-Clarke will be on the campus at noon to speak about an issue that affects us all . . . SELF ESTEEM. For as much as self esteem is seen as a "buzz word" by some people . . . Jean has been writing and speaking about this topic since the 1970's.

Here is someone who listens, takes time to answer your concerns and questions and talks about the issues which affect YOUR life in 1991. Among many publications, she is probably most well known for her books "Self Esteem," "A Family Affair" and "Growing Up Again."

I urge you to bring along your lunch and get there on time and hear this very important speaker. Self esteem issues are crucial to whole health and wellness.

**Interested in a "No more diets . . ." Group?**

Stop by Health Services and let me know and if there is interest we will continue the weekly meeting (Friday at lunch time seems to work best) of the group which has been meeting for the last year.

Any special programs you would like to see presented? Let me know.

## Counseling available for dysfunctional families

By Jim Storment  
Staff Writer

Nan Henderson, Green River counselor, has again arranged a program dealing with one of the most widespread problems of our times, growing up in alcoholic and dysfunctional families.

According to recent surveys, alcoholism is a disease that directly affects 28 million people. Roughly, 12-15 percent of today's college students come from a background of alcohol abuse. They are four times as likely to become alcoholics, twice as likely to marry alcoholics, and are more susceptible to a variety of mental disorders.

The program is divided between 1/3 education and 2/3 informal discussion and group therapy. Typically, six to eight people attend the series, which lasts nine weeks.

"As a counselor I believe that group counseling is actually more therapeutic," said Henderson, "People learn that they're not alone, and learn from a whole group rather than just one person."

A variety of people are found at the classes, and not all their problems are Please see COUNSELING, page 12

# Green River men break losing streak

By Danny Stone  
Contributing Writer

After suffering ten straight losses, the Green River Gator men's basketball team came up with something a little different for their game Wednesday, Jan. 16. The fired up Gators, led by Sean Sehlin's 29 points, 14 rebounds, and 4 assists, Jeff Perkins' 18 points and 11 rebounds, picked up their first victory over the visiting Clark Penguins 79-74. The Penguins dropped to 9-8 respectively.

The entire Gator team played well, Chris Stobie, the freshman guard out of Auburn High School, played extremely well on the defensive end and also picked up seven assists. Other Gator standouts were Danny Afework the sophomore guard hit two three-pointers and also played his guts out on defense picking up five steals. James Gayden and Travis Hurns, the two

freshman, came off the bench and delivered immediately for coach Bob Ross. Hurns hitting back to back jumpers from seventeen feet and Gayden applying tenacious defense, looking much like Piston Dennis Rodman with his hustle.

Perkins, the 6-foot-3-inch freshman out of Bethel High, was happy about the win. "We played our hearts out and got some help off the bench and it just feels great to get that first league victory, hopefully we can stay on the winning track," he commented.

Scotty Burmester was the emotional leader in the 79-74 victory. Burmester, the 6-foot-3-inch sophomore out of Spanaway Lake, is the Captain of the squad as well as the starting forward. Scotty finished with nine points and six boards.

Instructor Aid Shane McClough was very pleased with the Gator win. "Overall we played the best we've

played all year," he said. "Travis [Hurns] played well off the bench hitting them with two J's and Todd Christoffoletti did a great job inside, but it was a total team effort that picked that one up for us. I'm proud of them."

McClough was actually coaching the team for the last three games, but coach Bob Ross is back from a hip surgery and the Gators are responding well to his return.

Coming up this Saturday the Gators take on Gray's Harbor (McClough's Alma Mater) at home starting time 8:00 p.m. and the game will be covered on KGRG, 89.9 FM.

Sean Sehlin, a 6-foot-3-inch Freshman out of Federal Way High School, won the player of the game award, scoring 29 points. Sehlin is now averaging 19 points per game and is one of the top scorers in the entire NWAACC.

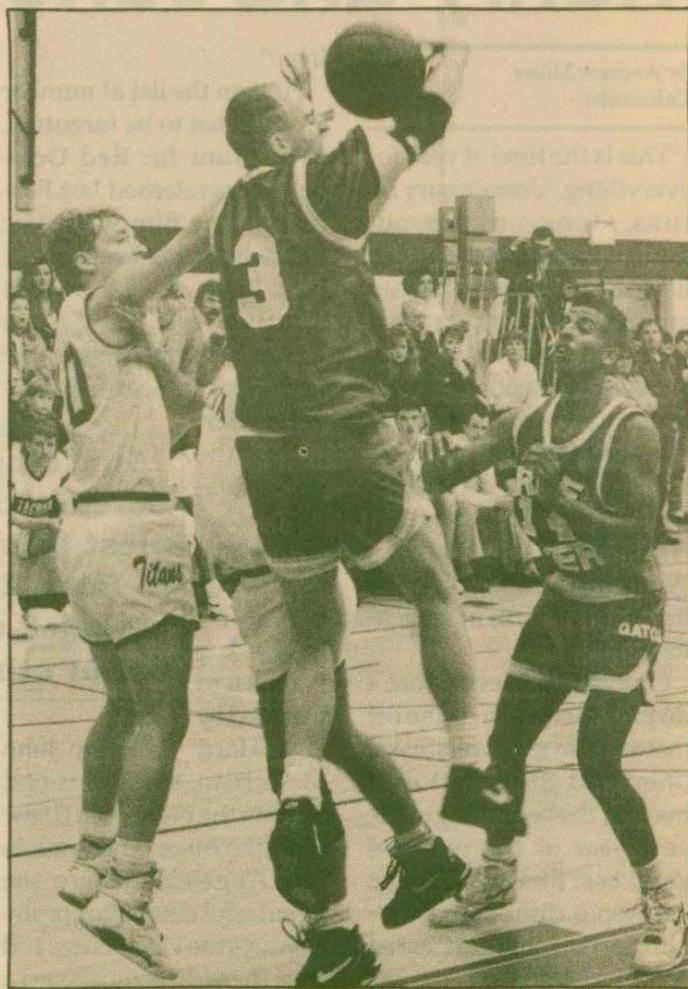


Photo by Steve Sanders  
Gator's Paul Erwin (3) struggles for the rebound against the Tacoma Titans while Dan Afework (14) looks on.

# Gators come up short against Clark

## Team works hard to improve record

By Kevin Meines  
Contributing Writer

The Green River Lady Gators almost pulled off the upset of the year in the NWAACC when the top ranked Clark Penguins visited the Gator Sports Complex on Wednesday for exciting women's basketball action.

After handing Tacoma a 20 point victory last Saturday night for their first league victory, the lady gators came up short against a talented Penguin team 54-52. The Penguins were led by the strong inside play of Niki Bibler with 20 points and the leagues leading scorer Erin Tharp had 14, far below her average of 34.6.

Gator Coach Mike Willis effectively executed his game plan of slowing down the high powered attack of Clark, who leads the league in scoring at just under 87 points per game, by having point guards Sandy McClain and Christine Oliphant walk the ball up the court and use as much of the 30 second clock as possible on the offensive end and using a good

mixture of man-to-man and zone defenses.

Offensively Green River was led by Freshman Sandy McClain scoring a game high 23 points and Tanya Kloempken with nine points.

The loss dropped Green River to 1-3 in the Western Division of the NWAACC and 7-12 overall, while Clark

improves 4-0 in league 17-2 overall.

Things don't get any better for Green River as this Saturday fourth ranked Grays Harbor comes up from Aberdeen to take on the gators. Women's action gets under way at 6 p.m. with the men playing afterwards. Both games will be broadcast on KGRG.

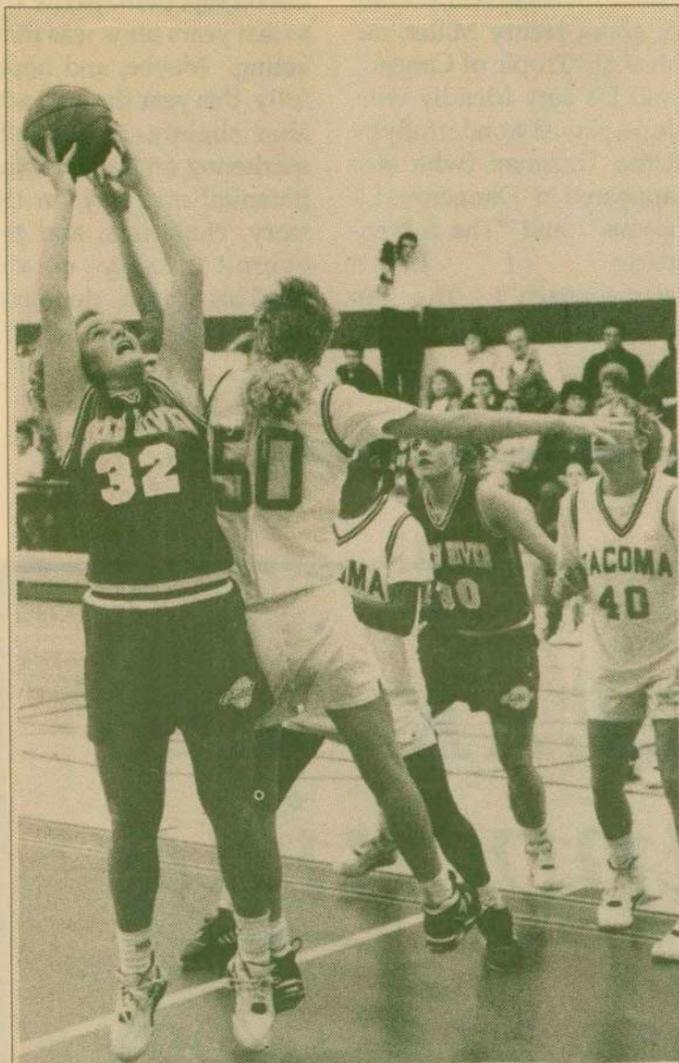


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Tanya Kloempken (32) reaches for the ball against a Tacoma defender during last Saturday's game.



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# 'Henry and June' number one on Top-Five

By Andrew Miller  
Columnist

This is the time of year for everything. Unnecessary reruns, long, drawn-out awards shows and top-ten lists always seem to pop up around the second or third week of the new year, awaiting audience approval or disapproval. Top-ten lists are ones that get much attention. Anything from Best Cereals to Most Funniest Home Videos to Best Lip-Syncs are included on some list or other form of categorization.

One list, however, that I do look forward to is the list that top film reviewers Siskel (thin) and Ebert (fat) each make at the beginning of the new year of the previous years best films. This year's list was a disappointment—not that the movies included weren't very good, but the fact that out of both of their lists I only saw *one* film, which happened to be the dreadful "Die Hard 2" (number six on Siskel's list.)

I thought that I would jump on the band wagon (the reviewer wagon in this case), and do my Top-five movies of last year. Unlike the Siskels and Eberts of the world, who achieve the extra advantage of being paid to sit in a crowded theatre and eat popcorn (what a life!), I have not seen some of the films that are currently receiving the big reviews—such as Kevin Costner's "Dances With Wolves" or Penny Marshalls "Awaken-

ings."

First on the list at number 5, a film not to be forgotten, "The Hunt for Red October," was released last February. The film stars Alec Baldwin in his best role as Jack Ryan, a CIA analyst hunting for the Soviet Union's premier sub, the Red October. Sean Connery

is wonderful as the only Russian I've seen with a Scottish accent, Marko Ramius.

Directed by "Die Hard" veteran John McTiernan, the film is best seen on the big screen (I saw it on the huge cinedome in Los Angeles), where the wonderful cinematography captures the viewer's eye and puts them directly aboard a Russian sub. With an excellent script and great supporting roles from James Earl Jones and Scott Glenn, "The Hunt For Red October" is a dramatic thriller that doesn't treat the viewer as if they have no intelligence, which seems like the case nowadays with all the other no-brains action films.

Harrison Ford's latest film, "Presumed Innocent" is one of the finest thrillers I've seen in years. Based on Scott Turow's best-seller, Ford plays Rusty Sabich, framed for the murder of a fellow lawyer. The great thing is that although the film centers around Sabich, you

never really know whether he did it or not until the very end. With an excellent supporting cast including Raul Julia (who, by the way, would make an excellent Bond villain) and Bonnie Bedelia, "Presumed Innocent" is a fantastic film. Ford will hopefully be nominated for an Oscar—his is long overdue.

**Anything from Best Cereals to Most Funniest Home Videos to Best Lip-Syncs are included on some list or other. . ."**

Tim Burton's "Edward Scissorhands" starring Johnny Depp as a modern-

day Frankenstein, was quite a surprise to me. I went in expecting the exact opposite of what I received. Aside from the stereotypical Anthony Michael Hall character, nothing in this film goes wrong. One aspect I particularly found amazing was the precise angle Burton found on the negative attitudes the public has toward the handicapped. When Edward walks into a bank to get a loan, the banker notices his handicap and says, "at least you can get a good parking place." The character of Edward is perhaps the most appealing and complex of the year.

Second on the list is David Lynch's latest celluloid feature, "Wild at Heart", starring Laura Dern and Elvis-impersonator Nicholas Cage. Like Scissorhands, "Wild At Heart" "steals" from another classic film,

"The Wizard of Oz." There are many references to the 1939 epic, and Lynch achieves his goal remarkably. The film failed miserably at the box office, possibly due to the fact that audiences expected to see a dead body at the beginning and then Agent Cooper solving the murder. "Wild At Heart" was nothing like "Twin Peaks," which extends my admiration to Lynch, the only director that can attribute such great films such as "Blue Velvet" and "Eraserhead" to one's resume. Scripted by Lynch from the novel by Barry Gifford, the film chronicles a short period in the lives of two lovers escaping from the woman's crazed mother. Both Dern and Cage are incredible, and supporting actor Willem Dafoe is also worthy of mention.

And, finally, the best film of 1990—remember, I have yet to see "Dances"—is Philip Kaufman's controversial but excellent "Henry and June." Both the most underrated and overrated film of 1990, "Henry and June" was the first film to receive the much-needed NC-17 rating. Based on the diaries of Anaïs Nin, the film is about Henry Miller, author of "Tropic of Cancer," and his very friendly wife, June, played wonderfully by Uma Thurman (who also appeared in "Dangerous Liaisons" and "The Adventures of Baron Munchausen"). The film received bad publicity due

to several lesbian scenes. Those scenes add depth and character to those involved. They are not explicit nor are they worthy of any undue press. The film explains, however, that sex is seen in a slightly different light towards the French rather than in America. Fred Ward (who played Alan Shephard in "The Right Stuff") portrays a very complex and intriguing Miller, while Thurman's sexy June is worthy of an Oscar-winning performance. The script, written by Kaufman and his wife, Rose, is expertly written while the cinematography reminds one of an old thirties or forties film.

Other films which need mentioning were Jack Nicholson's long-awaited sequel to the 1975 Roman Polanski classic "Chinatown," "The Two Jakes," and Rob Reiner's excellent adaptation of Stephen King's "Misery," starring James Caan and Kathy Bates as best buddies.

In spite of the aforementioned films, the film horizon of 1990 looks pretty bleak. In a year in which Ninja Turtles and a guy with a high-tech wristwatch came out on top, perhaps the key to last year's films was marketing. Maybe, and hopefully, this year the goal will alter slightly, to disclude marketing and advertising potential and rely on the story, characters, and the overall quality of the film. This would definitely be a change for the better.

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# 'Warlock' doesn't live up to it's potential

By Dionna Faherty  
Entertainment Editor

"Satan also has one son," these eerie words appear on the movie advertisements for the new film "Warlock" recently released by Trimark pictures.

"Warlock" was released on the world Friday, Jan. 11. Despite the ominous television and newspaper advertisements that foretold of an evil being that came from the past to destroy today's world, the movie its self did not live up to its evil potential.

Though the ads led the

viewer to believe this movie is full of black magic and demons from the other world, it ends up being more like one long chase scene. This movie is also very short on special effects. Too many special effects has been known to ruin a movie, but when they are called for, the lack of them can do the same thing.

Julian Sands plays an evil warlock who is retrieving Satan's bible that evidently contains the real name of God (yes, that's

right God), once he retrieves this book he must then say the name of God backwards to undo all of creation (really I'm not making this up).

"Warlock"

Director: Steve Miner  
Starring: Julian Sands,  
Lori Singer  
Rating: R

Sands himself plays a cool, passive, yet undoubt-

edly evil villain. His talent, however is very much wasted on this shallow script. The same is true for Richard Grant, who plays an all too good to be true hero. He himself is quite convincing and earnest in his quest, but again he is not used to his full potential.

The movie itself is not bad really, it just simply is not all that it could have been. With the talent that was there this movie could have been spectacular instead it was mediocre.

I, myself was looking forward to an eerie movie

with tales of black magic and satanic spells. Unfortunately "Warlock" was short on black magic and long on confusion. Often it was hard to understand what the characters were talking about, often the warlock and our fearless hero refer to things from seventeenth century Boston, which the audience only gets a brief glance at.

If you have a few extra dollars and a couple hours to kill "Warlock" has its entertaining moments, just don't expect too much.

## Coffin Break to headline KGRG show

By Shane Ressler  
Contributing writer

Feb. 1, KGRG will be bringing two up-and-coming Northwest bands to Green River's Lindbloom Student Center for an all ages concert. It will be KGRG's tenth concert in the past two years.

Headlining the show will be Coffin Break, a highly energetic, three-piece, punkrock band from Seattle. They are recording artists for CIZ records in Seattle who have been both recording and touring nationwide for close to five years now. The band

has succeeded in putting out three singles, three tracks on compilation albums, an EP, and most recently a full length slab of vinyl titled "Rupture" which was released last May, and received rave reviews throughout the country. The band is noted for playing intensive live sets and having a melodic sound that is all their own. Currently the trio are recording in Seattle and plan to release a new LP in the near future.

Sharing the bill will be Beat Happening, another

three-piece band who are from Olympia. Recording artists for K record, Beat Happening has a distinctive sound that can't be matched. The group has several singles to their credit and are about to release their fourth album.

For those who want to find out what the recently much publicized "Seattle Sound" is all about, plan on attending KGRG's upcoming show. Doors will open at 8:30 p.m. and tickets are available at the door for \$6.



Photo by David Kelley

Northwest Artist John Harris's piece "Urban Nest; Separatio" is one of many works on display in the Helen S. Smith Gallery

## Smith Gallery presents N.W. Potters Art exhibit

By Kathleen Donovan  
Staff Writer

The ceramics department is presenting a Northwest Potters Art exhibit at the Helen S. Smith Gallery in the Holman Library from Jan. 2 through Feb. 1.

Members of the ceramics department have chosen the most prominent artists in the northwest to display their pottery. The exhibit features the work of Joan Bazaz, John Harris, Anne Hirondelle, Loren Lukens, Rick

Mahaffey, Paddy McNeely, and Reid Ozaki. These artists were chosen two years ago, the department is currently choosing artists for 1992.

"This is a unique exhibit. No where will you find all of these artists' work displayed together," said Bernard Bleha of the ceramics department.

The next exhibit will feature Ron Hinson's large wall installations from Feb. 11 through Mar. 8.

## KGRG Top - 15

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## New Testing Center helps add flexibility

By Murr Helledy  
Asst. News Editor

Among the new additions to the recently remodeled Lindbloom Student Center, students can find the Assessment and Testing Center tucked away in the corner where the Paper Tree bookstore used to be. The center is used for three things: Assessment, Instructional and GED Testing.

Assessment is required of all new students to determine their starting level and the proper placement for math and English. Instructional testing is used in different ways. It may be used for make-up tests or it might be used for all testing in a particular class.

Testing outside of the classroom allows the faculty more time for instruction. Some students are concerned about the personal time needed to take tests outside of class, but as Joanne Sahlin of the testing center comments, "It can

create some hardships to those who have a tight schedule but the instructors work it out with the students. A lot of the students like the more relaxed atmosphere when taking the test. The student decides when it is best for them and are not confined to a 50 minute limit."

The hours are Monday and Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The testing center seats 36 students with the peak hours between 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., some days students may have to wait for a seat during this time. Last fall 6,837 students used the testing center.

Students are required to sign in and leave all materials outside of the testing area, a picture I.D. may be required. If there is a problem with cheating, the incident is related to the instructor who then handles it in accordance with his or her own policy.

## Enrollment beats record

By Anne Autio  
Managing Editor

Current enrollment at Green River Community College is expected to top last years record setting figures.

The completed tenth day figure for Winter 1991 was 5743 students, down from last Winter's tenth day figure of 5960. This years count is expected to equal or exceed last years according to Green River's Director of Information Services James Patterson.

Enrollment has been steadily growing at Green River over the past few years.

"The last three to four falls we've been setting records as the biggest ever," said Patterson. "Fall 1990 was our biggest quarter ever at Green River."

Fall 1990 showed a head count of 8048, up 400 people from the previous Fall quarter. Community colleges all across the state are experiencing similar growth patterns with budget problems resulting. Governor Booth Gardner is currently proposing a budget that would require community college budget cuts. The governors proposal would provide community colleges with 6.5 percent less during the next two years.

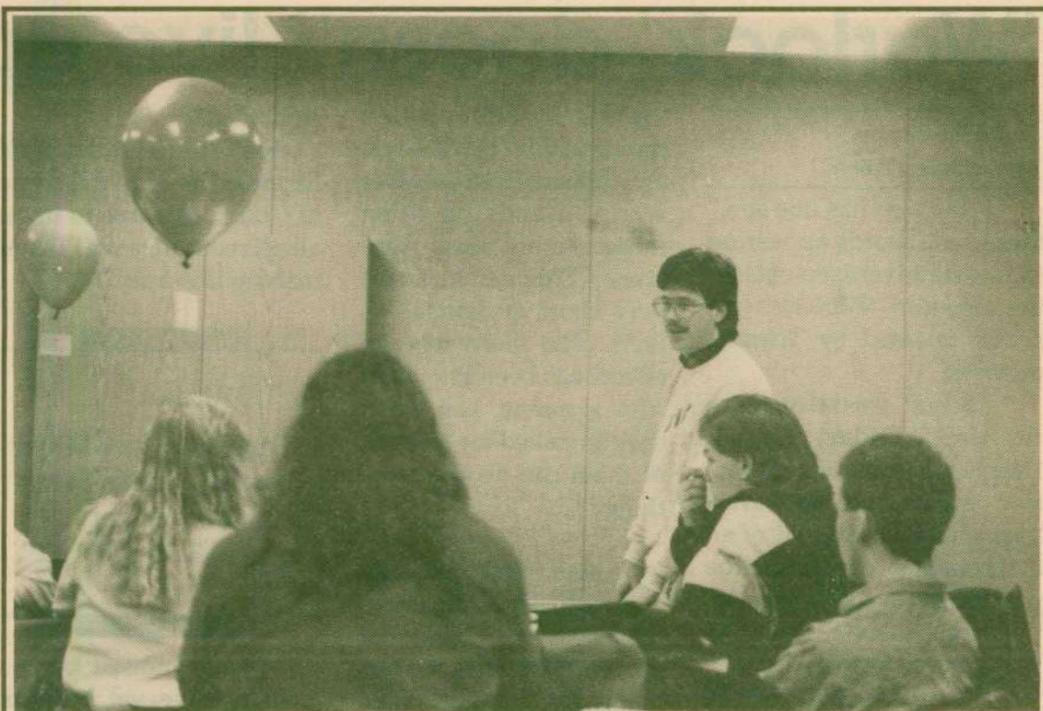


Photo by David Kelley

Chris Penwell, sophomore senator, addresses members of the student senate during a recent meeting.

## Senate supports debate

By David Kelley  
Staff Reporter

The Student Senate, meeting in the Rainer room, agreed yesterday to send yesterday to take part in a panel discussion scheduled to be held next Wednesday in the Main Dining Area of the Lindbloom Student Center. The discussion is to be sponsored by the Writer's Guild, and is aimed at raising student awareness of recent Middle East activities.

The Senate formed a committee to put together a questionnaire to hand out to students for their opinions on the subject.

Thursday Jan. 10, Senate passed a bill authorizing the purchase of two wire-

less microphones for the Music Company. The purchase of the microphones is

on the condition that the microphones will be available to be used by other campus activities when not in use by the Music Company.

Buffy Nicoletta, ASGRCC president, gave a presentation to the senate concerning finalization of the budget. Nicoletta did however mention that in the past, the budget \$294,000.

The representative from Judicial Board pointed out that the board is ready to

help with the flower sale fund raiser. The Senate also discussed the fact that

Judicial Board responsibilities need to be

Applications are now available from Student Programs to fill the Sopomore Senator and Senator-at-Large positions that were recently vacated. Applications will be accepted until Jan. 23.

clarified.

Student government is setting up a closed circuit television system in the Lindbloom center. This television system is will be used to show commercials for student government, activities, programs, and many other things. Eventually, the system is planned to be expanded to other campus buildings.

The Military and Community Resources Guide is now available to people still in the area while members of their families are deployed to the Middle East.

The resource guide has been produced in the interest of helping families deal with the pressures of being at home.

More information can be obtained by calling United Way at 597-7495.

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alcohol related. The classes also deal with other sorts of dysfunctional families, including abusive, emotionally or mentally disturbed parents. Men and women are both found at the seminars, ages

range from just out of high school to 40's and 50's.

Henderson's extension is 304. Anyone interested in the program should contact her immediately, as the entry deadline is

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ises to be a much needed education on the touchy subject of rape.

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