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## C.A.R. assails draft, boosts Mayday march

Dave Buchannon

The International Committee Against Racism conducted its fourth information forum Tuesday in the Cosell room of the Lindbloom Student Center. Dave and Cathy Schop spoke to a gathering of approximately 100 persons on subjects pertaining to the reinstatement of the draft, averting the upcoming war, and CAR's upcoming Mayday march in Los Angeles.

Dave Schop related his experiences while in the Army and his attempts to organize a multi-racial, anti-racist organization. He related incidences of Klu Klux Klan members organizing within U.S. military ranks, adding, "In the past few months the KKK has stepped up its organizing on military bases." and, "The bosses are backing the Klan, (who will help promote the upcoming war and encourage the draft)."

Mr. Schop ended by strongly urging all in attendance to, "March on Mayday, and join the Committee Against Racism."

Cathy Schop, a Progressive Labor Party and CAR member, continued the forum speaking primarily on the upcoming Mayday march. According to Mrs.



Schop, the educational meetings conducted by CAR are not enough to fight racism, "So CAR is joining with PLP in several large Mayday marches that will reach thousands and thousands of people." Mrs. Schop added that, "Mayday is an opportunity to do away with boarders and for communist and non communist workers to march together under the red flag." CAR believes that there should be no more deporta-

tions for undocumented immigrants, and that working 30 hours a week and receiving 40 hours worth of pay will increase the number of jobs available to everybody, but will keep the workers income level at the same level it is now.

Mrs. Schop added that, "When you come back from the march is when the hard part comes...things are not going to stay as they are now."

In response to the question of CAR and PLP's relationship, Dave Schop responded, "CAR and PLP have a friendly relationship."

When asked to define racism, Mrs. Schop responded, "Racism is a two pronged tool, number one, it means super exploitation of minorities and two, it means divide and conquer the working class..." Mrs. Schop went on to admit that every one in attendance had racist ideas because their upbringing, but that CAR realizes that those ideas are hurting them.

Dave Schop, in response to a question from the audience advocated the use of violence when dealing with the Klan by stating that this is the only method of communication that apparently works, adding that, "They deserve everything that they get."

CAR will be holding a fun raising banquet to raise funds for their Mayday march in L.A., The banquet will be April 21 at 6:30 p.m. at 6014 Empire Wy. So., Seattle. There will also be a Mayday march fundraising party April 14, 8:30 p.m.

## Lindbloom plans to continue duties

A rumor has been circulating that Dr. Lindbloom is planning to retire. Dr. Lindbloom says that he plans to continue his present duties at least for the next two or three years.

The rumor has been confirmed

to be not true.

The president of Green River Community College may seem a bit elusive to some students but his deep involvement in campus and legislative affairs may explain this.



Mel Lindbloom, GRCC president, discusses his future at the college. He repudiates rumors that he is retiring.

In 1967, community colleges were made state institutions so funding is now made on the state level. Much of Dr. Lindbloom's time is spent communicating with the legislature in an effort to keep them informed about the needs and desires of the college.

Dr. Lindbloom is like the "senior citizen" among the college presidents in the state because of his many years of experience working with the legislature. Dr. Lindbloom is required to make complex and time-consuming reports to the government about the faculty and students. He said, "This is where you come to hate the bureaucracy involved in running an institution, you see so much wasted time."

Aside from his governmental obligations, he carries on daily conferences with the deans of the various programs in the college and monthly meetings with the Board of Trustees. He must also deal with year-round collective bargaining with the faculty.

He also likes to maintain public contact and from time to time he meets with various business and community groups about the

## '79 aid forms available

Applications for Financial Aid are available for Summer, Fall, Winter, and Spring 1980 in the Financial Aid office.

If applying for Summer Quarter applications should be turned in by the first of May. If applying for Fall Quarter applications should be turned in by the first of July.

For students now receiving Financial Aid or for any who plan to in the future if the basic grant gets back and says that it needs corrections bring it to the Financial Aid and they will correct it.

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# Scanner watches for book thieves

Tim Hyatt

Those who have had occasion to visit the library recently, have undoubtedly noticed the collection of electronic paraphernalia location at the exits. Student pressure on the library to stop the theft of much needed research material led to the installation of anti-theft scanners in January of 1977. The books and reference material on the shelves have been equipped with sensitizing devices. If someone walks through the scanner with a book that has not been properly checked out, the sensitizer will trigger an alarm.

Librarian David Willson stated that he felt the scanner system was well worth the time and \$5,000 invested in it.

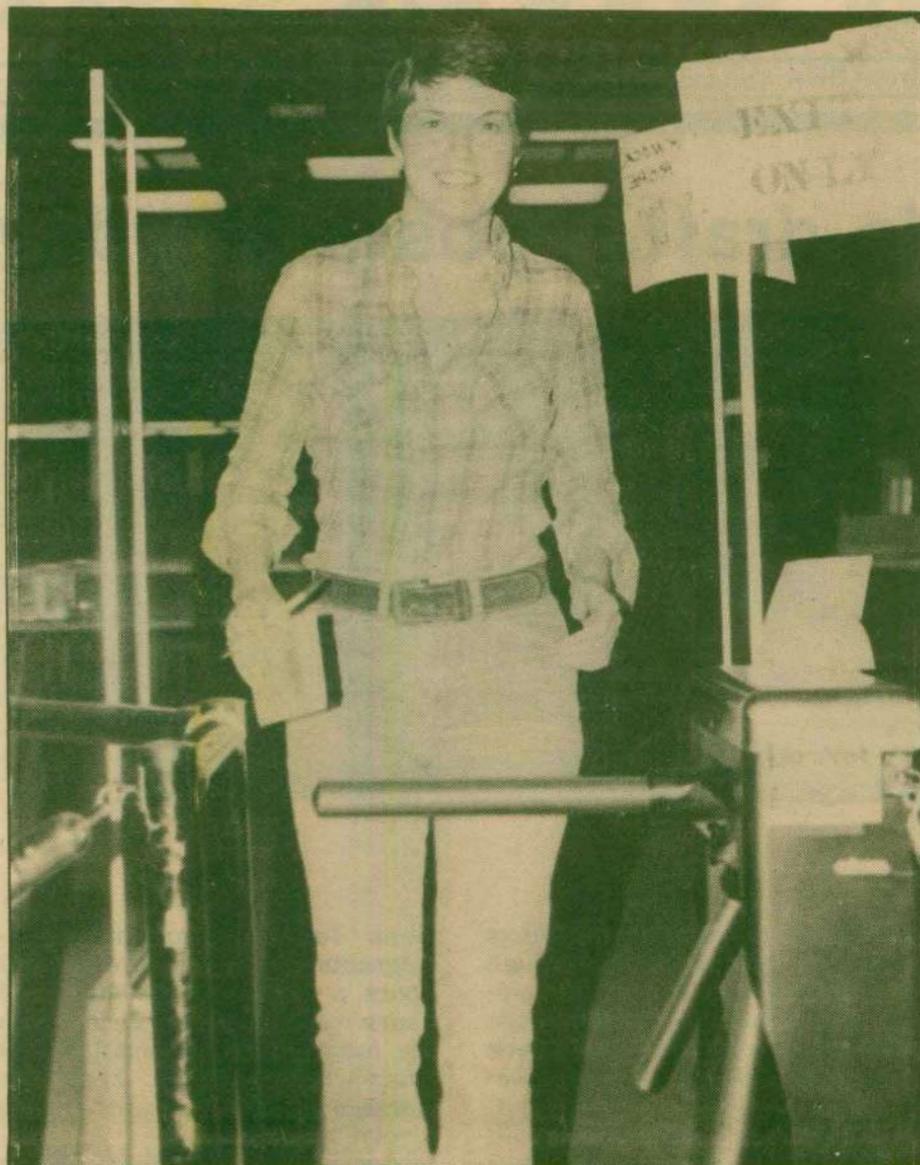
"At today's prices," he said "the replacement cost for lost books is staggering. Some of our books were printed so long ago that they are no longer available, so if the books are stolen, often there is no replacement."

This was a subject which distressed Willson a great deal.

"It's the most senseless kind of theft I know of," he said, nodding toward the scanner, "yet we catch people in that machine daily."

When asked if there had been a noticeable decline in the thefts since the installation of the system, Willson replied that the system has been responsible for about a 40% reduction in losses. "I expect that figure to rise another 10 to 15% as students become aware that it works."

Willson based his optimism for



Nancy Kendell tests out the library security system. The scanner has been responsible for about a 40 percent reduction in book losses.

the future on the human dislike for embarrassing situations. As would-be thieves walk through the scanner, they are greeted by an

intermittent beeping sound. At the same instant the alarm goes off, the turn-stile locks, trapping them for public view.

# GR requests \$ for energy reduction

Charmane Levack

Drastic reductions in energy consumption may become a reality for Green River Community College, if the capital budget request currently waiting in the Legislature is approved.

The request is for about \$307,000 to install an "energy management system" at GRCC, its nucleus being a centralized, monitoring computer that is predicted to be more efficient than the time clock, thermostat, and manual systems currently in use.

The new system would pay for itself in approximately 10 years, saving \$25,000 to \$35,000 per year, according to Harold Broadbent, GRCC's Energy Conservation Representative. He is initiator and coworker on the project with Rich Rutkowski, Green River's Dean for Business Affairs.

The system would, in effect, shut off energy-hogging heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning systems for short periods at calculated times. These times would occur before a set energy peak, reducing equipment running time and avoiding a surcharge assessed by the Puget Power and

Light Co. Last year, the surcharge comprised approximately 41% of GRCC's electric bill.

In a further effort to conserve, the new system would "duty cycle," or shut down major systems at other times throughout the day. Broadbent stressed that the systems would not be off long enough for anyone to notice a comfort difference.

Another feature would sense the outside temperature and modify the morning "start-up" time accordingly.

Broadbent pointed out that Bellevue Community College, since implementing an energy management system, has had an energy reduction of 49.7%.

He mentioned several companies - Honeywell, Powers, Johnson, IBM manufacture suitable energy management systems. He said that with Legislature approval, the project will literally be up for bids between them.

The project has been reviewed, rehashed, and rebuffed since its original submission to the State Department of Engineering and Architecture last May 23. Broadbent feels part of the reason it

took so long to be processed was that Green River already conserves energy, a point of which he is "especially proud."

It will take about 1 1/2 years after approval before the new system becomes operational.

# ....Lindbloom

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benefits the college brings to the community. He explained that the college helps keep money in the community by allowing students to stay at home while attending college. The college also produces skilled workers for the growing number of industries in the area.

Although Dr. Lindbloom spends a good deal of time in meetings and negotiations, he likes to keep in touch with the students of GRCC. He personally advises eight students and likes to think that students feel free to go and talk with him at any time. To him, the most rewarding aspect of his job is to see the fruits of his labors. He said, "It is exciting to see how well students do after leaving Green River." Dr. Lindbloom credits the faculty for drawing students to this "remote" area. The faculty has established a reputation of excellence." Although GRCC has built its reputation on the talent and skill of its faculty and the beauty of its campus, many of Dr. Lindbloom's efforts are the reason we are enjoying such a fine college today.

# Nuclear power authority speaks

Ben Burton from Puget Power will discuss "Nuclear Power Generating Facilities in the Northwest" at 8 a.m. and 12 p.m. in SMT 214 and at 10 a.m. in SS 8.

Burton was a submarine nuclear technician in the Navy prior to working as a nuclear power plant operator on the east coast. Upon coming to the Northwest he attended Green River and completed his schooling at the University of Washington.

He is presently employed by Puget Power and has studied earthquake potential and water quality of the proposed Skagit River site. He is thoroughly familiar with the three Islands Facility in Harrisburg, PA that was recently in the news.



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# Editorials

## Apathy in government a way of life

Ivan Pickens

In this day and age of abounding apathy it is near extinction to find someone with the desire to get involved. On per chance we finally have the rare occasion to find someone with the desire for involvement, it's rather pleasing. In fact, we must whole heartedly strive to find and develop individuals who possess the desire to get involved.

But do we?

The case in point occurred on Green River's campus last Thursday during student government's senate meeting.

The interim between Winter and Spring Quarter brought three resignations to the senate. Standard procedure under these circumstances is for the existing senate to vote and appoint new senators. On this occasion three individuals ran for one opening in the senator-at-large position. The two students not chosen were qualified and had the desire to participate but...were new to the scene...some experience but not much, no involvement in other areas and didn't belong to that ominous clique residing at the top of the stairs in the student center.

The pair not chosen became a waste through non-utilization. It

would seem logical to assume since there were three individuals vying for one position; two must lose — it couldn't be helped.

But could it?

Let's take a look at the third student. He is qualified and possesses the desire to get involved. But let's look a little deeper. He's carrying 20 credits this quarter. Twenty which is beyond the norm, indicates a studious individual. Very commendable, but brings an increased workload and less available time than the "normal student." He also serves on the academic board. Another demand on time.

He is a member of student programs. In fact, since his grant has run out he has remained in the position without benefit of pay (as other student programmers). I even doubt if I would get involved to that degree. His dedication to service and sufferance in time is laudable.

And he is now a student senator. Dedication and involvement is one thing but this must be masochism. The time and energy spent in 20 credits and three organizations is enormous and the individual would almost be super-

human to accomplish all this...with quality service.

Are we as students getting quality service out of our student leaders?

How can we get quality service when the individual's time for each area is so thinly divided?

How can we get quality service when only a few maintain the quantity of positions. New blood prohibited from entering 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. Repetition and monotony set in resulting in boredom causing lackluster and poor performance.

How can we get quality service when a lack of trainees result in huge upheavels in operation when for some reason the individual must vacate his many position!

How can we get quality service when such a breeding ground for corruption exists when an individual maintains conflict of interest positions. Where are the checks and balances when the individual controls all phases of operation? Corruption is the

result as already witnessed this year.

How can we get quality service when all these conditions are allowed to exist? Why and how do they exist.

The answer is quite simple. A movement has been by the clique at the top of the stairs to monopolize the different positions held by students. Forty percent of the student senate is made up of student programs personnel. In addition, students in these areas hold positions on other boards. The result becomes total control down the entire chain of events of their exclusive and perhaps on the occasion when there isn't this total position holding you can always rely on your good buddy to swing things your way, because he got his position because you voted him in or he got you put in your position. I mean what is the "family" for anyway except for intra-marriage to maintain the exclusiveness so necessary for power.

You, the student, are going to have to bear the consequences of this pure-bred leadership. But then, since apathy is the norm, who really gives a damn about the whole situation anyway?

### Letter to the editor

## Stuart thanks Current

Dear Editor:

Thank you very much for your cooperation in publishing the promotion of restaurants for the upcoming drawing we are holding at election time.

I realize that you had several different pieces of copy that could not be printed because of lack of space, and with mine coming in as late as it did, probably didn't help

you too much in reaching your deadline. However, I appreciate the effort of the Current Staff in their excellent publication.

Again, thank you. Your cooperation is an essential element to the success of our campaign, and the job you have done has been outstanding.

Greg Stuart



A security volunteer proves that even for a small car, seven foot parking spaces are too small.

## Parking stalls in lot

Tim Hyatt

Finding an empty parking stall in the morning can be a real problem at best. New students are told that the parking sticker they just spent \$5.50 on is not a parking permit as such but more of a hunting license.

Director of Security and Parking, Nicholas Smith, is no stranger to the problem. Smith indicated that there is a proposal being considered for a new parking facility on the southwest side of the campus.

Pressure from environmental groups has slowed progress on the planned facility somewhat.

"The environmentalists can't justify what we want to do to the natural beauty by putting in another parking lot" argues Smith, "but I can't justify what's being done to that field across from the campus."

Another proposal to relieve the parking problem came from

faculty member Roger Knutsen. Mr. Knutsen suggested, in a letter to the board of trustees, that parking stall widths could be cut from the present eight feet, six inches to seven feet. He reasons this would add much needed parking without new construction.

According to Smith, the smaller stalls are not feasible even with compact cars.

"The average small car is a little over five feet wide." Smith said, "Once parked, it is very difficult to open the car door far enough to get out."

Smith also stated that the King County Zoning Code calls for parking stall widths of not less than eight feet, six inches on center.

With the county about to reclaim the temporary parking lot across the street for use as a park, Smith sees the new facility as the only real solution to the present parking problem.

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### Meet at school:

# Mother, Daughter overcome obstacles

Charmane Levack

The old adage, "Out of sight, out of mind" could not have been proven more inaccurate on August 14, 1978.

That day Green River students Kathleen Thomas and Pauline Berg were reunited after a 29 year, not-so-voluntary estrangement.

They are, respectively, mother and daughter.

Because of Kathleen's unwed mother status, pressures of family and society forced her to give Pauline up for adoption.

"I always wanted to keep her," she asserted, "but I gave her away mostly because of Mom. If this had happened today, there's no way I would've given her up."

"Her birthday was indelibly marked in my mind. I would always remember that day when it came around every year," she remarked.

Pauline was placed with adoptive parents in Seattle, and she experienced a good relationship with them as she grew up.

But she wondered about her biological parents, and in 1974 put an advertisement in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer, hoping that they might answer her plea. Kathleen and her husband (not Pauline's biological father), Fred Thomas, received the P.I. at their Buckley home, but missed the ad.

In January, 1978, Kathleen spotted an article in the P.I. about an organization called the Washington Adoptees Rights Movement. It offered help to adult adoptees and natural parents who were searching for each other. Encouraged by a "very supportive" husband, she joined W.A.R.M.'s Seattle chapter.

Through the work of an intermediary W.A.R.M. provides for all such cases, Pauline was located, phoned, and gave the go-ahead for Kathleen to contact her.

What was it like to meet the only offspring one has ever had, after 29 years of silently, distantly growing up with it.

"At first I thought, I'm gonna meet a stranger, but then I thought, well, it's my daughter and it was fine," Kathleen explained.

"Once the ice was broken," commented Pauline, "it was natural." She added that although there was a houseful of people at the scene, it seemed as if it was "just the two of us."

In the days following the reunion, they went "pine cone pickin'" and introduced themselves to each other's family and friends.

Both admitted receiving a negative reaction from their mothers about "the information coming out," but now have ac-



Pauline Berg and Kathleen Thomas reminisce about their search for each other.

cepted each into their families.

Since that time, Pauline became involved with W.A.R.M., and today they're both intermediaries. Kathleen also serves as Secretary and is a member of the Board of Directors.

"If we can make one person happy, then it's worth it," Kathleen said quietly.

The pair are full-time GRCC

students. Kathleen is working on a Business Administration degree. Pauline is interested in either Law Enforcement or becoming an alcohol counselor (she suffered from a drinking problem).

Pauline lives with Kathleen and Fred in their three-cat, one-dog home in Buckley.

"I know you planned the whole thing," she told her mother. They laughed.

## GRCC alumni named 'Career Woman of the Year'

Sue Clerget

Bonnie Nedergard a Green River alumni, has been named "Young Career Women of the Year".

Bonnie came to Green River in 1975, after completing a "tour de force" with the United States Air Force, to explore the transportation program. Bonnie enrolled in the Green River Transportation Program because of her air traffic control experience in the Air Force, which she enrolled in following high school. Bonnie received the top FAA certification, a "level-5", allowing her to perform all three positions in a air traffic control tower.

Two years later, during what she described as "the luckiest year of my life", Bonnie graduated from Green River with an impressive list of honors.

Two days after her June 1977 graduation, Bonnie accepted a position with Puget Sound Freight Line as Assistant Rate and Billing

Manager and is responsible for the selection of applicable rates for all modes of transportation, customer billing and yielding reports and coding on all company freight revenue.

Bonnie plans to continue her education at Green River, enrolling in the college's 34-week evening course in Interstate Commerce Law. The course prepares students for the ICC Practitioner's License exam, which will permit licenses to appear before the ICC in a capacity similar to attorneys. The ICC regulates all transportation relating to movement of people and cargo within the United States and foreign ports.

Unanimously elected to the Presidency of Green River Chapter of Delta Nu Alpha the national transportation honorary serving students and professionals, she led Green River to victory in the Northwest Regional Quiz Contest this fall.

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## The United Way Thanks to You its Working

## Foundation to conduct six week fund drive

Bob Ogle

The Green River Foundation is readying for a six-week community fund drive, heading towards an eventual goal of \$75,000, according to Clark Townsend, assistant to Green River Community College president Mel Lindbloom, and administrative liaison to the Foundation.

The Foundation was formed in September of 1975, by a group of community citizens, as a public, non-profit organization. It was created in order to give residents of the "Interurban" region an opportunity to "unify their aligned cultural, educational, and recreational interests." The Interurban region includes the communities of Renton, Kent, Auburn, Federal Way, Enumclaw, Puyallup

In 60 million years.....

# Alaska annexes city of L.A.

Robb Zerr

It was 8:29 a.m. Thursday morning. Inhabitants of the Puget Sound area went about their business as they did every Thursday. But suddenly, from deep inside the earth's crust, came a vibration.

At first it was barely perceptible. Then it swelled to a violent shaking which rang church bells, broke windows, toppled walls, felled chimneys, flung knick-knacks from their shelves, and overturned furniture.

When it had ceased, it left the Puget Sound area with \$12.5 million in damage and seven people dead. The date was April 29, 1965 and the earthquake registered 6.5 on the Richter scale.

Earthquakes pose a significant threat to the serenity of the Puget Sound region. More than 120 of them have struck since 1841 and most of these have been of moderate intensity. The four largest, however, have occurred in the last 40 years.

Earthquakes are caused by giant tectonic plates which float on the earth's semi-molten mantle. The earth consists of about ten of these 50 mile thick rock plates.

Those plates which carry the oceans move approximately five

times faster than those which carry the continents. So, plates which carry the oceans move approximately five times faster than those which carry the continents. As a result, plates collide with one another and many of them are thrust towards the center of the earth where they melt down. Others, however,

Sumner, Bonney Lake, Buckley, Black Diamond and Maple Valley, and their surrounding populations. Among the projects already completed by the Foundation are the funding of CAPRI (CARDIO Pulmonary Research Institute, with a price tag of \$15,000), and the sponsoring of an arts symposium, which attracted more than 90 people. Upcoming is a program golf tournament, featuring various celebrities, scheduled for May 19-20.

The Foundation, headed by a 17 member board of directors, has one basic goal, said Townsend. "We just try to get people aware of what we are, and of what we do. We work hard to demonstrate to

people that we're a very organized and aggressive entity, just trying to get something done."

The drive is scheduled to last until early June, coinciding with the end of the school year.

Last year, the Foundation gathered \$40,000 in contributions and grants, and it hopes to increase that number this year. "With almost no effort to date, we've collected \$10,000," noted Townsend. "I think our chances of reaching \$75,000 are very good."

The Foundation is rather a unique idea. "A number of community colleges have foundations," Townsend commented, "but to our knowledge, we're the first community college in the northwest to have a community fund

drive. Because of the way we handle funding and our programming, we have a large number of inquiries from other schools."

The community drive will be headed by chairmen from each community, who will coordinate requests from both community and school for funds. The contributions will be tax deductible, and those who are interested may contact Townsend at the college.

With the funds collected from the community drive, the Foundation hopes to fund scholarship, more development of CAPRI and the Interurban Arts Center. Also attempted will be the preliminary development of both a "par-course" jogging trail and handball and raquetball courts.



Pillars quake at the site of another Puget Sound tremor.

grind along the edge of the other plate causing stress. One of the greatest areas of stress is known as the "Ring of Fire" to which the Puget Sound belongs. As the Pacific plate and the North American plate grind against one another, friction builds up. The crust is subjected to enormous pressures until it finally snaps.

The mechanism of an earthquake can be reproduced with a coping saw blade. The ends can be moved in opposite directions until the breaking point. When the blade snaps, the broken ends whip back and forth. Both ends are straight once again but now they are considerably offset.

The Pacific plate represents one end of the blade and is moving northwesterly at the rate of two inches a year. The other end of the blade is the North American plate. Thus, Los Angeles, which sits on top of the Pacific plate is moving towards San Francisco, which lies on the North American, at the rate of two inches per year.

In ten million years, Los Angeles will become a suburb of

San Francisco. In 60 million years, Los Angeles will be carried down to the earth's interior and will return to the earth's surface in the future as a volcanic eruption.

The Puget Sound Basin sits on the North American plate which is fairly stable. As a result, earthquakes in this area are relatively mild in comparison to those of California. The largest expected magnitude, which is related to the total energy released by the tremor is 7.5. An earthquake of this severity occurs once in every 330 years. Moderate earthquakes of 5.5 occur every five years, 6.0 every 10 years, 6.5 every 35 years, and 7.0 every 110.

Severity of earthquakes are judged by another criteria which utilizes the Modified Mercalli Intensity Scale of 1931. Each of the 12 categories contains a list of expected conditions which can occur during a tremor. These range from no damage at all to major destruction including the leveling of most structures and breakage of underground pipes. An earthquake does not have to have a high Richter reading to be devastating. Some earthquakes attain moderate Richter readings but cause a lot of damage.

As of yet, earthquakes are unpredictable. They can strike anywhere at anytime with little or no warning. In its wake, it can leave thousands homeless a millions of dollars in damage.

However, scientists are optimistic about the outlook for earthquake prediction. They maintain that such predictions will be as common as weather reports in the next decade. Not only will they be able to report where it will occur, but how intense it will be, and when it will happen.

Until such a time though, residents of the Puget Sound Basin will have to live with the possibility of an earthquake shaking them up once in a while.

Even though earthquakes are unpredictable today, there are measures the average citizen can do to protect himself and his family from injury.

If he is indoors during a tremor, he should stand in a doorway, get under a table or bed, and stay away from windows, mirrors, and fireplaces. It is not a good idea to run outside.

If the individual is outdoors, he should stay away from power lines, high buildings. If possible, he should find an open area where the threat of falling objects is greatly reduced. If driving, he

should stop as quickly and safely as possible.

After the earthquake, shut off electricity, gas and water if there is any suspected damage. If the water supply is cut off, emergency water can be obtained from the heater, ice cubes, or canned vegetables.

Telephones should not be used except for emergency calls after the tremor. Chimneys should also be checked for damage which could lead to fire.

If these simple rules are observed, damage and life losses can be greatly reduced.

For the current photo staff...

# Everyday is Friday the 13th

Robb Zerr

It has been said that a good picture is worth a thousand words. And it is. But getting that picture and printing it in a newspaper is worth a thousand headaches.

Taking the actual photo is the easiest part of the operation. Just make sure that the subject looks natural and not posed, that there is enough light entering the camera, that there is enough film, that all of the subject is in the picture, that the camera is not jiggled, and that it is focused properly. Then check the shutter speed and shoot. Simple.

Processing the film after all the shots have been taken is the hard part. Any one or a number of things can reek uncontrolled havoc upon the film.

For instance, the developer can be too strong and put spots on the negatives. It can be too weak and the negatives will be underdeveloped. There can be light leaks in the developing tanks or the room. One of the Current's photographers loaded five rolls of

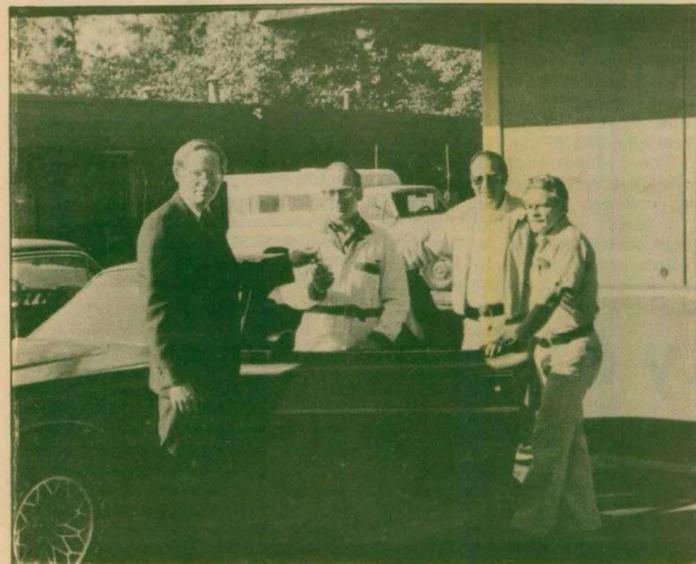
film on to reels under an orange safety light when it should have been done in pitch black. Those rolls had to be written off.

If the film survived the developing process, it still has to be subjected to untold hazards during the printing cycle. Unweary spectators flick the light switch on just as the box of paper is being opened. The rapid print processor which develops the paper will, nine out of ten times, eat the print.

Many times, the print will survive the printing process but will be blurry, have fingerprints all over it, or will be covered with dust.

The rejection rate of photos is about nine frames for every one printed. Some of those that were rejected were blurry, scratched, poorly composed etc.

Remember that the brains of any camera, no matter how automatic it may be, is two inches behind the viewfinder. Most of the time, the camera's brain is not working very well.



Sometimes the subjects cooperate too much. . .



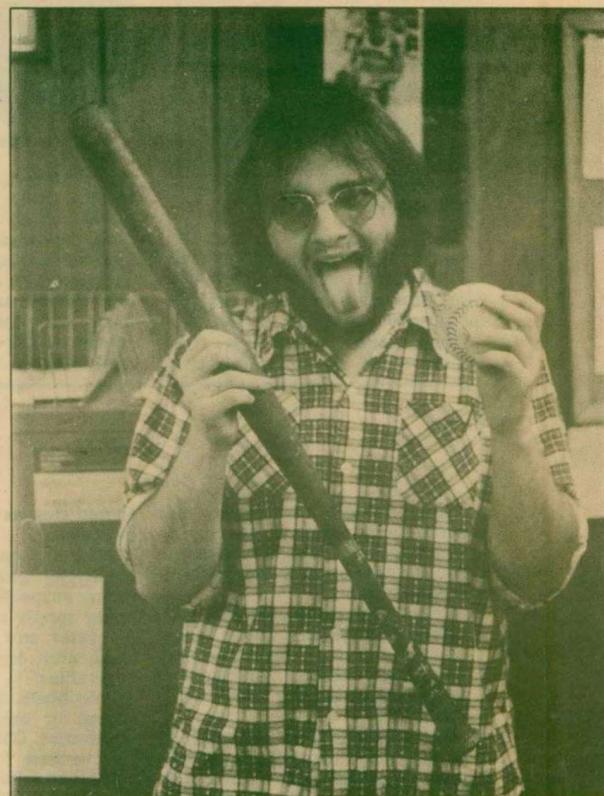
. . . sometimes they don't cooperate at all.



Occasionally, but very rarely, the photographers goof up.



Sometimes we run out of film so the picture is ruined.



Too often, we have frame overkill and have to waste pictures.



Once in a while, the photograph must be censored. This photographer's flash unit failed.

# British teacher trades with GR biology instructor

Torger Helgeland

Val Harryman is a biology instructor with a difference. She is horrified by McDonald's Restaurants, doesn't complain about the price of gas, has to make a conscious effort to drive on the right side of the road, and on top of that she talks funny.

While such characteristics may seem odd to the average American, they constitute perfectly normal behavior in the eyes of any upstanding Englander. All of this makes perfect sense, of course, when one realizes that Ms. Harryman does in fact hail from Southampton, England and has only been in this "extraordinary" country for six months much of that time having been spent in the ST building on campus.

As part of the Fulbright teacher exchange scheme, Ms. Harryman has traded teaching positions with Green River biology instructor Richard Garric. "Traded lives" may be more appropriate. While Val Harryman is frying American eggs in Richard Garric's kitchen on his very own range, Richard Garric is correcting English biology papers in Val Harryman's former classroom at Brockenhurst school. They've traded countries, jobs, living quarters, all in an attempt to exchange teaching methods, gain some cross cultural experience and "basically to interchange ideas between the two countries," said Harryman.

The exchange scheme involved a transferral of 100 teachers across the Atlantic, eight of which, like Harryman and Garric, traded the equivalent of community college positions.

Harryman's job here is basically the same as Garric's would have been had he stayed. That includes teaching biology, botany ("botany is fun; I'm always finding plants I've never seen before.") microbiology and other

related courses as they are scheduled throughout the year.

Some of the first things Harryman noticed when she began working here were the inherent differences between the educational framework of English and American schools.

In England, Harryman taught the same group of 15 to 18 students throughout a two year program which was made up of what are called "advanced level courses." These two years correspond to the junior and senior years of high school in America, but the similarity ends there.

Only three subjects are studied (the choice of those are left to the student), but in much greater depth than the many introductory courses offered here in high school.

Quarter and Semester length classes are nonexistent. Instead the same teacher merely progresses with the material to be learned at whatever rate is necessary to complete requirements over the two year period. That two year period is a crucial one for the students.

"In effect you have to decide very early what your major field of study will be. Students usually decide by the time they're 15," commented the biology teacher.

"That's too early in my opinion. We're getting a bit more flexible, but it's a very slow change."

That decision, however early, is usually final.

"To fail is very difficult for a student in England," Harryman said. "It means waiting another year for the exams to be given. And some do fail. We have a 75% pass rate."

Differences in testing and grading exist as well. The student is given a very broad curriculum which can almost be self-taught. Then at the end of two years a single, standardized final



exam is given to all the students. The final exam covers a particular area of study and is given to all students across the country. The grade achieved on this exam is the grade given for the whole two years.

Harryman did notice one aspect of education that seems to remain constant the world over.

When asked whether English students differed from American students, she replied, "no, I think they're universal students. Just like here, we suggest they do a certain amount of outside study, but they never do it," and then with a smile she added, "just like I didn't."

Her stay in America thus far has been a pleasant one.

"I've never been homesick," she said. "I like it here very much."

In particular Harryman is pleased with the time off she'll be getting.

"We get a vacation in the package," she said, but apparently vacation times are different in England. "so I'm going to have a month off while poor Richard is working over there."

During her ten week vacation

Harryman hopes to take a ferry to Alaska and has planned a four week trip to California.

Among the high points of her stay has been her exposure to the American fast food industry.

"There seems to be an infinite number of places to eat," commented Harryman. "Fast food restaurants are kind of a novelty in England, though there is a McDonald's in Central London."

She is also surprised when she hears Americans complaining about the price of gas when in Europe an American gallon costs \$1.20.

In reference to the many changes she's experienced in America, Harryman said that "the adjustments of going home will be much greater than the adjustments of coming here."

"Driving on the right side of the road was quite funny," she added.

Then at the end of my somewhat protracted interview I asked her in passing if she had been to a McDonald's today.

"No, I haven't today. Isn't that shocking? I'm losing touch with your culture!" This may indicate that her readjustment problems will be more dramatic than even she suspects.

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## Employers to speak at GRCC

More than 20-employers from around King and Pierce Counties will attend a five-hour, annual Career Day event, April 18, at Green River Community College. The informational event, sponsored by the college's Career Office, will give employers the opportunity to discuss, on a one-to-one level with students, their employment needs and the corresponding classes being offered at GRCC, according to Roberta Yokley, program assistant for the college's Career Center.

"Our affair is designed to provide an effective line of communication where prospective employers of our students can talk over job descriptions, qualification requirements, salaries, procedures for job applications, and projections for employment opportunities within specific career fields," Yokley commented.

Employers will be available for

the information exchange in the Lindbloom Student Center from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., she said. Interested persons from the community are also welcome, she added.

Companies expected to attend include: The Boeing Company, General Services Administration, Kelly Service, Automotive Machinist, local 289; Kent Parks Senior Center, Virginia Mason Hospital, King County Parks Department, State Department of Transportation, U.S. Dept. of Labor-Bureau of Apprenticeship & Training, and U.S. Forest Service.

Also expected to attend are: Auburn Parks & Recreation, Sundstrand Data Control, Inc., Indian Health Career Opportunity Program, Olsten Temporary Service, Auburn Flight Service, Washington Soldier's Home, N-C Machinery Co., and Rainier National Bank, plus a lot more, Yokley said.

## No nukes is good nukes

Kevin Gunning

In literature, a foreshadowing device is a technique in which the author gives a kind of a hint, or premonition of what terrible thing is going to happen to the main character or characters in a story. And *The China Syndrome* starring Jane Fonda, Jack Lemmon and Michael Douglas, is not a complete work of film art, it may be, like the foreshadowing device, an integral and ominous part of the whole picture.

*The China Syndrome* focuses on a television newscaster (Fonda) whose big investigative reporting chance, an accident in a California nuclear power plant, is censored and covered up by her boss and power company officials. The title of the movie is a nickname for the destroying effect caused by spillage of nuclear waste. The waste would seep down into the earth and react with chemicals there pushing the radioactive material up into the surrounding area, in this case, Los Angeles.

Committing the crime of not getting the attention of the audience in the opening scenes, the

movie starts incredibly slow. It gives indications that it's just another hollow attempt of a Hollywood pretty boy (Douglas in this case, who also produced besides playing the flamboyant God we've got to save these people hero type) to use his film to act out his hero fantasies by fighting all the bad guys with his mighty phallic symbol: the free lancer's film camera.

But besides from Douglas's foul mouth and over acting, Jane Fonda somehow keeps the audience interested until good script writing and Jack Lemmon contribute to a smashing, nervous conclusion.

Throughout the movie this writer had to keep reminding himself that the film was not a documentary, though this is where the real value of the film lies. It brings up serious questions, such as "Are we really safe depending on nuclear power? Would coverups mislead the public from being aware of the danger?"

This review was written before the nuclear accident in Pennsylvania.

## Bell named to board

Dr. Ronald E. Bell was appointed Associate Executive Director of the State Board for Community College Education by Dr. John N. Terrey, executive director.

Dr. Bell has been Administrative Assistant to the President of Shoreline Community College in Seattle since 1968 and

a member of the mathematics faculty at the college since 1954.

He has served in a number of advisory capacities to the State Board and to the community college system, particularly in the areas of management information and data processing. He was a consultant to the State Board's executive director for the design of the community college

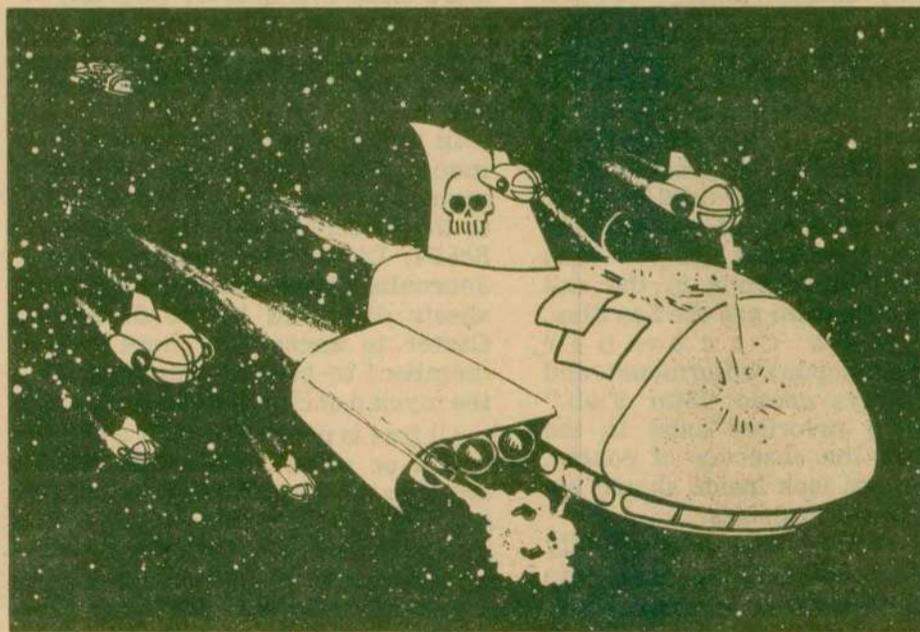
management information system.

In his new capacity Dr. Bell will include among his responsibilities management information, personnel, office management and budget, and staff planning.

Dr. Bell was chairman of the Information Systems Commission of the Washington Association of Community Colleges from 1974 to 1978.

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QUAGMEYER HAS FINALLY CAUGHT UP WITH THE PIRATE CAPT. PHEGM. AN UNFORTUNATE ACCIDENT WITH A BLOB OF FREE-FALLING FUEL OIL HAS DELAYED HIS ATTACK, BUT HIS GREATER SPEED AND IRON PERSERVERANCE HAVE ONCE AGAIN PUT HIS ARCH-ENEMA WITHIN HIS GRASP...



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WHAT...?





The new aquarium in the library displays marine life for Green River students.

## Aquarium changes library to fishy scene

Torger Helgeland

Those of you who frequent the Holman Library (and enter at the East end) may have noticed a rather fishy change in scenery. Indeed, against the same wall that was once hidden by service station relics there now exists two living displays of marine biology, i.e. aquariums. Val Harryman, foreign exchange biology instructor from England, said the project sprung out of the recently formed biology club. The club, of course, consists mostly of students interested in biology. Ms. Harryman admitted that she "gave them (the present club members) a bit of a push" in forming the club, but beyond that they have initiated biology related activities on their own. However, Ms. Harryman made sure to emphasize the fact that the aquarium project was a team effort involving students, faculty and staff members who collaborated to accomplish the collecting of organisms, assembling and maintaining the aquariums and producing the illustrations. As for the ultimate origin of the aquarium idea, Ms. Harryman said that it seemed to the club members "a good idea to do something concrete and it's Spring," she added.

Ms. Harryman said the aquariums, located at the East entrance of the library across from the reference desk, serve to bring nature to the onlooker when it isn't always easy to expedient for the reverse to occur. "All these things are around all the time, and people just miss them," she said. Such words are not only true in general, but apply directly to this particular situation as well. Each of the two aquariums is the result of an attempt (a very successful one) to duplicate a specific environment not far removed from this campus. The fresh water aquarium, merely dark and dreary to the unalert observer, is such for a reason. It is simply a realistic portion of life extracted from the Blue Heron marsh near Peasley Canyon road. Complete

with such Auburn area marsh commonalities as the Whirligig Beetle, the Water Louse and Duck Weed, the surficially drab cube of water comes to life under a new significance once the observer realizes that the contents aren't just a haphazard aggregate of fish considered to be appealing in the eyes of some biological whiz kid.

The same concept holds true for the salt water aquarium as well. Not that it's dark and dreary in appearance on the contrary, in Ms. Harryman's words "it's brightly colored and — attracts the most attention — but that it too is the result of an attempt to duplicate a local environment, this time the Puget Sound-under-the-Narrows Bridge-inter-tidal-environment to be precise. It is referred to as inter-tidal because the organisms exist between the waterlines of high and low tide. Among the animals in the salt water aquarium are the Sea Slug, the Sea Cucumber (Parastichopus Californicus), and the always exotic "Star Fish." Personal favorites exist in the mind of the observer of course, but a good look inside should uncover some surprises.

Some may notice the similarity between the saltwater aquarium and the various natural water pockets which spot the beach at low tide and contain much the same variety of sea life. Again, the very purpose of the aquarium has as its base the fact that some may not have noticed that, and for this reason it has been replicated for those who haven't the time or money for a trip to the beach. Chairs have even been provided for those who don't want to stand as long as is required to see what's going on in those little glass boxes.

"A bit of science between the arts," according to Ms. Harryman, the two aquariums really do merit the appreciation of both artists and scientists in that they are not only biologically accurate but intrinsically beautiful as well especially up close.

## Senate fills vacancies

The ASGRCC Senate took up the task of electing new Senators at the April 5th meeting in the Rainier Room. There were two positions open for Sophomore Senators, vacated by Yogi Rousell and Dave Platt, and one Senator-at-Large vacancy, previously occupied by Jim Rogers.

With three candidates vying for the Senator-at-Large position, after individual questioning and a secret ballot Craig Lawson, chairman of publicity for Student Programs was elected.

In the spot for Sophomore Senator, there were two candidates and two positions. The Board again questioned the can-

didates and voted; whereupon Ron Robbins and Gregg Howe were elected. Howe was elected and had served previously in this position during Fall and Winter quarters, but because of class conflicts, was forced to resign.

Following the elections, the ratification of the Journalism Club Constitution was discussed. Usually, a club must submit the names of their office holders to the Club Chairman, but since the club was not due to elect their officers until Friday, the formality was dispensed with, and upon an oral vote, the Senate approved their constitution.

## GROW loses purpose

Charmane Levack

Last December, Green River's Organization for Women (GROW), which was formed in 1977 to raise the awareness level of students, faculty, administration, and community about the woes and foes of women's rights,

dissolved for a smorgasbord of reasons.

"One of our goals was to have a women's program at Green River. We have that now," explained Kathy George, GRCC biology technician who served as the club's adviser.

GROW offered peer counseling, referrals to service organizations, and general enlightenment to women about their rights in our society.

"I worked with GROW for two years, and I no longer have the time or the energy to continue it," she sighed. "If the students have a need, let it be known to the women's program."

There were bitter tones in the voice of Tarisa Amber Gaelin, former student leader of GROW, as she spoke of its demise.

"Young students don't want to get involved in things, they don't want to work towards helping women out on the campus," she complained.

Ms. Gaelin said that a questionnaire distributed to GRCC students, faculty, and administration a year ago revealed that people "felt GROW was a radical or lesbian group" and as a result, "didn't want to go out of their way to find out what the group was about."

GRCC's administration, she felt, did not view GROW with an approving eye.

"We weren't one of the more favored groups," she said. "There was no support from the Administration."

GROW was given a room in the Outdoor Programs building, but was "relieved" of it by Earl Norman, GRCC Public Information Officer, Ms. Gaelin said.

Lack of womanpower caused problems too.

"We were never a big group," she said. "The amount fluctuated between 10 and 20, depending upon people's interests, hours, and classes. It's hard to maintain a club like that for very long."

## Clubs boast new members

According to Randy Smithisler, director of clubs, there will be more clubs this quarter than any other quarter in Green River history. More than 25 clubs are now sanctioned by student programs.

In addition to the increases in memberships of existing clubs many new ones have been added to the roster. New clubs such as Sci-Fi, Dionysian, Fantasy, and Journalism have had their sign up sheets displayed in the Student Center to encourage more new members to become involved in the myriad of clubs offered.

All that is needed to start a club is ten or more people who will draw up the constitution, and who have the imagination to spend the money in an interesting way. "We cannot give money to religious or political groups or clubs, or to clubs who participate in dangerous sports or activities," stated Smithisler.

Interesting and imaginative ideas are running rampant throughout the club scene, the Sci-Fi club is building scale models of the Star Wars space vehicles from scratch that will be displayed around the GRCC area. A new bulletin board has been installed near the book buyback board that will display announcements concerning club meetings and projects.

Despite the sudden increase in club involvement, Smithisler is still encouraging more students to become involved in the campus club scene. Each new club will receive \$100 upon approval of their club constitution.

# Sports

## Men, Women tracksters fare well

Bob Orndorff

Improving with every meet, the Gator men's and women's track teams made an impressive showing at the Everett Invitational, last Saturday April 7th. Mike Carlson started things out for the Gators by taking 6th in the 10,000 meters in a Personal Record of 32:40.7, scoring six points.

Along with Carlson placing for the men were Carl Iams 43'3" in the triple jump for 6th, Ed McCallister 1st in the 400 meter hurdles in 55.5 which qualifies him for the conference meet May 18th and 19th at Olympic Community College, and the 1600 meter relay team composed of Greg Thomas, Harry Gause, McCallister, and Brian Scott 4th in a time of 3:26.8.

For the women Christe Kendell led the way for the women as she has all season long placed 6th in the high jump with a leap of 5' which qualifies her for conference along with Shawna Lakin 3rd in the 3000 meters in a time of 10:52.4, and the 1600 meter relay team composed of Janet McCone, Debbie Millian, Jody Grace, and Kerry Burrell in a school record time of 4:15.1 all qualified.



"I sure do like these reclining seats in foreign cars," this high jumper seems to be saying as he clears the bar in a recent Green River meet.

Coach Gwen Robertson commented that it was a good meet and that both teams will improve with every meet. She also stated

that, "All of the girls will qualify for the conference meet, and for

the ten the mile relay team and some individuals should qualify.

This Saturday the Gator men and women travel to Bremerton for the Olympic Invitational at Olympic Community College. Starting time is at noon.

## Slowpitchers sweep a doubleheader

Denise Ryan

Women's Slopitch defeated Edmonds 11-5 and 12-1 in a doubleheader last Friday. The women Gators were pitted against Edmonds in the semi-finals match in the tournament the previous weekend, and triumphed 7-6 in the sudden death inning. Even with the some court advantage, Edmonds couldn't keep up with the tough fielding and outstanding batting of the Green River team.

The Gators, battling rains and a muddy field, overcame the odds by avalanching a deluge of home runs and consecutive base hits to insure the runs necessary to clinch the win.

An action-packed first inning was topped by two home runs, happening just minutes apart. No sooner had Janet Best, third batter up, popped a hit out of reach of the Edmond's outfielders, than Becky Bryson dittoed the effort at her number four batting position.

The second inning boasted six runs by Green River, and in a fast-moving fifth inning, Laura Sibillia started things moving with a triple, followed with hits by Sue Strong, Shelley Schultz, Lori Hubert and Roxane Asay, to bring the first game to an end.

Warmed up by the first match, the Gator's first inning was highlighted by Donna Kern's home run, and a Hubert triple. All players had their turn at the plate that inning, with most of them hitting at least a single. Edmonds players who were foolish enough to hit a line drive to Janet Best (and there were many) usually found themselves faced with a double play situation, with the home team falling victim to short-stop Best's lightning throws to near bases for quick outs. Best also raised her home run count by two in the second match, making a total of three for the doubleheader, and a batting average of .750.

Late in the second, an unusual situation developed. With Mary McGrath on second base, Sue Strong came to the plate. The crowd sensed a grand slam in the air, and sure enough, Strong belted one far past the center-fielders. Not until she had touched home plate, however, was it discovered that McGrath had not touched the third base bag on her way home, and the umpire disqualified Strong's home run, sending her back to third base.

## Road Rally just around the corner

Green River Community College is sponsoring a road rally on April 21. The rally will be a mileage "race" to Crescent Lake. The vehicle closest to the predicted mileage is the winner of the rally.

The course will consist of normal public roads with five checkpoints along the way. Cars will stop at each checkpoint for instructions on how to reach the next stop.

Each car will have a driver and a navigator, one of which must be a Green River student or alumni. Up to two passengers will be allowed to ride along. There will be some accommodations made for those that wish to spend the night at Crescent Lake. A \$3 entry fee is required to participate.

A pre-trip meeting will be held on April 17, in the Lindbloom Student Center's Rainier Room at noon. A representative from each car must be present. For more information contact Student Programs at 833-9111, ext. 337.

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# Sports

## Women booters fall, 3-1

David Thomas

"The Green River women's soccer team, forced to play with only 10 players, were worn down by Pacific Lutheran University, and dropped a 3-1 decision last Saturday.

"We had to play a girl short because Cindy (Gerber) was on crutches, Karen (Nelson) was at school, Maggie (Schwartz) was babysitting, and there were three girls at weddings," lamented Coach Bonnie Amrine.

"They played very well in the first half," added Amrine.

The Gators did outshoot PLU in the first half, 10-1. The team, however, could get only one goal, by Monica Sagnella, and were tied, 1-1.

PLU finally took advantage of the Gator's lack of players, scored two goals in the second half for the victory.

"Cheryl (Clair) played fantastic in goal, but being one player short really hurt us," said Amrine afterward. "Donna (Davenport) was forced to play because of the situation, and she had an operation on Thursday.

Amrine did not place all the blame on the player shortage. "The officiating was terrible. They (PLU) scored two offside goals."

"We also have had to play on three different types of fields," added Amrine. "It is very hard to have to play on a sand field one week, a fast field the next, and then a torn-up turf today."

"If we had enough players, we could have beat them. They (PLU) are not half as good as Bellevue's team, and we beat Bellevue 8-1." Amrine added that she thinks the team will finish in second or third place.

"The loss did not bother me, because the girls have got the personality. Some of the PLU players came over after the game, and said we were the nicest team they had played all year."

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Amrine can also be optimistic about next season. Besides having 47 girls coming in next year, Amrine announced that the third best goalkeeper in the United States is going to attend Green River on scholarship next fall.

"This is a major achievement for us. We don't get to pick the cream of the crop like baseball or volleyball," said an elated Amrine. "She chose us over all the top soccer schools in the state.

Meanwhile, the Gators will try and get back on the winning track in their league home opener, tomorrow. Starting time is scheduled for 11 a.m.



Lori Taylor eyes the ball before a corner kick for Gator women booters.

## Golfers soaked; win twice

John Tebb

Jeff Troy led the Green River Golf Team to two wet, windswept victories in four days. Troy fired a one-under par 71 to lead the Gators to a 300-315 win over Everett Community College last Friday.

The match was played at the Legion Municipal Golf Course in Everett. The course resembling swampland was no match for Troy but gave his teammates fits. Jim Almquist and Rob Powers shot three-over par 75, s.

On Monday, April 9 Green River downed Shoreline Community College 310-313 at Walter E. Hall Golf Course in Everett. Troy and Powers shared honors at three-over par 75, s.

Coach Torp Peluso was unhappy with his troupes lackadaisical play against Shoreline.

"If we play like that against Tacoma or Bellevue we're in big trouble. They took this one for granted, I sure hope they wake up"

Next week is the real show down for the undefeated Gators as they face undefeated Tacoma and powerful Bellevue. The two matches will probably decide this year's Puget Sound Region Champion

## Batsmen split double header

Tim Hunt

It was a day of shutouts at Russell Road Park in Kent last Saturday as the Green River batsmen split a doubleheader with the Shoreline Samurai.

In the first game, Bill Paterson pitched a one-hitter to lead the Gators to a 3-0 win. Offensively, Green River hitters scattered 6 hits, all of which were singles.

Mike Derooy, Rod Bixler and Kevin McGraw rounded the bases to account for the Gator runs. "Our pitching was excellent, but offensively we didn't do a very good job," critiqued Coach Tom Burmeister, referring to the fact that all of his teams runs were to direct result of Shoreline errors.

In the nightcap, Shoreline pitcher Jim Mirante silenced Gator bats, allowing only one hit and the Samura. won, 5-0. Green River's lone hit came in the seventh (and last) inning, when Kevin McGraw stroked a two out double to left field.

Doug Sisk, Gator righthander, allowed only 3 hits in a performance that Burmeister called, "the best I've seen him throw since I've been at Green River."

"They (the Samurai) scored 4 runs in the first inning and they didn't hit a ball out of the infield."



Doug Sisk fires a pitch in the second game of Green River's doubleheader against Shoreline last Saturday.

Tonight a four game road trip in four days begins as the Gators travel to Skagit Valley to play the Cardinals. Tomorrow it's on to Tacoma Community College for a

doubleheader and finally the Gators play Everett on Monday, in a game that was originally scheduled for last Friday, but was rained out.