



CHARLES FIRTH

Firth elected state CORP chairman

By BARBARA HOBBY

Charlie Firth, presently serving as interim vice-president of GRCC, was recently elected to the position of state chairman of the Council of Representatives and Presidents (CORP).

CORP consists of students from Washington community colleges. More than half of the community colleges are members. They anticipate the participation of 20 colleges next month. Each community college is allowed one voting representative, but any number of students may attend.

The basic purpose of CORP is dealing with state legislature in working out problems common to all community colleges. Some of CORP's priorities are: veterans

affairs, day care, student services, uniform transfer of credits and student activity fees. For example, only \$14.50 of the \$83.00 tuition is spent on activities at GRCC. Some colleges take up to 75 percent of tuition for sports and activities. CORP is trying to correct this misuse of tuition fees.

One of CORP's biggest concerns is voter registration. It's important because down in Olympia, if you don't have a vote, they could care less about you, Firth said.

The state legislature has an "open door policy" stating that anyone who wants to enter a community college is entitled to do so without having to meet entrance requirement conditions. If CORP

finds that something is happening in conflict with this policy, they take steps to correct it.

The yearly proposals of raising tuition are CORP's most pressing problems. There have been tuition increases of 10 to 32 percent proposed, including a proposal of doubling tuition and providing five years to pay back the increase. CORP has presented the legislature with a position paper against the proposals and has so far kept tuitions from being raised.

CORP members help each other. Say, for example, a community college in Seattle was having problems that GRCC had

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GI Bill benefits climb 8 percent

By JUDY NILL

Between 1,250 and 1,300 students on this campus are beginning to experience effects of a recently passed federal law. Many are unaware of the law; more are unaware of its possible implications.

Public Law 94-502, effective Oct. 1, deals with educational benefits and prohibitions for veterans. Parts of it reflect a current trend to tighten controls and "eliminate the free ride" aspect of all government-subsidized programs, according to Jon Arnold, director of veterans' affairs at GRCC.

First, the positive aspect of the new law, an amendment to the Veterans' Education and Employment Assistance Act: It provides current beneficiaries of the GI Bill with an 8 per cent increase in financial allowance and an extension of entitlement time from 36 months to 45 months.

The 8 per cent allowance increase is on the basis of former eligibility—in other words, 8 per cent over whatever the individual veteran was getting before the law was passed.

The extension of entitlement time does not affect calendar time limit for benefits. Calendar time limit to take advantage of the GI Bill is still 10 years from the date of discharge. But within that 10 years, the eligible veteran may now receive benefits for up to 45 months of education—an increase of nine months over the previous allowance.

These increase and extension benefits are applicable to Chapter 31 (disabled) veterans, Chapter 34 (regular eligible) veterans and Chapter 35 (survivors and dependents of) veterans.

But, in addition to the benefit rate increases and extension of entitlement time, the law also "clarifies and strengthens provisions prohibiting the assignment of VA benefits."

What does this mean? Jon

Arnold explains it this way: "(The GI Bill) is one of the few government programs that pays for itself. It's America's investment in these people."

The idea is that the VA subsidizes the veteran's education, thereby increasing his opportunities for a higher paying job. The higher the income, the higher the income taxes, which puts more money back into the government.

Therefore, "it's very important to the government that people who are enrolled (in VA educational programs) progress and achieve their goals," comments Arnold. New legislation, dating from as early as 1966 but only recently enforced, aims to monitor veterans in VA-financed programs who are not achieving.

Green River witnessed a drama-

tic illustration of this new emphasis on performance last Winter Quarter. The U.S. government held the college prima facie liable for \$62,000 alleged overpayment to veterans attending here.

According to a 1966 amendment to the GI Bill colleges are responsible to make sure veterans receiving benefits are attending and are earning the number of credits they are being paid for. But this was the first time for Green River that the law was invoked.

The college decided it had better make some changes in its VA program. One administrator suggested dropping the program altogether because of its potential liability to the school. Other alternatives brought up were (1) having an official attendance roster which VA students themselves would

keep current, (2) having the college dispense the VA checks, and (3) having instructors fill out no-show lists.

These suggestions were variously deemed impracticable. It was finally decided that the director of veterans' affairs would act as a sort of policeman to catch the few veterans who might abuse VA benefits.

"My capacity as an advisor, helper, opener of doors changed . . . My responsibilities to the school and to the government increased 300 per cent.

"I'm stuck with my back against a wall . . . I don't have the freedom I used to have," explains Arnold.

The newest outgrowth of this greater emphasis on keeping tabs took effect Oct. 15. All veterans

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HALLOWEEN MADNESS — Green River pumpkin carvers (from left) Ray, Michelle, and Scott slice away with intense concentration during the annual Pumpkin-Carving Contest in the student center last Thursday. Well, Ray and Scott are concentrating anyway. Michelle appears to be either offering advice — or gloating. See photo feature on page five. (Staff photo by Lee Vanderlaan.)

Survey shows students as they see themselves

By MARK D. STUMPF

Anyone with a tuition-sized hole in their pocketbook has probably had at least some opinion on the high cost of higher education.

Now at a time when tuition increases are likely to be a topic of the coming state legislative session, those opinions have been articulated in dollars and cents terms of the needs and resources of college students statewide.

The results of a student resource survey conducted last spring by the Council for Post-secondary Education (CPE) gives the decision-makers in Olympia some specifics to work with, and draw a distinct profile of community college students next to those of other sectors of higher education.

Major use of the data so far has been to support a council conclusion that for every dollar tuition is increased, state need grant and work study aid should be increased 25 cents to maintain financial aid at its present level. The CPE believes that up to 12 cents of that could be expected from federal sources.

The 5.7 percent of the community college student population surveyed worked more, borrowed

less, and spent less on their education than other kinds of college students.

Average expenses for a year of community college was \$2,682, only about \$100 less than the cost of a year at a state college. Tuition (\$374) and books and supplies (\$64), amounted to 20.1 percent of total expenses, lowest ratio of direct educational costs to total costs of any students.

Room and board was reported to cost an average of \$1,372 last year, but since a high 38.1 percent of community college students live with their parents, the actual costs of those who do live away from home are probably much higher. The 29 percent of students who were married, more than at any other kind of post-secondary school, indicated especially high housing costs.

Transportation costs were high for community college students, reflecting the large number of commuters, the CPE report said.

Respondents estimated it cost them an average of \$326 a year to get to and from school, exceeded only slightly by students of proprietary (private vocational) institutions.

Community college students financed their education differently than other college students. 39.1 percent said they were self-supporting, comparing with 28.6 percent of all college students.

They worked more hours per week than other students — an average of 18.6 compared to 15.9 for state university students. But the university students earned an average of \$1,594 for their labor to community college students' \$1,426.

Community college students scored heavy on the bennies, too. More reported getting GI bill benefits (19.4 percent) and social security benefits (7.7 percent) than any other college students, and the 5.1 percent getting welfare was exceeded only at proprietary schools.

The parents of community college students appeared to be poorer than those of other college students, with a mean (average) annual income of \$13,548, second lowest of any institution. More students from low-income families attended community colleges than four-year state colleges and universities.

The need for parental support in cash may be less for community college students, however, since almost twice as many were living at home as dependents (38.1 percent) than other college students, who frequently live away from home while still dependent.

Nearly one-quarter of community college students surveyed reported they were in debt an average of \$2,007. Composite figures for all college students indicate 34.5 percent are in debt an average of \$2,207.

Blacks comprised almost twice as much of the community college population as at state colleges, 2.5 to 1 percent. Average black enrollment for all colleges was 1.9 percent.

State officials will use the survey for long-range financial aid planning. Its usefulness on the local level is limited by the small number of Green River students who responded, said Bob Walker, financial aids coordinator.

Walker said the unique value of the survey is that it provides him a picture of how students assess themselves financially, which is often quite a bit different from the financial aid office's view.

Hedlund resigns as faculty president

Jerry Hedlund, anthropology instructor, resigned as president of the Green River Federation of Teachers early this week. Hedlund cited personal reasons for his resignation.

Hedlund successor will be Bob Brehm of the GRCC Counseling Department.

Hedlund, who became head of the union during the contractual dispute between teachers and the administration in the Fall of 1975, said that he felt the faculty is on a positive note in its relationship with the administration, but at the same time doesn't feel that the faculty is being "sucked in." "Administrators have a clear role and I am willing to concede that," stated Hedlund.

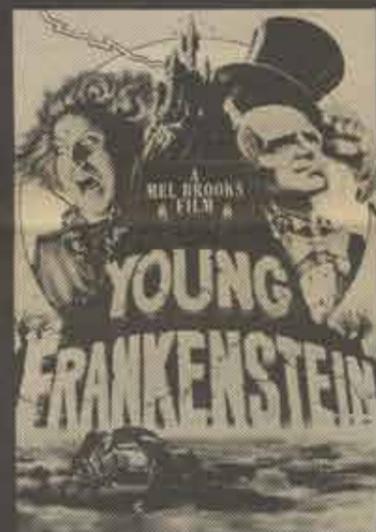
He went on to say he tried, during his time in office, to develop a maturity in union-administration relations and also to establish some contact with the administration in an effort to resolve com-



Jerry Hedlund and friend

plaints from the faculty before they become formal grievances.

Hedlund said that he felt that the president-elect Brehm would do an "excellent job."



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Undercurrents

No halos or heroes under klieg lights' glare

By LEE VANDERLAAN

Public access to mass media has been an important factor in the on-going decline of hero-worship. Before television, radio, and the rapid dissemination of newspapers, hearsay about charismatic individuals did much to promote adoration of their fine qualities; however, with news now at our fingertips, we are likely to hear many dissenting opinions about public figures. This new perspective promotes thinking; moreover, it lets us decide for ourselves.

Take the case of former President Nixon and Watergate. Some Americans undoubtedly decided with religious furor that OUR President could do no wrong, that Presidents are blessed servants of God and could not be corruptible. The excellent

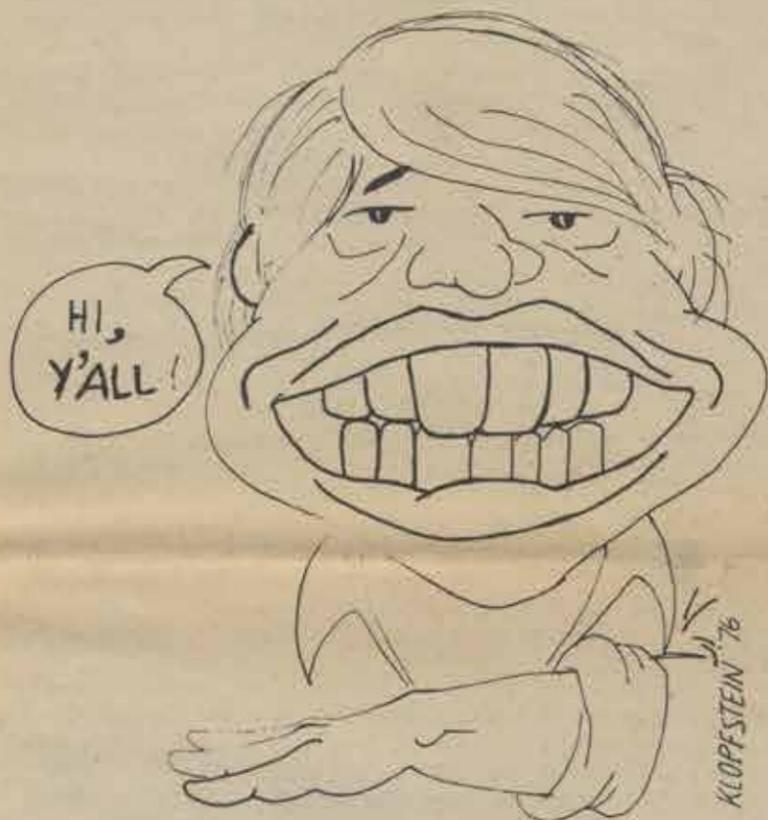
day-to-day coverage by the media did a lot to deflate their opinion of this person. No longer were they able to say, "Our President, Right or Wrong." Media presentation made it very clear who was responsible for the Watergate fiasco.

Consider Henry Kissinger, our flamboyant Secretary of State. His documented success in execution of foreign policy may have granted him heroic status fifty years ago, but why not today? Is it possible that the media has made him too human a person, with his negative qualities too visible to miss? According to some sources, Mr. Kissinger has done a great deal to make himself look good in the eyes of the public. Daniel Schorr, recently at Green River College, said of Kissinger, "Henry dumped an armload of Top Secret documents on a (favored) newsmen's desk simply because he wanted his accomplishments written up." His intention is clearly to become a hero, yet the public has not bought his image. Why not? Aren't the American people gullible anymore; don't they want a hero even if thrown in front of them by the self-serving patriot himself?

Perhaps instant access to media has made the public blasé to potential hero figures. Heroes may no longer be necessary as behavior models, because, after exposure, they are not worth deification, respect, and admiration. They are no longer the mythical, legendary creatures held in awe by former generations. They are the down-to-earth, sullen, faulted humans who may have done a few great things, yet cannot be heroes because we know them too well.

Mass media has done this for us; it cannot portray great men as heroes only, but rather, as complete men with commonness and vulnerability. Thus, media has written an end to the pursuit of hero-worship. Divine auras are not likely to appear over someone's head on a TV screen.

DAH WINNAH



(Editors note: An article on the day-time political symposium in last week's CURRENT inaccurately stated that "more than \$25 million has been poured into the legislative races." It should have stated more than \$25,000.)

New breed of man

By KATHY CLEMENS

One of the most controversial subjects today concerns equal rights for women. The Equal Rights Amendment is causing widespread skepticism across the nation—particularly among the male population. These pessimists feel that the feminist movement will cause the degeneration of the American family. They are misled.

Working outside the home is now becoming more possible for women because of the enforcement of laws prohibiting job discrimination. The drive for equal rights and equal pay has opened the door to jobs in fields that traditionally consisted of males. One positive result of the feminist movement is the definite change in male attitudes concerning the responsibilities of family life.

In response to this opportunity, more women are maintaining jobs. A survey this past year shows a nine percent increase of working women. It is becoming imperative that men share in family responsibilities. Lucy Komisar, former leader of the National Organization of Women, states that "one aspect of feminism is that family responsibilities should be divided equally among men and women." Komisar also says, "The feminist movement will cause men to take equal responsibility for child care."

Because of the changing attitudes concerning women's rights, many men now feel that they can share in family decisions with their wives and children without surrendering their sense of individualism. Sharing family responsibilities helps to strengthen communication within the family. Andrew J. DuBrin, a psychologist and professor of behavioral science, says that "most new husbands see the sharing of decisions as contributing to a comfortable and natural life together."

With this attitude in mind, a new breed of American male has emerged. He seems better able to understand and appreciate his family. He recognizes the importance of jobs for women outside of the family and accepts it.



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BRAD BRADLEY

Ethics in backpacking, camping discussed by Northwest expert

"The key to the future is your involvement," stated Brad Bradley, as he addressed his audience last Wednesday on the topic of "New Ethics in Backpacking." These new ethics concern the care and preservation of our national forests. Bradley, a guide for Northwest Alpine Guide Service, was featured by Outdoor Programs.

Bradley stated that one of the main problems regarding backpackers is that many forget to take care of their garbage. Bradley stressed the importance of carrying out all garbage from the campsite and disposing of it properly. Also, because open campfires sterilize and scar the ground, he feels that portable stoves should be used instead.

In picking out a campsite, Bradley pointed out that camping near lakes can cause bare ground which compacts the soil and, con-

sequently, it becomes difficult for plants to grow. The bare ground causes much of the soil to wash into the lakes. Because meadows are another place where many plants and flowers flourish, he believes that backpackers should camp elsewhere.

Bradley added that it is vital to stay on the trails. Adding new paths causes the drainage pattern to change and possible erosion results.

In his concluding remarks, Bradley stated, "Regulations are going to become more stringent as time goes on, there's no doubt about it." He also finds that through learning about the forests, one can better understand and appreciate the wilderness.

Many national forest parks are now asking for suggestions on future planning, as well as budgeting.

A space in time

By MIKE VOURI

'The Tavern'

The tavern. Ah Americana. An integral feature of the contemporary scene. Well, actually the tavern has been with us for many years in varying degrees and forms.

In parts of Chicago, the tavern is as much a part of day-to-day living as the other human biological drives. The tavernperson gets up, goes to work all day, gets off, goes to the tavern, goes home, eats, reads in the library down the hall to the left, watches television, goes to bed, gets up, etc. etc.

Get to the point BoBo. Ok. For the past nine weeks I've had occasion to spend Friday and Saturday nights in such a neighborhood watering hole, located (I won't say exactly where for reasons of health) in the bowels of Tacoma.

It is not by choice exactly. You see, I am a semi-musician and our band has had the good fortune to be blessed by steady employment. I watch the goings-on in this place with the fascination of an anthropologist (my anthropologies to Jerry Hedlund) and must admit that if I am not careful, I'll soon be fully qualified to write a bonafide ethnography about it. For those who are unfamiliar with the subject of anthropology, an ethnography is an account of a culture foreign to one's own, written by one who lives within that culture for a year or more. I've hardly lived within the tavern culture for a year, but believe me, it seems like it.

The ching-a-ling, rang-a-tang, snap-clack of the pinball machine and pool table furrows into my consciousness round about 1 a.m. and the din remains with me until "noon" the following morning.

Then there is the whoop-whoop madness of the foos ball table...jeez, and the juke box playing those same old favorites. The sad-eyed stool sitters spinning around every now and then to take blurry focus on a particular corner of the room. Wait a minute...I had intended this to be a humor piece.

Let's concentrate for moment on the pool table. There he is. The tavern shark. The main stud. The king of the table. Bill Yard is his name (my apologies to Minnesota Fats).

Each night he takes on the entire tavern. On they come, the regulars who move toward ritual slaughter and the strangers, champs from other taverns, who move in like hammer-head sharks. Invariably our hero dispatches all of them with cold efficiency. He is still the king at the end of the evening and his diminutive wife with the pale blue eyes and blonde curls, sips her wine spritz like a queen.

Then came the night when the quasi-ethnographer, perhaps having one too many, decided he'd challenge.

I had intended to play my band colleague (being foolish enough to think he might win against the king). Ha! I moved forward as the ritual calf.

He broke. Sank one of the big ones. Sank two more. Missed. What? I rubbed the tip of my cue with blue chalk (not because I thought it was going to do any good, only because I'd seen others do it). Ah, a little one right next to the corner pocket. Snap. In. Hmmm. Again, a little one in the other corner. Snap. Nope. He moved in for the kill. Snap, snap, clack, bank, clack... the cacaphony of an unbroken string of balls dropping into the pockets and rolling noisely into their storage area. Soon he had only the eight ball to deal with. A cut and dried shot. Oh well. I moved across the room to replace my cue. Snap. "Ah shit!" He scratched on the eight ball.

The gravity of what had happened suddenly overwhelmed me. I'd beaten him with all of my little spheroids still on the table, save one. The hammer-heads began to congregate sensing a feeding frenzy. Quickly I looked at the clock. It was time to play music. Saved. Whew!

As the musical sets unfold throughout the evening and the dancing tempo picks up, thirsts are wetted, beer flows and depending upon the climate on a given evening, tempers are likely to become as hot as the music. I can recall evenings in taverns when whole rooms full of people would erupt into masses of tangled arms and legs, exact replicas of Dodge City movie brawls. Being musicians, our first concern during such calamities is our equipment.

We operate like a well-oiled machine now. Amplifiers are turned toward the wall to protect the speakers from catapulting bodies and the music continues without missing a note.

Does music really soothe the savage beast? Don't bet on it. One evening, while playing the tender love ballad "Daisy Jane," two gentle souls were trying to gouge each other's eyes out on top of the organ.

Wait a minute now...this IS supposed to be a humor piece. I guess I simply cannot say anymore. There are so many realities in this crazy world. They telescope into infinity. To pick apart and poke fun at one, leaves all the rest up to question...and which are the illusions?

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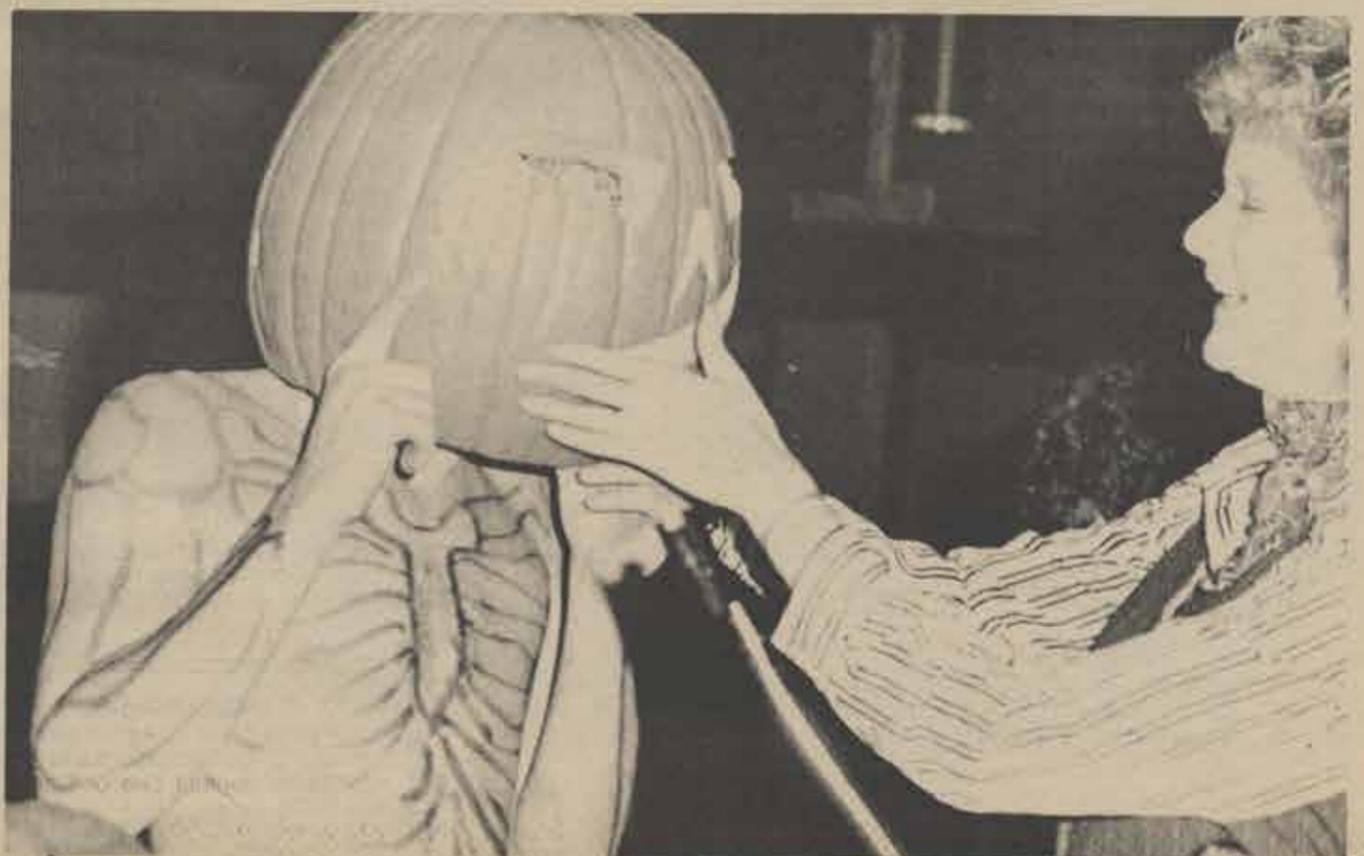
Ever since Ichabod the bumpkin got smacked with a pumpkin in the 'Legend of Sleepy Hollow,' Americans have been obsessed with the notion that an otherwise innocent fall harvest vegetable possessed magical qualities when a creative knife is set to it.

In each neighborhood across the broad breadth of the nation, the leering Jack O' Lantern is set in living room windows, front porches and kitchen tables just to let one and all know that the owners are moved by the spirit of it all.

Spirits. OOOOOOOOOO-OOOOOOOOOW! They were in fine form last Thursday in Lindbloom Student Center. A contest was on in the fine old American tradition to decide who was the master pumpkin carver on campus. Ten minutes were allotted per carving and the knives were moving fast and furious.

Our staff photographers were on hand to record the action and here it is in all its gory . . . er . . . glory.

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Pool shark reviewed

Don Rickles he's not, yuk-yuk-yuk

By CATHY MELBERG

Billing himself as a cross between Santa Claus and Don Rickles, billiards enthusiast Jack White performed many of his world famous tricks before two live audiences last Oct. 23.

Unlike Rickles, his humor was less erudite, more obtrusive, but certainly not obscure.

For instance, after losing a game of 8-ball to a student, he told

the next challenger, "You know, it's in my contract that I'm not allowed to lose two in a row." True to form, he did win the next game.

His fascination seemed to lie in audience participation. When a student asked, "Do you know any good jokes?", he replied, "What time did you get up?" When she did not answer, he said something to this effect: "You were already

gone by the time I woke up.

The fact that he referred to women as honey, doll or sweetie and men as turkey or guy did not seem to upset too many people. The audience even bated him for more.

When asked what he based his appeal on, he replied, "I dig people. Not only do I got talent; but I'm charming."

He counseled beginners to learn to concentrate, have discipline and practice a lot.

White's recommendation for how to "psyche out" an opponent was "Don't miss." He seems to feel that the game of billiards has money making potential and is not a hazardous occupation. "If you're a wise guy, you'd get hurt in church," he said.

Last year he made more than \$1.7 million before taxes. Jack White is currently on a tour of 225 campuses.

His list of credentials is quite impressive. He is the only professional billiard player to have performed in the White House. He has appeared on numerous major television programs. Last year he traveled over 221,000 miles. The most money he has ever won in a single game was \$8,000; largest single haul over an extended period (4 and one half hours) was \$27,000.

Jack White has been shooting pool for 37 years; 19 have been as a professional.

Firth is new CORP head

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already been through and solved. GRCC would then send some students to the Seattle campus to help them work things out.

"It was a close race," Firth said of the election. The first vote was a tie—seven to seven. But after a debate-type question and answer period between the two candidates, he won when the second vote was taken.

As state chairman, Firth has no vote, except in case of a tie. Besides presiding as chairman at the meetings, some of his other duties are writing up the meeting agendas, appointing committee chairmen and supervising the committees.

When appointed interim vice-president of GRCC, Firth made an agreement with ASGRCC President Teri Reed, (who is also involved in CORP), that he would remain in office only one month so he could continue to uphold his CORP responsibilities. CORP also has representatives on the state board for community college education.

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Veterans higher, longer benefits

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and veterans' dependents who are currently receiving benefits under the GI Bill must register regularly with the veterans' affairs office on the monthly anniversary of their birthdays. Every month the veteran will pick up an attendance card, take it to his/her instructors for signature and bring it back to the office.

If the veteran fails to comply with this rule, it will be assumed by the college that he is not attending classes. When the VA is notified, his benefits will be cut off

until review and reclassification can be made—a process which may take months, according to Arnold.

The third major area dealt with in the new law "establishes an ending date to the Vietnam era for purposes of qualifying for a civil service preference as a wartime veteran."

Dec. 31, 1976, is the last day anyone may enter military service and receive GI Bill benefits, following honorable discharge, as they now stand. This section of the law does not apply to current

beneficiaries of VA programs.

Those who enter military service beginning Jan. 1, 1977, will later receive VA benefits according to a peacetime classification system. For example, regarding the GI Bill for financing veterans' education, future veterans would pay \$1 for every \$2 paid by the government.

Jon Arnold sees the clamping down by government on its VA program as a "house-cleaning type of thing . . . a purge." Just as post-World War II pressure from the public was largely responsible for introducing the GI Bill, public consensus is now urging tighter controls on government spending, says Arnold.

According to Arnold, there are implications the VA will not be the only program to feel the squeeze. "Watch the Medicare and Medicaid programs in the near future, and the food stamp distribution," he suggests. He predicts that after the elections, no matter who is elected, the government will institute significant reforms and revisions in its social spending.

New writers' club seeks members

Note: Appeal to their vanity, ego, or to their curiosity, at least. Tell them about the opportunity to contribute, participate, or just plain enjoy.

Caution, don't be verbose — be succinct. Use imagination to fire theirs. Be creative so they will be encouraged to put their own creativity to use. Give them an understandable message. Make sure that all interested, aspiring artists

and writers are thoroughly aware of the impending event.

In short, when that first meeting occurs Tuesday, November 9, in the Humanities and Sciences Building number 6 at noon, make sure that you have gotten the word out to as many people as possible. Make certain that all the people know that the Writer's Club on campus meets Tuesdays at noon and that everyone is welcome.

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Tarkenton establishes new passing record

By STEVE POWELL

Fran Tarkenton of the Minnesota Vikings reached another milestone in his illustrious career last Sunday as he surpassed another passing record of Johnny Unitas. Tarkenton has passed for more yardage than any other quarterback and established himself as the greatest passer of all time. His only goal left in pro football is to bring his team the professional championship and win a Super Bowl ring.

Although Tarkenton has a better chance of winning a Super Bowl now than he did a few years ago as a New York Giant, his task will not be an easy one.

Minnesota, of the National Football Conference, and Oakland, of the American Football Conference, have established themselves as the bridesmaids of the NFL. They make it to the ceremony, but never to the altar. In the last 10 years, both teams have made it to the playoffs almost every year and each team would end up losing either the first or second games.

This year looks like they will probably do it again. At the mid-season mark, it looked like maybe Tarkenton might get his Super Bowl ring as his Vikings were the only undefeated team in the league. Then the Viks lost to the improving Chicago Bears 14-13 to show that their easy schedule might have something to do with their record. The Raiders are also running away with their division but they don't have a tough schedule either.

The surprise teams at the middle of the season are Chicago, San Francisco, New England, and Pittsburgh. Chicago and New England are a year away from being true contenders, Pittsburgh has deteriorated to a 4-4 record, and the 49ers have arrived and are actually the team to beat in the NFC West.

Though the games still have to be played, it would be fairly safe to say that Oakland will beat Cincinnati, Baltimore will beat Houston, and Baltimore will then beat Oakland in the AFC championship game. In the NFC, San Francisco over Minnesota and Dallas over Los Angeles with Dallas beating the 49ers in the championship game. The Super Bowl will be a rematch of the 1969 fumble fiasco but this time, the Cowboys will win.

More Sports: Lynn Swann announced last week there is a 50-50 chance that this year will be his last as a pro. Swann said that the excess violence in the game is one of the reasons. He said that the violence that occurs away from the ball and after the play is over has no place in the game of football and it is ruining his love for the game. He has played pro ball for just three years and has decided that the danger involved may not be worth the money he makes.

Swann is also bothered about the political decisions involved in pro football that aren't a factor in college ball. With all the problems in the game, he is doubting if it is all worth it.

Rule changes, court cases, illegal draft and fining players are just getting out of hand and shouldn't be a part of the game of football. They detract from the game rather than add to it. Swann's reasons for his possible retirement are very valid and until the game is improved, the NFL is going to lose more good athletes like him, either to injury or retirement.

Predictions: In two close games, the Huskies will beat California and the Seahawks will beat the Atlanta Falcons.

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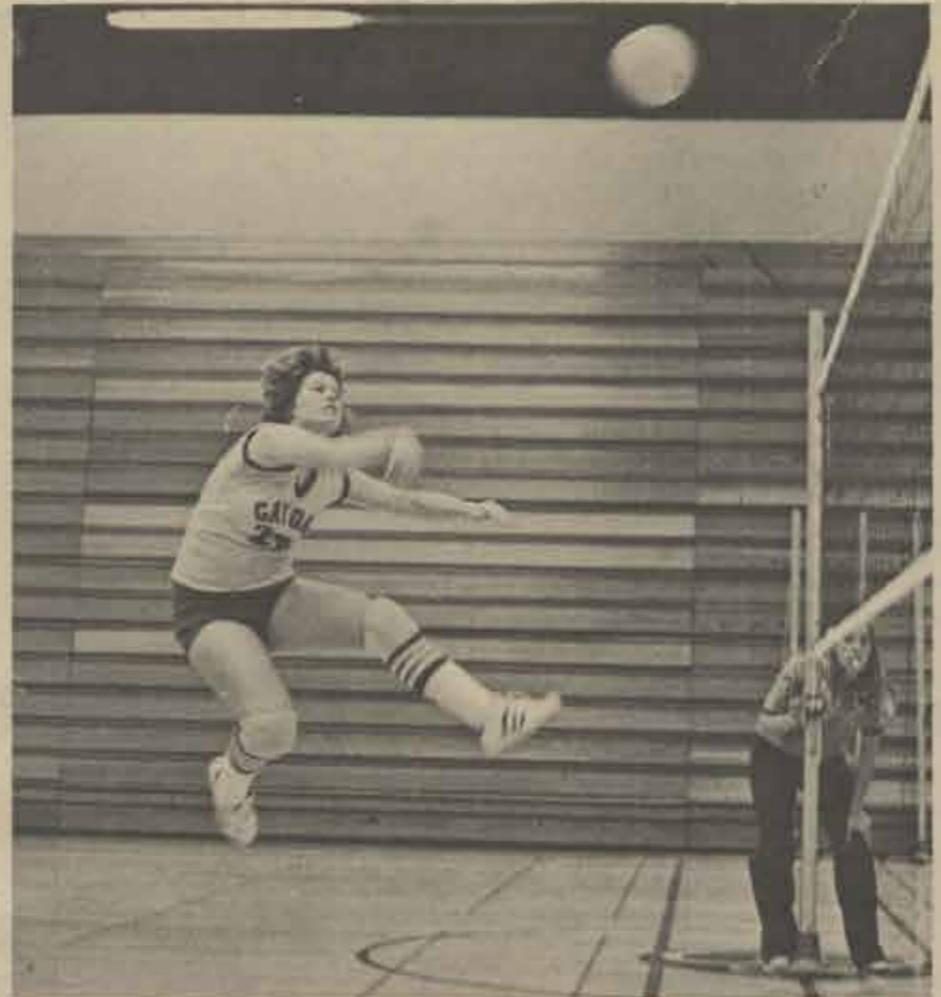
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AIR BORN-Green River Student Body President, Terri Reed, leaps into the air as she returns the volleyball to the Ft. Steilacoom side of the net. The Gator team is in second place in the league standings with a 6-2 record. They are one full game behind Highline. Photo by Tom Chillquist.

Williams tallies 'hat trick' goals

By STEVE POWELL

Rich Williams scored the first "hat trick" for Green River of the season as he tallied three goals Oct. 27 in the soccer team's 6-0 romp over Shoreline.

At the six-minute mark in the game, Jesse Gardner opened the GRCC scoring on a pass from Scott MacKay. Williams scored his first goal on an assist from Gardner at the 35-minute mark. Halfback Glen Cramer intercepted a pass and scored from 25-yards out eight

but now we are a team to reckon with."

Last Saturday, the Gators struggled to a 1-0 win over Skagit Valley.



SOCCER STANDINGS

	W	L	T
Edmonds	7	0	0
Bellevue	5	1	1
Green River	5	2	0
Everett	4	3	0
Skagit Valley	3	3	1
Shoreline	2	5	0
Seattle Central	1	6	0
South Seattle	0	7	0

"It was a tough game because they had an excellent goalie who kept them in the game," stated Peterson. "We got more shots than they did, they lacked an offensive punch, but we just couldn't score off their goalie."

The lone score of the game came with six minutes left when Sasan Sadre was fouled in the penalty area. Glen Cramer made the penalty kick.

"They put pressure on us after that but we held on to win," said the Gator coach.

Peterson also said, "Our defense is really coming on as they have shut out their opponents for five straight halves, which is two and a half hours of play. The first two teams in our league go to the playoffs and our offense is starting to score now so we are going to be right in there."

The soccer team played Seattle Central at Brannon Park yesterday and they play at Everett Saturday. Next Wednesday, they play at Bellevue in a must win for the team.

minutes later as GRCC led at the half, 3-0.

The Gators dominated the second half even more as Shoreline didn't get the ball on offense for 25 minutes. Williams scored five minutes into the second half unassisted after he stole a pass from Shoreline. He scored on a break away goal after another steal five minutes later. Sasan Sadre ended the scoring on an unusual note as his crossing pass hit a defender, who knocked it into the goal area.

"That win was an important one for us because it gave our team some needed confidence," said Coach Doug Peterson. "Our team had only two returning starters from last year and it took our young squad awhile to get on track

Women spikers victorious 3-0

Nancy Rudser spiked the Green River women's volleyball team to a 3-0 game sweep over Ft. Steilacoom Community College last Friday night.

The Gators won the first game in a close match, 15-13. They one the second game easily, 15-4 and finished the Raiders off in the final game 15-12.

Coach Alison Cone's team beat Tacoma in four games and Lower Columbia in three games in other volleyball action.

Green River is now 6-2 and in second place, one game behind Highline. Highline was upset last week by Ft. Steilacoom. Green River plays at Centralia tomorrow night and Highline will be the Gators opponent next Wednesday in what should be the toughest game of the year.



EVERYBODY LISTEN -- The Green River women's volleyball team gathers around Coach Alison Cone to plot their strategy during a time-out between games against Ft. Steilacoom. The strategy paid off as the Gators beat the Raiders in three straight games. Photo by Tom Chillquist.

Current Sports

Bellevue edges Harriers

Dwaine Engh won again but the Green River cross country team lost to Bellevue Oct. 30 28-34 in Tacoma. Tacoma Community College was third and Shoreline fourth in the meet.

Engh covered the 4.1 mile course in 22 minutes and 22 seconds, five seconds ahead of Talmange of Bellevue who was second in 22:27. Engh had a 30 second lead with a mile left in the race when Talmange staged his comeback that fell just short. Scott Moultime was fifth, clocking in at 23 minutes and 19 seconds later Jim Brown crossed the finish line for the eighth spot.

Chris Parks ran the course in 23:32 for ninth place and Mike Carlson's time of 23:43 was good enough for 11th. Lenny Hayden was 20th in 26:56, Ken Colburn 23rd in 27:25, and Randy Hockman was 25th in 27:30.

Bellevue's runners finished second, third, sixth, seventh and ninth for a total of 28 points. Green River's top five runners finished first, fifth, eighth, ninth and 11th for a total of 34 points, therefore the team lost by six. Ray Skar, GRCC's top freshman runner, didn't compete in the meet.

Tomorrow at 3:30, the cross country team travels to Pt. Defiance Park in Tacoma for the Region Championships. Green River is the defending champs of the Regionals. The Conference Championships are scheduled for Nov. 12 at Seward Park by Lake Washington in Seattle.



EAGERLY WAITING--Gators, (from left to right) Carrie Mazzuca, Jean Cimino and Nancy Rudser set up a return as the volleyball continues its downward flight.

Intramurals

Men's flag football: In last week's action, "The Mauraders" clobbered "The Over the Hill Gang" 26-6. "The Banana Boys" slipped past the "Wild Rainiers" in overtime and "Honest Johns" smashed the "Good Guys" 38-25 to boost their won-lost record to 3-0.

"The Banana Boys," "Bad Company" and "The No Names" all have 2-0 records. Today's game features the "Killer Deeks" against "The Banana Boys."

Powderpuff: Team #2 remains unbeaten after last week's 18-0 shut-out against Team #1. Their record is now 3-0.

Men's three-on-three basketball: Going into this week's action, Teams #4, #7, #8, and #9 remain undefeated. Team #1 plays #3 and Team #6 tangles with #10 in today's noon hour games in the gym.

Women's basketball: Team #2, consisting of Christi Williams, Leslie Scott, Carrie Mazzuca and Nancy Clinkerberg looks like the team to beat in the women's competition.

Extramural volleyball: The team lost to the team from Tacoma 15-9, 15-5, 15-3, 15-6, and 15-13. The GRCC squad hosted a tournament last night.

Horseshoes: Dennis Underwood beat Kevin Kendall and Paul Impson beat Tony Batinovich in the semi-final rounds. Underwood and Impson will compete for the championship. Ted Franz beat Batinovich and Kendall beat Mike Alderson in the loser's bracket so Franz and Kendall will square off for third and fourth place.



HOP BUTTONS were on sale this week as students and faculty gave their support for Ron Hopkins and his arbitration case.

Hearing scheduled

Ron Hopkins arbitration hearing, to determine whether or not he will be reinstated as baseball coach, is scheduled for tomorrow.

It was not known at press time if students, or any of the public, would be allowed to attend the hearing. That decision is up to the arbitrator.

Hopkins is contesting the "petty reasons" given to him for his dismissal as coach last summer. The arbitrator's verdict probably won't be known for some time.

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