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Christmas Program Set December 15

At 1 p.m. on December 15th, Thursday, the students, faculty and general public will have the opportunity to observe and participate in "A Pioneer Christmas."

The production, under the direction of Mr. Ronald Smith, Musical Director; Mrs. Nancy Filler, Drama Director; and Mr. Rex Waldron, Art Director, will utilize the talents of both the

Choir and the Drama Department.

Mrs. Filler wrote the play especially for this occasion.

"A Pioneer Christmas" is the story of a group of pioneers who settle in the Washington Ter-

ritory during the 1870's. It is Christmas Eve and the pioneers are reminiscing together about past Christmases in the old country in Western Europe.

Included in the program will be a Bach Cantata performed by the Choir under the baton of Mr. Smith, who will combine the choir with musical instruments and two soloists in one beautiful group. A cantata, by the way, is a musical work, composed for chorus, soloists and instruments.

Soloists for the program will include:

Miss Christine Morken, a Junior from Pacific Lutheran University who will perform the soprano solo.

Mr. Larry Pepper, a student of Green River Community College, will perform the Tenor Solo.

Some of the Christmas Music of Europe will be featured including such standard songs as "Carol of the Birds" which is famous in Spain.

Beginning one half-hour before the program, the campus visitors will hear sound of Christmas carols rining throughout the campus. After the program, guests may enjoy refreshments

to be served immediately after the closing of the program by the singing of "Silent Night" by the choir and audience.

The hour-long production has been in rehearsal for the past several weeks and will be the climax of the fall quarter activity schedule at Green River.

Boeing Offers Scholarships

The Boeing Company has made available scholarships for persons 18 years of age and over to enroll in an eight-week drafting program beginning December 12 at the Green River Community College. The scholarship will provide tuition, registration fees, and equipment and books.

There will be no cost to the students.

The requirements to qualify for the scholarship include a good personal record, high school education or G.E.D. equivalent. Those students who lack a high school education and who have not had a G.E.D. test may take the test at the Green River College. In some instances, basic drafting experience will reduce the education requirements.

Applicants must be United States citizens, at least 18 years of age, and be willing to attend school full-time for eight weeks.

At the end of the training program the student will be eligible for employment at the Boeing Company starting at more than \$2.00 per hour if he has successfully completed the training requirements and meets the employer's hiring requirements.

Anyone that is interested in this program should contact the Washington State Employment Security Office or inquire in the administration building.

Semi-Formal Dance Slated

The Associated Students of Green River Community College will sponsor a semi-formal dinner-dance Saturday, January 28.

"Nuit D'amour" will be held at the Edgewater Inn from 7 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

Tickets can be purchased for \$15. The cost of the ticket includes a roast prime rib dinner for two. Also included are two 2"x3" color photographs and two 3"x4" mounted color photographs.

Burke Garrett and his orchestra will provide the music.

Game, Dance Tonight

Green River College plays an important conference game with Highline College tonight at Highline. The game will start at 8 p.m.

Following the game Highline will have a dance which Green River students have been invited to attend. Admission will be 25c and an A.S.B. card.

The dance will feature the Pentagon and will last until 12:00 a.m.

Girls are reminded that they must wear either a skirt or dress or they will not be admitted.



Wickstrom Insists He Is Santa

By a Staff Reporter

Many students are unsure of their identity. Arthur Wickstrom, a Green River sophomore and Santa Claus at an Auburn drug store, knows who he is and insists that everyone else knows too.

"Recently," Wickstrom says, "a woman brought her small child into the store."

"Johnny, this is Santa's helper," said the young mother.

"No, ma'am, I am Santa Claus," replied Wickstrom.

"Johnny," said the young woman giving Santa (Wickstrom) a menacing glance, "this is Santa's helper, Irving."

"No, ma'am, I am Santa Claus," Santa, Wickstrom or Irving insisted.

"How could you be Santa. We just saw Santa at another store," the bright three-year-old child interjected.

"Wickstrom, displaying his mental agility, 'I took a helicopter.'"

Wickstrom's patience is usually

taxed less than his mental ability. "Most of the children have their idiosyncracies. Some insist on pulling my beard. One boy sat on my lap with wet pants."

One girl asked for a picture of him and Jesus.

"Most girls want dolls. The boys usually want guns."

"Being Santa Claus is a good job," says Wickstrom. "The major trouble with my job is that is seasonal. Perhaps I can get a government job and play Santa Claus all year."

Undue Draft Pressures

(ACP) — The Pentagon's lowering of mental standards for the draft has begun to bring undue pressure on every member of the academic community regardless of attitudes toward the war, comments the **Coe Cosmos**, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

As of October 1, standards were lowered in a move to take an additional 20,000 draftees this year. The Pentagon said it would take further steps early next year to qualify another 20,000 registrants who would otherwise be deferred in the 1-Y category. A 1-Y classification specifies that a draftee is "qualified only in time of war or national emergency."

The Pentagon announcement came as a follow-up to Defense Secretary Robert McNamara's announcement August 23 of his plans to take 40,000 men by June 30, 1967, and 100,000 the following year.

By this ruling the terror of grades is escalated to the point where it brings unnecessary pressure in a student's attempt to receive a college education.

Grades were never and can never be an adequate measure of the knowledge and academic worth of a student. The assumption that grades determine human quality and that quality is exempt from destruction is unjust.

Edwin Robinson, University of Michigan student government president, said recently, "The draft causes a distortion of the educational process by forcing students to be more concerned with grades than with real educational achievement."

The escalation of the grading standard might mean that this year we save students who have C averages or better, the following year those with B or better, until there is none left except an elite.

As it is, college life provides enough pressures without the help of any undue outside forces.

New Courses Offered for Winter Term

Skiing, advanced swimming and diving, drafting, practical nursing, and English 77 head the list of new classes to be taught at GRCC Winter Quarter.

The skiing class will meet every Tuesday from 5 to 9 p.m. at Ski Acres. The regular cost of \$5 per credit hour will be charged with the additional skiing instructions costing \$15. Ski tow prices will be reduced approximately one third. Optional transportation to and from the ski area will be offered at the cost of \$28 per person.

The advanced swimming and diving class will be taught every Tuesday and Thursday at 2 p.m. at the Auburn YMCA.

An eight-week drafting class sponsored by Boeing will be offered Winter Quarter. The six-and-a-half hour course, held on Monday and Wednesday from 7

to 10 p.m. under the direction of Mr. Killeen, will prepare the student in drafting work in industry.

The practical nursing program offered at GRCC Winter Quarter will be a fifty-week course that will prepare practical nurses to give efficient nursing care in such areas as hospital, private homes, nursing homes and offices. Upon completion of this class, students will be qualified to take the state board examination for licensed practical nursing.

English 77, a follow up of the 71 series, will be offered for the first time at GRCC. The 77 series will enable the student who does not want to go on to a four-year institution to receive his degree from GRCC. Satisfactory completion of this class will enable the student to be eligible for English 101-103.

Ripples

Students, Green River College:
Welcome to Green River Community Grade School!

I say grade school because only in the grade school may one expect to find children too irresponsible to know that litter belongs in the litter containers and not on the tables and floors of our beautiful school. To make matters worse, our fellow students are also finding that the brand new student study centers with their pure vinyl floors are excellent places in which to store litter and in which to stub out cigarette butts. Those student study centers cost our parents a fortune in taxes. Taxes which they felt were wisely spent in providing us with the most modern and the finest facilities they could afford. Is this how we are to show them our appreciation? And more, is this all of the respect and pride which you feel about your campus?

The worst is yet to come. The library, that sacred place of study and peace has become the stronghold for those who would rather visit, talk and draw mathematical and articulate words upon the tables. This is in flagrant violation of our societies unspoken respect to those who would use these facilities for their studies and knowledge. Further, such disregard for the property of the school can not but illustrate to the visitors and friends of our college that the student body of our school are too immature and unwise to appreciate the gifts which have been bestowed upon them.

Are we all to be called a bunch of ignorant children with the barest of facades for entering adulthood? Or can we truthfully admit that it is time that the subject of littering and vandalism need never be again mentioned? I wonder. Do you care enough to help rid the school of this menace? I do.

John R. Reinking

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me — how can I grow?
I'm a person, please . . .
or don't you know?
Nancy Stephenson
Knight Edition
Wenatchee Valley College
November 4, 1966

Editorial Reprinted

The student newspaper of Wenatchee Valley College, Knight Edition, has reprinted an editorial that originally appeared in the Current.

The editorial, headlined "Draftees Not Needed For John-John's War," was published as part of a page on contemporary problems in the November 4, 1966 issue of the Knight Edition.

Mr. Ed Eaton, Current advisor, stated that the editorial is the first to be reprinted from the Current.

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The note he paused to make as fellow students went ahead to inspect Hatshepsut's Tomb in the Valley of the Kings near Luxor, he used to complete an assignment for his Comparative World Cultures professor.

Russ transferred the 12 units earned during the study-travel semester at sea to his record at the University of California at Irvine where he continues studies toward a teaching career in life sciences.

As you read this, 450 other students have begun the fall semester voyage of discovery with Chapman aboard the s.s. RYNDAM, for which Holland-America Line acts as General Passenger Agents.

In February still another 450 will embark from Los Angeles for the spring 1967 semester, this time bound for the Panama Canal, Venezuela, Brazil, Argentina, Nigeria, Senegal, Morocco, Spain, Portugal, The Netherlands, Denmark, Great Britain and New York.

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The Current Undertow

New Contest Offers Rewards For Most Auto Deaths

By D. Z.

This is to announce a new contest being sponsored by the Current and the Undertow. The name of this game is R.O.A.D. The full name is Rewards Offered for Auto Deaths. The object of this game is to get killed on the highways during Christmas vacation.

The rules of the game are:

- (1) Contestants must be killed in the accident or they will be disqualified.
- (2) Accidents must be unplanned.
- (3) Contestants must be over 16 years of age.
- (4) Winner will be determined by total number of points awarded.

Points will be awarded on the following basis:

- (1) Two points will be awarded if killed while under the influence of alcohol.
- (2) Weather conditions will be a determining factor with one point for sun, two points for rain, and three points for snow.

- (3) One point will be awarded if the contestant hits a bridge, utility pole, or guard rail.
- (4) Two points will be awarded for every person killed in the accident.

Bonus points will be issued for the following:

- (1) Three extra points if being pursued by the police at time of accident.
- (2) Two points for every person killed who is not in the entered vehicle.
- (3) One extra point if traffic is congested for more than twenty minutes.
- (4) Ten points if you are the last fatality of the 1966 season.

The grand-prize winner will receive a \$500 burial package, 6x6x6 of the most fertile land in Washington, his name will appear in the paper, his car will be displayed on various corners throughout the state, and he will be given a chance to participate in the National Finals of R.O.A.D. Second place will receive the \$500 burial package.

The National Finals will be held in Washington, D.C. If your accident killed the most people, left the most people hurt, and congested the most traffic you will be the 1966 R.O.A.D. winner. As such you would receive a \$1000 burial package, a 1967 Camaro, and his picture in the New York P-I.

The contest starts December 14 and will end December 31, at midnight. All decisions of the morticians will be final. Send your entries to

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For with the sun comes the morning's flies,
Eager to earn their board,
And with a flap of their paper wings,
They form a grey-black horde.

They prey on every decay of death,
And feed on blood and bone,
For every act which will please the mass,
Every member will readily condone.

Of a sudden ahead looms the silver web,
Attracting the leading fly,
And he plunges through with beauty in sight,
To entangle himself and die.

The other flies seeing the first flies act,
Follow to please the mass,
And one by one they enter the web,
Which has slain many flies in the past.

With the setting sun and the coming of night,
Each of the black flies are dead,
And his destiny is the resultant cause,
Of neglecting to use his head.

Barrie Blunt

Student Leaders Attend Meet

John Jones, Mike Seney, and Mrs. Vincent attended the state board meeting of the Washington Association of Community College Government (WACCSG) on Saturday the 18th of November at Yakima Community College.

The main objective of the meeting was to set up the agenda for state conference. The state conference will be held at Seattle's Shoreline Community College in April of 1967.

Mike Seney, Green River's WACCSG Representative, served at Parliamentarian at the meeting. John Jones, GRCC's Student Body President, served as President of the President's Council.

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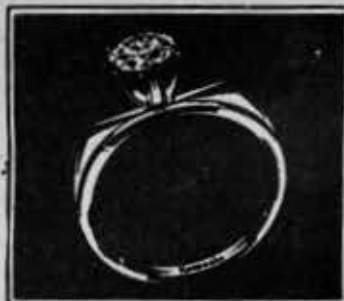
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On the 25th anniversary of Pearl Harbor the Samurai from Shoreline sank the Gators from Green River 83-71. The game was Green River's first home game and will count in the conference standings.

Shoreline employed an effective press at 15:19 of the first-half

Ski Trip Cancelled

Because of a shortage of adequate planning time and the lack of money, the Ski Club cancelled a proposed trip to Steven's Pass over the Thanksgiving Day holiday. Several members, ski instructors, did manage to make the trip to attend an instructor's seminar.

Though the club has few members it manages to maintain a high level of enthusiasm. The club urges all interested students to attend their meetings held on Mondays at 4 P.M. in ST-35.

The meeting of two weeks ago found the car wash a complete failure. This was due to the fact that insufficient students were able to show up in order to wash cars.

The members were treated to two excellent color films on skiing in Canada. The films demonstrated the outstanding skiing available to the neophyte and the experienced skiing enthusiasts.

The Ski Club is currently preparing the concessions for the college's home basketball games. These games, which are held in the Auburn Senior High School gymnasium began December 7

and stymied the Gator attack. The Samurai built up a lead of 30-12. The Samurai attack was led by Jack Bergersen and Terry Banks.

At 5:20 the Gators suddenly came to life and scored 12 straight points. The remainder of the half seasawed as Shoreline walked off with a 40-30 lead at half-time.

The Gators came roaring right back and cut the lead to 40-34. Shoreline then returned to their press and once again the Gator attack was halted. Gators Greg Brovold, Vern Hoffer, and Dave Borden led the rally.

Brovold was again the leading scorer with 25, Hoffer pumped in 16, and Borden capitalized on the charity line hitting 12 points.

Shoreline was led by Bergersen, who fouled out, who had 14 points, Bryan Willison also had 14 points, and Larry Willman who hit for 13.

Green River will travel to Highline tonight to play a game which will start at 8:00 p.m. Highline has invited Green River to a dance to be held after the game in the Pavilion. Music will be by the Pentagon and will last until 12:00 a.m.

SHORELINE	FG	FT	PF	TP
Banks	6	0	3	12
Bergersen	7	0	3	14
Evich	4	0	0	8
Lund	5	2	3	12
Willison	6	2	2	14
Willman	6	1	1	13
Manning	0	0	1	0
Clark	1	0	1	2
Wayman	3	1	0	7
Strable	0	1	1	1
Wright	0	0	2	0
	38	7	19	83

GREEN RIVER	FG	FT	PF	TP
Brovold	8	9	4	25
Boyett	6	1	4	13
Powell	2	1	0	5
Hoffer	8	0	4	16
Borden	2	8	1	12
Gatter	0	0	1	0
	26	19	14	71

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SPC Frosh Jolt Gators

The Green River Gators opened their 1966-67 basketball season Saturday December 3, against the Seattle Pacific College Frosh. The more powerful and experienced Falcons subdued the Gators 88-60.

Gator Greg Brovold put Green River on the scoreboard first when he stole a pass and went the distance with 19:28 remaining in the first half. The next two minutes saw the Gators and Falcons exchange baskets at 17:05 the score was tied at 6-6.

But at this point the Falcons reeled off four unanswered baskets to go ahead 14-6. Seven-foot Steve Powell finally broke the Gator scoring ice by sinking a free throw at 13:17.

Fearful of a Green River rally the Falcons went into a full-court press at 9:13, a series of turnovers gave the Falcons four more unchallenged baskets.

The Falcons were then able to take a comfortable 47-21 lead into the dressing room during half-time.

The Falcons started the second-half like they finished the first-half, they reeled off two more unanswered goals.

At 15:35 the SPC coach began sending in the reserves.

Green River received another unneeded handicap when Dave Borden fouled out at 13:58. At this point the Falcons appeared to be running away with the ball game.

Later the Gators suddenly shook their first game jitters and began to answer SPC basket for basket.

Brovold, Vern Hoffer, and Jack Boyett began hitting the shots they had missed earlier. This, coupled with some good defensive play by Powell, forced the Falcons to play a different ball game than they had played in the

first half. The Gators forced the Falcons to take the outside shots, this tight defense caused the SPC shooting accuracy to drop.

Brovold and Hoffer were the big guns for the Gators. Brovold hit for 18 points and snared 18 rebounds, Hoffer pumped in 15 points and grabbed 5 rebounds.

Owen, Quesnell, and McDonald led the Falcons. Owen hit for 14 points and 11 rebounds, Quesnell shot in 10 points and pulled down 5 rebounds, and McDonald pumped in 14 points and got 3 rebounds.

Highline 'Cans' Green River

The Associated Student Body of Green River Community College got "canned" November 24 in its frugal attempt to collect more canned and dried goods than the Associated Student Body of Highline College.

Highline collected a total of 1,085 pounds as compared to GRCC's 499 pounds.

With defeat GRCC's student body also accepted the responsibility of paying for expenses of the joint-college dance held the evening of Wednesday the 23rd at the Highline College Pavilion.

The on-campus race for dried and canned goods put the ever-victorious sophomores on top netting 131 pounds.

The Current staff sincerely regrets not having mentioned Christmas in an earlier issue; but we have nothing to sell.

GREEN RIVER	FG	FT	PF	TP
Greg Brovold	5	8	3	18
J. Boyett	4	2	4	10
T. Beckler	0	0	1	0
S. Powell	2	2	3	6
V. Hoffer	5	5	1	15
D. Borden	3	1	5	7
D. Petchnick	0	0	1	0
L. Gatter	1	0	4	2
R. Rogers	0	0	0	0
D. Olson	0	2	1	2
TOTALS	20	20	23	60

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