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Summer Fest gets off ground



Work has begun on a two-bedroom house being constructed in the west parking lot near the library that will be one of the features of Northwest Summer '78 which begins May 1.

by Stella Bennett

Some are calling it a carnival, a fair, a festival, an exhibit, or a springtime extravaganza. Whatever it's called, **NORTHWEST SUMMER '78** promises to be all these things and more.

NORTHWEST SUMMER '78, slated for May 12 and 13 on the GRCC campus, will be a community festival of exhibits, demonstrations and entertainment reflecting

Northwest Summer 78

the outdoor summer lifestyle of the Pacific Northwest. The festival is the combined effort of GRCC and merchants, service organizations, and local artists and entertainers from Auburn, Kent, Renton, Federal Way, Sumner, Puyallup, Enumclaw and Seattle.

The objective of the two-day event is to bring a significant number of Valley residents to the campus. The festival is designed to do two things, according to director Bruce Compton. "First, to unite the college and surrounding communities in helping each other obtain a clearer perspective and a better understanding of one another. And, second, this awareness will further our enrollment goals."

There will be exhibits of motor homes, trailers, recreational vehicles, automobiles and boats. Hang gliders will be displayed and demonstrated in the gym.

The most elaborate project is a

two-bedroom vacation home being erected in parking lot "A". It will be built, completely furnished, decorated and landscaped by Valley businesses.

Government exhibits will include displays by Common Cause, a citizens' organization for better government, the Washington State Patrol, and the King County Fire Protection Department. U.S. Army, Marines and Air Force recruiters will also be on hand.

Energy-saving equipment, including a backyard solar furnace and a heat pump, will be exhibited.

For those who want to *expend* a little energy, two travel agencies will be available to help plan summer vacations.

Campus walkways will be lined with more than 70 Valley artisans showing and selling arts and crafts

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Students bound for D.C.

by Laura Zielinski

Seven Green River Community College students, representing the school's Business Management Association, will go to Washington D.C. next month for the National Junior Collegiate DECA Career Development Conference.

The students will be competing against the winners from the state conferences from approximately 32 other states at the May 1-5 conference.

The students obtained eligibility by placing in the Washington Mid-management Association's State Career Development Conference early last month. The students and their placings are: Sherrie Armstrong, first in Management Decision Making; Steve Mitchell, first in Management Decision Making-

-Merchandising; and Tom Seward, first in Real Estate.

Other winners going to Nationals are: Val Rasmussen and Rita Montross, second in advertising; Bob Moore, second in Chapter Marketing Improvement; and Chad Sjolín, fourth in Real Estate.

Armstrong and Mitchell each received one of the three available \$300 scholarships from Chevron, U.S.A., Inc.

Other students who placed, but will not be going to Nationals are: Girtha Reed, second in Prepared Speech; Ivan Pickens and Gil Morey, second in Marketing Problem Solving; and Laura Arzate, sixth in Sales Manager Meeting.

The Business Management Association meets Mondays at noon and Thursday evenings at 5:30.

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SPOUTING

The great sports scandal that wasn't

By Mark D. Stumpf

An in-depth, blue-ribbon, deep-background Current investigation — a few phone calls and five-minute interviews by this writer — has revealed that the Green River Gators are not dishonest.

It has also revealed the Green River Current has been something a little less than honest.

An explanation:

The April 6 Current reported the Gators had gone to California and played four games, which they lost. Shortly after that story was published, a reader relayed a complaint to the paper: The Gators, he said, played nine games down south, not four.

Why weren't the other five reported? Dark suspicions clouded the mind of this journalist. Were the other games being hidden?

Excuses by the Current sports staff were lame. The writer of the April 6 story, Robert Lowery, said he saw only four games in the Gators' scorebook. Sports Editor Kirk Schriefer said a student programs secretary told him not to write about the other games. The sports page has not seen any follow-up to the April 6 article.

"I never said that," said Patty Fox, student programs secretary who was among the party joining the team for the trip. She said she told Schriefer that she attended two games and knew of only two others.

Nine games were played in

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California, confirmed Jack Johnson, athletics and recreation coordinator here. Teams are limited to 40 games a season, he said, and Green River has no problem with that limit, counting all the California games. More than 40 might be scheduled during a season, Johnson said, but since some are cancelled, the limit is not exceeded. "We never get the limit in."

Johnson was more interested in commenting on the uniqueness of the California trip: "It's the farthest any of our athletic teams have traveled." And it wasn't paid for by student body funds, he notes. "All the money for that trip was raised by the coach and his players," Johnson said, as is the case for all out-of-state athletic trips. The team mowed lawns, held a bowlingathon, and sold "everything you can think of" to amass around \$2,000.

From what we know now, that's the whole story, as far as the athletic department is concerned. The paper's role is another matter.

Even if inadvertently, the Current deceived its readers. Perhaps not significantly — the only effect of publishing the story of the other five games would have been to embarrass the team, since they lost all five — but a false impression nevertheless.

One need not pontificate on the purpose of a free press to make the average person admit that printing falsehoods is not the mission of the Fourth Estate. When it does so, the clear responsibility is to correct the wrong impression at the first opportunity, not file the truth away as "old news."

The Current is not the only agent of the press unwilling to admit its errors. Television viewers last Sunday saw Gene F. Johnkowsky, president of CBS Broadcast Group, admit that players of a

series of tennis matches promoted as "winner take all" were actually paid whether they won or lost. Johnkowsky was forced by the government to admit the deceit. The case doesn't parallel the Current incident, but does illustrate that the same standards of candor should apply to sports reporting as other news coverage, and that the effect when those standards are ignored is the same: public resentment and mistrust.

The facts of the scandal-that-wasn't seem minor when stated clearly. But the lesson to be learned is a big one: When self-interest and team-playing replace the public interest and independence, journalism becomes propaganda.

Senate approves \$26,280 for athletic field work

by Steve Eaton

The student senate allotted \$26,280 in the passage of two bills last Thursday. \$26,125 was earmarked for the enlargement and resurfacing of the athletic field. Another \$155 will be spent on the construction of a book exchange board to be placed in the student center above the cash machine.

The senate also approved the constitution of a new club here on campus, the Green River Community College Business Management Association. The music listening bill, a bill that would involve the purchase of \$1,000 worth of records, was postponed. The senators had not yet received copies of the bill.

The project to enlarge and resurface the athletic field will cost, in the end, \$75,300. The student senate will provide about a third of this sum. The rest will come from other sources.

The \$26,000 must be paid by June, 1979. \$12,500 is due this June. The bill, which has been in the works for two months, was discussed for several minutes and nearly postponed for further discussion

when some of the new senators raised questions as to the details of the project.

The senate also ratified the appointment by Ann Hophner, student body president, of Scott Hubbard to the budget committee.

Senate meets tonight

by Steve Eaton

Tonight at 7:00 several bills will be brought before the Student Senate. The bills could involve the spending of some \$3,000 on up.

A bill that was postponed last week asks for \$1,000 to be allotted for the purchase of records for the Music Listening Room. The newly organized Business Management Club, before the Business Management Association, has asked for \$1,935 to help support two delegates they plan to send to Washington D.C. the first week in May. The Occupational Therapy club bill searches for \$28.50 for funding their convention in San Diego may 7. The cheerleaders bill asks for \$284.00 to pay for their recent trip to Walla Walla in support of the basketball team.

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Step on the gas while it lasts

by Craig Lemoine

The Energy Crisis; remember back a few years ago when we all became enlightened to the fact that we have an energy problem in America?

Who can forget those endless hours waiting in line for gas? Threats of a permanent embargo on oil from OPEC; government contemplation of gas rationing and horror stories of prices soaring to a dollar or even more for a single gallon of gas.

America woke up to the fact that not only does it not have an endless supply of oil and gas, but that other forms of energy are also limited.

What a cause for the politicians; a comprehensive energy program was spoken of, funds were allotted for research, and analyses of the situation, and results, were buried in contradicting arguments from federal sources and the oil industry.

Three separate administrations have had the energy problem and they have all, in their own ways, been ineffective in solving the problem. The federal speed limit of 55 mph is all but ignored by the daily commuting public, more people are driving cars and wasting gas than ever, few, if any, are aware enough to car pool, and riding the bus is still considered to be too inconvenient to be practical.

The guilt lies in the hands and habits of the American public's lack of awareness. We are all willing to make short-range sacrifices, but the long-range commitment is still out of the question.

And what of other energy problems? Each area of America presents a unique problem. Some are more dependent on rain for hydro-electric power, while others need coal or natural gas to generate the power needed to keep industry and the population on the go.

The federal government is dragging its feet; tied up in its own unwillingness to effect an energy program that will ask the people to do without. The attitude is just as strong from the public. Most are in favor of some sort of national energy program — as long as it doesn't affect their driving a 10-mile-a-gallon gas hog as daily transportation. A public awareness is the key to a successful energy program in America. Until the public is aware of the scope of the problem and demonstrates a willingness to make a long-range commitment to it, then the problem will continue to become worse.

Research into new ways to utilize our energy and new sources of energy are needed now more than ever. I'd say more, but I just ran out of gas.



by Virginia Fisher

A college student (name withheld upon request) feels he can't afford to attend a four year college when he has finished his last year at Green River Community College. He's paying his own way through Green River, and works when he doesn't have classes.

This student says he isn't eligible for grants because he still lives at home, and although his parents can't afford to pay for college, they're in the bracket that makes them ineligible for grants.

His job doesn't pay enough to cover the "high-cost" tuitions of four year colleges, and he doesn't want to take a year off and work. As he puts it, "I want to get where I'm going as quick as I can."

This student wants to know if there are any scholarships, grants or loans that he could be eligible for.

Loni Archeleta, program assistant in the Financial Aid

office, says that the eligibility depends on the type of aid applied for.

"Many students don't even try," she says, because they think they are ineligible. But income isn't the only thing regarded when applying. Dependents and assets are also taken into account.

If the student isn't eligible for grants or scholarships, there is the Federally Insured Student Loan available through the banks.

Further information can be obtained by calling ext. 317 or inquiring at the Financial Aid office, in the Lindbloom Center.

Anyone who has a problem or has a question they need an answer to, may contact the Pipeline by calling ext.267 or writing to the Pipeline at the Green River Current in the Communications Annex.

★★★★★ fan mail★★★★★

Editor:

Steven Kaukl's article in the March 9th paper 'Watchers of Our Welfare' are 'Hazards to our Health' is only another glaring example of the state of mind most Americans now possess, 'voluntary ignorance.' Never before has the level of awareness been higher, yet never before have so many people chosen to remain ignorant of their own awareness. The government has been forced to step in and control aspects of our life becomes gluttonous habits, lazy lifestyles, and most Americans total disregard for their health, has created a

health problem reaching epidemic proportions.

You will not die a happy well fed man, drink in one hand, smoke in the other. You will die a derelict (too many dead brain cells), hooked to several machines (half your organs giving out from abuse), being spoon fed (most of your muscles will have deteriorated to a point where you probably won't even be able to wipe your own butt). Of course that's only if your not killed or mutilated in some tragic accident. There is one consolation however, even a derelict with 95% of his brain cells dead would probably be able to follow and enjoy the plot of a Starsky and Hutch show.

But why spend 40 years destroying your body (and my environment), why not just start out big, become a junkie or a speed freak. That way you can be dead and wasted in no time at all. All the energy and resources that would have been used to process your junk food and all of the grains and vats that would have been used to fatten a cow so that you could eat its dead flesh (some call it meat) could go give life to someone who intends to do more with it than indulge in his own selfish desires.

Jim Mabe

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Record reviews

Who is Randle Rosburg?

by Jeff Towne

Has anyone ever heard of Randle Rosburg? They're one of those rock bands from a couple of years ago. The name is usually, if anything, what is remembered. They are, however, still remembered by Rick Taylor, Rick Ramirez, Scott Rosburg, and Rick Randle. That's right, Randle Rosburg is now called Striker.

Striker has now joined the rank and file of present Seattle area bands of which the most familiar is Heart. They have a style of music not unlike that of Boston and Foreigner. It's very clear, distinct rock'n'roll, but with a difference. Striker's music has teeth. As it

thing for cowbells as a percussion instrument.

For some reason it seems that Striker likes to do drum intros to their songs. It happens so often it makes one wonder if they haven't mastered the guitar intro format or even the no intro format. As the album goes on it becomes self evident that this is not the case at all.

The lead vocals are shared between Scott Rosburg and Rick Randle. They should be glad that they sing in a rock band because their vocals have the basic sound of the untrained voice. Fortunately the lead vocals and background vocals are par for the course in rock music.

By Your Side has a strange musical resemblance to Peter Frampton. Not just in vocals, but also in the way the guitars are played. The whole song could be taken out of context and mistaken for one by the English pop rocker himself.

There is no best song on the album. If they are judged strictly on their individual merits, there can be no question that Striker has something. The question at this point is what that something is.

Striker is far from living in the lap of luxury. One thing that Striker needs right now is more experience in the music industry and all of its many facets.

The good balance of music in this album makes it hard to pick out anything extraordinary. Striker is a good all-around rock 'n roll band and much more.

STRIKER

plainly states on the album jacket this record was made loud to be played loud. Striker lacks the polish (as of now) to be a real threat to either Boston or Foreigner.

Scott Rosburg shows some of his guitar talent on *Hard On Me*, which leaves this song imaginative, at least. One thing that catches the ear on *More Than Enough* is the highlighting of the piano and drum. The piano on this song was mixed nicely with the heavy handed bass chords and rhythmic lashing on the drum. Possibly the only things that saves *On My Way* are the cowbells, quite aptly played by Rick Taylor. Some may not agree, but I just have a

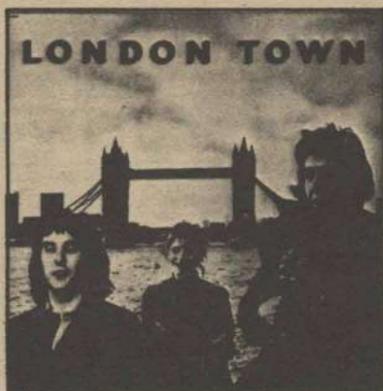
Wings grounded

Paul McCartney and Wings' long-awaited new album, *London Town*, is a definite disappointment. This is slightly understandable, due to the great success they had with *Wings Over America*. With this release, Wings seem to have been temporarily grounded.

Musically the songs are nice. Unfortunately Wings added lyrics and a few assorted noises. Except for *Cafe on the Westbank*, *London Town*, and *With a Little Luck*, the songs appear to be disjointed and mere connected fragments. The song *Girlfriend* is sung, mainly by Linda McCartney. It sounds like a forgotten rock and roll tune from the early sixties, and forgotten for a good reason.

In the past, Paul McCartney has been known as an innovator of music. This time he seems to have written material for the period of music that died when the Beatles were born. Wings have descended to a low never believed possible.

Of all the Wings' albums to date, *London Town* ranks only with *Wings' Wildlife*. Which, if one re-



members, was their cataclysmic release of 1971. If this album is remembered in years to come, it will be because Wings didn't deliver the high quality material they have been known for in previous albums.

McCartney sings, "With a little luck we can help it out. We can make this whole damn thing work out." Wings will need more than a little luck to "send it rocketing skyward." The professional in Paul McCartney should tell him that luck is only for fools anyway.

arts and entertainment



Roy Berkeley

Village Coffee house singer to appear here

Roy Berkeley, the "first folk singer to sing in a Greenwich Village coffee house", will appear next Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Gator Room.

He will present a two-part program in which he plays, sings, and analyzes American folk songs. The first part of his program will be concerned with "American folk songs as a reflection of industrialization of the cotton-mill South". The second part will deal with "Urban American folk songs as a reflection of change from the 1930s to the 1970s."

Berkeley is also a guitar teacher and historian. He has appeared in coffee houses, college concerts, and on radio and television throughout the U.S., as well as lecture/concert tours of Europe.

The folksinger is a former faculty member of Rutgers University Institute of Management

and Labor Relations. In the summer of 1976, he taught a master's program course at Connecticut Wesleyan entitled, "Myth and Reality in American History — an Analysis Using Folk Music". Included in the course were such topics as: the cowboy myth as the center of the American self-image; America's strange literature of war and assassination songs; the joys of whiskey, cocaine, and male chauvinism; and the railroad takes America for a ride. This summer he will teach a course at Wesleyan examining "the folk ballad as literature, as cultural anthropology, as historic journalism and also in Freudian/Jungian terms as representations of the family drama and its taboos".

The concert is presented by the social sciences division, and is free to the public.



'I find it difficult to be objective'

FDR's son recalls father's years of crisis leadership

by Robert Lowery

"The United States and Russia do not have a hold on the proliferation of atomic weapons," according to Elliott Roosevelt, son of the late President Franklin Roosevelt. "Brazil, South Africa,...all have or will have the capability soon...it is the means today that you and I could be wiped out by a single person pressing a button".

Roosevelt spoke recently, to approximately 175 people, at the University of Washington on recollections of his father.

"...As his son I find it difficult to be objective..."

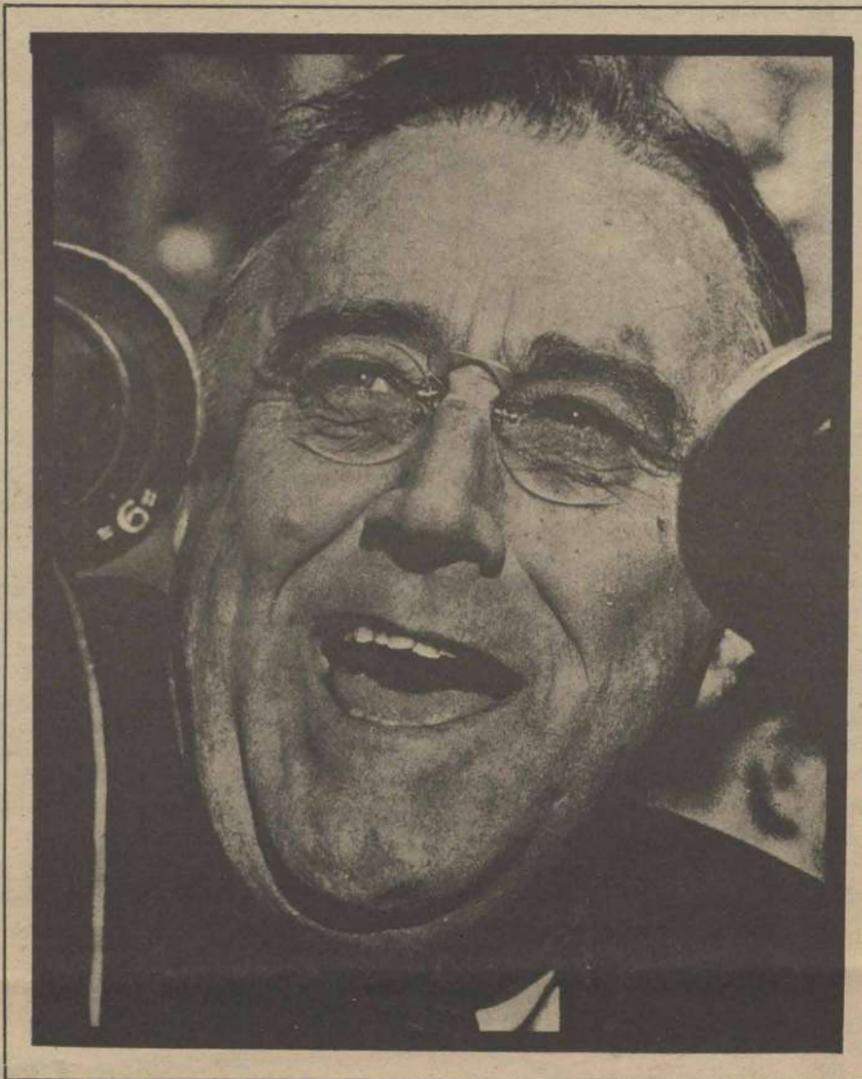
But, since he was in his early twenties when FDR was elected president, his comments seem credible and were certainly informative.

"By the time he took office the country was in shambles, the people had lost faith in the government... one-third of all employable people were not working...the people were ready for anything, even a dictatorship to restore order."

"My father was granted, by congress, the powers of a dictator on a temporary basis (100 days)...radio was used to tell the people what he would do to help the situation... he was able to change the attitude of the people...he made them want to work."

From this phase of the Roosevelt administration came the now famous quote: "There is nothing to fear but fear itself..."

"He instituted a series of programs which saved the free enterprise system...in spite of the free enterprise bankers and industrialists...some of the programs have been changed and emasculated so you wouldn't be able to recognize them today...he affects your daily life in everything you do."



Roosevelt then explained the Social Security System as it had been originally formed. It had been set up along the same guidelines as today's private pension funds. Invested money was put in by both the worker and employer with interest being accrued on all savings. Each account was a separate entity. Whatever a person put in was what he got out plus interest. Today the money all goes into a general fund in the U.S. Treasury

with no interest being accumulated.

"No following administration has increased the amount put in by either the worker or employer, that's why it went broke...now the congress has tried to catch up all at once and put a tremendous burden on both the worker and management. It'll never work unless you go back and start all over again. It shows how you can have a good idea ruined by your successors."

Roosevelt moved to the topic of welfare.

"It was a job finding method in the Roosevelt administration of the thirties...you did something for everything you pocketed...nobody got paid for doing nothing...programs were established where everyone was able to participate, even those in the arts and sciences. My father tried to preserve the dignity of man."

On the subject of labor, Roosevelt commented

"He put an end to the exploitation of labor and the very low wages. It could be said today that labor, in its zealotness to make gains, has contributed to inflation. But management has made an extra profit by price hikes due to new contracts...each has tried to outdo the other. We've had a certain prostitution of the National Labor Relations Act as it was conceived."

In closing Roosevelt touched on the United Nations and U.S. leadership.

"He had a brainchild of creating the United Nations...he died a few weeks before the original organizational meeting in San Francisco, during 1945...he envisioned it as a world type of government providing both the arms and the manpower of a huge peace keeping force."

"The people today are lacking in leadership from people who can explain to us what they are trying to do... we have opened up the way for communists to grab off and take huge amounts of country for their control...there hasn't been a president since Harry Truman who didn't make a bundle from being President of the United States...we need decisive leaders in this country who have integrity...the way it's going now nobody does anything...we're drifting, not moving...we're headed for a period of indecision."

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There will be carnival rides, food tents, professional clowns, outdoor folk and rock musical entertainment, exotic dancers, movies, a swap meet, a major concert on Friday evening and a dance on Saturday evening.

The GRCC drama department's Heavier Than Air Musical Theatre Company will present three showings of "Pinocchio."

Recording star Johnny Rivers will appear with the Green River Music Company.

Vintage movies will feature such classics as W. C. Fields, Laurel and Hardy, and the Marx Brothers, among others.

Even the oldsters are getting into the act, with the appearance of the Kent senior citizens' washboard band and a square dancing demonstration by the Renton senior citizens.

The swap meet will take place all day Saturday in the lower parking lot. Anyone may enter, provided the articles to be swapped or sold are used. There will be a \$5 fee for space rental and pre-registration is necessary.

On-campus security will be maintained on a 24-hour basis for the entire festival. Staff and faculty parking spaces will be set aside for the use of exhibitors and participants.

The tentative calendar for the NORTHWEST SUMMER '78 is as follows:

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Friday, May 12		
Noon - 1 p.m.	Rock group, "Straight Up"	The Commons
Noon - 1 p.m.	Watermelon-eating contest	The Commons
2 - 4 p.m.	Cedar Cole (folk music)	The Commons
4-8 p.m.	Open. Some hang glider demonstrations	Gym
8-10 p.m.	"Pinocchio"	Gym
Saturday, May 13		
10 a.m. - noon	"Pinocchio"	Gym
11 a.m. - noon	Movies	SMT-214
11 a.m. - noon	Hang glider demonstration	
Noon - 2 p.m.	Barry and Carolyn, strolling musicians	
2 - 3 p.m.	Movies	SMT-214
2-3 p.m.	Kent Senior Citizens' Washboard Band	The Commons
2-3 p.m.	Renton Senior Citizens' Square Dancing	The Commons
3-4 p.m.	Bou-Saada Dance Troupe (exotic dance and theatre)	
4-5 p.m.	Mix-Masters (ethnic dancing & music)	The Commons
4-5 p.m.	Movies	SMT 21-4
4-5 p.m.	Watermelon-eating contest	The Commons
5-7 p.m.	Cedar Cole (folk music)	The Commons
8-10 p.m.	"Pinocchio"	Gym
9 p.m. -midnight	Dance with rock band, "Child"	LSC

No activity with the broad scope of NORTHWEST SUMMER '78 has ever been attempted on GRCC's campus before. A vast promotion and advertising campaign has been implemented to attract Valley-area residents to the festival, which has encompassed radio and TV time, special mailers, an eight-page supplement in the area's newspapers and paid advertisements in various magazines and publications, including "TV Guide". One of the best things about the

festival is the admission is FREE! Hours will be from noon to dusk on May 12, and from 9 a.m. to dusk on May 13.

Any person or program wishing to participate is encouraged to contact Earl Norman, Ext. 251. Anyone wishing to reserve a space for the swap meet may contact Debbie Haigh, Ext. 337. Any other information may be obtained by contacting festival staff coordinators Michael Blackwell, Ext. 360, or Bruce Compton, Ext. 401.

Holocaust: A true horror story

by Craig LeMoine

Holocaust — the very word in itself brings to mind things that are unimaginable. Such was the case in the late 30s and early 40s when Nazi Germany, under the leadership of Adolf Hitler, campaigned to rid Europe of the Jews by whatever means was necessary.

Gerald Green's newest book entitled "Holocaust" deals with the plight of a fictitious family of Jews and what became of them, from persecution in their homeland to execution on an assembly-line basis.

The book is written in a dual viewpoint manner by a survivor of the holocaust, Rudi Weiss, and by a high-ranking member of the German SS, Erik Dorf.

Weiss recounts the brief years that his family survived the persecution by the Nazis and gives some insight into the human struggling that went on in Europe during this inhuman crusade. Weiss himself survived by becoming a resistance fighter and not bowing to the power of the master race; not wanting to die without a fight.

Dorf, on the other hand, is accounted for in the book by means of his personal diary, describing his rise from unemployed lawyer to major in the SS, playing a key role in the "resettlement" of the Jews. The man demonstrates the cold and calculated way in which 6 million people were systematically murdered with no mercy shown. Dorf, as part of his responsibility, was chosen to develop a quicker way to eliminate the Jews and, in the long run, was one of the men behind the "death camps" such as the renowned and despised Auschwitz, where Jews were executed at the rate of up to 12,000 in a single day, the ultimate in efficiency for the Nazis.

Green writes an effective fictitious account that is moving and historically accurate if compared to the facts available. The people are written about in such a way as to make them most real. The event was real and few will ever forget it once they are touched by it.

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That settles it

by Jonathan Blair

One of the things that came to me late in life, is the realization that most other people are totally different from myself. And with that, correct in their own earthly assumptions. With this, now hard to ignore, comes many other . . . kind of delicate problems. It's easy enough to see how others fail to feed the courtesy of open-mindedness back. (Websters regards open-mindedness as being receptive to ideas and arguments).

I find this true of most of the fundamentalists about. This was on my mind just the other day. Walking out of my anthropology

opinion

class, I picked up a Current and was reading an editorial about Anita Bryant. Almost to the cafeteria I came upon some folks trying to forge my soul with their little green books. With Anita fresh on my mind, one could easily get a funny feeling that maybe the pages of these books were laced with Anita's Special Testosterone Sauce. (Just to make sure I wouldn't pinch any men on the ass for a day or two).

They bug me. Sometimes these devotants will knock on your door early in the morning. Often they attack you on the street. Now they're at school, trolling for lost souls. I'm always tempted to say something brash to them, but they always look so nice (kind of like Donny and Marie). They aren't interested in what I have to say, so I rely on my old standard answer:



"Sorry, I'm not interested".

Now what if someone brought a monkey to school and stood in front of the cafeteria trying to convince everyone how much alike we are? That would be outrageous! And what if someone wore an anti-Christ T-shirt, strutting around demanding equal time for his or her beliefs?

Yes folks, their moral fibre is everywhere. It's even on the door of the first stall in the cafeteria's men's facility. (Won't they even leave me alone at such a peaceful moment as that)?

What the fundamentalists don't realize is that somewhere else on this planet there are very large groups of people who don't believe a word of what they say. Don't these people exist? Don't they count? Are they too dark to be right or something?

Some of the more pious think everything you do is a sin. But everything they do bores me to no end! That doesn't really matter, lets just have considerations for each other when we occupy the same space. To me religion serves

a purpose . . . those of us who need it, find it. Those of us who are pleased to put priorities on pleasurable play . . . do just that. And for the best of reasons too . . . it feels good!

So who then can take a higher position and tell someone what they do is wrong? Or that it is not in

keeping with some interpretive standard that has been adulterated by time and change. To me it is only another one of those enigmatic events that took place in the past.

The world is a natural free flowing theater of events. We all want to share with others, things that make us happy and things that have saddened us. It's just that there are so many ways to interpret the "facts", why would anyone want to close doors on someone else's ideas? Why can't we find security in the realization that there are no answers, nothing is for sure. And maybe that is what makes the world function. I'm proud to be part of the whole arrangement, just the way it is.

Sorry, but if you're trying to recruit me, you'll have to put it another way. How about this: We think Jesus said it. I'm convinced that if he did, I would believe it until something better came along. And for now, that settles it . . . amen.



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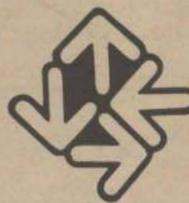
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SPORTS



Rod Bixler raps another Gator hit.

Inconsistency haunts Gators

by Robert Lowery

The Green River men's baseball team experienced another disappointing week by winning only one game in four attempts. The Gators lost both ends of a twin bill to Edmonds by scores of 5 to 3 and 6 to 3. Against Skagit Valley, GR won the opener 4 to 0 but dropped the nightcap 9 to 2.

In both series the Gators out hit their opposition. But against Edmonds, the lack of an outfield fence permitted the Titons to score some "cheap" runs as the ball evaded GR

outfielders. Green River third baseman Greg Jensen provided the offense against the Titons batting a perfect seven for seven with two walks for the afternoon.

The loss to Skagit Valley was attributed to the inability of the Gators to "make the routine plays" according to GR pitcher Doug Sisk. In the first win the routine plays came with ease as did most other facets of the game. Green River dominated the game from its outset for the victory.

Inconsistency, pitching problems, and injuries all plague the team at this point in time. Sisk, counted on as the pitching "ace" at the season's outset, has been limited to a one and one record because of an irritated tendon in his pitching arm.

Green River's record now stands at two wins and six losses placing them third in the conference. But Sisk commented,

"We should be even after this weekend."

At press time GR had upcoming doubleheaders with Tacoma and against Everett, at home, on Saturday. Sisk felt a sweep of all four games was a distinct possibility.

Sowpitcher split twin bill

by Gary Hayes

Green River's Women's Slowpitch team seems to have solved their pitching problems, as they split a double header with Ft. Steilacoom, Monday. The Lady Gators have struggled along to their present 2-6 record, suffering in the pitching department.

Monday, the Gators put Eva Smith on the mound for her first pitching appearance, but six Green River errors and some strong Ft. Steilacoom hitting left the Gators on the short end, 12-7. Green River's Barb Krook blasted a first inning homerun to drive in three runs in the losing effort.

Things settled down in the second game, as Shannah Rongen only allowed five singles and one walk, giving up only three runs. Julie Venn had the hot bat, going two for three, with a homerun and a triple. Rongen retired eight of the last nine batters to cap the win for the green and gold.

Inexperience in the pitching department has been a problem for the Gators. Lynn Pederson, pitcher, had never played organized ball before. Coach Jan Kochel adds, "Lynn's improved 100 percent from the start of the season." With the addition of Shannah Rongen and Eva Smith to the pitching corps, the Gators might have solved their biggest problem.

The next match up for the slowpitchers will be Wed. April 26, when the Lady Gators visit Lower Columbia.

Tennis team wins opener

by Chuck Mingori

By shutting out two community college teams in consecutive days last week, and nipping Western Washington University Saturday, the men's tennis team won its fourth match in a row.

The victories brought the Gators' season win-lost record to 7-1, and league play now stands at 1-0. The Gators' only loss of the season, so far, is to the University of Washington.

Tuesday, in their first league match, the Gators' overpowered the Skagit Valley Cardinals by a score of 7-0. No opponent of the Gators won more than three games in one set during singles action.

In doubles, after getting off to a slow start, Terry Wise and Al Lyons (GR) knocked off Al White and Kai Coble, 6-4, 6-0. Randy Wong and Tom Kennedy (GR) beat Gary Brown and Neil Bretvick in the number two doubles match, 6-3, 6-3.

Wednesday, the Gators demolished the Yakima Indians by another score of 7-0. Playing without their number one singles player, the Indians were never in a position to win the match from the Gators.

A league match scheduled at Everett was rained out Friday, and was scheduled to be replayed April 26.

Gr runners to visit Oregon

by Kirk Schreifer

Saturday the Green River Track team is traveling to Gresham, Oregon, for the Mt. Hood Invitational Meet. GR coach Mike Behrbaum says, "We are going to kick ass!"

Talking about some of the strong points of his team Behrbaum said, "Our runners will definitely be the backbone of the team down at Mt. Hood. With guys like Lorenzo Bellamy, Ed Starkey, John Adkins, Bryan Scott, and Mike Strong we'll do pretty good."

"Bellamy has to be the best athlete at GR, the guy is just amazing. Take last Saturday at the Olympic Invitational for an example. Bellamy won the high hurdles with a 14.5 second time, one tenth of a second better than the record he set last week. He also won the 200 meter dash. You just can't lose with a guy like that."

The GR team placed fifth in a field of ten at the Olympic meet. Rich King ran a 1:56.2 half mile which qualified him for the conference championship meet at the end of the season. John Adkins placed third in the 400 meters. Ed Starkey finished second in the 100 meters and third in the 200 meter dash.

Jim Forgath ran a lifetime best in the 5,000 meters with a time of 15:21.4. That also qualifies him for the championships. Ralph Harrison led the GR field events by placing third in the triple jump with his lifetime best of 42 feet 5 inches.

In an exciting match played Saturday, which was tied after the singles competition, the Gators took a close decision from Western Washington University, 5-4.

One of the highlights in the match was the play of Tom Kennedy and Randy Wong (GR), who played Dana Vana and Mike Hoefel in the number two doubles match. Hoefel was on the number one doubles team that won the state championship last year in community college play.

In the third set of the match between Kennedy-Wong and Vana-Hoefel, the set score was tied, 6-6. This meant a nine-point tiebreaker had to be played. (The best five out of nine wins.) The Vikings' doubles team won the tiebreaker and the match, but Gator Coach Steve Sauers felt that the play of Kennedy and Wong was very "inspiring" considering their opponents.

Sauers had particular praise for Wong and Lyons in both, their singles and doubles play against the Vikings. Also, Sauers said, "I was pleased with all the doubles play," and he commented, "it is taking Terry (Wise) for granted in his play...."

The triumph over Western brought Sauers' coaching record at Green River to 134 wins against 28 losses. This is Sauers' ninth year as men's tennis coach at Green River.

The Gators play at home Tuesday against Tacoma in a league match.

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Monday, 24

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Tuesday, 25

Men's Tennis vs. Tacoma (1 p.m.)
Women's Tennis vs. Tacoma (1 p.m.)

Wednesday, 26

Baseball vs. Ft. Steilacoom (1:30)

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