

ACAP funding vetoed

by Fran Sumner

Ellen Kropp, representing the Auburn Christian Action Program (ACAP), which made a request for emergency day care funding, angrily stormed out of the student senate session May 7 when no senator would re-submit the bill for vote to override President Ben Benson's veto.

Benson vetoed the bill on the grounds that it would be an improper use of 522 funds. He sees day care expense as a personal expense in the same category as food and rent.

The senate will be working on ways to raise money to help the day care.

An amended version of the compensation bill that was defeated at the April 30 session was passed by the senate. It will compensate five senators for one quarter's tuition.

A bill to pay the expenses for six people to attend a training seminar at Evergreen State on the management of intramural sports was passed.

It was decided that the graduation exercises will be in the gymnasium this spring to allow for more seating.

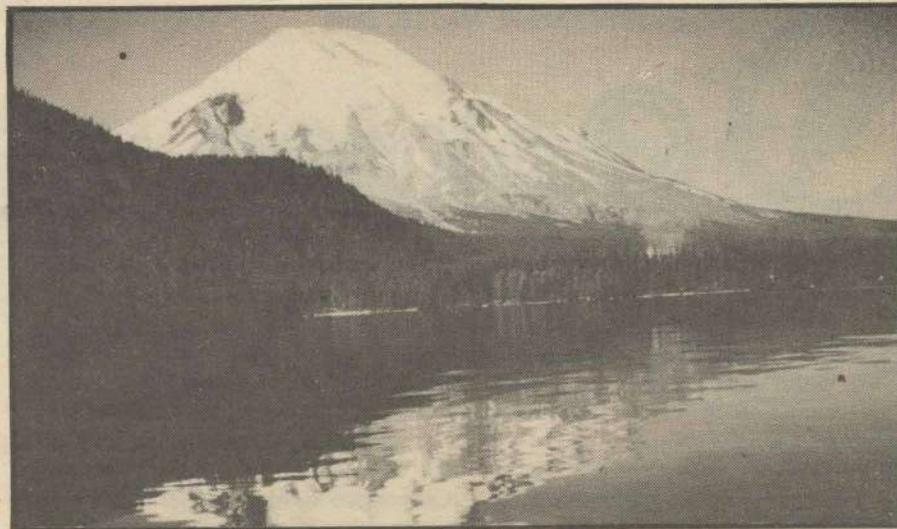


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Mt. St. Helens in repose. Nearly a year has passed since it has erupted. See page 5 for related story.

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Globe News article

Casad, Taylor question news story

by Dennis Gustafson

The tightening of the budget belt on the bulging belly of Green River's classroom enrollment is already producing signs of stress which were exacerbated by a recent article in the Auburn Globe News.

The article intimidated that there was a large faction within the faculty that was angered by the administration's search for a replacement for the associate dean position now occupied by Geraldine Mertz. Mertz will retire at the end of Spring Quarter.

The logic espoused in the article was that the administration should go along with general belt-tightening by not hiring a replacement dean immediately, but by simply spreading the work load among existing administrators. The \$30,000 according to a quote in the article by former United Faculty President Paul Allen, "could be allocated for classroom programs." Supposedly, the associate deanship was only an interim appointment, so the reasoning was why not just do away with the position now that Mertz is retiring?

Dean of instruction Robert Taylor had a different view of the situation. He pointed out three areas covered in the article which he considered erroneous.

"First, Allen isn't the spokesman for the faculty." (Dr. Robert Casad was recently elected to presidency of the United Faculty-Allen was identified in the article as the occupant of the position.)

"Second, Gerry Mertz's filling the position was temporary, not the actual position." (The administration was aware of Mertz's imminent retirement when she was appointed to the position).

"Third, it should be known that Green River has half the number of instructional administrators as the neighboring community colleges."

Taylor went on to point out that several instructional administrators were axed during the last few years. Some of these positions were: Directors of Library, Developmental Education, Home and Family Life, and the Boeing Associate Degree Program which was cancelled entirely.

"No instructional program has received reduced support funding; we have only



Photo by Nori Shirouzu

Geraldine Mertz, Associate Dean of Academic Education plans on retiring at the end of Spring Quarter.

cut part-time faculty to the level needed to produce contracted FTE's," Taylor insisted. (FTE equals 1 student 45 credits early.) FTE's are the criteria used by the state in funding higher education.

New scholarship available

A \$400 scholarship is being offered by the Rotary International for first year and returning students of Green River Community College.

Any academic or vocational program will be considered for the award.

Any students interested in applying for the scholarship must complete the following procedures:

1. Two letters of recommendation from GRCC faculty.
2. A letter of educational interest written by the student.

All material must be returned and/or submitted to the Financial Aid office by May 29, 1981.

For more information contact the Financial Aid office at ext. 317.

Dr. Robert Casad stated in an interview after the appearance of the Globe article: "I would question Margeson's accuracy in reporting. He spoke to me a couple days prior to the article and was aware of my election." (Margeson is the Globe News reporter who wrote the article.)

Casad stated that when he had called Margeson about the article and informed him of the inaccuracies he had seemed not at all worried about his errors. "If this is any indication of his reporting techniques, I believe that I would tend to avoid him," Casad intimidated.

When informed of Taylor's allegations that Mertz's position wasn't interim but that Mertz, herself was interim, Casad smiled and replied that he wasn't really sure what could be termed interim and what not. He produced a document, dated 1976, which showed in detail the positions which were "allocated" to various administration sections. The document didn't make any exact descriptions of jobs, it only allotted the administration salaried quotas for several areas. In fact, many areas were given only a fraction of a position. It was not clear which positions were allocated and which were not.

Casad felt, personally, that the instructional positions in the administration were not out of line.

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Opinion

ACAP day care bill mishandled

by Mike Shook

By now, the Auburn Christian Action Program (ACAP) day care center and the emergency funding bill submitted in its interest to the Student Senate have become familiar topics to many GRCC students. On the surface, the question seemed fairly simple, at least to begin with, but it quickly became complex.

In March of this year, the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) terminated funding for child care assistance to students. At that time, Ellen Kropp, director of ACAP, worked with several students to get a request before the Student Senate which would make up the amount lost due to the DSHS cutback. The request for \$1000 was drawn up during spring break and Freshman Senator Karen Bielaga agreed to sponsor it as a bill during the April 2 session of the Senate.

Bielaga, however, resigned from the Senate before then to work full time and

the information was given to Budget Committee Chair Jim Hansen. The request did not resurface until the April 14 Budget Committee meeting where it was decided to pass the bill on to the Student Senate as read. The Senate then approved the Bill at the April 16 session, albeit with reservations. Both the Budget Committee and the Senate were concerned about legal problems arising from the possible misuse of 522 funds.

Then came the May 7 Senate session. ASGRCC President Ben Benson vetoed the emergency funding bill, saying it was, in fact, a misuse of funds. It was also mentioned that to pass the bill was too much like paying for someone's bills like food or rent.

Aside from the philosophical aspects of the bill, there are several questions that need to be answered. Foremost among these is the time factor; why did Hansen, as chair of the Budget Committee, not push to get action on the bill?

Why did it sit for nearly two weeks? Certain students affected by the bill were in contact with him during that time urging action and it was clearly labeled an emergency request.

Similarly, why did Benson wait so long to veto the bill? Why did he wait 15 academic days before announcing his decision, when he was supposed to take only 10 days? Again the key word was, and is, emergency.

The legality of the bill deserves mention also. Why wasn't the legality or illegality of diverting 522 funds to ACAP resolved at the beginning of the year? Was it somehow legal to allocate \$6000 to daycare funding in September and, if so, why was it suddenly illegal to allocate an additional \$1000 in April?

It is clear that the Budget Committee, Student Senate and ASGRCC President Benson have bungled and stumbled thoroughly in the handling of this bill. Because of their carelessness, 12

students were left hanging for weeks, uncertain as to whether they could get much needed help or not. In an apparent attempt to ease their consciences the Senate has lamely decided, as of May 7, to "Brainstorm" and come up with ideas for raising funds specifically for the day care program. Swell. By the time any money is raised the parents will probably not need day care for their kids.

Certain members of Student government have received a great deal of criticism about this, and rightly so. After all, we're not talking about new jackets for the golf team or allocating money to send some group on a field trip or retreat; we're talking about a decision that has had, and will continue to have, a very real impact on people's lives. We're talking about cutting people off from the education they need to get out and get a decent job so they can support themselves and their families. That seems fairly important.



Letters

Immaturity reigns somewhere in campaign

To the Editor:

On page two of the May 1 Current, Mark Kelly's rendition of the Green River political campaign was at best, interesting.

His inference of a high school mentality and accusation that the greater part of this campus is immature leaves me wondering who the immature one is. Political campaigns of any level seem to lack credibility and often leave doubts and questions as to who's right or

wrong. His claim that the advertising was asinine and that we played along with an idiot's game does suggest that immaturity reigns somewhere, but where? If being mature means that name calling and using derogatory remarks to express one's feelings are ok, then I'll opt for staying immature. These so called immature, just out high school students may not be as adult as you'd like, but think back to your first year out of high school; were you so much different?

Society is moving faster each day and technology is doing its best to push young adults into a state of so called adulthood without giving them a chance to experience their youth.

If you feel you're more mature and need the stimulus of higher learning, such as the University of Washington, they by all means do so. If, on the other hand you're here for the same reasons most of us are, a place to further our education at a more affordable cost,

then accept the situation.

You speak of mistakes in simple English skills, I'd like to bring your attention to one part of your letter. "We are all older now, since high school. And hopefully, we're more mature." There are a few mistakes here, making its structure inappropriate. The mistakes may or may not have been yours, but it goes to show that we all make mistakes.

Kent S. Hoffman

Senate thanked for nothing

To the Editor:

I would like to thank the Student Senate. Once again, they have shown their concern for the students at our college. They refused to even discuss a bill to give \$1000 to the ACAP day care center so 12 students could complete this quarter at Green River. And this after calmly voting pay for each other for being senators. They gain valuable experience, both political and financial, and yet the expect to be paid.

In particular, I would like to single out Joe Fenbert and Joe Piek, our newly elected president and vice president. Before the election they assured me personally that the ACAP bill had their complete support. A snap, they said. No problem getting the money, they said. A piece of cake. When the call came for a senator to propose the bill today (May 7) after the election, you could have heard

a pin drop. Support? Horse apples! Campaign promises really are important to these two, they should run for State Senate. They would fit right in.

After all the promises, the let down has been frustrating, to say the least. This has been dragged on for six weeks now, and to be cut off at the knees this way really makes me angry! I have no option about contributing \$17 to the student body fund, but I resent not having any say how I want it spent either.

The State Senate has shown how much they care about education with the recent tuition increases. The least we can expect is for our Student Senate to show some concern about keeping students at school if possible. Everyone says "It is not my responsibility." Where does the buck stop?

Victoria McCortney
GRC student (for now)

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State arts funding cut in half

The Legislature has cut state funding for the arts in half, Washington State Arts Commission (WASC) Executive Director Michael A. Croman announced in Olympia Tuesday.

Only a few bright spots showed in the bleak picture Croman painted. The Legislature did provide several small tax exemptions for non-profit arts organizations, including lifting of property, leasehold and some B & O and sales taxes.

But the legislative budget cutters took away with the other hand. The state budget takes \$1,350,000 out of arts programs. The Cultural Enrichment Program (CEP) lost \$750,000, WASC was cut \$600,000 in state funds. Anticipated federal cuts add to the budgetary problems, according to Croman.

"A lot of local arts organizations will be really hurt by this," Croman said. "The Arts Commission's grant program will have to undergo some major changes over the next few months."

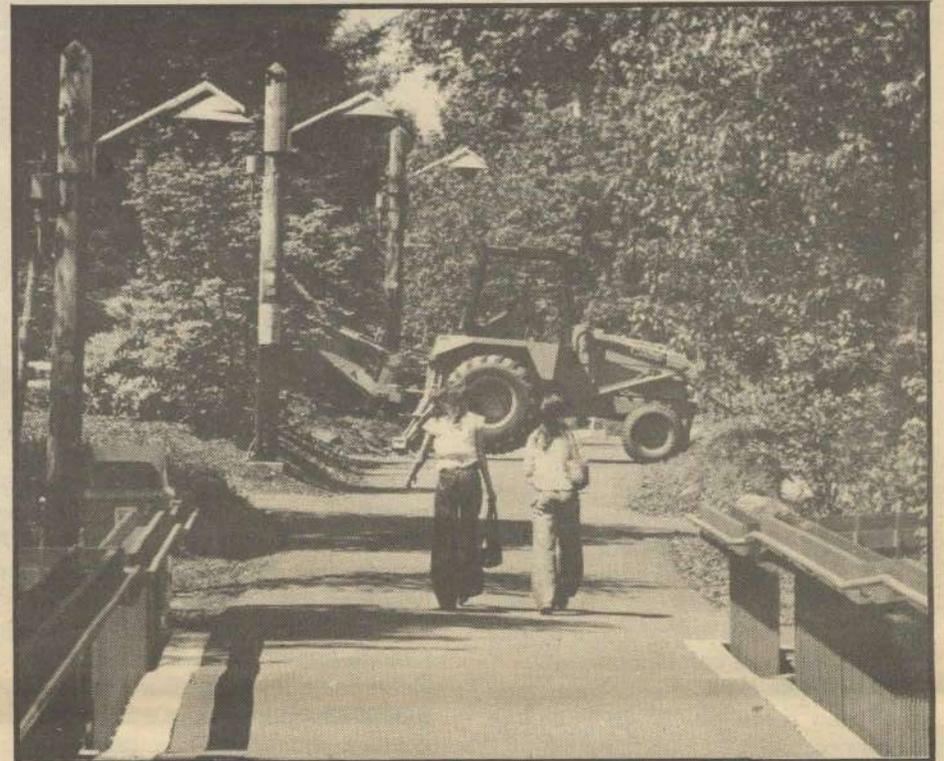
One of the major changes Croman pointed to is in the Cultural Enrichment Program which has provided artistic experiences, symphony concerts, drama, mime, and so forth, for school children (K-12) through the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction. The legislature assigned this function directly to the Arts Commission when it halved the formerly separate agencies' budgets.

"We'll be meeting immediately with educators and the arts organizations which are the suppliers for the Cultural Enrichment Program in order to work out plans for the best use of the money," Croman said.

He said the Arts Commission's goal was to maintain the artistic quality and educational emphasis of CEP despite the sharply reduced funds. "CEP is one of the ways the state makes art accessible to the people," Croman said. "We want to keep that experience available for the state's youngsters."

Croman pointed out that the Arts Commission is no stranger to arts in education. The commission has long been responsible for an extensive Artists-in-Schools (AIS) program through which hundreds of artists in a variety of disciplines teach as temporary residents in the schools. WSAC has also funded in part a similar program within CEP, the visiting Artists program.

"Schools and school districts seeking information about the availability of cultural enrichment programs for the coming school year should contact Marcia Pinto, Assistant Director, WSAC, in Olympia at 753-3860, or write WSAC, Mail Stop FU-12, Olympia, WA 98504," Croman said.



Spring is busting out all over and so is the occasional sewer line. This backhoe was being used Wednesday to unearth a crushed line near the PA building.

Spring improvements made

by Steve Frederick

General spring improvements are taking place around campus.

The recent backhoeing near the Performing arts building was done because of a partially crushed sewer line. According to Thomas Trindl, head gardener, the mess will be cleaned up by sometimes next week, although re-landscaping won't take place until next summer. Cedar trees and other native plants of Washington state will be used in the re-landscaping, said Trindl.

Also, the recent backhoeing around the D.C. building was performed to tie in the buildings' existing electrical system to the school's system, which as the new computer system. "This should save the school \$1300 to \$1400 annually," stated Trindl. The tie-in will take place after July 1. Since the backhoe was already rented, it was utilized to lay the conduit pipe for the new system, according to maintenance supervisor Harold Broadbent.

Woman assaulted on campus

A Green River Community College student was the victim of an on campus assault early Wednesday evening.

The 19 year old female victim was attacked by a man just outside the campus radio station (KGRG) front door about 6:40 p.m. Witnesses to the assault were drawn to the victim's aid by her screams and alleged they saw the suspect strike and kick her, and try to carry her away.

Staff members from both KGRG and The Current intervened quickly and escorted the victim inside the radio station building, while another KGRG staffer called campus security. The suspect then fled to his car and left the campus as Security Officer Floyd Schmidt arrived on the scene of the assault.

The suspect, a white male about six feet tall, dark haired and of muscular build, was described by the victim as a

"nut who thinks he loves me." He is not a student at GRCC, but apparently knows the victim. The victim stated she had been harassed by the man a number of times before during the past year and that she wanted to press charges.

The matter is being investigated by the King County Police. It was not known at press time whether any charges had been formally filed.



Candidate sounds off

To the students of Green River Community College:

In the May 8 issue of the Current, an article appeared telling of an appeal that I had filed with Chief Justice Jim McVittie. I have in fact filed an appeal. My reason for doing this was not so much the fact that I lost the election, but the fact the students did not get a fair election. The allegations that I had made in my appeal are in fact true and have been verified by many witnesses.

One of the reasons for my running for the office of President was to make sure that the whole student body was represented, not just special interest groups. What I feared has already started to happen.

A vote has already been passed to reimburse the senators for their tuition for Spring Quarter, this was done

without hearing from the student body. This is directly against the election promise of Fenbert and Piek. The senate refused to accept a petition that I had circulated that had several hundred signatures on it, requesting a voice in the matter. This was done within two weeks after the election was held. If campaign promises can be broken this quickly and this easily can we, the students believe anything they say?

A new election is in order! A recall drive has been started. Petitions are available on campus, one of which is located at the Recreation desk (upstairs LSC). Only you, the students, can decide what form of student government you want.

LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD!

Dennis Traylor Austin

What is treason?

To the Editor:

In the May 8 issue of the Current, you printed an opinion by Don Evers. I wish to express my views on his opinion.

Mr. Evers, you stated many obvious falsehoods in your opinion. I have no idea where you got your "well substantiated facts," because very little of what you said was true.

The United States, Mr. Evers, did not start the Cold War. The Cold War began with the Berlin Blockade of 1948-1949. The Soviet Union instigated the blockade.

The Soviet Union was a military nation long before the Cold War. During the 1930's, they had an intense military build up. This continues today. They believe Communism will overflow the

West, and they foresee the Soviet Armed forces playing a large part in that overthrow. To ignore that threat is to court disaster.

Mr. Evers, you claim the Soviet Union could only knock-out 25 percent of our nuclear capabilities. Yet in previous paragraph you said the Soviet Union was the strongest military nation on earth. Your facts seem to contradict each other.

In your last paragraph, Mr. Evers, are you asking us to overthrow the government by force? That sir, is treason. America may not be perfect, but when compared to the Soviet Union, her imperfections disappear.

David Wood

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Violence against women

Battered women receive support

by Eulalia Tollefson

Numbers of concerned persons are devoting their time, skills and resources toward aiding abused women and their families.

They represent a variety of agencies and organizations in Pierce and King counties whose goals include helping physically and sexually abused women to safety while providing emotional life support systems of mutual trust.

One of these organizations is the Domestic Abuse Women's Network, or DAWN.

Melanie Reynolds is project director for DAWN. Most abused women, she says, have very few outside resources and therefore find it difficult to back away from their environment.

They must establish a mutual support base

"They are isolated, have few friends, low self-esteem and must establish a mutual support base with others," said Reynolds. "We hook women up with others of similar experiences and background so that they have someone to talk to. DAWN also offers drop-in group support and problem solving sessions in which information about domestic violence can be obtained."

DAWN has been in existence three years and relies heavily on volunteer assistance.

Barbara Zgonc, Program Assistant One at Green River Community College, serves as a DAWN volunteer speaker whose engagements are designed to rouse community awareness and support.

"Support would include voluntary donations of money, food, clothing and household items to existing shelters for abused women and children," says Zgonc. "These needs arise from the fact that women fleeing abuse do so without any advanced planning."

Volunteers are needed to work for DAWN in a variety of ways, states Zgonc. Help is needed with mail-outs, public speaking and serving as trained crisis counselors.

'Area hospitals also offer services'

Area hospitals also offer services similar to DAWN. These institutions include sexual assault centers at Harborview Medical Center and the University of Washington. Group Health offers medical help and counseling to battered or raped women, though services are primarily limited to group members.

Rape Relief organizations work specifically with rape victims and their families. Last year approximately 374 women from King county alone sought help from this organization.

Mary Ellen Stone, director of King County Rape Relief, reports that Rape Relief has a 24 hour crisis clinic whose function includes: going with victims to doctors, hospitals and police when necessary; sitting through trials and offering support; counseling families; and follow-up counseling of victims.

Green River Community College has a variety of services available to women of all backgrounds. Trained counselors

and personnel aid abused women through problem evaluation and appropriate agency referral.

A number of women come to the Women's Center seeking help. Maid Adams, director, says that women see the center as a safe place to come because it is women oriented and is confidential. "I am sympathetic to women's problems and hear them out. I show them understanding and let them know their problem is not unique."

There are two area shelters available to abused women and their children. These are the Tacoma Women's Support Shelter and the New Beginnings Shelter in Seattle. A safe haven is provided and materials needs are supplied as necessary. Women seeking shelter must be physically, emotionally and psychologically able to care for themselves and their children. New Beginnings cannot accept women with drug or alcohol problems.

'During the first quarter of 1981 the center cared for 181 women

The Tacoma Women's Support Shelter is the only one of its kind in Pierce County. It has 31 rooms, each room capable of housing several persons so that children can be with their mother. Grace Brooks, director reports that during the first quarter of 1981 the center cared for 181 women and 196 children.

The New Beginnings Shelter in Seattle has four bedrooms, with a total capacity for 20 residents other than staff.

The Young Women's Christian

Association in Seattle receives abused women. It has no facilities for children, however.

Though both shelters have a trained paid staff, volunteers are needed. The Tacoma shelter is beginning a volunteer training program May 30. Interested persons can call 383-2593 for information.

'Much has been done . . .'

Much has been done to help abused women in Pierce and King counties but existing programs are being threatened because of federal and state funding cut-backs. Zgonc urges the public to contact legislators urging support of any bills dealing with domestic violence.

Women needing assistance for domestic or rape abuse can call the 24 hour toll free hotline 1-800-562-6025.

Postscript

Ruth (not her real name) was the subject of an interview for Part 1 of this series on abused women. She was a battered wife whose husband was killed in a scuffle during one of his violent attacks on her. She was charged with 2nd degree murder and was waiting trial at the time of the interview. Ruth pleaded innocent of all charges against her.

The trial began April 27 in Pierce County Court.

May 4, at 8:30 p.m. the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty.

Ruth is back at Green River Community College attending classes and is happy, she says, to be able to make plans for her future.

'Normal bugs' plague new system

by Don Evers

Students who may have been going from too hot to too cold already know there has been some problems with the school's new Energy Management Control System, (EMCS). The EMCS computer was installed this winter to regulate lighting, heating, and ventilation at the savings of \$17,000 per year.

Harold Broadbent, Maintenance Supervisor said that the problem lies in the control of room temperature. For instance, in a building, one room may be comfortable, the other cool, and another warm. These problems have required

the constant attention of the maintenance crew.

According to Broadbent, all of this is a result of the normal bugs that pop up in any new system. The reason that they have yet to be worked out is because the Mark Control Corporation has not provided the necessary support, due to a shake up in the company. Broadbent has stated that the company is now back to normal and will be assisting the maintenance department rectifying any remaining problems in what should be a very reliable system.

GRCC DECA cashes in at Vegas

by Brian Travis

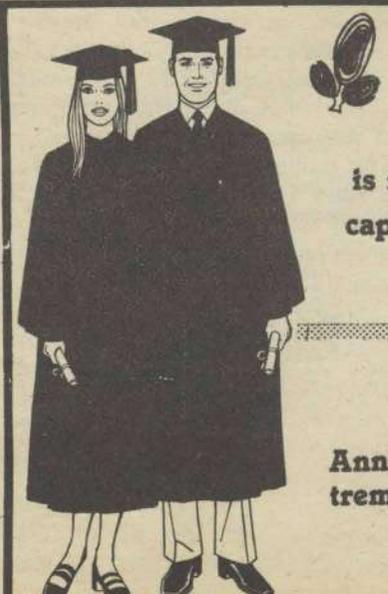
Green River Community College's DECA program placed in nations competition in the 20th annual Career Development Conference in Las Vegas. Guest speakers were Dr. Joyce Brothers and special guest was Jerry Lewis, who was awarded the Civil Consciousness Award.

Placing were Karen Parker, 8th in Human Relations, Cynthia Van Leirop, and Kimberly Finkner in the top 8 for ad campaign. Jerry Thorton made the top 12 for sales manager and Chuck Blandino was elected Junior Collegiate president. Other persons in the competition

were Dave Chase, Lori Ohler, Don Moris.

The competitors were in Las Vegas for 7 days and 8 nights. Though the students raised money through flower sales and other fund raising events, they still paid their own plane fare and two of the nights at the hotel rooms (in which they slept four to a room).

GRCC also received 3rd in the nation for membership growth for the nation. Business Management Association's 3rd annual fun run will be at Russell Road park in Kent this Sunday at 10 a.m. More information is available from Walt Hill in BI 28, ext. 37 or 339.



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is now taking orders for graduation cap and gowns . . .

Announcements are also available at extremely reasonable prices.



Bill Cosby tells why Red Cross needs your type of blood.

"Every day of the week, there's somebody who needs your type of blood. But the thing about blood is: it doesn't keep very long. Which means we've got to keep the supply coming constantly. Donors are needed every day. Sorry to say, there are never enough donors. In fact, five people out of every 100 are doing the whole job. That's right, five percent of the people give 100 percent of the blood that's donated. If you're between 17 and 66, and generally healthy, you can help change all that. And your one blood donation can help up to five people to live. Call your Red Cross Blood Center and make a donor appointment soon. It's one way you can help keep Red Cross ready . . . to help others."



Keep Red Cross ready.

St. Helen's approaches one year anniversary

by Tom Steele

Mount Saint Helens came as close to being postcard perfect as any peak in the northwest. Rich in timber and wildlife, it was a favorite spot for hikers and naturalists, but in the early spring of 1980 it became a favorite spot for geologists as well.

Increasing seismic activity, earthquakes measuring three to four on the Richter scale (sometimes hundred's of them in a single day), lead scientists to believe that the mountain was preparing for something spectacular.

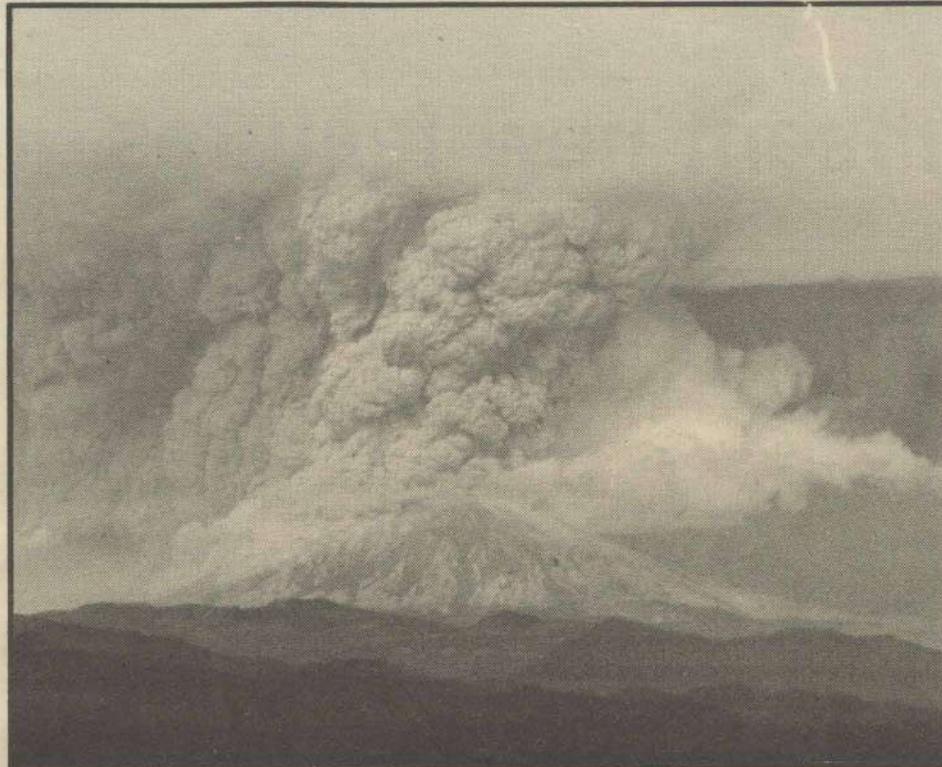
On March 20, seismographs in the observatory at the University of Washington began to twitch, showing scientists that the 123 years of inactivity inside the volcano was coming to an end. That opening note of the overture was echoed by station after station, reporting the arrival of a substantial earthquake.

On March 27, minor eruptions began, giving geologists their first real look at an activity volcano in continental North America in almost a century.

Since it's last eruption in 1857, Mount Saint Helens had been an advertisement for the beauty of nature, not a symbol of the unpredictable violence that scientists singled it out to be.

Black Sunday, May 18, at 8:32 a.m. Mount Saint Helens erupted once again with a massive blast - the most serious of a number during the year - blowing away more than 1,000 feet of the 10,000 foot mountain and killing at least 63 people.

The blast, which was clearly heard 135 miles away, equaled the force of 10 million tons of TNT. It was about 500 times as powerful as the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima, Japan, in 1945. and it destroyed all life in an area of about 200 square miles.



Black Sunday: May 18, 1980. At 8:32 a.m. Mt. St. Helens awakes, spewing clouds of ash over the state.

Full-grown Douglas fir trees had been stripped clean and combed down flat against the hills up to 20 miles away from the base of the mountain. Enough lumber to build two-hundred thousand homes was lost at an estimated cost of over two million dollars.

By the next day, 1300 feet of it's peak was missing. In it's place was a vast steaming caldron of a crater, one mile wide.

A volcano is an opening in the earth through which ash, rock, and hot gases burst when magma, or melted rock, builds up just below the earth's surface.

The magma accumulates near the surface, where it is under great pressure from the surrounding rock and from gases trapped with the magma. Eventually, the magma erupts, spouting a shower of intensely hot material.

Most volcanoes, including Mount Saint Helens, are found along a belt called the Ring of Fire that encircles the Pacific Ocean. More commonly referred to as the Cascade Range, the chain of volcanoes extends from Lassen Park and Mount Shasta in northern California to Mount Baker in northern Washington.

"The moon looks like a golf course compared to what I saw," chimed former President Carter after he toured the devastated area on May 22. After his helicopter ride and a visit to evacuation centers in Kelso and Longview, the President declared Washington state a disaster area.

Fortunately, Mount Saint Helens earlier rumblings prompted authorities to evacuate residents from towns in the Toutle River Valley on the mountain's slope before the May 18 eruption. However, those listed as missing after the volcano blew up included Harry Truman, 84, who refused to leave, saying he would never abandon his home in Spirit Lake, near the summit.

Biologists predicted that the complete recovery of plants and wildlife in the area would take many years. Large game animals such as deer, they said, would not return in great numbers for years, because they need the cover of the trees destroyed by the eruption. Still, by September, scientists found deer tracks on the mountain's upper slopes and the sign of returning vegetation.

Millions of salmon and trout were killed and their spawning grounds destroyed as hot ash and mud travelled down and clogged the Columbia, Cowlitz, and Toutle rivers.

But as the saying goes, behind every ash cloud there's a silver lining. Green River Community College's art department found that the volcanic dust made an ideal glaze for pottery and stock-piled a few buckets of the grayish material for future classes.

As Mount Saint Helens continues to rumble on with earthquakes, even as of this writing, one may stop and wonder, as tourist tote-off souvenir packages of ash and bumper stickers like "St. Helen's forgot her earth control pill," what, if anything, is to come.

AFTERMATH

*Mt. St. Helens, why,
did you arise to life,
fling ashen greeting card
across our azure skies?*

*Mt. St. Helens, why,
as you awoke, provoke
such wrath to size a path
of savage fire and smoke?*

*Mt. St. Helens, why,
must you in sultry mood
erupt like woman scorned,
efface our quietude?*

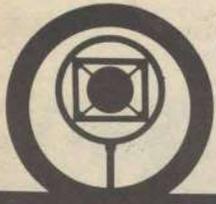
*Mt. St. Helens, why
not just declare a truce,
let man and universe
resume their natural use?*

*Mt. St. Helens, what
is that you say to me?
"I am nature speaking,
what is to be will be!"*

-Virginia Stephens



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Arts & Entertainment

Disney to present new features



EYE TO EYE . . . A fox and a hound strike up an unlikely friendship in Walt Disney Productions' "The Fox and the Hound."

Last week, the Green River Current reported on the new look which is taking place at Disney Studios. This week, the Current wishes to continue the coverage on Disney with a look at the new features due out during 1981-82.

By Tom Steele

THE FOX AND THE HOUND— Disney's newest animated classic which follows the adventures of a fox and hound who are born enemies, but sworn friends. Rich natural settings combine with chase-filled excitement and dramatic elements adds to the 20th animated feature due out this summer.

CONDORMAN— A comedy about a comic book writer who assumes the

identity of his creation to escort a Russian agent from behind the Iron Curtain. Due out this summer.

DRAGONSLAYER— Sixth century Britain is the setting for this exciting tale of a sorcerer's apprentice and his efforts to slay a ferocious dragon. Due out this summer.

NIGHT CROSSING— Due out at Christmas time. This is a true story of two East German families who made a death-defying flight to freedom in 1979 after 18 months of planning and two unsuccessful attempts. John Hurt ("The Elephant Man") stars.

NEVER CRY WOLF— An outdoor drama about a young scientist who saves the great wolf packs and himself when he is forced to survive in Canada's fierce frozen tundra.

TRON— A thrill seeking computer genius joins forces with a rebellious electronic warrior named Tron to thwart a power-hungry computer from gaining control of the world.

TEX— A contemporary drama explores the relationship between two teenage brothers facing the hardships of day to day life in rural Oklahoma.

SOMETHING WICKED THIS WAY COMES— A fantasy written by Ray Bradbury about two thirteen year old boys who stumbled onto the grizzly secrets of a travelling carnival.

TRICK OR TREAT— A musical comedy fantasy journey into childhood is set on Halloween night when a group of kids, played by Lily Tomlin, Robin William, and Gilda Radner, become trapped inside a haunted mansion.

I WISH I WERE 18 AGAIN— A comedy-fantasy about an octogenarian whose wish to be 18 again is granted.

JOSHUA— A serious drama about a boy, told since childhood that he's an orphan, sets out to search for the parents he knows are still alive.

OUT TO LUNCH— A "Nine to Five" white-collar comedy centering around a group of low-level employees who manipulate the power of their influential bosses to accomplish good.

EINSTEIN— Richard Dreyfuss is casted in the role of Albert Einstein in this innovative film biography.

PERFECT TIMING— A nostalgic comedy about the first television station in Los Angeles.

THE BLACK CAULDRON— Another all-animated feature, due out in 1982.

Shakespeare to 'Tame Shrew' at GRCC

Green River Community College drama department will perform "The Taming of the Shrew," a play by William Shakespeare.

The characters are the father, played by Rick Rinehart, the two sisters Kate and Bianca, played by Tracy Alexander and Jennifer Johnston, and Petruchio, played by Kevin McDonald.

Performances will be June 5, 6, 12, & 13 at 8 p.m. and June 7 & 14 at 7 p.m.

Tickets can be obtained at the door the night of the performance or in Student Programs. Tickets are priced at \$2.50 for non-students and \$1.50 for students.

Ballet comes to Opera House

On the eve of its 25th anniversary celebration, the famed Joffrey Ballet will return to the Opera House for five performances Wednesday through Saturday, June 10-13. Evening performances are set for 8 p.m. with a Saturday matinee at 2 p.m.

Four Seattle premieres will highlight the innovative Joffrey repertoire. Among the new works are "Return to the Strange Land," choreographed by Jiri Kylian, "Night," choreographed by Laura Dean, "Unfolding," choreographed by Gray Veredon, and "Helena" with choreography by Choo San Goh.

Founded by former Seattleite Robert Joffrey, the ballet is the third largest dance company in the country. Joffrey's unique combination of young, enthusiastic and versatile dancers has earned the company an international reputation.

The vibrant Joffrey dancers will also perform a new production of "L'Après-Midi d'un Faune" along with four revivals of pieces which have recently been restored to the company's repertoire.

Tickets for the five performances are now on sale at The Ticket Place in the downtown Bon Marche, Tacoma Bon Marche, Lamont's in Burien, Bell, Book and Candle in Bellevue, Shoreline Music at 185th and Aurora, University District Ticket Center, Carousel Music in Everett and Bay Records in Bremerton.

The Joffrey Ballet is presented in Seattle by Cornish Institute and production by Northwest Releasing.



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Clinton's Corner

M's, Maury part ways

by Tim Clinton

Oh well, so much for Maury Wills and his brand of Mariner baseball. you see, in case you haven't heard by now, he got the ax last week.

Now the job of Mariner manager is in the hands of Rene Lachemann, who seems to be handling his new job just fine.

Right after the switch was made, the Mariners exploded for four straight wins, against the powerhouse Milwaukee Brewers and New York Yankees, no less.

It seems that Lachemann is well liked and respected by the M's players, while Wills apparently lost whatever hold he had on the team through a number of mistakes, such as putting two third basemen in the line-up at the same time.

An example of how some of the players didn't care much for Wills is a report that some didn't want to win so they could get rid of him quicker. One was even heard to say after a victory that "we screwed up and won."

Now that Wills is gone, hopefully they will try harder and perhaps the Mariner picture will continue to look brighter.

If Lachemann can keep his line-up card straight, that will be an improvement right there.

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The answer to last week's quiz question, that asked what former Seattle Pilots organization players have been employed by the Seattle Mariners at one time or another, are Diego Segui, Wayne Twitchell, Tommy Davis, and Rick Auerbach.

Segui was a pitcher for the Pilots and also for the M's in 1977. Twitchell was sold to the Pilots after their lone 1969 season and just before they moved to Milwaukee and was a Mariner pitcher at the end of the 1979 season, while Tommy Davis was a Pilot star and is now the M's hitting coach. Rick Auerbach was a Pilots draft choice and is currently a Mariner shortstop.

This week's question is what major league team had six or more pitchers who lost 10 or more games in 1980?

Tracksters place third

by Michael Trebnef

On May 9, at the Region One track meet, Green River's track team qualified five events for state competition and placed third overall.

The first Gator win on the Everett Municipal track came when the men's 4x100 meter relay team of Clouse, Burkey, McCluskey and Fenbert crossed the finish line first with a time of :43.9. In the following race, the women's 4x100 meter relay team of Harlow, Simpson, Mose, and Mohler broke the school record and qualified for state with a time of :52.2.

In the men's 800 meter run, Mike McCluskey ran to a third place finish and a personal record with a time of 1:58.4. Lorne Wallace placed fifth in the same race with a time of 2:00 flat. Both McCluskey and Wallace thus qualified for state.

Also setting personal records in the meet were Mike Abbott, Joe Fenbert and Stacy Simpson. Abbott, in preparation for the high hurdles with a personal time of 16.7. In the men's 200 meter dash, Fenbert placed first with a time of 22.1. Stacy Simpson won the Javelin with her best throw this season of 105'9."

Coach Ron Snodgrass giving an overview of the meet said that "the times and distances are getting better. We are

peaking at the right time, just before the state meet."

The A.A.C.C. State Track meet is May 15 and 16, at the University of Washington. The Decathlon started today at 9:30 a.m. and will be followed by preliminary heats in the 100 and 200 meter dashes. Tomorrow, the five remaining events of the Decathlon will start at 10:30 a.m. The field events will start at 1 p.m. and running events will start at 1:30 p.m. For a complete meet agenda see Friday's Gator line.



Photo by Val Harlow

Jon Torgerson places second at Regional Meet with a throw of 133'10."

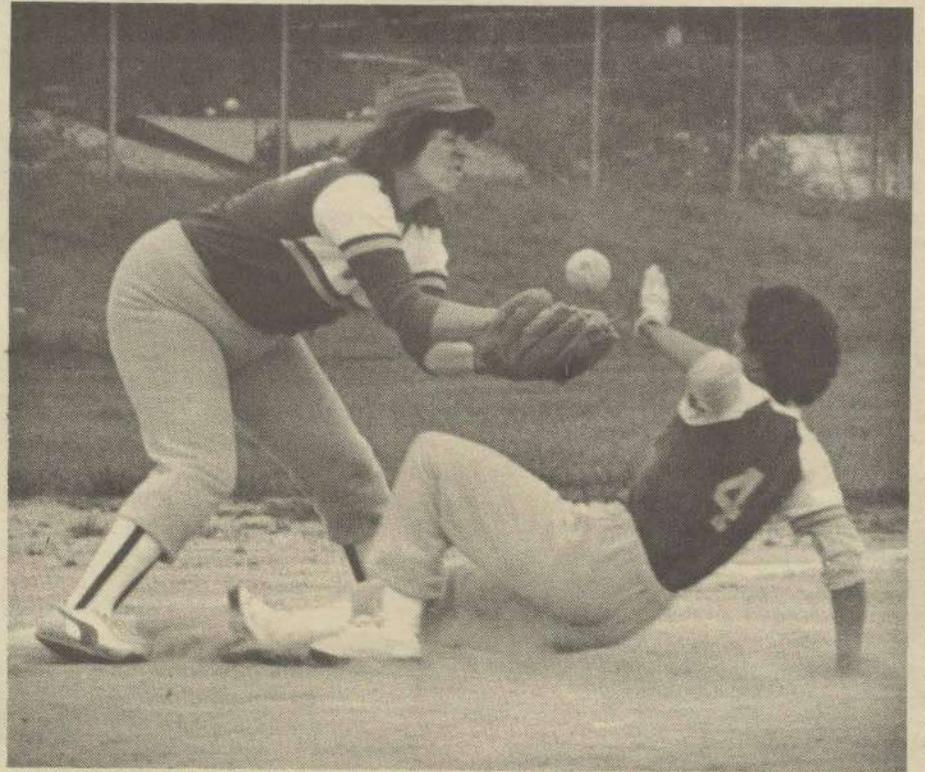


PHOTO BY NORI SHIROUZU

Linda Hubber tries to snag a throw and make the tag

Softball team tops Tacoma Titons twice

by Dennis Gustafson

The women travelled to Tacoma on Wednesday and spent an enjoyable afternoon beating the hell out of one those globular game pieces known as a softball. The most tangible by-product of the wholesale slugfest was that they came out winners on both ends of their doubleheader with Tacoma Community College.

The wins, 11 to 8, and 14 to 2 put them firmly back onto the winning track after suffering the tough loss of a twinbill to the Olympic squad a week earlier. The Gators are now in firm possession of second place with a 16-4 record.

The Tacoma doubleheader was used by Coach Jan Kochal to try out some of her less experienced pitchers in hopes of gaining some depth for the crucial games coming up as the league season grows shorter. Pam Gossman went the whole way in the first game and exhibited good control after a rocky first inning in which six runs were scored on her. Linda Grave won the second game allowing only two runs in her first pitching appearance of the season.

The first game had the look of a rout for the home team through the first five

innings which ended with Tacoma leading 8 to 3. The Gators came on in the top of the sixth with one of their by now familiar late inning rallies scoring six runs to take the lead 9 to 8. In that spurt seven players picked up hits and Hossman lead the rampage with a two RBI singles in her own support. Two insurance runs were added in the seventh, one on a steal of home by Tami Harto.

The second game was no contest; the Gators sailed to 14 to 2 victory at the close of six innings when the game was called because of the 10 run lead rule. The team showed an extremely balanced hitting attack, every player picked up either RBI's or hits in the contest. The defense also looked sharp with several good throws and consistent fielding.

Green River's next game will be at Shoreline today. Next week features the last two outings of the league against Edmonds on Monday and Ft. Steilacoom on Wednesday, both contests are home affairs beginning at 2 p.m. The conference tournament is scheduled for the weekend of the 29th and 30th and will be played at Green River.

Men end season at 20-0

by Ray David

Sporting a 20-0 season record, the Green River men's tennis team is heading for the state tournament.

In the Gators' last four matches of the season, they downed Columbia Basin 5-2 last Friday and they topped Yakima Valley 6-1 on Saturday. The men best Centralia 6-1 on Monday, then defeated Fort Steilacoom 6-1 on Tuesday.

Besides the overall team record, the individual records are also impressive.

Number one singles Scott Cadigan finished 17-3, number two singles Clay Rushton 16-2, number three singles Jim Testrail finished 14-1, number four singles Bill Talbot finished 20-0, and number five singles Charlie Yu finished 14-2.

The number one doubles team of

Cadigan and Rushton finished 16-2, while the number two team of Testrail a Talbot were undefeated at 9-0.

The men are expected to win the state meet, which started yesterday at Yakima.

"Although the team should win, there are some individuals from other teams that could pull some upsets," commented coach Steve Sauers.

Golfers lose two

by Ray David

The Green River golf team ended their season on a low note.

The team was soundly beaten last Friday by Olympic 301-321.

The Gators then placed seventh at the Oscar Invitational on Monday.

Gator nine goes 1-3, but stay in first

by Tim Clinton

Last weekend was a rather disappointing one for the Green River Gator baseballers, as they lost two out of their three ball games, although the lone win kept them in first place.

After losing a heartbreaker to the Edmonds Tritons 5-4 in 13 innings on Friday, the Gators split a twin bill against the Fort Steilacoom Raiders Saturday. They took the nightcap 4-2 following a 9-5 loss in the opener.

Rob Porter led Green River in their victory by pitching a six hitter.

"You gotta give Rob a lot of credit," said GRCC coach Tom Burmester about Porter's effort in that game. "We hit the ball really well, too."

The final action for the Gators is this weekend. After taking their 14-4 mark to Shoreline for a 3 p.m. single game to-

day, they will take on Tacoma in a doubleheader on their home field of Russell Road Park in Kent at 1 p.m. tomorrow.

In order to qualify for the state tournament in Longview over Memorial Day weekend, the Green River squad only has to be among the top four teams, which they're virtually assured of doing, even if they lose all three of their remaining games.

In their win on Saturday, the Gators had to again play come-from-behind baseball, like they've done many times

After Fort Steilacoom went ahead 1-0 with a score in the second, Green River managed to tie it in the fifth when Bill Bankhead singled home Wally Smith, who reached base on a walk.

The Raiders then went ahead with a

run in the top of the sixth, before the Gators chalked up three tallies in the bottom of that frame on triples by Troy Phelps and Craig Martin coupled with base hits by Brian Ray, Dave Gard, and Smith.

The opener of that twin bill was almost all Fort Steilacoom from the beginning, as the Raiders went ahead 7-0 with three in the first and four in the second.

Green River's first three runs of the game came in a second inning rally that was highlighted by a Bankhead double and a Gard single.

After the Raiders added two more in the top of the third, the GRCC squad came up with one of their own in the bottom of the stanza when Smith singled and later came in on an error.

The final Gator run came in the sixth as Martin hit a sacrifice fly to score Phelps, who singled earlier.

Edmonds took the early lead in Friday's game with one in each of the first, second and third innings before Martin homered for Green River's first run in the fourth.

It was Jim Hipp who came through in the seventh to knot it at three as he blasted a two run roundtripper.

The score remained tied at 3 all until the top of the 13th, when Green River threatened to win it with a run on singles by Ray and Gard, and a Hipp sacrifice grounder.

Victory was then snatched from the Gators' jaws in the bottom of the stanza, however, as the Tritons scored two to win it.

Women netters win regionals

by Ray David

Placing first in seven of nine events, the Green River women's tennis team took the overall title at the AACC Region II Tournament on Saturday.

Placing first in the tournament were number one singles Kelly Sharkey, number three singles Gretchen Wilson, number four singles Annie Cline, number five singles Pam Rice, and number six singles Julie Straight. Number two singles Chrisy Milam placed second.

In doubles action, the number one team of Sharkey and Milam placed first, with the number two doubles team of Wilson and Rice also taking first. The number three team of Cline and Straight took second.

All six players have earned a berth in both singles and doubles play at the state tournament. The tournament, which is being held at Tacoma, started yesterday.

When asked about how the team will do at the state tournament, coach Steve Sauers stated, "We've got to be favored to win . . . we've beaten everyone there."

Intramurals

by Tim Clinton

As the intramural softball season winds down, Student Punishment still leads League 1 with a 5-0 record, with White Lightning right behind at 5-2.

The Coldpackers are ahead in League 2 at 5-0, while the Squats 2 team has a 5-1 record.

Penguins in Bondage have the top spot in League 3 with a 4-0-1 mark. Gator J.V. is next at 4-2-1.

In League 4, Simpson's Sluggers are first at 4-0, while the KGRG Airheads and Soul Tomato have 3-3-1 and 4-1 records, respectively.

Booters go 2-3

The Green River women's soccer team brought their season record to 5-3-1, with their latest win over the Cope Brothers on Saturday.

In other Gator action, the women lost 4-0 to Pacific Lutheran University on April 25 and then travelled to Fort Dent to defeat the Jolo Jammers 2-0, May 4.

The next Gator action will be a home game Saturday at 10 a.m. against the Eagles.

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