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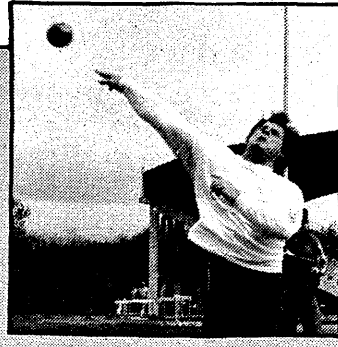
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## House OKs ed budget

By J. Thomas Bauer  
staff legislative reporter

It had to virtually lock its members into the chamber to do it, but the state House of Representatives passed a \$157.1 million enhancement for higher education and a tax increase to fund it.

Friday, the House, bolting its doors and meeting past midnight, passed its \$10.5 billion budget for 1987-89, which includes a \$292.5 million increase for K-12 and higher education. To fund this "enhancement," as legislators are calling it, the House also passed a \$313.5 million tax increase.

Of that \$292.5 million, roughly \$153 million will go to a salary boost for K-12 and college and university faculty, \$14 million for equipment and facilities and \$13.6

million for financial aid for higher education students.

The budget and tax increase now moves on to the Senate, where it is expected to have more difficulty passing in the next two weeks. The Democrats have a one-vote majority in the Senate and several have stated their reservations about a tax increase.

Gov. Booth Gardner is expected to put pressure on the Senate to pass the budget and new taxes. Friday afternoon he met with the House members, telling them they "must show courage" and pass the increase.

Several House Republicans criticized the budget and tax package as being a "Christmas wish list" that would never pass the Senate. During the session, Republicans offered several amend-

ments to pare down the budget, making the tax increase unnecessary, including a 3-percent across-the-board cut, which failed 57-40.

Another amendment that would have cut all salary increases to faculty failed by a margin of 96-1.

Rep. Dennis Braddock (D-Bellingham) acknowledged the package might have a tougher time in the Senate, but said, "We're not responsible for the Senate."

If the package does fail in the Senate, "we'll just have to work something else out," he said.

The tax increase appeared to have enough problems getting by the House. Fifty votes were necessary for passage and a roll call vote initially showed 49 "yeas" see LEGISLATURE, p. 4

## Prof researches secrets of squid

By Pam Floyd  
staff reporter

To hear Huxley professor William Summers tell it, studying squid has its bizarre moments.

"A group did a study on the various kissing techniques of animals," Summers said. "They couldn't figure out the squid's because they couldn't find his lips."

Summers' lecture, "Why One Studies a Homely Squid in Order to Know More About Marine Ecology," was part of a spring quarter series sponsored by the Bureau of Faculty Research.

Summers has been studying the Rossia Pacifica squid at the Shannon Point Marine Center. An investigator of squid for 20 years, he's attempting to invent a squid trap that works better than the troll-net method.

Trolling drags the squid along the bottom, killing many.

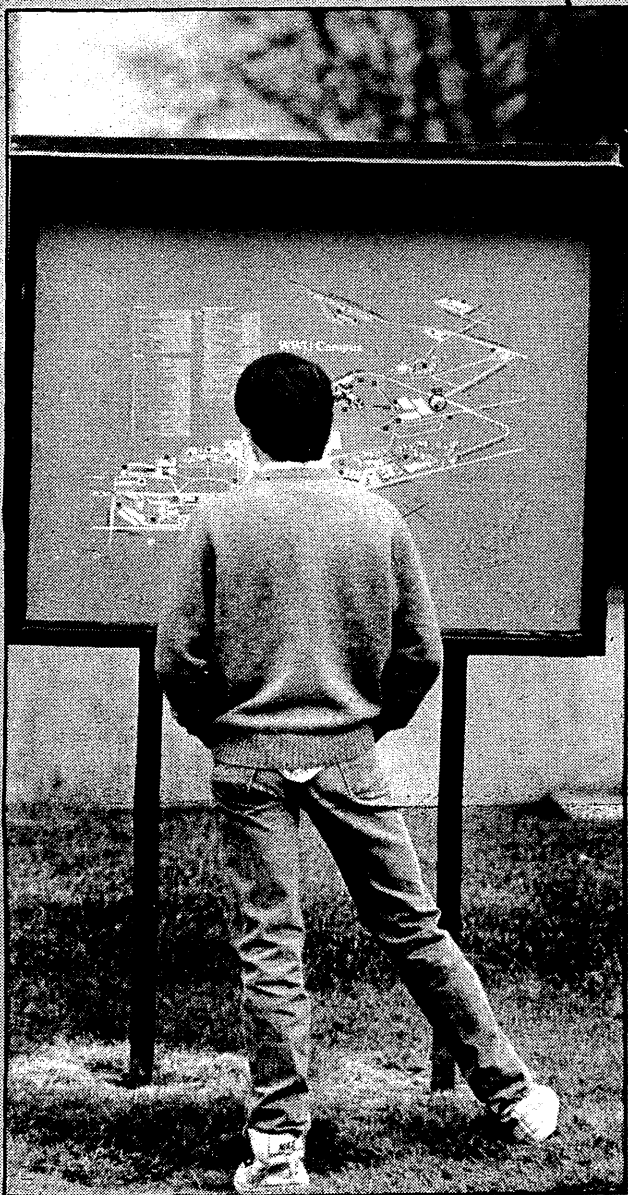
The trap would keep them in a safe environment until it was pulled up and it would not force the harvester to kill other life pulled in with a net.

"We've made many traps, ranging in size from plastic milk cartons to half-gallon barrels," he said. "Sometimes people take the traps and drag them along beside their boat for a while then drop them. So far we haven't been able to catch them in great numbers."

The bait Summers uses is not what one would expect. Instead of food, he uses light indirectly to attract the squid. The green and blue fluorescent tubes glow for several days, attracting shrimp, a favorite delicacy for squid.

Summers said the squid has many secrets scientists don't know about.

"Recently there's been a debate as to whether they see colors," he said. "We've been experimenting with color patterns and watching the eye movements to reach a conclusion."



Mike Gwynn

John Shannon of Vancouver B.C. was among the more than 1,200 participants in "Preview '87." Prospective students and their parents toured the campus Saturday.

## New books top list of library needs

By Carol Flake  
staff reporter

Continuing inflation and a lack of funds could change the definition of the word "library" at Western if the acquisitions budget at Wilson Library isn't altered.

The library acquisitions budget for 1986-87 is \$800,000, about 13 percent of which is spent on books. The other 87 percent, or \$697,238, goes directly to cover the costs of annual periodical subscriptions.

The numbers represent a turnaround from 15 years ago.

In 1970, 25 percent of the acquisitions budget was spent on periodicals and 75 percent on books. Funding to cover the cost of books and periodicals was not a problem in the past, but inflation has caused an imbalance in the budget.

The result is less money for books, said Diane Parker, Wilson Library director.

Parker said she sees no need to turn Wilson Library into a magazine stand.

"If we didn't do anything about the imbalance, all of our acquisitions funds would be spent on journals next year," she said. "It creates a problem we can't ignore."

Currently, the library carries more than 4,000 subscriptions, leaving little money to purchase electronic data systems and services, new books and other information sources. Though this problem was evident in past years, it has not been centrally addressed until now.

Marjorie Donker, of Western's English department, expressed concern over the lack of humanities acquisitions, particularly in the area of English literature.

"English is one of the biggest majors on the campus," she said.

"It's easier to stop buying books than to cancel subscriptions," Parker said.

She said the next step in bringing the problem under control is the cancellation of journals.

"The price of serial subscriptions is escalating very, very fast," Parker said. "(Subscriptions) are escalating out of control."

Donker also is concerned about the lack of funds to purchase books in the library.

"I understand that we need serial publications, of course," she said. "But a good undergraduate library of the kind Wilson Library is would normally aim for a 50-50

distribution between the purchase of books and the purchase of journals--or even 55 percent of an acquisitions budget directed toward serials and 45 percent directed toward books."

"The identity of an institution depends on the quality of its library," Donker said.

"There are a couple of ways to tackle the problem," Parker said. "First, to look for more money and second, to cancel subscriptions."

The Library Acquisitions Advisory Committee (LAAC) was formed in September 1986 to develop suggestions for solving some of the problems concerned with books and subscription imbalance.

The committee will attempt to implement an acquisition plan for the next three years.

Parker said the committee has revised see LIBRARY, p.4

## Adams to speak on campus

Students will have an opportunity to ask U.S. Sen. Brock Adams anything--including what he ate for breakfast.

A question-and-answer period with Adams, sponsored by the political science department and the Political Science Club, is scheduled for 4 p.m. today in the Wilson Library Presentation Room. All are welcome to attend.

Political science professor James Davis said the Washington senator is "making a

swing around the state during the Easter/Passover period."

Mike Sando, in charge of publicity for today's forum, said Adams didn't have an opportunity to answer many questions the last time he was on campus, during his Oct. 16 campaign speech. This time he will.

Adams may speak on such issues as the Clean Water Act, the recently passed highway bill, Hanford, educational issues and anything the students wish to ask, Davis said.

# For Your Information

### Name That Book

"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times." "After all tomorrow is another day."

Anyone who can name the titles and authors of the books from which these passages were taken may want to come to the Fairhaven Library at 7 p.m., April 17 when the Bellingham Public and Whatcom County libraries sponsor "Name That Book."

Prizes will be given as contestants attempt to name the authors and titles of books from selections read by local dignitaries, including Bellingham Mayor Tim Douglas.

### Free Sports Medicine

A free sports medicine clinic, "Sports Medicine and You," will be presented by various doctors at 7 p.m. tonight in the Library Presentation Room.

### Climbing Slideshow

Carlos Buhler, a Western graduate and owner of Buhler Alpine Professionals, will present a slideshow of his ascent of Ama Dablam last winter. The presentation will begin at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Viking Union Lounge.

### Philosophy Series

Videos of the Dalai Lama of Tibet presenting a philosophic series at Harvard will be shown locally Monday evenings for eight consecutive weeks, beginning April 20. For more information, call 671-4268 or 671-7546.

### Waste Discussion

The Department of Energy is sponsoring a public meeting on Thursday at the Bellingham Public Library to discuss criteria for disposal and transportation of hazardous waste.

For more information contact the library at 676-6860.

### Now Try It Yourself

Want to try rock climbing? The Outdoor Program is offering a course for novice climbers. Equipment, technique and safety skills will be covered.

Progression will depend on group ability. The lectures are today and May 5. Field practices are scheduled for Saturday and May 9. Contact Tia Leber of the Outdoor Program, Viking Union 113, for more information.

### Park Talk

A public meeting will be conducted at 7:30 p.m. Monday at Happy Valley School to discuss the proposal to turn the city-owned area surrounding Connelly Creek into an environmental interpretative center. For more information, contact the dean's office at Huxley at 676-3521.

# DRAC fights for budget increase

If DRAC does not receive \$6,000 more this summer than last, programs will be dropped, said Todd Isakson, Services and Activities Fee Committee chairman.

At a preliminary budget hearing last week, comments centered around the Departmentally Related Activities Council and a request from Western View to become a member.

Isakson said DRAC can't afford to take on the View.

In 1985, DRAC received \$25,000, but its budget was cut to \$19,000 last year. DRAC overspent the reduced budget and was compensated by reserve funds from *The Front*, Isakson said.

If the budget remains at \$19,000 this summer, Isakson said, cuts will have to come from services.

During the academic year, the committee collects \$69.71 per quarter in S&A fees from each full-time student's tuition. The money is distributed among Housing and Dining, the Associated Students and DRAC.

Isakson said if it is the same amount this year the committee may divide the money so DRAC does not bear the full brunt of the cut.

The AS and Housing and Dining budgets also were cut last year. The AS was cut from \$56,000 to \$42,000 and Housing and Dining from \$51,000 to \$38,000.

Housing and Dining has requested the same amount for this summer, while the AS is seeking an increase of approximately \$2,000 to cover wage increases.

# Campus cops

Apr. 6, 2:53 p.m., six lug nuts were stolen from a car in parking lot 14G. Loss was \$8.50.

Apr. 8, 5:26 p.m., the hubcaps were stolen from a car in parking lot 21P. Loss was \$200.

Apr. 9, 3:37 p.m., a vehicle was scratched in a malicious mischief incident in parking lot 1C. Damage was \$75.

Apr. 10, 10:20 a.m., the windshield wipers and arms were stolen from a car in parking lot 2P. Loss was \$25.

Apr. 11, 1:08 a.m., Mathes Hall, a window was broken out in a malicious mischief incident. Damage was \$150.

Apr. 11, 10:10 a.m., A scooter was stolen from the 900 block of

21st. street, it was later recovered between the baseball field and the free parking lot. The scooter had been ridden or thrown down the stairs at the baseball bunker.

Apr. 11, 12:08 p.m., a car was broken into, a tape deck, a booster/graphic equalizer, and a radar detector were stolen. Entry to the vehicle was forced via the passenger side door. The

windshield was broken by a brick, stone or other such object. Loss and damage were \$505.

Apr. 11, 5:36 p.m., speakers were stolen from a car in parking lot 20P. Loss was \$475.

Apr. 11, 4:52 p.m., a cassette player, an equalizer, and tapes were stolen from a car in parking

lot 20P. Loss was \$690.

Apr. 11, 4:44 p.m., speakers were stolen from a car in parking lot 20P. Loss was \$365.

Apr. 12, 1:06 a.m., Theodore B. Mayer, 22, 320 Kappa, was cited and released for stealing two plastic milk cartons from the Ridgeway Saga. The cartons were valued at \$10 together.

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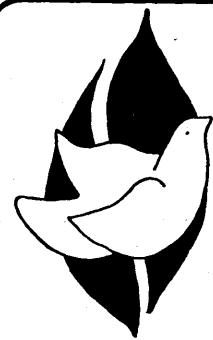
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# Society wants land, companies want oil

By Shanna Gowenlock and Rich Royston  
staff reporters

The debate about oil exploration in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) spilled onto Western's campus Thursday as representatives from the Alaska Wilderness Society and Atlantic Richfield Company presented arguments regarding the area's oil exploration potential.

Susan Alexander, the Alaska regional director of the Wilderness Society, and Jim Posey, manager of Issues Advocacy for External Affairs for Arco, squared off in a spirited debate Thursday night in the Viking Union Lounge.

Alaskan oil companies, including Arco, propose to sink five to 26 test wells in the region.

"Five wells are needed to determine if there's anything there, and 26 will tell you how much there is," Posey said. "Based on the data we have so

far, oil supplies in the ANWR are anywhere from 64 billion barrels to 200 or even 300 billion barrels of oil."

Alexander said she believes the 19-million-acre refuge should be given permanent wilderness status to protect the wildlife and beauty of the land.

Alexander was most concerned about the impact exploratory drilling would have on the Porcupine Caribou Herd, which uses the refuge for its summer calving and feeding grounds. The herd now numbers 180,000.

Posey said the company can and has been operating in the arctic with minimal environmental impact.

He sees conservationists' efforts to halt legislation allowing exploration in ANWR's coastal plain as potentially detrimental to the economy and national security.

Posey said 20 percent of the total U.S. production of oil comes from Alaska, and most of Arco's oil comes from Alaska's North

Slope into the Northwest.

"Most of the facilities that handle the oil have been built by laborers in the Northwest," he said.

According to a preliminary report to Congress by the Department of the Interior, the herd's numbers could diminish by as much as 40 percent if full-scale oil development goes forward in the refuge.

The Department of the Interior is expected to release its final report later this month. The report will make a recommendation on potential energy development of the ANWR.

Posey said opening ANWR area 1002—the coastal plain—to oil exploration is essential to the economic well-being of the nation.

"It just might keep us out of the clutches of the Middle East—out of the clutches of the Russians to the extent that we can be interdependent, not (necessarily) independent," Posey said.

Claiming it would take 10 to 15 years from exploration to actual oil production, and citing the

decline of oil production at Arco's nearby Prudhoe Bay facility, Posey said the delay in opening the coastal plain for exploration could cost the United States in terms of national security.

"When we finally get the OK (to drill), we won't have it (oil)," Posey said.

Alexander said the answer lies in attempts to develop alternative energies and to conserve the land as a wilderness.

Posey said Arco is America's largest producer of solar instruments, but solar technology is far from perfect.

"We have to deal in the present," he said, referring to the immediate availability of oil that may be in the ANWR coastal plain.

According to a resource assessment report released by the Department of the Interior, the ANWR coastal plain may contain anywhere from 600 million to 9.2 billion barrels of recoverable oil. The United States consumes about 5.8 billion barrels a year.

Alexander, whose slides main-

ly showed the ANWR coastal plain area, said the potential for oil shouldn't outweigh the aesthetic value of the area.

"I was amazed at the spirit of the place," she said. "The color and contour...it was just extraordinarily magical."

Alexander said the refuge is open for recreation, fishing, boating and rafting.

"Or just the solitude, the peace, flowers, the mood of the midnight sun," she said.

Posey agreed.

"Alaska is awesome. Awesome in its size, awesome in its beauty and awesome in its exploration potential," he said.

Posey was less enthused about the coastal plain, calling the area "a flat, rather uninteresting place."

Alexander disagreed with Posey's statement that oil exploration doesn't have to harm the environment.

"You can't have a wilderness dotted with oil wells," she said following the presentation. "After all, what is wilderness?"



Pete Kendall

## Restructured Art

## Filing open for board positions

By Daniel C. Webster  
staff reporter

Fourteen students have filed and are expected to run for positions on the Associated Students' Board of Directors.

Dan Wood, vice president for External Affairs, is expected to run against David Arasim for AS president, a position currently filled by Terri Echelbarger.

Jeff Chandler is expected to run for Position 2, vice president for Internal Affairs. The position currently is filled by Stephani Lourie.

Chandler currently is the AS director at-large for Communications. Brian Proseer is running unopposed for Chandler's current seat, Position 8.

Brent Arndt will run for Position 3, vice

the AS Activities Council and will work with various groups to help meet student needs.

Trent Wheatley, current director at-large to the University Services Council, plans to run for AS secretary-treasurer.

This post includes coordinating minutes and corresponding with the AS office secretary and working with the AS president in financial and budget matters. Kent Thoezke will oppose Wheatley.

Mike Martinez and Liz Lovet are running for Wheatley's spot, director at-large to USC.

Lisbeth Gordon will run for her second term as director at-large to University Residences. Gordon, running unopposed, has the duty to act as a liaison between the AS and the university residence system.

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president for Academic Affairs. Newcomer David Hunter will oppose Arndt in the position currently filled by Michael James.

The vice president's job is to represent students at community, state and national levels and encourage student involvement in government affairs.

James will run for Wood's position as vice president for External Affairs. He currently is unopposed.

Tammy Flemming will oppose Derek Dujardin in his run for Position 5, AS Activities director. This officer will oversee

All candidates will campaign for three weeks.

The AS will give each candidate \$30 for expenses, and each candidate will provide an additional \$30 to cover his or her personal expenses.

Those wishing to run for office must be full-time Western students who have collected at least 25 signatures. The last day to file is April 23.

Students who wish to file may contact the AS office, Viking Union 227, or call 676-3460.

# Speech aids exchange learning methods

Some Western speech students have an opportunity to work and learn at their own pace this quarter, using the assistance of undergraduate aids.

Personalized System of Instruction, presently being used in some introductory speech classes, is based on the idea that students can more effectively master an area of study by working at their own pace. It combines a self-paced format with the help of undergraduate assistants.

PSI was first used in the 1960s to increase the personalization of self-paced learning. Students have the primary responsibility to decide their own pace of

moving through the material, said visiting Assistant Professor Anna Eblen.

Students who learn conceptual material quickly can then develop their motor skills, or vice versa. Students who have used PSI tend to have a higher degree of academic satisfaction and an increased understanding of conceptual material, Eblen said.

Western's speech department presently is using three different methods of instruction: traditional, PSI and intermediate.

Traditional instruction is used in most classrooms, where the instructor is solely responsible for the pace at which a class moves.

PSI has a few required attendance days, but the rest are optional. The optional days can be spent taking exams or doing activities with undergraduate aids. This system allows students to repeat material as many times as necessary to obtain scores of 80 percent or better.

The intermediate method uses the traditional method and includes assistance from undergraduate aids.

The speech department presently is using all three methods to determine the most effective. Students using the PSI methods will compare their test scores and

speech performances to students who are taught under the traditional and intermediate format. The speech department may adopt the better format, Eblen said.

Undergraduate aids are an asset to the program because they are familiar with and have been through all the activities that the public speaking students go through.

"A lot of students have a lot of anxiety in connection with public speaking," Eblen said. "Having someone available who has done it and remembers how it feels and who can act as an adviser, in addition to having the instructors available, is a good personalized experience."

# Lack of new books concerns library

**LIBRARY, from p. 1** — the draft numerous times in an attempt to meet the needs of everyone. Taken into consideration were class enrollment, academic priorities and future intentions.

The acquisitions allocation plan will, within budgetary limitations, provide appropriate levels of support to all students and faculty in the various disciplines and will be consistent with academic planning and priorities.

The plan addresses Western's

needs for library materials, media materials and automated information resources. The library staff has tried to develop a collection that reflects the needs and interests of the faculty, Parker said.

The imbalance problem hasn't been solved, but an attempt to balance the budget is in the preliminary stages.

"Serial publications are the Pac-Mans of the library," Donker said. "They gobble everything up."



Rep. Jim Lewis (R-Yakima) argues against a tax increase Friday in Olympia.

Jon Bauer

## Paperwork plagues Health Services

Western's Student Health Services is plagued by a rash of student requests for excuses demanded by professors for missed classes.

Jennifer Roy, director of Student Health Services, said the number is large enough that her department has begun to keep track of how many leaves of absences are requested and which faculty members are requesting them. Roy said writing the requests is time-consuming busywork.

Student Health Services started keeping the stats last quarter. Roy said although no official action has been taken, her office is passing the records to the Office of Student Affairs.

"To the best of my knowledge, Western is the only university in the state that requires medical leaves of absence," said Connie Copeland, assistant vice president to the dean of Student Affairs.

Copeland said she is interested in creating another process, based on student opinions, in which the same information could be given to faculty.

Copeland said Student Health Services will continue to compile the statistics through this quarter. She said her main goal is to see students being treated like adults and to work on a plan with the faculty and students to see the goal reached.

## Ed budget moves to Senate

**LEGISLATURE, from p. 1** — and 48 "nays." Shortly afterward, several Democrats and at least one Republican changed their votes in favor of the tax bill to bring the final tally to 55-42.

"It passed by a wide margin," Braddock said. "Tax bills always look close."

The issue of disparity between the regional universities came up briefly during the discussion of the budget bill. Rep. Dennis Dellwo (D-Spokane) proposed an amendment that reinstated 150 Full Time Equivalent students (FTEs) to Eastern Washington University's enrollment level, which had been allocated to Western.

"This amendment does not take away 150 FTEs from Western. It merely gives Eastern back the FTEs it lost," Dellwo said. "Western needs the increase, but Eastern needs it as well."

Rep. Bill Day (D-Spokane) said he hoped the amendment, which passed, would signal the "end of College Wars."

"We need to stop pitting one regional university against the other," Day said.

Those at the front of "College Wars" may disagree that the battles are over. Associated Students' Vice-President for External Affairs Dan Wood said he believes the issue of equitable funding is "far from over."

Calculations of the 1985-87 current budget show state general and local fund allocations for Western are the lowest of the four regional universities, which include Western, Eastern, Central Washington University and The Evergreen State College. Western receives \$5,303 per FTE, Eastern receives \$5,894 per FTE, Central receives \$6,287 per FTE and Evergreen receives \$7,362 per FTE.

While Western receives more money than the other universities, it has to spread that money among more students.

Appropriations for the 1987-89 budget would allot \$5,935 for each Western student per year.

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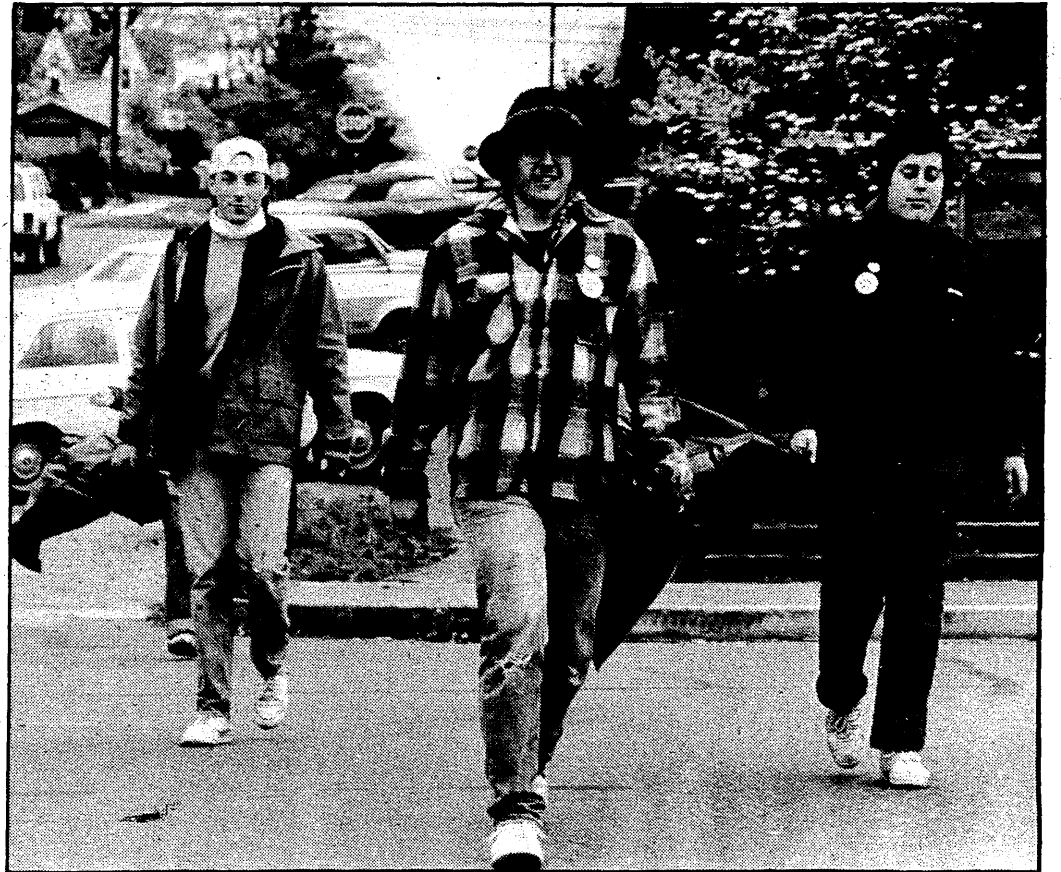
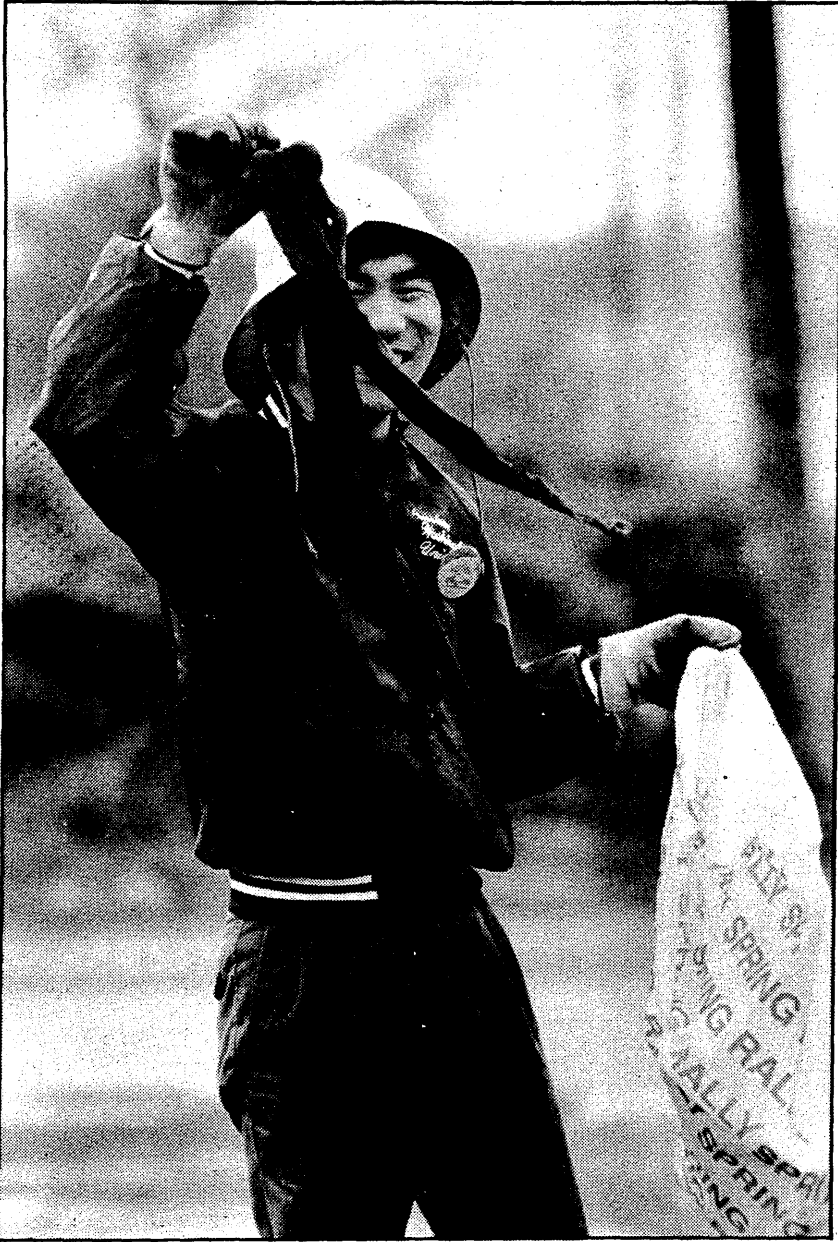
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About 18 people collected Bellingham garbage Saturday in the WashPIRG Hunger Clean-up. Clockwise above right, Eric Richey, Alan Rose and Scott Rose prepare to battle the debris littering Fairhaven streets; Cortland Fletcher, Colleen Majors, Sabrina Davies and Jim Zirk wrestle barbed wire fencing along Connelly Creek in Happy Valley; Fast food containers were abundant for Dorothy Watson and Michelle Refvik; Jin Kim contemplates an entry for the most original garbage award.

## Clean-up

### Garbage generates funds for food

Story by Carole Wiedmeyer  
Photos by Dan Tyler

A puzzle-postcard of Pittsburgh Pirate Roberto Clemente competed with a push-mower and a metal flute to win the prize for the "weirdest piece of trash" found at WashPIRG's hunger clean-up Saturday.

The awards were given during the follow-up picnic at Boulevard Park after 18 volunteers spent three hours cleaning up five different sites in cool, blustery weather to raise money for the Bellingham Food Bank and the National Student Campaign Against Hunger.

About \$500 has been collected on expected pledges of almost \$600, said Lori Farrow, Washington Public Interest Research Group student coordinator.

Volunteers gathered between 10:30 and 11 a.m. at Boulevard Park. Don Gischer, Bellingham city councilman, launched the event by recognizing the problem of hunger and commending the efforts of WashPIRG.

This was the first year the Bellingham Chapter of WashPIRG has taken part in the campaign, which began in 1985. More than 100 groups in 60 cities sponsored similar events this year, said Thomas Mosby, media relations director for Western's chapter.

Each chapter determined what kind of event it would sponsor, Farrow said. She

said Western chose the clean-up project for a good reason.

"We just decided Bellingham had a lot of trash," she said.

About 50 bags of trash were collected and brought to Boulevard Park where everything but plastic and some metal was sorted into bins provided by the Associated Students' Recycling Center.

Volunteers sorted through the smelly beer bottles, pop cans and soggy paper.

"This wasn't the most glamorous thing," said volunteer Michelle Refvik. She and teammate Dorothy Watson left a spotless trail behind them as they collected an assortment of fast-food litter in the ditch that runs along the north side of Bill McDonald Parkway.

"The garbage is overwhelming," Watson said.

Some of the volunteers collected pledges before setting out to gather trash.

Cortlandt Fletcher, an environmental studies major at Huxley, won dinner for two at Dos Padres Restaurant for the most sponsorship raised by an individual.

Other prizes also were awarded for the most sponsorship obtained by a team, the most trash collected and the most original team.

Because no residence halls entered teams for the event, a \$25 prize earmarked for dorm participants will be directly donated to the Hunger Fund, Farrow said.



## FRONTLINE

## Don't let periodicals take over the library

Imagine having to go to the University of Washington to get books for a research paper because Wilson Library just doesn't have them in stock.

The scenario easily could become reality if the current spending trend in Western's library continues.

In the past 17 years, the library has gone from spending 75 percent of its acquisitions budget on books to spending only 13 percent. The remaining money, now nearly \$700,000, goes to some 4,000 journals, whose annual subscription rate continues to increase.

The problem is this: While periodical subscription rates have increased dramatically over the years, the library's \$800,000 acquisitions budget has remained basically the same. Cancelling journal subscriptions is more difficult than discontinuing book purchases because library officials like to keep periodical collections complete, thus avoiding gaps between years. Resuming a subscription after two or three years, for example, could mean no 1987-88 *Newsweeks* in the library.

Furthermore, professors need the current, ongoing information journals supply, according to Diane Parker, director of libraries.

Interesting dilemma. Do we cut back on periodicals or do we let our library become an enormous magazine rack? Unless something is done to remedy the situation, Western soon will have no money available to purchase new books, let alone other valuable resources such as microfiche and microfilm systems and services.

"...A good undergraduate library of the kind Wilson Library is would normally aim for a 50-50 distribution between the purchase of books and the purchase of journals," said English Professor Marjorie Donker. "The identity of an institution depends on the quality of its library."

Donker has a very good point. Copious amounts of valuable information will be lost to Western students if the library can't afford to buy any new books. The search must commence immediately for additional acquisitions funds, and--distasteful though it is--library officials must decide to cut back on some periodical purchases to equalize this distribution.

Eighty-seven percent of the budget for periodicals is just too much.

## Postscript...

Maybe it was something they ate. Survivors of the Titanic sinking recently appeared in Delaware for a convention of the Titanic Historical Society. During the meeting, the survivors were approached by society members for autographs on Titanic memorabilia, and a dinner was scheduled with a menu identical to the last meal served to the first class passengers aboard the ship. Kinda makes a person wonder how the conventioners travelled home.

Charge it, please. Flirting, wearing heavy makeup and being unpredictable are key ways to keep a hubby happy, advises Tammy Faye Bakker in a book "Christian Wives--Women Behind the Evangelists Reveal Their Faith in Modern Marriage." According to a *Seattle Times* article, the wife of television evangelist Jim Bakker also has faith in her often-criticized shopping sprees.

"There's times I just have to quit thinking and the only way I can quit thinking is by shopping," she said.

No doubt her first stop is the makeup counter.

## The Western Front

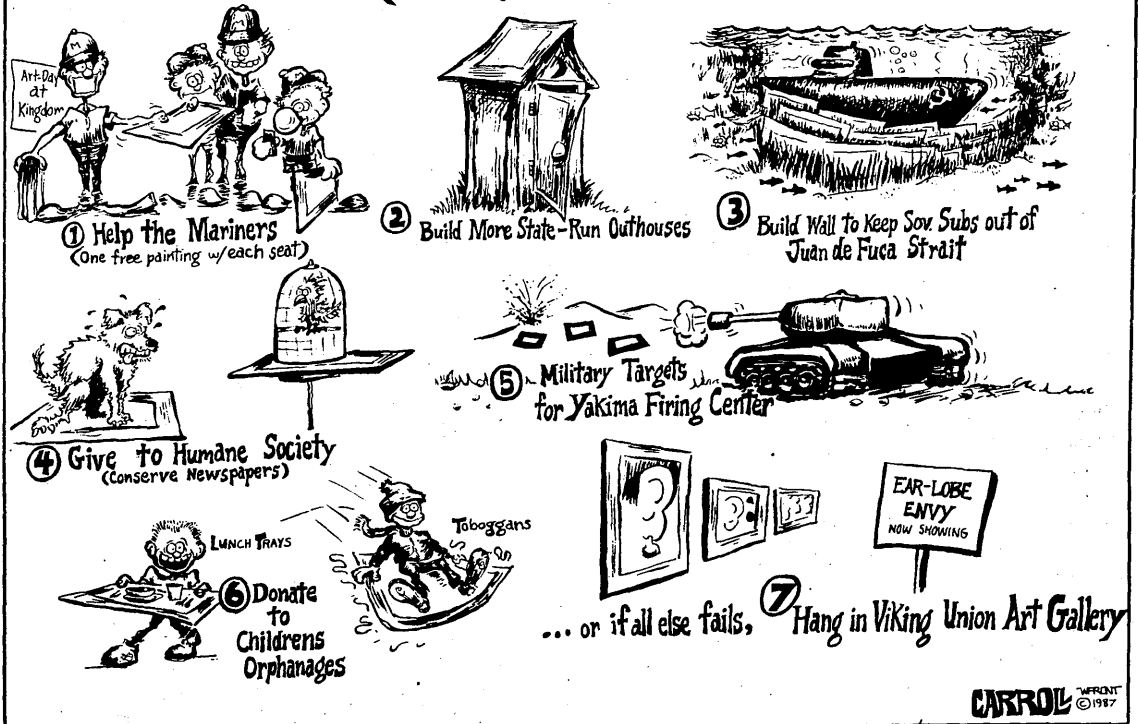
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## Proposals for Art Rejected by State Legislators

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## U.S. foreign policy

# Trading lives for prosperity

I am an American. All my life I have been taught to be proud of my country.

But my country supports the exploitation of lesser-developed countries. While attempting to carve a bigger slice of economic prosperity for itself, the United States jabs its jagged knife into the susceptible wounds of smaller nations.

In grade school, I placed my hand over my heart and recited the Pledge of Allegiance, while the teacher conducted the class like a chorus leader. As I proudly stared at the red and blue flag hanging above the chalkboard, my "great" nation was orchestrating the death of innocent people all over the world.

During grade school it was Vietnam. During junior high school it became El Salvador. In high school, Nicaragua joined the ranks. Today, my "helpful" country still is involved in Central



David Einmo

guest writer

America, killing civilians and warriors so those countries will "prosper."

But is the "mighty" USA killing Central American people so they will prosper, or is my "noble" nation exterminating other nations so the good old USA will flourish?

Maybe it's just me, but I was under the impression that if a country is trying to save people from something evil (like that "vicious" communist stuff), it should do so without killing the people it is trying to protect.

The United States is concerned with gaining more power and money for itself, not helping other countries.

After all, we are "lordly" Americans. We deserve to live in homes large enough to provide shelter for a small village, and sit back in our leather sofas eating steak and turkey until our butts are too big to lift off the couch. We deserve to wear beautiful handmade sweaters woven by peasants from other countries, while the "low-lives" who provide for us sleep in grass huts and eat rice.

If we have to step on a few heads and squirt a few brains around, well I guess that's what we should do. Bullpoop!

Our "majestic" government is willing to take advantage of people in countries less fortunate than ours. If they get in the way of our plan, our government disposes of them like junk mail.

But this doesn't force us to demonstrate the same arrogance as our government. Human life is more important than a big house and lots of coffee beans.

## It's a bank-eat-customer world

# Battling the bankbook blues

The late president Andrew Jackson once called bankers "a den of vipers and thieves." In my opinion, not much has changed but the times, and what Jackson said in the mid-1800s still rings true today.

I consider myself a reasonably intelligent and responsible person. But I, like many others, made a mistake in my checkbook. I bounced eight checks. Yes, count 'em folks, eight checks. My bank, to discourage this from becoming habit, charged me \$100 for my folly.

The bank even bounced one check twice. This is a concept I fail to grasp. "How many times can the same check bounce?" I asked into the phone.

"Theoretically, it can bounce an infinite number of times," the nasal monotone at the other end informed me. "As a service to our customers and to those cashing the check, we run it through twice before returning it."

"Gee, that's a bargain at any price," I said. What a deal.

OK. I'll admit it. My checkbook is a mess. The balancing



Shanna Gowenlock

staff reporter

section is littered with phone numbers, Greyhound bus schedules and an array of neurotic doodles done in the throes of checkstand-line boredom.

"Could I come in and straighten this out?" I asked.

"Well, what exactly is the problem?" droned the voice.

"Uh, this matter of eight bounced checks is concerning me," I intoned. Are these people for real?

Two hours and a yard-long computer printout later, I stumbled out of the bank, dazed, and wondered how I was ever going to survive in this bank-eat-customer world. My printout was a mass of confusion condensed into a jumble of codes, asterisks, numbers and lines. It looked like a war plan by the losing side.

Does the bank make it confusing on purpose? Is this printout just another form of intimidation? I trudged home, printout in tow. It felt as if it

weighed 10 pounds, and I resisted the urge to heave it into the dumpster with the rest of my garbage.

Back in the world of my room, I tried to muster some perspective that would prove I wasn't philosophically unevolved--that I wasn't groveling in the dirt with the bugs, my mind hopelessly chained to material concepts. "OK," I told myself, "so you bounced a few--well, eight--checks. So what? In terms of the universe, it's pretty insignificant."

I imagined how it could have been worse: I could have been hit by a truck; my apartment could have caught fire; my cat could have caught fire. Whew, am I lucky. Feeling too grateful for words, I lay down to take a nap and forget the day. No such luck.

I dreamed my car was impounded.



## Letters

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### Lesson to learn: don't waste food

*The Front:*

I am a foreign student from Thailand and have been attending Western for the past five years. One of the interesting and noteworthy norms here is the strive to recognize an individual without any prejudices against country of origin, race, creed or gender.

This is the law, but it does not mean all people follow it to the letter. For instance, since I obtained my secondary education from a British, religious-affiliated school, my American peers are very amused by my ignorance of

their particular idioms and my pronunciation of certain words, which do not conform to their American English pronunciation. Of course, I was not usually embarrassed when this happened, but was more concerned that I did not get across to them what I intended.

Amidst all my cultural, racial and educational differences, I have come to establish a few close friendships with unique Americans, one of whom is Shelly Zylstra, Saga's nutritionist. For almost four years, I have known her and her family, and am a guest at their table many times. So I felt the need to clear up the misunderstanding that Shelly was, as Ms. (Dina) Al-Sharif asserted in her letter published in *The Front* April 7, racist.

She certainly was not, in relating to me and my non-American acquaintances. We always exchange ideas, particularly on our respective cuisines, and I have never seen her humiliate my culture nor its culinary practices. On the other hand, she is always eager to learn new things from me and, likewise, I from her.

The Islamic custom that she used for her Nutrition Trivia table tent that Ms. Al-Sharif saw was taken from a foods textbook that I had looked at too. She had told me that she had chosen this culinary practice because she was very impressed that Muslims are taught to value each and every morsel of food, which is not what she (and I) see the dining hall patrons doing. One has only to step into the dishroom to watch how much food is wasted on the trays entering from outside. People here, because of affluence, do not conserve and maximize food that is scarce in other cultures.

As a Chinese, I was taught by my grandma that each grain of rice left in my bowl eventually would appear as a pock mark on my face; needless to say, I always

scrape my rice bowl clean. As you can see, however different the customs are, the theme is basically identical: Don't waste food.

Now that you can see her perspective, you, and hopefully Ms. Al-Sharif, will know that Shelly is impressed with those cultures that utilize their food most maximally and efficiently and is not making fun of them.

*Boon Hom Sinakhot*

### High Street home not a dump

*The Front:*

We, the residents of the Harborview Hilton on north High Street, are appalled, dismayed and filled with horror by Florence Hays' April 7 letter, which referred to our home as a dump. Especially offended was our live-in gardener/manager.

*Craig Daly  
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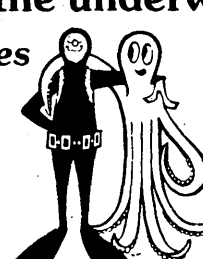


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**SPRING QUARTER DEGREE/INITIAL CERTIFICATE CANDIDATES:** All students expecting to graduate and/or receive a teaching certificate at the close of spring quarter must have an evaluation on file in the Registrar's Office, OM230, by Apr. 21. An appointment must be made in that office.

**COMMENCEMENT 1987:** Information has now been mailed to those students who have completed senior evaluations with the Registrar's Office. If you are interested in participating in commencement but have not received any information, contact the Credit Evaluation section of the Registrar's Office.

**MATH PLACEMENT** (intermediate algebra, precalculus, basic algebra) will be given at 3 p.m. today (April 14). Students must register in OM120. Fee of \$7 is payable at time of test.

**MILLER ANALOGIES TEST** will be given at 3 p.m. Apr. 16, May 28 & June 11. Registration required in OM120, 676-3080. Fee of \$27 payable at time of test. Allow 1½ hours for session.

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**JUNIOR WRITING EXAM** will be given at 3 p.m. Apr. 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 30 & May 1. Students must pre-register in OM120. Bring picture ID.

**LAST DAY TO ENROLL** in the student emergency illness/accidental injury plan for spring quarter is Fri., Apr. 24.

**FOREIGN STUDY:** An informational meeting about NICSA, ISEP and CIEE study abroad programs will be held from 3-4 p.m. Thurs., Apr. 16, in OM400F. Interested students and faculty are encouraged to attend.

**COUNSELING CENTER** spring groups are: **Bulimia Group**, Mon. starting Apr. 13, MH277 (preliminary one-hour interview required); **Math Anxiety Reduction**, Wed., Apr. 15 to May 6, 2-4 p.m., MH372A; **Overcoming Speech Anxiety**, Thurs., Apr. 23 to May 31, 3-5 p.m.; **Overcoming Text Anxiety**, Tues., Apr. 14 to May 12, 3-5 p.m.; **Women's Support Group**, Wed., 3-5 p.m., MH277. To sign up, contact the Counseling Center, MH262, 676-3164.

**WOMEN'S CENTER:** Zohi De Ishtar and Bridget Roberts, who are touring the Pacific as part of the Greenham Common Womyn's Peace Camp Initiative to support the Nuclear Free and Independent Pacific (NFIP) movement, will be on campus at noon Tues., Apr. 14, in the VU Lounge. Admission is free. Everyone is welcome.

**STRATA** is open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. Stop by for coffee or tea. • **Brown-bag lunch** is held from noon to 2 p.m. each Wednesday in VA460A. Apr. 15: Bellingham Mayor Tim Douglas. • **Adult social:** 5-7 p.m. Fri., Apr. 17, Teriyaki Bar, 119 W. Holly.

**THE SPRING BOOK OF THE QUARTER** is *How Free Are We? What the Constitution Says We Can and Cannot Do* by John Sexton & Nat Brandt.

**Career Planning & Placement Center Recruiting Schedule**  
Seniors must have their files established in the Placement Center prior to sign-up for interviews.

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Yakima Camp Fire, Fri., Apr. 17. Summer only. Sign up in OM280.  
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Bakersfield City School District, Fri., Apr. 24. Elementary/junior high/bilingual/special education majors. Sign up in OM280 beginning Apr. 17.  
Godfather's Pizza, Tues., Apr. 28. Business-related majors. Sign up in OM280.  
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# Western dominates in weekend regatta

By Jeff Keeling  
staff reporter

Western men's and women's crew teams dominated Saturday's Daffodil Regatta near Tacoma, claiming first or second in 11 of 16 races the teams entered.

The men's varsity and lightweight boats had a tougher time with the weather than with its opponents at Saturday's race, as they stroked to victory in all four of their races. Overall, the men competed in eight races and won five.

The Regatta attracted four schools to American Lake, including Western, Pacific Lutheran University, University of Puget Sound and Gonzaga University.

The Vikings began by winning the varsity eight-man race, covering the 2,000-meter course in 6 minutes 18 seconds, a convincing 17 seconds in front of second place Gonzaga. Coach Fil Leanderson said the team's time was not spectacular, but noted conditions were sloppy early in the day.

Four rowers from the varsity eight boat finished nine seconds ahead of PLU at 7:34 for another first in the varsity four race,

while the rest of the varsity eight crew stroked to a narrow victory in the junior varsity four-man shell. The JV team covered the 2,000 meters in 7:20, just two seconds ahead of UPS.

The Vikings' lightweight (rowers weighing less than 160 pounds) boats claimed the other two Western victories.

The lightweight eight-man shell nosed into first place in 6:34, with PLU just behind at 6:37, while the lightweight fours rowed an even closer race, edging UPS by one second in 8:02.

The lightweight eight crew concerned Leanderson before the meet, but he was pleased with their win.

"I thought their progress last week was pretty good," Leanderson said of the lightweights.

Western also copped third place finishes in the junior varsity eight- and novice four-man shells. The JV eights finished in 6:57, nine seconds behind first place UPS and six back of PLU, while the novice fours finished 21 seconds behind UPS and 18 behind PLU in 8:17.

The novice eight-man boat struggled but didn't sink, finishing fourth in 7:19, 30

seconds behind first place UPS but only four seconds behind third place PLU.

Leanderson said he felt alright about the overall results of the midseason meet.

"We got a pretty good chunk of firsts and seconds out of this, and I'm reasonably pleased with our performance down there," he said.

Leanderson added that with not many races remaining, "they have to keep working if they want to finish the season strong."

The women's crew fared well in seven of eight heats, capturing two first-place finishes and claiming second in five others.

The lightweight eight shell finished in 8:11, fifteen seconds ahead of second place PLU, and the novice fours beat second place PLU by seven seconds, finishing the 2000-meter race in 8:21.

The Viking women rowed to second place finishes in the lightweight four, junior varsity four, novice lightweight four, freshman eight and open (varsity) eight woman competitions.

The lightweight fours finished in 8:53, 12 seconds behind PLU. PLU also edged the JV fours by four seconds in 9:38, while

the novice lightweight fours finished in 9:31, 19 seconds behind first place Gonzaga. The varsity eights finished in 7:35, 16 seconds behind PLU, and the freshman eights came in 21 seconds behind Gonzaga.

Leanderson was disappointed in the third place finish of the women's varsity four shell, which came in a full 37 seconds behind second place UPS and 47 seconds behind PLU.

Leanderson said the overall performance was pretty good against the other schools, which have programs comparable to Western's in size, but added "our challenge is to run with the bigger programs," such as the University of Washington.

Most of the shells won't be racing again until May 1 and 2 when the women's lightweight and men's varsity crews invade Seattle's Mountlake Cut. After the women's race May 1, the men will row the next day in the Opening Day Regatta, which features a race between a team from the Soviet Union and a powerful University of Washington squad.

## Tired ruggers win one, lose three at Skagit tulip tourney

By Jeremy Meyer  
staff reporter

A tired and bruised Warthog club was able to salvage only one victory in four tries Saturday in rugby competition at the Skagit Valley Tulip Festival in Mount Vernon.

Western's Warthogs played well all day, team president Adam Greve said.

Western lost their first game of the day 14-4 to the Valley Rugby Club from Kent.

The game started out slow, Western rugger Greg Goodale said.

"Valley was just a warm-up game for us. We weren't playing well," he said.

The next game proved to be Western's only winning effort of the day as the Warthogs beat St. Martins College, 26-3.

Western started playing better during this game, Goodale said. He singled out Rob James, a new Warthog recruit, as playing exceptionally well.

"He hit hard, and ran real well," Goodale said.

Western dropped the next game 18-3 to Seattle. Seattle later advanced to the championship match, meeting a team from Great Britain.

During the Seattle match the team made some mistakes. "We had a couple mental breakdowns against Seattle," Greve said, "We just didn't play well."

"Our ball handling is what killed us," Goodale said. "There were a lot of dropped balls."

The final game of the afternoon pitted the fatigued Warthogs against a club team from Tacoma. Tacoma came out on top 7-4.

This game was "a battle of the people who were really tired," Goodale said. "We lost only because we were more tired than they were."

Goodale said the tournament was a real test for the team and could be considered a turning point.

"We did drop to a low a while back," he said.

He added this tournament could spark some fervor in the team and could help them bounce back to greatness.

The games began at 9 a.m. and lasted until 4:30 p.m. All games were played in 20-minute halves.

Western's ruggers are idle this coming weekend.



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## On deck...

### Tennis

The Western men's tennis club has been unable to reschedule its rained-out match with Bellevue Community College. The men's matches this week will be at Green River Community College Wednesday and at Skagit Valley Community College Thursday.

The women's tennis team will host B.C.C. Thursday.

### Lacrosse

The Western men's lacrosse squad travels east of the mountains this weekend. The team plays Saturday against Whitman College in Walla Walla, and Sunday at Washington State University in Pullman.

## Sailors thump UW; earn trip to NY

By Jeffrey Pedersen  
sports editor

Western's sailing club will be tacking off the East coast of New York this May as a result of Saturday's thumping of the University of Washington sailing team on Lake Whatcom.

Two boats, raced by Erik Hauge, Karee Loghry, Mark Harang and Andrea Henderson will represent the Northwest Intercollegiate Yacht Racing Association in a national competition held at King's Point, New York May 20-23.

"We'll be sailing against the best collegiate sailors in the country," Hauge said.

The step-up in competition will be a big one for the Western club. Nationally ranked schools dominating the eastern regions, such as Navy and the College of Charleston, as well as two of the best boats from California will be among 16 teams racing in the event.

Competitive sailing traditionally has been a favored pastime on the East coast, but the recent publicity given to the America's Cup races in Australia has boosted the interest and number of schools who consider sailboat racing a serious endeavor.

"All the schools back East and in California consider sailing to be a varsity level sport with coaches and scholarships," Hauge said.



Western sailors, Erik Hauge and Karee Loghry on their way to a B-class win.

The College of Charleston is one school known for seeking out the best sailors in the country, he added.

Because the club treasury is exhausted, Western's sailors must pay their own way to the competition.

Hauge said the team would do well just to finish in the middle of the group.

The United States Merchant Marine Academy at King's Point is the site of the race and the academy will provide new boats and sails for the event at a cost of \$8,000 per boat.

Western advanced to the national level by defeating the UW boats in regional competition Saturday. The race at Lake Whatcom was won by superior boat speed and handling more than tactics, Hauge said.

"Through the season, it was usually a two-boat race between (Western) and UW," he said. "They've been our rivals all season."

Because of the advantage in boat speed, Western was able to tack faster than the Husky boat, forcing it to try to catch up throughout the race. The Western club used the advantage to finish 10 points ahead of the Huskies.

The scoring system in collegiate sailing awards one point for a first place finish, two points for a second, and so on. The club with the lowest score wins the competition. Western finished the day with 21 points, UW grabbed second with 31, Oregon State University followed in third with 51, and the Royal Rhodes Military Academy of Victoria, B.C. brought up fourth place with 54 points.

Another group of Western sailors crewed a 44-foot boat in national competition this past weekend in Annapolis, Md. The crew of six men and two women are representing the NWIYRA at the competition. Results were not available at press time.

## Walks, errors fuel Viking loss

Western's club baseball team played its fourth game of the season Saturday, in a 7-4 loss to the Richmond Autobody Club at Lynden.

The Vikings led 4-3 in the fourth inning behind the strong pitching of Dean Hove, but Hove began to tire and Richmond rallied with four runs.

Pitching and fielding are problems, head coach Jon Russell said.

"Walks and errors are really our undoing," he said.

"We didn't hit well," assistant coach Rod Schonbocher said. "Nobody really played well."

Western is scheduled to play the same Richmond team, 5 p.m. tomorrow in Lynden.

The Vikings lost their second and third games Sunday, April 5, in a doubleheader at Shoreline Community College in Seattle.

Western went down 13-7 in the first game and were shutout 9-0 in the second by a more experienced Shoreline team, already 12 games into its season.

Viking Ron Steffen went five for eight with a pair of doubles and three RBI's in the losses.

Going into the doubleheader, Western only had practiced twice because of conflicting schedules, spring break and uncooperative weather.



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## More tracksters qualify for districts

Story and photos by Mark Watson

Western's track coaches received just about everything they asked for Saturday, when Western hosted its annual Track and Field Invitational at Civic Stadium.

"We had improvements in all areas today," men's coach Ralph Vernacchia said. "We had some great individual performances and qualified more people for the district meet."

Vernacchia said most team members improved in their events.

Women's coach Tony Bartlett also said his team grew in strength.

"We added a few more girls to the district meet this afternoon and got some top performances from everyone," Bartlett said. "This was a great meet all around. The competition was really tight in most of the events."

About the only thing that wasn't on the bright side was the weather, but neither coach saw it as a factor on individual performances.

"You can't control the weather but you can control your performance," Vernacchia said. "Everybody has to compete in the same conditions, so it comes down to the individual."

The weather did improve through the afternoon, however, and the individual records began to fall. No team scores were kept at the event.

For the Western women, Shelly Borovich probably was the top performer, finishing first in the triple jump, second in the javelin and fourth in the long jump.

"I'm really happy about my performance today, especially the triple jump," she said. "I felt the competition was really strong. There were some quality people out here today."

Other women who gave strong performances were

Genevie Pfueller who finished second in the 5000 meter, and Hollie Watson who won the 100 and 200.

"Genevie was really caught in a tough situation," Bartlett said. "She went out trying to keep up with Bente Moe and ran a pace that was too fast for her (Pfueller)." Bartlett said she slowed herself down and ran an exceptional race after about the 1500-meter mark.

"She was running alone for most of the race," Bartlett said. "When you're between the front runner and the rest of the pack it's hard to control your pace. I thought Genevie did a great job getting a hold of her concentration."

For the men, Todd Henson, Herman Nelson, Tony Engelhardt and Kim Nix all had good days.

"Nix broke two of his own personal records in the discus and the shot put," Vernacchia said. "He seems to get better and better each meet."

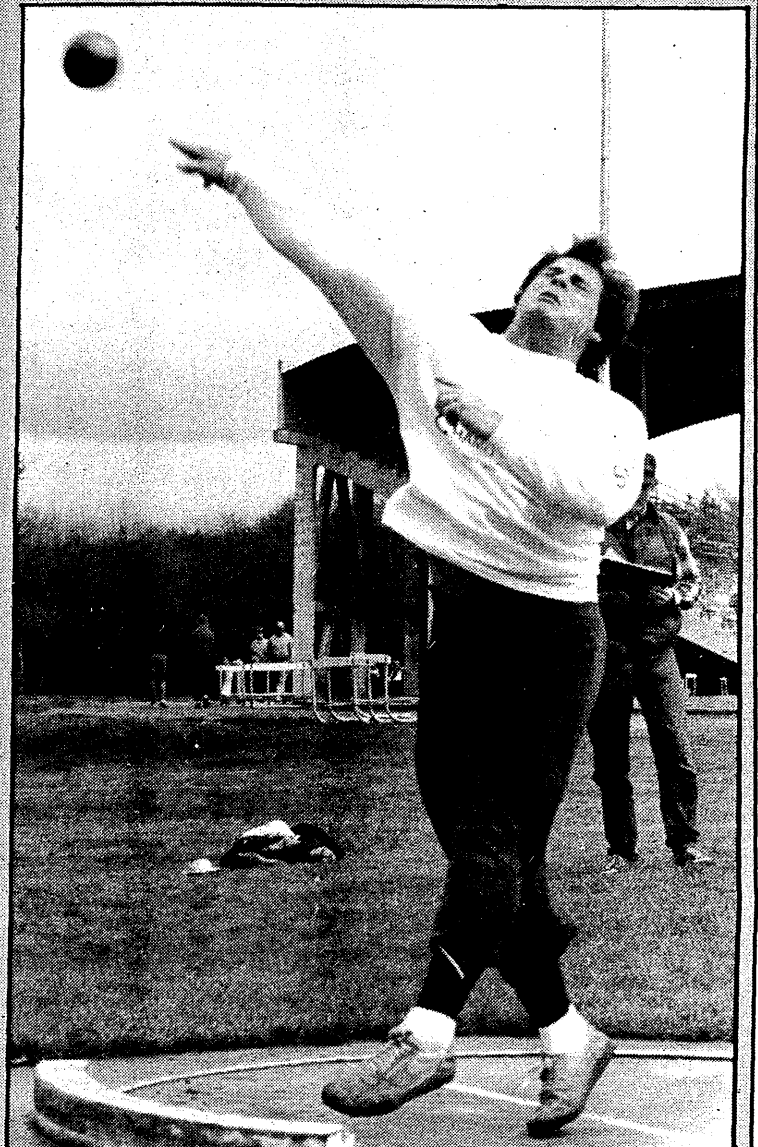
Henson said the level of competition really helped in the day's performances.

"When you rub shoulders with the best you can't help but to improve in some form," Vernacchia said.

All and all, both coaches said Saturday's meet helped in Western's chances of gaining another district championship for both teams.

"Each meet, the team adds more individuals to the district meet," Bartlett said. "The season is really starting to flow on the right track."

"I'm looking forward to next week's invitational at Central (Washington University) where we can get a chance to race on this year's district track before the district meet," Vernacchia said.



Western's Hollie Watson (right) heads for first place in the 100 meter while Kim Nix heaves a personal best 51-4 in the shot put.

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