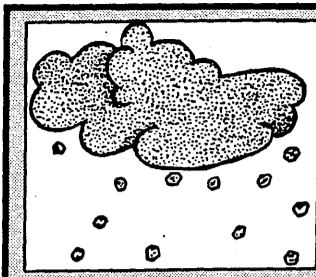


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WEATHER

Rain showers today and through the week. Increased chance of snow Thursday and Friday. Highs in the mid 40s.

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NO WAY: *Students protest possible tuition hike*



Students protest against a stiff increase in tuition with banners, signs and loud voices on Thursday in front of Old Main.

David Rubert/The Western Front

By Shannon Fowler
staff reporter

About 200 students assembled outside Old Main to protest a proposed 10 percent tuition surcharge last Thursday.

The rally was sponsored by the Associated Student government.

AS President Kent Thaelke and Washington Student Lobby Vice President Scott LaFramboise addressed the crowd, expressing their disapproval of an increase in tuition.

"If there was ever a time Western's voice needed to be heard, it's now," Thaelke said.

After Thaelke finished speaking, the crowd chanted "don't tax students" for almost one minute, to let the administrators inside of Old Main hear the student's position on the tuition surcharge.

Many students carried signs supplied for the rally by the WSL and the AS. Some organizations designed their own banners, such as one which read "No Surcharge, You Already Take More Than We Can Give," carried by the Viking Con.

"I think that when you start talking about tuition, you get interest," Kent Thaelke said. "I wish I could get this interest on everything."

The chairman of the Senate Ways and Means Committee, Sen. Dan McDonald, R-Bellevue, is responsible for substitute Senate bill 5463.

The bill would allow a building fees surcharge of 10 percent to be added to tuition. The surcharge would be in addition to a cost-study increase.

By 1991, the two would total 36 percent, or over \$200 a quarter, Western's WSL chair-

woman Pam Kruse said.

Western's administration supports Senate bill 5463, Thaelke said.

The Higher Education Council did a cost-study to determine the amount tuition would have to increase to cover inflation, enrollment and other factors, Kruse said.

Currently \$6 of the student's tuition goes for campus building fees. No matter how high the tuition rises, the building fee amount stays the same.

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Truths shed about Nicaraguan poverty

By Linda Dahlstrom
staff reporter

Nicaragua is facing a political and economic crisis, greatly due to the United States involvement in funding the Contra counter-revolution fighting the government and the U.S. trade embargo, Steven Hill said Wednesday night in a presentation at the Garden Street United Methodist Church.

Hill, a local mental health counselor and Lucy Colvin, a political science graduate student, spent three weeks in Esteli, Nicaragua in August, studying Spanish and living with local families there.

Hill and Colvin will repeat their presentation at 7 p.m., Feb. 21, in the

Wilson Library Presentation Room.

Because of the embargo passed in 1985 making trade between the United States and Nicaragua illegal, the people are unable to buy necessary supplies, Hill said.

"We went to one hospital and talked to a doctor there. He said one man recently died on the operating table because of lack of string to suture him up," Colvin said, adding there's also a severe shortage of anesthesia and medicine.

"The hospital has an X-ray machine but no plates for it. They can't get them because of the embargo," she said.

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Scam may involve CIA

By Ed Treat
staff reporter

The CIA may be linked to the failure of 22 savings and loan institutions by securing bogus loans to finance Contras in Nicaragua, the Houston Post reported last week.

"Court and law enforcement records and information obtained from government investigators suggest the Central Intelligence Agency used money from fraudulent loans to give covert aid to the Contra rebels in Nicaragua," according to the story printed in last Monday's Seattle Post Intelligencer.

Darcy Utterback, coordinator of the Peace Resource Center, who lead a rally fall quarter to keep CIA recruiters off Western's campus, said she was surprised to hear the about the Houston Post report.

"You often hear allegations of mob connections and shady money dealings, but it's not typical that the CIA gets accused in the papers," she said.

Mark Mansfield, spokesperson for the CIA in

McLean, Va., declined to comment on the article but agreed to send a copy of a letter to The Front that the CIA had sent to the Houston Post in response to the report.

The letter, signed by James W. Greenleaf, director of CIA public affairs in Washington D.C., says the claims in the Houston Post report are "not true" and the CIA "does not violate U.S. laws and would not participate in fraudulent activities."

The article says the investigators are looking into the failed savings and loans because they suspect links between the CIA and organized crime in the bank fraud.

Of the 22 failed savings and loans mentioned in the Houston Post article, 16 are located in Texas. The six others are spread from Florida to Colorado.

Silverado Savings in Denver — where President Bush's son, Neil, was once a board member — also is involved, the Houston Post said.

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Safe sex highlighted for condom week

By Bonny Block
staff reporter

The Sexual Awareness Center brought us the unbreakable Captain Condom—live, at noon, Monday, in Red Square—spewing knowledge about safe sex.

With the coming of Captain Condom, National Condom Week was off to a screaming start.

Other SAC activities include: a Valentine's dance, a condom contest and a Western's Improbable Theater Group performance.

The Valentine's dance is scheduled for 8:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 16, in the Canada House. Western's Improbable Theater Group will perform Feb. 14 in Red Square.

The SAC and Health Services will co-sponsor an open house on Wednesday, Feb. 14, in the Viking Union. Free Valentine's Day cards with condoms will be distributed and birth control information will be available.

"National Condom Week is an attempt to desensitize people, to make them more comfortable with condom use," Linina Severance, assistant coordinator of SAC, said. "It's a way to combine fun and games with a serious message."

National Condom Week began with a proclamation by Loni Hancock, mayor of Berkeley, California.

The week's goal is to "reduce the incidence of sexually transmitted disease, including AIDS, and unintended pregnancy in the United States by increasing the proportion of sexually active 18-24-year olds who use condoms correctly and consistently," according to the week's "Goals, Objectives, and Strategies" guide.

People in this age bracket are targeted, according to the guide, because these people are establishing behavior and lifestyle patterns that will likely be carried throughout their lives.

The guide also reported that both sexual and alcohol experimentation is extensive within this age group, and the majority of sexually active young people do not use condoms.

In honor of National Condom Week, the Sexual Awareness Center is sponsoring a contest to create a new office logo. The winner will receive a \$30 Cellophane Square gift certificate.

Entries should be submitted by March 14 in Viking Union 214. The new logo will be announced March 20.

COPS BOX

Since February 5, the Bellingham police have responded to the following incidents in the vicinity of Western's campus:

Feb. 5

Someone punched a hole in the wall of room 322 in the Ross Engineering and Technology Building. Officers have no leads concerning the identity of the wall-puncher. Damage to the wall was estimated at \$200.

A man in the 3000 block of Bill MacDonald Parkway reported someone broke the antenna off a 1981 Chevette, belonging to him and his wife. The antenna was valued at \$20.

The theft of an office chair from Western's campus was reported to police. Police have no suspects in the theft of the chair.

A shopkeeper in the 1300 block of Cornwall Avenue reported a female customer tried to buy some shoes with a check from a closed account.

A woman reported someone broke the window of her car, parked in the 3100 block of Ferry Avenue. Damage to the car was estimated at \$150.

Police were summoned to a restaurant in the 1500 block of Ellis Street, where an intoxicated man lay passed out in a booth. Police roused the man and honored his request to be dropped off at a nearby bus stop.

A man in the 600 block of North Forest Street reported some prowlers stalked his car but did no damage.

A dog was hit by an automobile in the 900 block of North State Street. Police transported the injured canine to the Fountain Veterinary Hospital.

A prowler, dressed in black, was reported peering into the windows of an apartment complex in the 1600 block of Texas Street. Police checked the area but discovered no suspects.

Police responded to a confrontation between two men in an alley in the 700 block of North Garden

Street. One man accused the other man of repeatedly shining a flashlight into his eyes. The flash-blinded man threatened to turn his dog loose on the flashlight-wielding man. Police counseled the men on how to avoid similar conflicts in the future.

Feb. 6

A woman at High and Chestnut streets reported someone broke into her car and cut a couple wires underneath the dashboard. The woman discovered her car would no longer start.

A woman at Western reported the theft of her wallet from her backpack. The woman's wallet contained \$25. Police have no suspects in the incident.

Someone tried to steal the stereo out of a woman's car, which was parked in the 800 block of 21st Street. While the stereo was not stolen, it was damaged to the tune of \$200.

A man reported someone vandalized his scooter parked in the 800 block of 21st Street. Damage to the scooter was estimated at \$200. Police have no suspects in the case.

A woman reported someone stole the back seat out of her vehicle, while it was parked in lot 16C on Western's campus. The woman valued her back seat at \$100.

A woman in the 800 block of Liberty Street reported someone scribbled out her name on her mailbox. Police contacted the woman's upstairs neighbor, but the neighbor knew nothing about the scribbling incident.

Someone reported a flasher in the 1100 block of Finnegan Way.

Feb. 7

A car battery and some cables were stolen from a woman's car, parked in lot 18R on Western's campus. The stolen items were valued at \$50.

A woman on Western's campus called police and revealed the identity of a man, who she claims exposed himself to her.

A woman reported her wallet

containing \$40 was stolen from her purse while she was at the new Bellingham Cruise Terminal.

A woman in the Fairhaven dorms reported someone broke the window of her car. Damage to the car was set at \$100.

Someone in Miller Hall has been making threatening statements another person in the building for the last few months. Police contacted the threat-maker by telephone.

Feb. 8

A woman in the 1200 block of Grant Street reported receiving a harassing phone call. The anonymous male caller reportedly advised the woman she should move out of the neighborhood because of her past problems with the law.

Police responded to a complaint concerning a white and brown pit bull chasing people in the 2200 block of Pacific Street. By the time officers arrived on the scene, the pit bull had fled.

Feb. 9

A woman in the 200 block of North Forest Street reported her daughter's clarinet—valued at \$125—was either lost or stolen two weeks ago.

Feb. 10

A man reported being threatened by a man with a gun in the 1300 block of North State Street.

While responding to another call, police encountered a man honking the horn of his car, which was parked in the 2700 block of Douglas Avenue. The police asked the man why he was honking his horn, and man replied, "no reason." Police cited the man for making a public disturbance and then released him.

Feb. 12

A person in 1900 block of James Street reported that a gang of juvenile "hooligans"—camping out on the rooftops of nearby buildings—threw rocks and gravel onto his roof. Officers checked the area and found nothing to substantiate the caller's claims.

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- **ADVANCE REGISTRATION** for spring quarter will be Feb. 22 to March 7. See your faculty adviser and then go to the registration center no earlier than your appointment.
- **LOT RESERVATIONS:** Lots 11G, 25G, 13G and 14G will be reserved Feb. 20 for those attending the Assad Duo performance. Lots 11G, 25G and 13G will be reserved Feb. 21-25 for those attending the play *Blue Window*. Lots 12G and 19G will be reserved Feb. 24 for those attending the basketball game. Unauthorized vehicles must be cleared by noon on Feb. 25 and by 5 p.m. on all other dates.
- **ATTENTION SUMMER GRADUATES:** You may attend spring commencement provided your senior evaluation is on file in the Registrar's Office by April 24. Call 676-3430 to make a senior evaluation appointment. *There also will be a summer commencement Sat., Aug. 25.* To attend this ceremony, senior evaluations must be completed no later than July 16.
- **SUMMER PRE-DENTAL PROGRAM FOR MINORITY STUDENTS** will be held June 18-July 27 at the UW School of Dentistry. Travel, housing and food costs are provided. Application deadline is March 1. For applications and more information, contact Renee Warren, Academic Advising Center, OM380, 676-3850.
- **EAST ASIAN COLLOQUIUM** will meet at 3 p.m. Thurs., Feb. 15, in the WL Presentation Room. Visiting professor Wei Cuiyi will speak on "Multilingualism in Boritola." Free. Everyone welcome.
- **TEST DATES FOR WINTER QUARTER:** Math Placement—Feb. 14, 20, 22, 23, 28; Mar. 1, 2, 5 & 6. Pay fee of \$10 at pre-registration in OM120. TETEP—Feb. 21, 27; Mar. 7. Pay fee of \$10 at pre-registration in OM120. Miller Analogies—Feb. 26, Mar. 12. Pre-register in OM120.

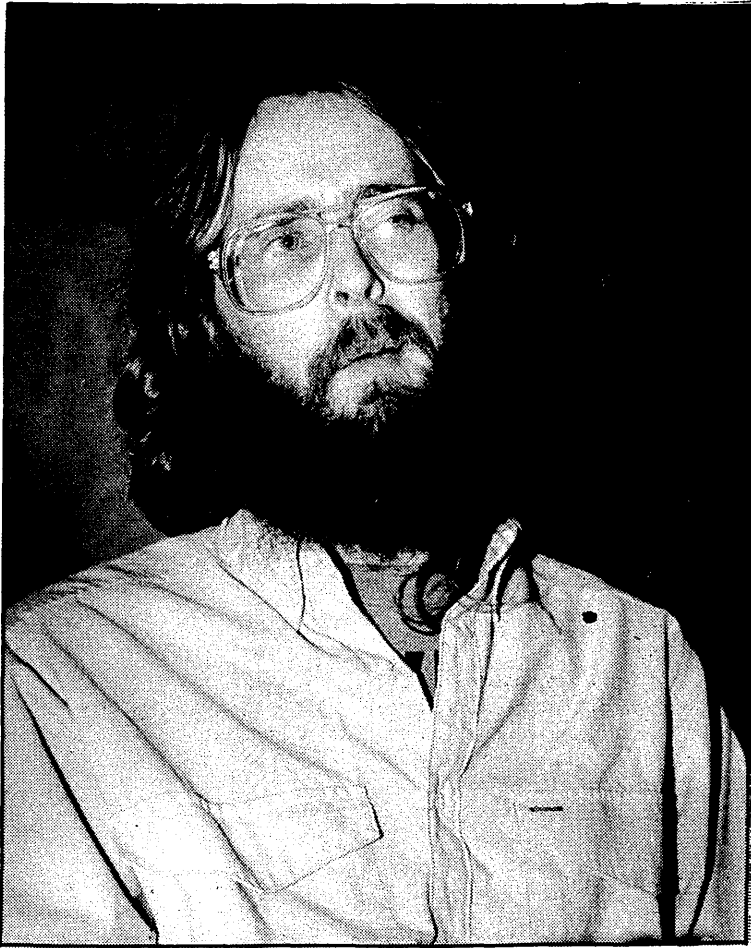
On-Campus Interview Schedule

Seniors must submit completed campus interview forms to Career Planning and Placement three days before each interview.

- **Puyallup School District,** Thurs., Feb. 15. Sign up for group meeting in OM280. Interviews follow.
- **Microsoft Corp.** (career & summer-only positions), Fri., Feb. 23. Submit CIF & sign up in OM280.
- **Georgia-Pacific Corp.,** Tues., Feb. 27. Submit CIF & sign up in OM280.
- **PayLess Drug Stores,** Tues., Feb. 27. Submit CIF and sign up in OM280.
- **J.C. Penney Co.,** Tues., Feb. 27. Submit CIF and sign up in OM280.
- **The Boeing Co.,** Wed.-Thurs., Feb. 28-Mar. 1. Submit CIF & sign up in OM280 beginning Feb. 14. Attend info session at 7 p.m. Feb. 27 in OM280.
- **Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.,** Fri., Mar. 2. Submit CIF & sign up in OM280 beginning Feb. 16.
- **Hidden Valley Camp** (summer), Tues., Mar. 6. Pick up application & sign up in OM280 beginning Feb. 20.

Poverty

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David Rubert/The Western Front

Steve Hill speaks out about the poverty and people of Nicaragua.

Hill added many of the machines in Nicaragua were purchased from the United States before the embargo, and now people can't get replacement parts for them when they break down.

"We went to one textile factory where one whole section of it was closed down because the machines didn't work," Hill said.

Nicaragua is spending money faster than it can afford to. Since the country needs to buy certain exports for survival, they simply print more money to pay for it, creating an astronomical inflation problem.

In 1988 alone, inflation was 33,000 percent, Hill said.

"That's 100 percent inflation each day," Hill said. "You go to buy something for fifty cents one day, and the next it's one dollar."

But the government has taken dramatic steps to curb the rising rates, Hill said. In January 1989 they drastically cut back government spending for social and health care programs for the poor, while slicing the military budget in half.

With these changes, the inflation rate dropped to 136 percent.

However, it also caused widespread poverty and unemployment.

"There was a fair amount of children begging in the streets," Hill said. "I understand this is fairly new. Many of them are war orphans whose social services have been cut."

Nicaragua must compete with economic giants thirty to fifty times their size.

The country is spending most of its money on necessary imports, and has little left over for necessary social programs such as medical care and food.

"They haven't been very successful implementing the goals of the revolution. They are dependent on one or two exports for survival," Hill said, adding that although there is more food available in grocery stores than two years ago, few can afford to buy it.

He said the people know they must continue to wait before they can reap the profits.

"The Nicaraguan government is telling the poor, those that have suffered and died fighting the 10-year-long U.S. funded Contra war, that they must wait — maybe another 10 years — to have social benefits," Hill said.

One program the government has implemented is land reform.

In the past, two percent of the population controlled 65 percent of the land.

Now, 112,000 peasant farmers who didn't have land before have been given land to either farm individually or work together on co-ops.

Another cause of Nicaragua's economic problems is the ongoing armed conflict between the elected Nicaraguan government — the Sandinista National Liberation Front (FSLN) — and the U.S.-supported Contra opposition movement.

Since 1979, when the FSLN overthrew Anastasio Somoza's government in a successful peasant revolution, the U.S. government has been providing aid to the Contras.

The Contra movement that began in 1979 was initially made up of members of Somoza's government, the military, Somoza's National Guard (referred to by the Nicaraguan people as the "death squad" because it killed those who opposed Somoza's government while it was in power), and peasants who were dissatisfied with the results of the revolution, Hill said.

"After a revolution there are bound to be dissatisfied elements," he said. "But that alone doesn't create an armed counter-revolution. What does is groups like the CIA (Central Intelligence Agency) and the U.S. government that are ready to arm and pay for soldiers."

In 1986, Congress passed a bill giving the Contras 100 million dollars of aid a year. Hill estimates the United States provided them with 500 to 600 million dollars of aid from 1979 until 1987 when most of the aid from the United States was cut off.

However, the United States continues to give humanitarian aid to the Contras, providing them with food, clothing and medicine.

Other than monetary support, the United States supplied the Contras with weapons, such as anti-aircraft guns.

"Although the Contras aren't getting military aid from the U.S. anymore they already have enough guns and weapons," Hill said. "And if they do need more they can get them through covert operations."

The peasants in the countryside emphatically support the Sandinistas in their fight against the Contras, Hill said.

"Almost all the people we talked to had one relative, a brother or sister, killed," he said.

In the 1986 democratic election, in which 90 percent of the people registered to vote and 65 percent of those actually voted, the FSLN won with 66 percent of the vote.

But the U.S. government called it a "controversial" election, claiming it wasn't free and fair, Hill said.

"You have Reagan calling Nicaragua a "totalitarian dungeon" on one hand and praising the "fragile democracy" of El Salvador's (elected government) on the other," Hill said. "But every other independent body, like Amnesty International, America's Watch, the International Red Cross, and the Catholic church are saying the government and military repression in El Salvador is much worse than in Nicaragua. There's no comparison."

He said he thinks the United States still is continuing to support the Contras as an example for the rest of the world and are exploiting people's fear of communism.

"The (U.S) twists the facts so they conform to their view of Communism," he said. "The United States perceives a threat by the revolutionary change and socialist slogans of the government," Hill said.

The funding is "like a bad habit, they've been doing it for so long it's hard to stop," he continued.

The government will get another chance to prove it is democratically elected and supported by the people if it wins the Feb. 25 elections, which will be attended by over 3,000 international observers.

"The people of Nicaragua don't want a return to the old days before the revolution," Hill said.

Professor wins fellowship

By Deven Bellingar
staff reporter

Alan Gallay of the history department has received the Andrew W. Mellon Fellowship for the Humanities at Harvard University for the 1990-91 academic year.

The roughly 500 applicants had to have a doctorate, and were asked to submit a proposal. Gallay submitted his proposal in November,

was interviewed in January and received the news from Harvard Jan. 22.

Assistant Provost Larry DeLorme said it's not common for a first-time applicant to win this research grant.

"It's a very prestigious award and a nice compliment to the university. It reflects well on Alan and the work he's done on his proposal," DeLorme said.

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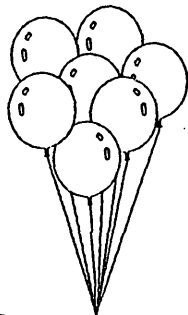
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Low-income housing topic of workshop

By Michelle Partridge
assistant news editor

Local developers and residents discussed strategies for future housing development in Bellingham Saturday during one of many workshops on the future growth of Whatcom County.

State representatives, city officials and developers held public workshops at Nendel's Inn for the Second Annual Conference on the Public Involvement in the Preservation and Development of the county, which was sponsored by the Puget Sounders.

Bellingham planning director Bill Geyer talked about the need for affordable housing, while developers, defending themselves as businessmen, said building low-income houses was not economical.

Some residents attending the workshop said Western should offer more affordable housing for its students, because most students cannot afford to pay high rents.

Geyer said as rent and the cost of owning a home continues to rise at a steady rate, the need for affordable housing is becoming increasingly important. In 1989, the cost of buying a house in Bellingham was \$99,934, he said. The national average is \$93,100.

People are paying two-thirds of their income to live in dumps. We need incentive for developers to build homes that help these people.

The median income of the 67,000 residents who live within five miles of downtown Bellingham is \$23,560, Geyer said. He added that people must have \$14,000 cash-in-hand before they can buy a house now.

City Councilman Tip Johnson said expensive houses, which are currently being built around the county, are not helping the thousands of low-income residents in Bellingham.

"Hundred-thousand-dollar houses are not going to solve anything," Johnson said. "People are living in cars that don't run. People are paying two-thirds of their income to live in dumps. We need incentive for developers to build homes that help those people."

In other workshops, current legislation, urban forestry, forest conversion, sensitive areas and trails were discussed during the all-day event.

Harriet Spanel, 40th District Representative, said her Substitute House Bill 2365 could require local governments to plan for growth and development. She said she hopes her bill will help local governments, rather than control them.

"We need to give local governments more tools and financing to plan for growth and then actually carry out those plans," she said.

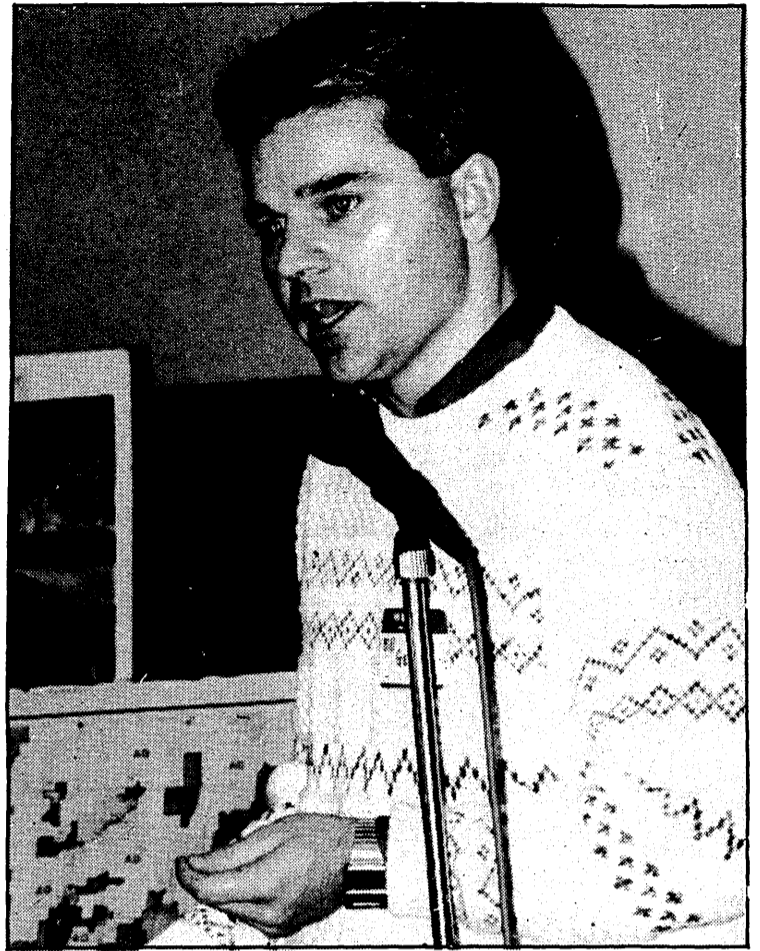
Terry Galvin of the Whatcom County Planning Committee said the county is currently working on an ordinance that would, among other things, require developers to leave a buffer zone around clear cuts, a requirement that would make nearby residents happy, Galvin said.

Since 1987, Galvin said citizens have been complaining more and more about wooded areas being cleared in their neighborhoods. He said in 1986, about 4,000 acres were cleared for development. In 1989, 11,300 acres were logged.

"People are realizing things are happening right next to them," Galvin said. "They wonder what they can do about it. I think there is something they can do. Environmental groups have created a need for bureaucrats to do something."

Dan Taylor, also of the planning committee, said transportation is a neglected problem that also goes along with growth and development. He said an improved transit system and a series of bike and walk paths should be included in future plans.

Taylor proposed a "cluster" planning system, where jobs, housing and recreational areas are closely linked by buses and pedestrian paths.



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Bill Geyer, Bellingham's planning director, spoke to a large audience at the Puget Sounders convention on Saturday at Nendel's Inn.

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City logging poses problem Solution may be found in state bill



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Mayor Tim Douglas discussed his work in preserving forests at an environmental conference last Saturday.

By Charlotte Anderson
sports editor

The Puget Sounders met last Saturday to discuss political and non-political strategies for "growth control" in the Bellingham area.

More than 200 people gathered in Nendels Inn ballroom for a full day of speakers and active listeners.

Mayor Tim Douglas talked about his involvement on the Urban Forest Interface (UFI) group. The group looks at the problem of logging.

"We found that 120 acres were going to be logged in Bellingham," he said.

"We decided that we must maintain reforestry if it's properly done, unless we (the city) want to buy up forested land worth \$8 million.

"By restoring and replanting it will keep a green backdrop. It's inevitable that trees will be cut. It's just a matter of doing it right," Douglas

said.

Substitute House Bill No. 2365 sponsored by Harriet Spanel deals with reforestry in two or three years. Currently the bill has passed the State House and is waiting to go into the Senate.

Douglas said the bill gives the city the same authority as the county in granting tree-cutting, imposes a 10-year moratorium on timber owners and provides interpretive leeway for the city.

Now, Douglas said, the city has no authority over the timber owners within the Bellingham area. The bill would give the city the power to say no if timber owners ask to cut trees and have no alternative plan for replanting.

Imposing a 10-year moratorium would restrict timber owners to their immediate plans.

If a permit user says they aren't going to cut any trees and turns around in two years asking for a permit, then

the city will have the right to refuse them, Douglas said.

"Interpretive leeway gives the city the right to not believe a timber owner who says they will not cut trees," he added. "It's more of a technical term."

UFI is concerned with the Lake Whatcom watershed area. Timberland owners and neighborhood groups on preservation are involved in the preservation of the Bellingham area forests.

Whatcom County Planning Committee member Terry Galvin talked about the local county planning ordinance bill, a county version of the Substitute House Bill No. 2365.

"It's a clearing ordinance," he said. "It would bridge the gap between the forest cutting and the current regulations."

"Now a developer can go in and clear large portions without direction, while not considering any regulations," he said.

POWs and MIAs still gone

Veterans seek missing comrades

By Deven Bellinger
staff reporter

Thousands of American soldiers from World War II, Korea and Vietnam are still being held in Asian countries, according to Washington State POW/MIA Concerned Citizens Association.

A public meeting Wednesday in the Bellingham Public Library enabled veterans, family members and the public to voice their concerns over the government's apparent lack of action

on the prisoners of war (POW) and missing in action (MIA) issue.

"If you care enough to send the very best, then you have an obligation to bring them back," said Sig Harbak, a Korean War veteran, former CIA operations officer in Vietnam and current regional director for a POW/MIA organization, Homecoming II.

KIRO-TV aired a two-part story in Nov. 1989 about POW's still being seen alive in North Korea over the past 20 years. This videotape was shown as part of the presentation.

The story quoted intelligence sources and documents which detailed Korean POW's being moved from North Korea to China to the Soviet Union.

Documents at the National Archives state approximately 20,000 U.S. troops captured by the Germans during World War II were "liberated" by the Red Army and shipped to the Soviet Union and never heard from again. These, added to the approximately 8,000 from Korea and the 2,500 from Vietnam, mean more than 30,000 American troops are still un-

counted for.

Mark Sauter, the reporter who did the two-year probe of Korean War POW's, said the United States was more active during the 1950s trying to get back POWs than it is now trying to bring back Vietnam soldiers who may be in prison camps.

"Reporters should ask the Russian defense people coming here for the Goodwill Games 'What about the POWs left in Russia?'" Sauter said.

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CIA Continued from page 1

Fraud is the primary cause of the national thrift crisis according to investigators. Recent estimates by the investigators suggest the U.S. government will probably spend about \$100 billion to bail out or liquidate them all.

There also is evidence the CIA is intruding in the investigation of the failed savings and loans to prevent prosecution of key people involved, the Houston Post article said.

The CIA "may be at least partly responsible for the fact that a substantial amount of suspected fraud has gone unprosecuted," the Houston Post said.

Investigators of the scandal "are being prevented from looking into wrongdoing that is possibly being conducted in the name of national security," Lloyd Monroe, a former U.S. Justice Department prosecutor and fellow at Brown University, was quoted as saying in the Houston Post.

The article in the Houston Post said the 22 failed banks made large loans to people with links to organized crime or the CIA or both. Eighteen of the banks were either owned or controlled by people with the same links.

It said CIA members and organized crime figures were involved in drug and gun smuggling, money laundering and secret aid to the Contras.

The Houston Post quoted testimony from a 1988 federal court trial in Denver in which Richard Brenneke, a former CIA contract agent, said the agency siphoned funds from banks "at the expense of an insurance company."

The insurance "company" was the federal deposit insurance program, the Houston Post said.

According to the CIA letter to the Houston Post, "Mr. Brenneke has never been employed by the CIA in any capacity, and the Agency has made that known in public statements since 1987.

"Although the CIA generally does not confirm or deny Agency employment, the allegations attributed to Mr. Brenneke are so outrageous that we believe it is important to set the record straight," the letter said.

Vernon Lyon, an ex-CIA employee, said "It's a known fact that the CIA has established itself as an organization that will take money from institutions and leave other people holding the bag."

Speaking from his home in Des Moines, Iowa, Lyons said while the CIA gets blamed for a lot of things they don't do, they are also guilty of many things too.

"There is nothing so low they wouldn't stoop to it to get what they want," he said.

The CIA also denies Lyon was associated with the agency even though Lyon has documents which seem to verify his employment with them.

In response to the charges of connections to organized crime, Lyon said the CIA has history of using members of organized crime when they don't have their own people properly placed.

Lyon said the CIA, assuming there is any truth to the report, will most likely try to restrain the investigators of the savings and loans under the guise of national security.

"They will impound all the records and seal them. It will all get hushed up, covered up and swept under the rug," he said.

It is likely all the branches of government will allow this to be covered up to minimize the damage, Lyon said. Nobody will push very hard to get at the truth.

"It's not really a conspiracy ... but that's the best way to put it," he said.

Bill Distler, of the Community In Solidarity with the People of El Salvador (CISPES) in Bellingham, said while it's true the CIA responds to the executive branch, you have to remember the CIA does not change administrations every four years.

"The CIA has an agenda that they expect each President to follow too," Distler said.

The most frustrating thing about this whole thing, Distler said, is this is the worst thing the CIA has been accused of and it will probably disappear.

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House bill 1405 proposes the building fee become a percentage of tuition, phased in over four years, Thielke said.

The WSL and the AS are in support of this bill. However, Sen. McDonald won't let any bill out of Ways and Means Committee without the tuition surcharge.

"Right now, there's a drastic need for money for capital improvements on campus and we don't have a problem with that," LaFramboise said.

"But Senate bill 5463 tends to tick me off a little because it pays exactly what we're opposed to and that's taxing the students for education," he said.

The purpose of the rally was to inform students of Senate bill 5463, which will especially affect financial aid recipients and international students with visa restrictions on the number of hours they can work, Thielke said.

"The problem we're facing today is that we need to make a difference," Thielke said. "I think the students made a difference here with the arming of the campus police. Now I think its time we took the opportunity to make the difference statewide."

Following the rally, many signs were planted in the lawn and hillside in front of Old Main.



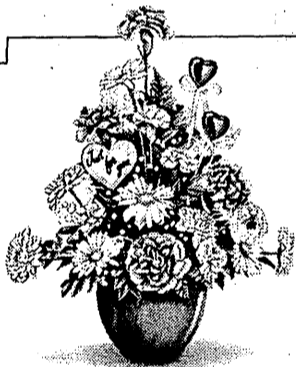
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Protesting students planted signs in front of Old Main



Members of AS clubs expressed their feelings about the proposed tuition increase on Thursday in front of Old Main.

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Living With Disabilities



Service helps the disabled

By Tim Cappoen
staff reporter

Physically disabled students at Western may have an easier time learning due to a \$27,500 grant recently awarded to the office of Disabled Student Services (DSS) from the Washington State Department for the Blind.

Jane Bello-Brunson, assistant coordinator of Disabled Student Services, said the grant will be used to purchase new technological equipment for physically disabled students at Western.

Bello-Brunson said they have ordered two reading machines, a computer with a voice synthesizer, a braille printer and a machine for enlarging print.

The print enlarger will enable visually impaired students to read print enlarged by 47 times the size of regular type, and the computer voice synthesizer scans books and reads them out loud, she said.

DSS was formed in November

when two offices combined.

Bello-Brunson had worked with the physically disabled through the Multicultural Services Center and Dorothy Crow, coordinator of DSS worked with the learning disabled through the Tutorial Center. The new office is located in Old Main 275.

In order to get assistance, Bello-Brunson stressed the importance of students letting people know of their disabilities.

"It's important that disabled students let us know of their disabilities so they can obtain the appropriate services," she said.

Bello-Brunson said students with hidden disabilities must have proof by a qualified professional so they can receive services (e.g. heart condition, back injury, or learning disability). All disability information will be kept strictly confidential.

In the past there were disabled students who not familiar with the facilities on campus. One deaf student didn't know about the available services at Western for a whole quarter.

With the new office Bello-Brunson said she hopes more students with disabilities will come forward and identify themselves.

"I think students will feel better about identifying themselves," she said. "With the new office we're

more visible now."

The new equipment, expected to arrive by Spring quarter, will improve communication access for 130 learning disabled students and 30 physically disabled students.



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One of the many services offered for handicap students

Don't be embarrassed

Asking for help — it's the hardest part

By Kristy Lambro
staff reporter

You go to class every day, study the suggested two hours per class a night and yet you are barely passing. You feel frustrated and ashamed. You may have a learning disability.

"I thought I wasn't trying hard enough, but it didn't matter how much I tried, I couldn't make the grade," one learning disabled student said. "I had my financial aid revoked and I was put on academic probation."

February is Disabilities Awareness Month. When you hear the word disabled you may think of physical handicaps. But learning disabled people exist, and many of them are in college. The learning disabled look like other people, and therefore they

may be ignored because their handicaps are hidden.

According to the Washington Association for Children and Adults with Learning Disabilities (WACLAD), learning disabled individuals are intelligent people who look typical but don't learn typically.

Getting through college is hard enough, but the learning disabled become frustrated. Learning disabilities are the greatest single reason younger people drop out of school, according to the WACLAD.

Western is one of few universities which does its own testing for learning disabilities. The charge for testing is \$35. Students at the University of Washington and Central must pay \$700.

If you think you have a learning disability you can be tested by Dorothy

Crow, coordinator of the Disabled Student Services, Old Main 275. According to Crow there are some common characteristics to consider before requesting testing.

The most common problem is spelling. About 95 percent of the learning disabled at Western have severe problems in spelling. Another common problem is in writing papers. The learning disabled find it hard to express themselves on paper.

Other characteristics include: slow and inaccurate reading, difficulties with number concepts, poor organizational skills, problems with time management, lacking in social skills, problems distinguishing right from left and having excellent skills in one area and poor skills in others.

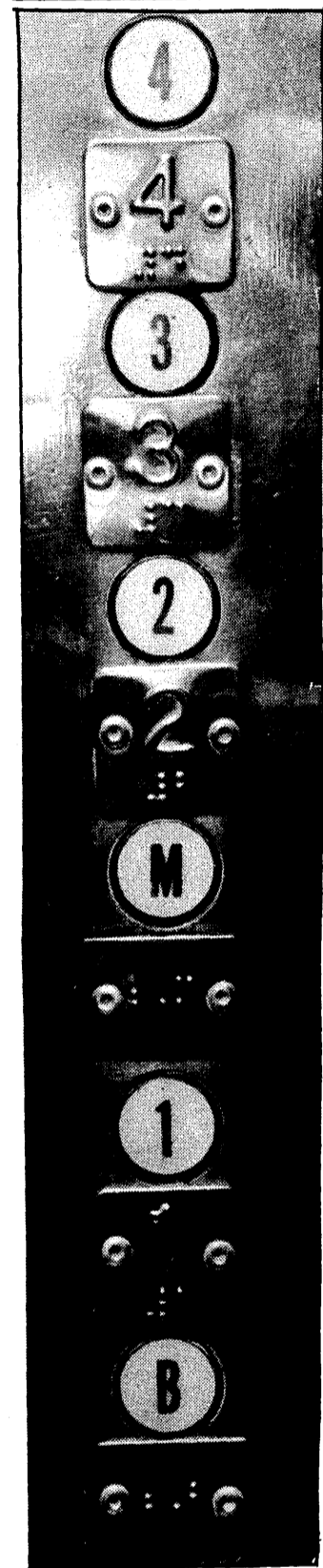
Western offers many services for the learning disabled, including pri-

ority registration to ensure classes, extra time to complete tests, computer access without charge, textbook taping, tutoring and counseling.

All testing results are confidential. There are no records available about individuals results, and it is never recorded on transcripts.

"I was worried that if I was tested to be learning disabled that it would go on my records and I would be labeled," one learning disabled Western student said. "If I was out looking for a job I wouldn't want a possible employer to know."

Students interested in being tested can contact the Disabled Student Services office, located in Old Main 275, for information.



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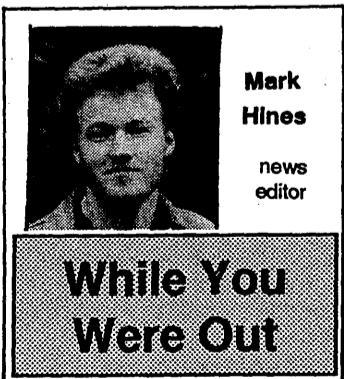
'The Simpsons' depicts the true American family

"The Simpsons" offers a hilariously funny and brutally honest look at the American dream that will make you laugh hard enough to fracture your spleen. No shit.

"The Simpsons" is a half-hour show aired by the Fox Network (the only network with any guts or vision) on Sunday nights.

The show is full of hard-hitting, laugh-in-the-face-of-our-screwed-up-and-pointless-existence kind of humor that makes us howl in ecstasy, thanking the gods for giving us a cartoonist with the guts to tell it like it is.

The Simpsons is Matt Groening's creation — you know, Evergreen State College graduate MATT GROENING? Yes, he is the same comic strip demi-God that graces us with Life in Hell, the funniest and sincerest comic strip of our time, if not ever.



The Simpsons are an average American family — they're lazy and stupid, spend most of their time in front of the television, constantly bicker and generally lead a pathetically uninspired, unimaginative and pointless existence.

They are the epitome of middle-

American white trash. That is why we love them — they're so real.

The Simpsons are the antithesis of The Brady Bunch (of white bread, snot-nosed little shits), the Bradfords, the Cleavers, the Cosbys and all those other perfect American mythological families that only exist in the dull, polluted minds of Hollywood situation comedy writers — a breed of small brained, weak necked money grubbers whose imaginations are limited to the shmaltzy dross they viewed on television, created by people with equally small brains.

The success of Groening's work lies in his ability to tap into the feelings of restlessness and dissent — the cynicism and the apathy of American youth.

Life in Hell made its earliest appearances in the back pages of alternative and underground magazines and raunchy rock tabloids. The

strip soon developed a strong following.

Now the Fox Network and Groening are successfully playing off a national trend that is growing every day — a trend that brings us phrases like, "shit happens," and "fuck it." So much for good ol' American know-how.

This trend manifests itself in mysterious ways ... people across the country are lifting their middle fingers during President Bush's State of the Union address, cackling and gesticulating madly, pounding the remote control as they search desperately for someone or something that can give them a dose of reality.

That's where The Simpsons come in. While politicians have lied, cheated and clawed their way into positions of power, sinking ever deeply into the primeval soup of man's earliest barbaric originations, the cartoon

character has risen as a national symbol of honesty and truth, our single remaining sacred cow and last hope for the inhuman condition.

We loathe our political leaders — the people who brought us a "blinder, gorier nation" and "a thousand points of plight."

We embrace Bart Simpson — the fourth grade remedial student who cheats on his tests and whose greatest aspiration is to get a really cool tattoo.

Our cartoon anti-heroes speak the truth about life — they are firmly grounded in reality — while our political leaders utter dribble as they float away, becoming lost in the surrealistic landscapes of their own nonsensical realities.

They are the truly animated figures of this fucked-up cartoon life we've created for ourselves.

Amy Overcoming obstacles and living out dreams

By Kim McDonald
staff reporter

Five years ago a 13-year-old girl lost her leg to cancer. But what she gained from the experience: strength, confidence and a new value of life, now guide her through every new challenge that comes her way.

Amy Webb is a tall, dark-haired freshman with bright green eyes and an easy smile. She'd rather eat Stove-Top than dining hall food, she has a boyfriend who attends the University of Washington and she loves Steve Largent. A typical Western student, it seems on the surface, but Webb's goal to educate others on the physically disabled has given her a set of experiences and achievements comparable to few others.

"I've seen how non-accessible the world is to the handicapped. It's opened my eyes to how much work needs to be done to make people aware of the disabled," Webb said.

Webb has concentrated on her goal of informing others since she first learned she had Osteogenic sarcoma, a form of cancer which manifested in a tumor inside her femur (thigh bone).

"It (the cancer) was really hard to deal with at first because I didn't know what chemotherapy was or that surgery meant amputation," Webb said.

Webb went through the full year of chemotherapy treatments and the amputation of her right leg. But even through all of the nausea from chemotherapy and the loss of her hair she managed to keep a sense of humor.

"The chemo treatments were awful. It was like having the flu except five times worse. But, I didn't mind wearing a wig," Webb laughed. "It was really nice, I didn't have to wash my hair!"

During her entire experience and recovery, Webb spoke to elementary and junior high schools about cancer and disabilities.

Webb said one of the reasons she was able to talk with others so openly about her experience was the support she received from good friends and family.

"I grew a lot closer to my parents at a time when you're not supposed to, most teenagers are pushing them away," Webb said.

Webb also credits her cancer support group for helping her through the rough times. In fact, she's currently working on setting up a support group at Western to help others with cancer.

It was in her original support group where she met a film producer, who was interested in telling her story through a documentary.

After two days of filming Webb and her family, a 42 minute video tape was produced.

"I must have changed my clothes at least a hundred times," Webb said.

The cover of the tape reads simply, "Amy. A true story of faith, hope, love and courage that sustained a family in their battle against cancer."

The tape is distributed nationally through ASSIST, a Christian non-profit organization, for cancer victims and their families as an aid in dealing with the disease.

Webb shows the tape during many of the talks she gives on cancer and disabilities. Webb, who is majoring in elementary education, said her favorite audience consists of young children.

"I really like talking to children about my disability because they are so curious about it. If they understand and accept me, then it will be easier for them to accept other people they see with disabilities," Webb said.



Tyler Anderson/The Western Front

Amy Webb uses her documentary as well as her personal experience dealing with cancer.

A visual aid to many of Webb's talks is her artificial leg. She shows the children how the leg works and lets the curious ones touch and feel it.

Webb admits that learning to use her artificial leg has been quite a challenge. She said she has had 12 different legs with different knee and ankle mechanisms. Every time Webb gets a new leg she goes through extensive physical therapy to learn how to use the different muscle groups required to make the leg work.

Webb said it takes up to eight hours for the doctors to fit a new leg.

"My boyfriend and I have spent a lot of time in the waiting room while they work on my legs. We could tell you everything you ever wanted to know about Sunset magazines," Webb said.

Webb's current goal is to learn with her newest \$10,000 leg.

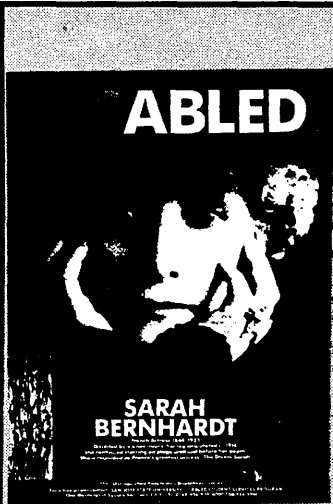
"I'd like to be able to run, especially when it rains. When the drops start everyone else runs for cover and I'm standing there," Webb laughed.

As far as Webb's future, she plans to continue to dedicate herself to educating people on the disabled.

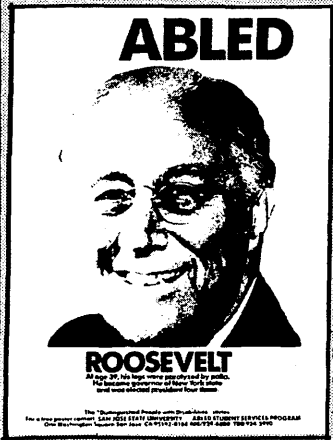
"It will take a lot of energy and but people should know that the physically disabled need to be more active and things need to be made more accessible for them," Webb said.

To other disabled people, Webb offers a piece of advice that has helped her get through her experience with cancer.

"Having a positive attitude can create a world of difference," Webb said.



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Clinic emphasizes students working



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Cody Baxter, a client at the Speech-Language and Hearing Clinic plays with graduate student Kimberly Van Thorndike.

By Lauri Nicholas
staff reporter

Western's speech pathology and audiology department offers not only a program for educating students, but a clinic to serve people with communication disorders as well.

Western's Speech-Language and Hearing Clinic, in the basement of Parks Hall, provides services to people of all ages for a variety of disorders the clinic, said Candace Ganz, the clinic's coordinator.

What sets Western's clinic apart from the others is its staff, who are mainly students training to become speech-language patholo-

gists and/or audiologists, Ganz said.

Graduate students, like Kristin Huggins and Carrie Hurn, who are studying for masters degrees in speech pathology, work with clients every quarter on improving their communication skills. Students prepare lesson plans, provide therapy and document their client's progress, Ganz said.

Last quarter, Huggins treated several adult clients she described as very low functioning. She worked with these people in whatever capacity they were capable, she said. Some of them communicated through picture boards. Clients expressed their ideas by pointing to corresponding pictures on the board.

Huggins indicated the clients seemed to

appreciate their time with the students.

"You could tell they really looked forward to seeing the students," Huggins said. "They would always smile and sometimes they would start clapping when we walked in."

Hurn works mostly with children, like a 6-year-old boy she worked with last quarter who had trouble pronouncing certain sounds. Therapy for him involved giving him as much practice as possible saying difficult sounds aloud. In one exercise, Hurn would hold up pictures of objects that required him to make the sounds he was having trouble with until he began to say them correctly.

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Living within a quiet world

By Rob McDonald
staff reporter

When Emalee Walker, 23, attended Western, she didn't mind roommates that liked to stay up late. To cope, she would turn off her hearing aid and go to sleep. Having the ability to do this is one of the benefits of being hearing impaired, she said.

Walker was born deaf and has been wearing a hearing aid since she was four. But she doesn't always consider herself handicapped or disabled like some experts would say.

Walker earned a B.A. in art with a concentration in graphic design last year. Now she works for International News as a designer. She is excited because some of her work may be displayed on the West Coast because of a contract Nordstrom just signed with International News.

Walker said she liked attending Western. She earned an associate of arts degree before she transferred to Western. This allowed her to avoid the larger classes.

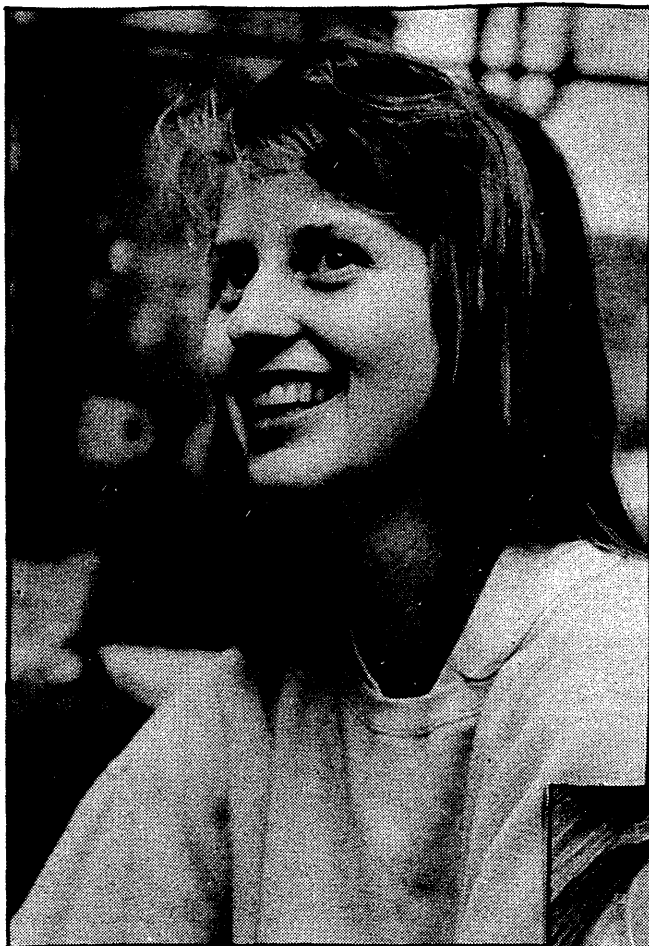
When your hearing is 80 to 87 percent less than average, hearing a professor can be frustrating even in a small crowd.

Luckily, the art classes she took were fairly small.

Some of her professors tried to be helpful. One professor would exaggerate his pronunciations when he lectured. He didn't realize this makes it much more difficult for a hearing impaired person to understand what is being said.

Another professor reserved the front row for students with any disabilities. A friend would usually save a place near the front. She usually had help to compensate for her hearing.

Western's Multi-Cultural Center offers help to students with hear-



David J. Sienko/The Western Front
Recent Western graduate Emalee Walker suffers from a 92 percent hearing loss.

ing impairments. Walker went there a few times for social functions. She hoped they could offer a wake-up call service, but the center's resources did not have the funds for the service.

The center offered a note-taking service and also helped her pay for new \$800 hearing aids her first year at Western. Her personal insurance won't pay for her hearing aids.

Walker said she hopes the Multi-Cultural Center will keep on helping hearing impaired students.

She chose to go to Western rather than the University of Washington because of Western's smaller size.

Any support helps when coping with difficult people. Ignorant people

who lack any understanding prove to be her largest obstacle.

Some people become irritated when asked to repeat themselves, she said. Others speak too softly or don't face her when speaking.

She has never been one to stay at home. She loves to go out dancing even though she gets nervous when going to loud places. She has to psych herself up when going. But going with friends who understand they may have to repeat themselves helps her relax.

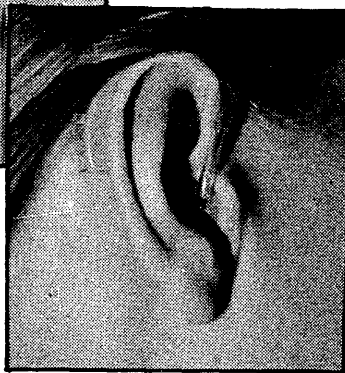
Her hearing aids can't distinguish the difference between loud and soft noises. So she can't tell if a sound originates close to her or far away. She likes to go places where she can escape the noise when she needs to.

Unfortunately, loud noises cause her hearing aid batteries to wear down faster. A bus ride can make her batteries go dead. She spends a lot of money on batteries. Six batteries cost \$4.39 and each battery lasts about three days.

The hearing aids themselves are small, fitting on the ear, and can be covered com-

pletely when she wears her dark blond hair down. She often wears her hair down to protect the hearing aids from moisture which would cause them to malfunction.

Walker never makes it a point to tell people of her disability. She feels because can get by well enough she doesn't have to tell people. She doesn't like to set herself apart from everyone else.



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Undergraduates are often paired with graduate students during therapy sessions where they can observe the interaction between client and clinician and study different therapy techniques, he explained.

By the end of the quarter, undergraduates are able to implement the skills they've learned by conducting their own therapy session with the client they've been observing, added Ganz. It is this experience plus the theory they study in classes that prepares them for the graduate program's clinical experience, she explained.

Ganz generalized the most common problems clients bring to the clinic in this way: the clinic serves people with speech disorders involving pronunciation, vocabulary, voice quality and fluency, Ganz said. People with hearing disorders are either losing their hearing or their hearing is distorted in some way.

Ganz said most of the clients are low income and are drawn to the clinic by its sliding fee scale. The clinic bases the fees on their income, she said. Seniors and Western students, faculty and staff, as well as their dependents, receive a 50 percent discount, Ganz said.

Although the clinic offers reasonable rates it isn't able to maintain year round hours because it is subject to the University's schedule, Ganz explained. "This can be a drawback for many people," she said.

Western's Speech-Language and Hearing Clinic is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Average fees run \$10 an hour and speech and language testing is available for a \$50 fee. For more information call the clinic at 676-3881.

Recycling is working

Bellingham's curbside recycling program is experiencing positive results with an average participation rate of 65 percent.

The concept of recycling in Bellingham began in 1982 with the help of Western students and community members. The pilot program was started to prove to the city council that Bellingham residents wanted to recycle rather than increase the capacity of the local incinerator.

"We wanted to prove that curbside recycling would work in Bellingham," said Carol Rondello, executive manager of Environmental Resource Services.

Western's Associated Students Recycling Center was involved in the non-funded, non-profit efforts to bring recycling to Bellingham by providing transportation for the material collected.

The combined efforts of the community and students continued without funding until 1985 when it became partially funded by the city.

Six months ago the curbside recycling program was taken over by Recycling Services Inc. (RSI), and the continued community education process is being performed by Environmental Resource Services.

RSI's manager, Jeff Brown, estimates Bellingham residents will

recycled between 3,000 and 3,500 tons of aluminum, glass, tin, scrap metal, paper and cardboard and used oil by the end of the recycling programs' first year.

RSI is considered a utility as a sub-contractor under the

city's Sanitary Services Company Brown, a former Western student, was involved in the beginnings of the recycling program in 1982 with the AS Recycling Center and is now part owner of RSI.

RSI's greatest overhead is the bins provided and assigned to each house. The bins cost \$6 a piece.

"(We've) had a problem with bin thefts," Brown said. "The only real snag that we've had in the recycling program is up in the college areas."

Brown sited the Lakeway area as one of the areas in which bins disappear. Sehome, York and the Gladstone areas were also mentioned as places where bins are often taken and used as storage bins.

"When the bins are being taken they are being taken from a community project," Rondello said.

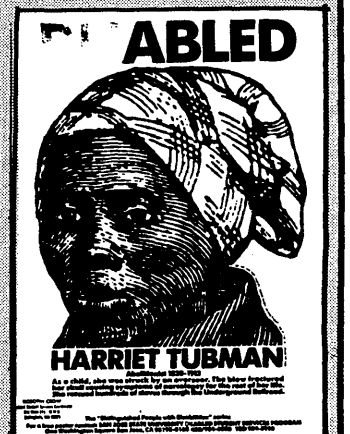
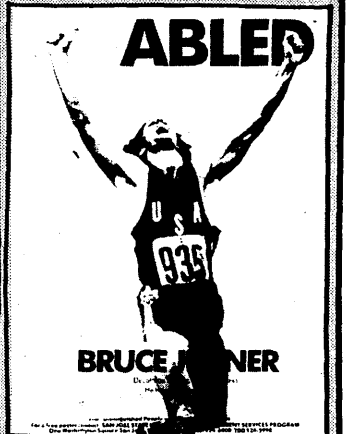
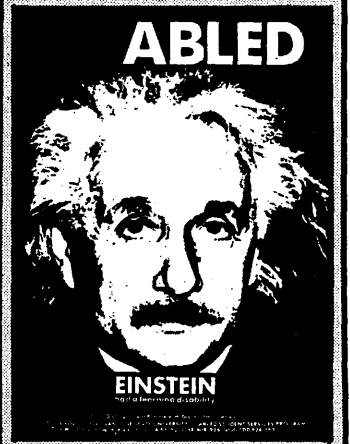
Brown said he believes students don't realize they are stealing bins if they take them when they



Bretha Urness-Straight
staff reporter

For Earth's Sake

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Practice safe sex — learn to use condoms right

Don't be embarrassed to death. Break those lethal sexual habits and talk about condoms, talk about AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome).

Sexual habits are learned. For instance, people decide not to use condoms because "they're not natural."

What if I told you partners can do many things with a condom to make sex more comfortable, make it last (that is, avoiding a blow out) and do as much as possible to practice "safer" sex? Malcom McKay, health educator at Northwest AIDS Foundation, said in a radio interview: the only safe sex is to do it alone. But someone can practice safer sex by using condoms.

The most common complaint about condoms is they're not natural. I'll bet these whiners never tried putting, oh say, a teaspoonful of lubricant (more about that later) inside the tip of the condom before



Patricia Calarelli
staff reporter

Listen Up

rolling it down. They also haven't generously applied lubricant to the outside of the condom. These two things help the condom to "move" with you and not break.

Another important aspect of wearable condoms is choosing the right lubricant.

Medical practitioners and scientists agree: NONOXYNOL-9 will help prevent the transmission of

HIV (Human Immuno-deficiency Virus) that causes AIDS by killing the virus. Buy only lubricants containing Nonoxynol-9 for use with condoms.

Lubricants also need to be water-based. Many men say they like wearing condoms only when they use Vaseline with them. However, petroleum based products, including those made with vegetable oil, break down the condom. These men say their condoms break on them about half the time. Not a good record and incredibly dangerous.

"K-Y jelly isn't good," said Kathryn Lewis, advanced registered nurse practitioner at Student Health Services.

She said K-Y, along with some other brands made especially for use with diaphragms, tends to bead up after a while and doesn't stay as slippery as long as lubricants containing Nonoxynol-9.

In addition to choosing the right

lubricant, you also have to choose the right condom. Choose a Latex condom. Again, scientists have proven natural skin condoms allow the HIV virus, syphilis, gonorrhea and other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) to pass through.

If you choose a Latex condom with Nonoxynol-9 lubricant, that's good. But still use additional lubricant to make sure the condom doesn't become too brittle and break.

Put on the condom correctly. Does this advice sound dumb? A lot of people forget if a condom rolls up or down (DOWN!). Wearing it inside out not only makes removal difficult, it creates more friction than the condom can take, so it breaks. It helps to read the directions — prior to intercourse!

Lewis tells women to buy a cucumber so they can practice how to put one on.

Make sure there's enough light to see what you're doing. This may

ruin some of the romance, but STDs aren't romantic, and face it: Sex isn't worth dying for.

Lewis makes this analogy, "You don't take your pills in the dark. You don't put your diaphragm on in the dark."

Even if you're using glow-in-the-dark condoms (don't ask me why), you'll still need to see well enough to apply that Nonoxynol-9.

Put on the condom whenever there's skin to skin contact. They're not just for intercourse. Use a condom during oral and anal sex, too.

Finally, TALK ABOUT SEX WITH YOUR PARTNER. If you're willing to sleep with him (or her), you should be willing to talk to him. You're consenting adults — act like it.

As I said earlier, habits are learned. It's easy to learn to use a condom EVERY time. Accept no excuses.

Don't be embarrassed to death.

Recycle

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move away" from a residence.

RSI also faces the difficulty of educating the ever-changing population of Western students.

"I have noticed the areas around the school are hit and miss," Brown said. "I'm not sure students are the strongest recyclers."

Brown also made the connection between those residents who pay their

own garbage bills and those who don't.

"I think people become more aware of the connection between recycling and their garbage bills. Some people don't even pay their own garbage bills, (so) they never realize how much is being thrown away."

"Each year in Whatcom County we throw away 133 million pounds

of garbage. That is enough to fill the Mt. Baker theater from floor to ceiling over 6 and a half times," Rondello said.

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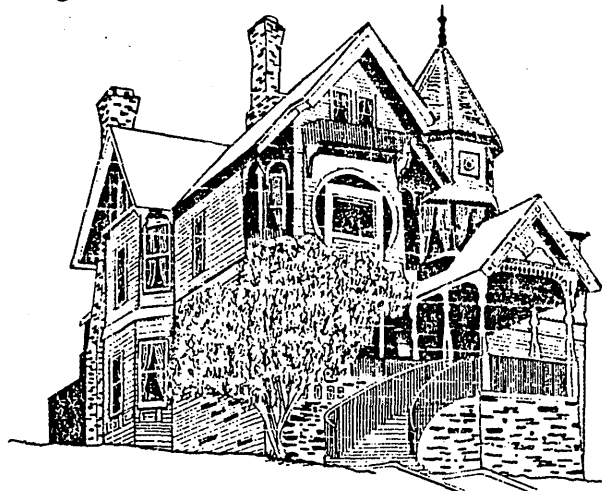
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NAIA tests players, toughens rules

By Bretha Urness-Straight
staff reporter

The NAIA has implemented tougher standards on university sports. The new NAIA standards require incoming freshman to meet two of three entry-level minimums. The new standards were approved in March 1988 and were imposed during fall quarter 1989. An incoming freshman athlete must score at least 15 on the American College Test or 700 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test. They must also maintain an overall high school grade-point average of 2.00 or graduate in the top half of their high school class. If a student-athlete is unable to meet these new standards, they will not be able to participate their first

year in college. Men's head basketball coach, Brad Jackson, said there are glitches to the NAIA standards. The standards don't allow the combination of SAT or ACT scores. Plus students who need to take a quarter off for financial or family reasons have difficulties meeting the eligibility requirements. "Now we're basically preventing a student athlete from taking a quarter off to work and maintain his or her eligibility," Jackson said. Jackson stated that although the new standards do have some problems they have not had a real impact on the men's basketball team. "Students that we're recruiting are going to be well within the framework of the boundaries. I think we have, as an institution, and as an athletic department, pretty much

maintained those standards anyway," Jackson said. "Our institutional policies probably have been more stringent than NAIA policies," he said. James Johnson, an administrator at the Academic Advising Center, doesn't like the new requirements. "There are other factors to take into account besides test scores," Johnson said. He reiterated many of the arguments that Jackson stated as to why it is an unfair ruling. "Some people have real skills in other areas besides testing," Johnson said. By just sitting them down and basing their future on one day of testing would be putting tremendous pressure on people who don't have great testing skills, Jackson stated.

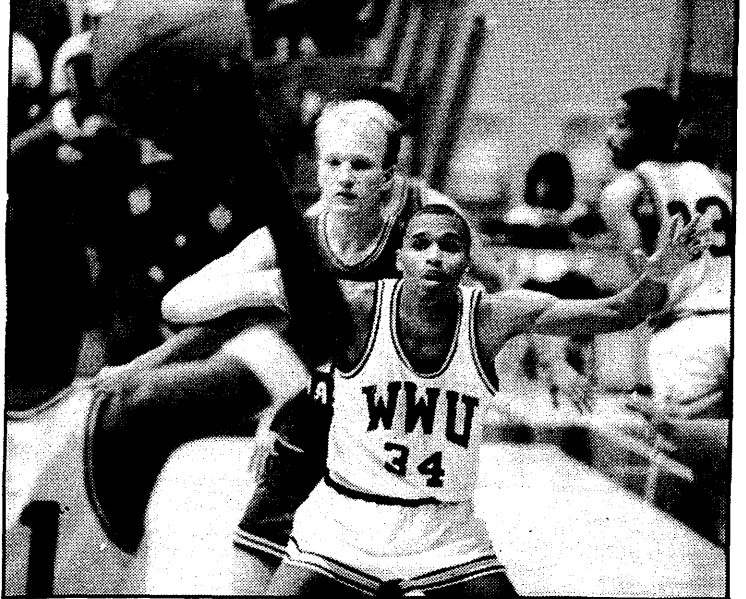
"They should test them in all around skills and other areas of competency," Johnson said. Jackson said athletes are placed in an unusual position because of the demands that are placed on them throughout the year. In addition to carrying a mandatory full-load and missing course work during out of town games, students must strive to meet coaches' expectations. A commitment by Western was made this fall to provide funding for the position of athletic academic coordinator. The coordinator position works with athletes who have difficulties with their studies through the use of study halls and by monitoring their progress through conferences. "It's another commitment from

the university toward excellence," Jackson said. "We're one of the few NAIA schools to make this type of commitment." Women's Basketball Coach Lynda Goodrich said there are pros and cons to the new requirements. "The athletes must come closer to the requirements of other students," Goodrich said. She said the new requirements haven't affected any women's basketball players and have only affected two or three athletes at Western. Goodrich said athletics is what keeps some students motivated to do well in school. She said 67 percent of varsity athletes at Western graduate as opposed to 39 percent of the general student population.

Central on backburner, Whitworth on boil

By Darryl Carr
staff reporter

Snow and avalanche danger closed passes in the Cascade Mountains last weekend. This closure brought disappointment to many fans Saturday night as the much awaited Western vs. Central Washington men's basketball game was delayed until Tuesday, Feb. 20. To have played the game, Central would have had to travel through Portland, which would have taken nine hours as opposed to the usual three hours. Western coach Brad Jackson felt the detour wouldn't have been that much of a problem considering it takes eight hours to get to Lewis-Clark State. "We both have to wait," Central senior, guard Jim Toole said. "We are ready to play, there's no cause for a let down because it's such a big game," Toole said. Before the big game is played



Tyler Anderson/The Western Front
Todd McAllister posts up against a Simon Fraser defender as Manny Kimmie tries to feed him the ball

though, both teams will have to concentrate on other teams. Western, ranked 15, will be on the road at Whitworth on Thursday and at Lewis-Clark on Saturday. Central, ranked 25, will be at Whitman on Tuesday, then return home to host Alaska Pacific on Feb. 16, before they travel to Seattle University on Feb. 17. "I think we will be hyped up even more for the next game," Toole said. "Neither team will lose until we play on Tuesday," Toole predicted. Postponing the game until Feb. 20 might take a toll on both teams. The schedule will be filled with demanding road trips adding to fatigue. "We're going to be tired and our bench isn't that deep anyway," Central's Scott Kenney said. Despite the game delay and the fatigue factor, both teams think the game will live up to all its expectations. "Both teams are playing well.

We are similar in many ways and the players match up well athletically," Jackson said. "It will be a classic confrontation." That classic confrontation will be put on the back burner Thursday night, as the Vikings take on the Whitworth Pirates. The Pirates, who have a 13-6 overall and a 7-5 district record, return all five starters from last year's 15-13 team. Leading Whitworth is 5-foot-11 guard Todd Martin, who is averaging 17.6 points and 3.5 assists per game. Martin ranked third nationally in three-point percentage in 1988-89 at .604 percent. Also leading the Pirates is 6-foot-6 forward Randy Smith who is averaging 19.4 points and 7.8 rebounds and center Tim Nicholas who contributes 13.6 points and 6.4 rebounds per game. Whitworth has a 38-36 series lead, however Western has won the last six meetings.

Men's basketball statistics*				Women's basketball statistics			
	pts.	reb.	ast.		pts.	reb.	ast.
Manny Kimmie	16.6	4.0	5.4	Cim Hanson	16.1	8.9	1.6
Todd McAllister	16.2	7.0	1.0	Alayna Keppler	14.5	10.3	4.3
Terrill Hall	11.5	3.5	2.4	Erica Porter	12.9	2.8	3.5
Ed Briggs	10.7	8.2	1.1	Kerri Browitt	11.7	7.3	4.3
Scott Carlson	10.6	2.3	2.9	Katie Kennedy	7.5	1.5	1.6
John Nance	9.7	2.9	2.0	Becky Hudson	6.7	1.2	1.9
Eric Schurman	8.6	5.2	2.1	Alessia Lumpkin	6.2	5.1	1.1
Steven Clinscales	5.7	5.5	1.5	Lori Tarasewich	5.2	2.6	2.2
Atiavo Jude	5.1	3.1	1.3	Chris Garrison	5.2	2.7	.8
Shawn Bovenkamp	3.4	2.2	.8	Michole Clemans	1.2	1.9	1.6
Michael Dahl	3.3	2.9	.8				

*Statistics as of Feb. 7, 1990.

Globetrotters looking for 6,696 win in a row

By Matt Baungard
staff reporter

One of the most famous sports teams on the planet will be coming to Carver Gymnasium Wednesday night. The Harlem Globetrotters, in their 64th season, will be performing their world famous act against their usual opponent, the Washington Generals. The Globetrotters began their current tour in October, 1989, with a world-record sports winning streak of 6,695 consecutive games. The team is boasting all new comedy routines, combined with classic routines that have made the Globetrotters famous. Headlining for the Globetrotters this season are "Sweet Lou" Dunbar, the "Clown Prince of Basketball;

Osborne "The Wizard" Lockhart, the awesome three-point terror; the electrifying Sandra "Sweetness" Hodge, termed the sweetest shooter on wood; Billy Ray Hobley, extraordinary ace of the slam dunk; plus many more players. The team is boasting these are the best Globetrotters in history. Tickets are available at \$12 with 25% discounts for kids 12 and under, students with ID, and seniors 65 and older. Also \$3 off for groups of 25 or more. Tickets are available at Box Office Northwest or Plaza Cashier on campus. Kathy Rozzini, who is in charge of ticket sales and promotion said that ticket sales have been great. "There will most likely be tickets available right up to game time," she said, "but we have been real pleased with sales so far."

Wrestlers in knots over upcoming event

By Helen Buller
staff reporter

Those who like to wrestle have an opportunity to resurrect the head-gear and drag out the mat shoes. Western hosts its annual wrestling tournament later this month. From now until the tournament, the intramural office has open wrestling scheduled, complete with a supervisor, from 7-9 p.m. every Wednesday in the gymnastics room of Carver Gym. At open wrestling last Tuesday Paul Weisz, a competitor in the tournament, said not many people are showing up for regular work-outs. Usually about six people show up, but sometimes only one or two. "It's a real drag trying to practice by yourself," he said. Weisz added the practices are largely peer instructed by showing each other moves. Fred Pulphus, a certified wrestling official, two time national wrestling champion and head official for the tournament feels the only reason more athletes don't participate is they simply aren't aware the facilities are available for wrestlers. "This is not an easy tournament by any standards", Pulphus said. Sportsmanship and fair play are important, he said. Last year the tourney moved from Gym D to the smaller gymnastics room because the turn-out was lower than before. Brian Knutsen, who has entered the tournament for the last two years, said Gym D was larger and more of his friends could come and watch. "Wrestling is definitely a spectator sport," he said. Moving the event back to Gym D would be difficult this year because of facility constraints, Marie Sather, intramural and club sports adviser, said. She said the gymnastics room should be adequate for this year's crowd.

Even though cuts are frequent at universities, wrestling remains popular in high schools, particularly those in rural districts of the Northwest. One reason for the cuts is competition with basketball, a traditional glamour sport that sells tickets, Pulphus said. Wrestling just wasn't allowed enough time to develop popularity at the university level, he said. "People don't realize how demanding (wrestling) is," Weisz said. In all his years of high school and college sports nothing has ever demanded the strength and stamina that wrestling has. "It's the total giving of body for that length of time," he said. It seems that once a wrestler, always a wrestler. Aaron Davis, a tourney champ from last year, said he knows many people who are interested in seeing the sport become a club activity. A Western wrestling club could compete against institutions such as Highline and Grays Harbor community colleges and Eastern and Central state universities. "People are hungry to wrestle and are willing to travel," Pulphus said. Western's annual intramural wrestling tournament begins with weigh-in at 5 p.m. on Feb. 28 in Carver gym D. Sign up will be at the time of the event. The tournament follows current free-style rules and standards, safety is the number one priority. Referees are chosen according to experience in wrestling completions and all referees attend a clinic, led by Pulphus, that addresses safety and is designed to provide consistency. Pulphus stressed that those who plan to participate need to be aware of the latest rules and be prepared for a competition that will be run in a professional manner with skilled athletes.

Western cheerleaders work for respect

By Darryl Carr
staff reporter

We all know that Western's basketball fans are known for being some of the loudest, most enthusiastic fans around.

But in the midst of jubilation, how many fans have stopped to see who is actually getting the fans all riled up?

The 1989-90 men's basketball cheerleading squad consists of six women: returnees Padget Dean, Lisa Lessley, Janda Black and first year yell leaders Susan Bower, Mandy DeHart and Joanie McCollum.

All these cheerleaders have had some experience cheering whether it be in high school, college or for a professional team, as Dean also cheers for the Sonics. With all of this experience, they said their job goes beyond just leading cheers for the fans.

"We try to lead the crowd to get the team going. When the crowd gets involved then the team gets up," Bower said.

"We are also there to entertain at halftime and during time-outs," she said.

The squad's commitment goes beyond the games. They practice three to four times a week for two hours. They said that all the practice pays off.

"We get a lot more respect now, every year the cheer squads get better," Bower said.

What does it take to be one?
"You have to be outgoing, will-

ing to be in front of crowds without being self-conscious," DeHart said.

Bower said a cheerleader must be able to organize time between practices, games, school and a social life.

"You have to be a people person," Bower said.

With the time commitment, the pressure to perform and the abuse

"I really love it!"

One reason for cheering is the opportunity to meet new people and see new places.

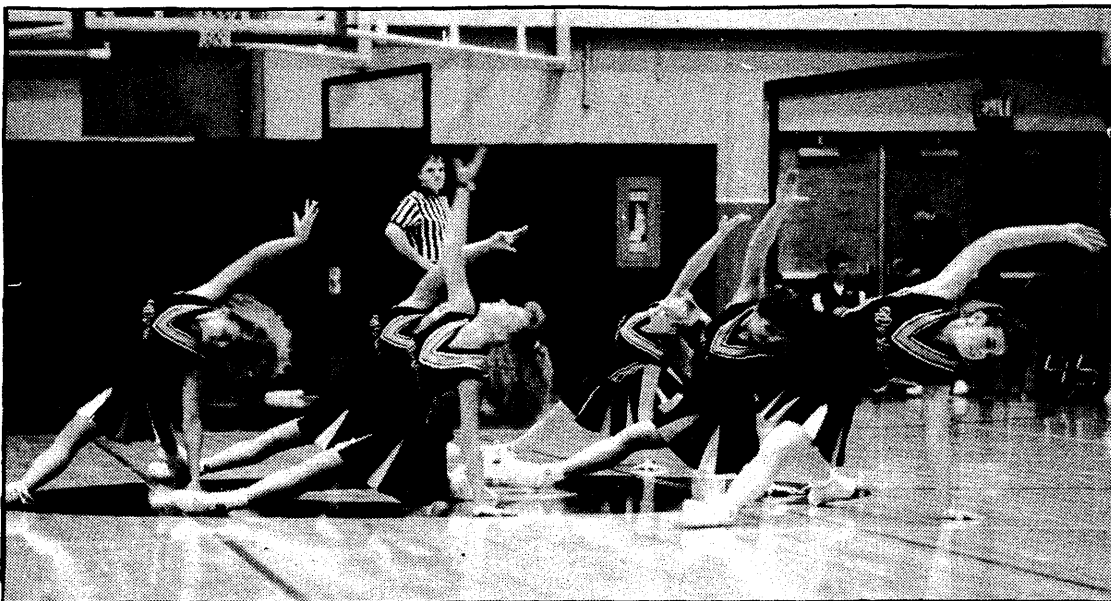
"I have met a lot of nice people that I wouldn't have if I weren't cheering," Bower said. "I certainly would have never gone to places like Simon Fraser or Central."

"Cheerleading has given me a

moment so far this season for the cheer squad it would have to be the Central game.

"Being at the Central game with all those people being rude and then beating them at their place was definitely most memorable for me," DeHart said.

One of the squads goals is rais-



Tyler Anderson/The Western Front

Western men's basketball cheerleaders Padget Dean, Janda Black, Mandy DeHart, Susan Bower, Joanie McCollum and Lisa Lessley perform during halftime of a home game

that is often taken from the opposing fans, some may wonder why anyone would want the job of a cheerleader.

"You really have to be dedicated but it's worth it," Bower said.

lot more confidence in front of people," DeHart said. "It also allows me to be involved and do something I really like to do; perform."

If there were one memorable

ing enough money to go to Kansas City for nationals if the men's basketball team goes.

"We want to create our own style and gain the respect that we deserve," DeHart said.



Sailing

Western's sailing team placed third overall and first in Division B at the Fix-Up regatta at Seattle University last weekend.

The University of Washington clinched first place with SU placing second. Western was not able to be represented in both Division A and Division B. Only one team, commodore Dubie Clark and Deana Norris competed for Western in the regatta.

Clark and Norris clinched two first place finishes and two second place finishes to lead their division.

Teams competing in the regatta spent Saturday fixing up SU's boats to get them ready to race. Three boats endured the competition but one boat had to be "retired," Clark said.

Clark said the weather was nice overall although there were some gusts of wind that capsized a few of the boats.

The sailing team's next competition will be at Royal Roads Military College for a Springfest regatta Feb. 24-25.

"It should be really fun," Clark said.

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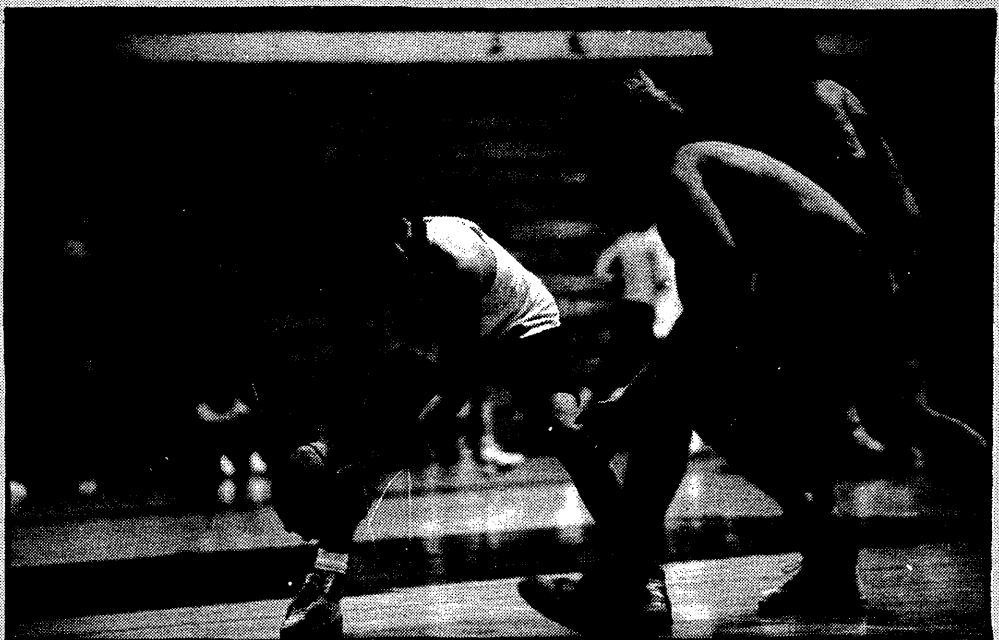
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2 Fat	30	Futz	11
GUNS	03	Ground Pounder	11
Diploma Dreamers	30	Air Tungz	20
Here for the Beer	21	Noriega's Trail	20
Men's League C			
G Division		M Division	
New Kids On The Court	03	G. Force	04
Patty G & the Rondells	21	Wingers	31
Team Cauliflower	21	Busted Dikes	40
Rockets	30	Run-N-Gun-N-Miss	13
Runnin' Rebels	12	N.S.F.	13
Siever's Delight	11	At the Buzzer	31
H Division			
Sac-Masters II	12	P Division	
Last A. K.'s	21	One Brick Short	03
Resistors	12	Backboard Boys	30
Floater's Alpha	03	The Shrimps	21
Pietro's	21	Just A Bunch of Guys	12
Dream Team	30	The X-Men	12
		8-Live Crew	21
I Division		Men's League D	
The Mission	21	R Division	
Team Verticality	21	Last Chance	30
Hefferman's Homies	12	Dead Birds	21
Bayside Boys	03	Skipper's Alan Hale, Jr.	30
Unfortunately Married	12	Flying Laundry Basket	12
The Gym Rats	30	The Masons	03
J Division		Fairhaven Floaters	03
Just Play'n Hoops	11	S Division	
Spunk Boy	02	Who's Bob	31
Team Embo	20	Boners	31
A Few High-Fivin' White Guys	02	Get Naked	22
White Man's Diseases	20	Pretty Cool huh?	31
The H-Bombs	11	Uranus III	13
		The Rebels	04
K Division		T Division (play Tues. 4-7 p.m.)	
Anheuser Bushman VI	20	Court Jesters	31
Denny's 'Canes	11	FK Shop	40
Los Pancheos	20	The Running Dweezils	22
Poncho & The Riders	11		
Los Diablos	02		
Hoopgirl	02		



Tyler Anderson/The Western Front

Rob Tallmudge of Ryches Wrath intramural basketball team looks for an opening in the defense. The intramural basketball league has 103 teams competing for glory and personal satisfaction as well as to relieve the stress of studies and everyday college life.

Jordanaires	03	X Division	
Boom Town Rats	04	Hawaii 5-O's	22
Hi Bu's	31	Team Choice	30
		Rainbow Express	03
U Division		Windex Warriors	03
D'Boys	21	Slow-Pokes	30
The Cuckoo's Nest	12	Y Division	
Chariot of Love	12	The Stools	30
Dump Trucks	21	Monsters	30
Berman's Boys	30	Evil Iguanas	03
Ryches Wrath	03	Velvet Jones	21
Men's six-foot and under		Team Winners	12
W Division		Nothin' But Nylon	03
With-Ourselves	12		
Rock Chalk JayHawks	21	Women's League	
The Bad Boys	03	A Division	
The Gunners	30	Three Point Queens**	11
		Sqirtin' Squids	30
		The Simpsons	02
		The Walking Wounded	01
		Players	20
		B Division	
		The Appak	12
		Snafu	22
		Fubar	13
		F. K. Shop II	21
		O. T.'s	31
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OPINION

Frontline

Latin American policy leads CIA into crime

The Central Intelligence Agency has been implicated in yet another scandal.

It appears the CIA ripped off the United States savings and loan industry, securing bogus loans from 22 banks in order to fund the Contra "freedom fighters" in Nicaragua.

In its overzealous effort to support the guerrillas in Central America, the CIA has hurt the people and economy of the United States as well as causing needless poverty, instability and death for Nicaraguans.

The CIA not only sold weapons to the Iranians and supported drug smugglers running drugs from Central America to our own country in order to fund the Contras — it seems it also ripped off the people it supposedly works in the interest of — us, the American people.

It's really not that surprising. An agency which is willing to export terror and oppression, wouldn't have any qualms about ripping off its people.

The end justifies the means. Right Ollie?

Casey? (Of course we'll have to ask Casey REAL LOUD) Bush? Poindexter? Secord?

It's quite apparent the CIA is willing to kill, lie and rip-off anybody when it will benefit. But all the responsibility (and all the blame) for CIA operations should not be placed on the agency — the buck does not stop there, it goes all the way to the White House. The President sets the CIA agenda.

It's possible the CIA didn't tell Ronald Reagan everything, or it did and he didn't care to remember it. He's old, he's tired and let's face it — he wasn't all that bright to begin with.

But what about George Bush?

Bush served as the director of the CIA in 1976 and met with Noriega at least three times. He later denied meeting with Noriega, who is accused of drug running and money laundering.

What these occurrences indicate is that people working for the CIA are not opposed to organized crime when it gets them what they want — George Bush included.

Would it be too bold to suggest that our President was quite aware of the great savings and loan rip off?

It will be interesting to see how many times a President and a government agency can be implicated before the American people demand a *real* trial instead of a circus show.



Median causes trouble

Accidents abundant on Bill McDonald



Patricia Caiarelli
staff reporter

The sounds of screeching metal and colliding masses are familiar refrains to residents of Buchanan

Towers.

While living in a room that overlooked Bill McDonald Parkway last quarter, I witnessed or heard about six accidents. That's pretty amazing, especially when I consider that I spent only about six hours a day at home.

These accidents happened at all hours of the day — 10 a.m., 3 a.m. and 2 p.m. — in all kinds of weather — on wet and dry pavement.

Each time an accident happens residents peek out their windows and ask, "What's happening out there?" or gather outside and ask, "What's going on?"

We all know what's going on. Only the amount of property damage and the number and severity of injuries changes.

We all know why these accidents happen too, but we can only reluctantly wait for the next jarring collision.

In front of Buchanan Towers is a solid median. This prevents people exiting the turn-around from turning toward Samish Way.

Because these drivers are forced to turn right, if they

want to head east they have to make a U-turn. All too often, while making a U-ie, these drivers are broad-sided.

The area where most drivers attempt the U-turn is one where two directions of traffic merge. The first direction is traffic from the Parkway heading east, the other is traffic from College Drive (where all the flags are) that want to head east. What commonly happens is drivers who have just turned left from College Drive are accelerating to the speed limit and plow into the driver attempting the U-turn.

Almost as many accidents happen farther east, near the Commissary building. This intersection has even more going on. People exiting the Buchanan Towers parking lot, people leaving 25th Street and people trying to make U-turns to head west on the Parkway, all these drivers have to contend with speeding cars from Sehome's direction.

One friend has seen as many as four bodies on the road at that intersection during the many accidents she has seen.

Clearly a left-turn lane needs to replace that obstructing median. That simple replacement would reduce the forced activity at either end of the median.

I think the median was put there to avoid accidents, but it's not working. I'm wondering how many accidents, or deaths, need to occur before the city or Western does something to replace that hideous barrier.

Copiers vary in machine hell

Students struggle in quest for copies



Diane Kershner
staff reporter

Quarter after quarter, credit after credit slowly brings me closer to graduating from Western. I look back on all of my classes and can smile. I am done with all of my General University Requirements. There's one thing my GURs never taught me though, as is the case for many students: how to use copy machines.

The greatest discovery I made when transferring to Western from a community college was that a real university had a copy center right in

the library.

Instead of spending 50 cents trying to make just one correct copy, I could spend a lot less time and money and someone else would have to go through the frustration and agony of getting the machine to cooperate.

But there are still those who choose to make their own photo copies. Perhaps they're stubborn, proud or maybe the copy center is closed, so they struggle through it.

The insecure copiers wait until everyone is away from the machine before trying their luck. They read the directions quickly in case somebody else comes to use the machine. If someone does approach, they'll quickly pick up their materials and leave, only to spy around the corner to wait for the machine to be available.

Then there are the polite copiers. Aren't they nice? They say, "You can go ahead of me, I have a lot to copy."

Don't believe them. They are lying. In reality, they know they don't know how to use the machine. They just don't want to be embarrassed in front of someone they think does know how to use it, but who most likely doesn't.

Everyone loves the machine-hog copiers. The individuals with chapters to copy. Once they learn how to use the machine, they get excited and gather all the materials they need and then some. They know they won't remember how to work the machine next time they need copies.

The machine-hog ignores the growing line of people waiting to use the machine. They keep on practicing their newly learned skill, perhaps in hope that practice will make perfect.

The frustrated copiers know it's them versus the machine. They try to make one copy — the machine cuts something off. They try another copy — it's crooked. They get mad. They stomp their feet and clench their jaws while repeating obscenities. They're stubborn. They'll win. They won't give up even if they have to spend a dollar before they get just one copy. The recycling companies love these people.

Meanwhile, the line to use the machine will grow. Some will wait patiently. Others will leave. The rest will jiggle change, tap on a desk or sigh loudly, trying to make the person at the copy machine even more nervous and insecure so they'll hurry. It usually works.

Everyone will need to make a photocopy sometime in their lives.

Few would argue that learning to operate a copy machine would be a useless GUR.

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AS doesn't need more play areas

Editor:
The Associated Students owns enough play areas already. Buying more without coming up with ways to pay for maintenance and insurance without diving into students pockets is irresponsible.

The state will have less money and more people wanting money in the '90s. With less tax money available to the university, tuition will probably go up and leave less room in students pockets to pay high student activity fees.

Right now, the AS can take out some insurance against the chance their expenses will outrun its income in the '90s by buying property that brings in money or can be sold at a profit rather than playgrounds inaccessible to many students.

If student funds are going to buy real estate, at least the AS should buy real estate we'll get money out of rather than another rat-hole to throw money into. After all, if AS needs a rat-hole it can just expand the Peace Resource Center.

Ray Carter

Coke ban futile, bomb the mothers

Editor:
Ban Coca-Cola? Never! How could someone want to destroy such an all-American institution? Why bother to get it taken off campus if the apartheid situation in South Africa won't be crumbled by the terror of such an act?

Come on, the only way to shake the pillars of apartheid would be to

arm the masses of oppressed people and have a fight of it!

Maybe hiring some mercenaries to go in and assassinate top South African officials will put a stink in apartheid. South Africa is too strong of a nation to be truly stunned by economic sanctions when you know trade will persist, even without Coca-Cola.

It's my personal feeling that the best way to fight this particular fire with fire. Look at Cambodia as an example. The Vietnamese saved Cambodia from the Genocidal Khmer Rouge, but now that the Vietnamese are leaving, the Khmer Rouge are once again on a rampage to take over and again bring Cambodia to extinction as a nation of free people.

Vietnam was a foreign force, much like the attempt to ban Coca-Cola from South Africa, but even if gone, the evil will still persist.

The best way to solve the problem is to eradicate it, totally erase it from the face of the earth. This may be a violent means, but it's quick, efficient and sensible. It won't work — banning Coca-Cola!

Peter Greene
sociology

Eater disdained by styrofoam use

Editor:
I have always thought America's restaurants reserved the use of non-biodegradable styrofoam products for takeout orders only. Last Saturday I found out otherwise.

A quest to appease my hunger for Japanese food led me to The Teriyaki Bar in downtown Bellingham. To my complete dismay, my quarter chicken with rice and water arrived at my table in a yellow styrofoam box and

a white styrofoam cup. I promptly informed the waitress I had not ordered the meal to go. She said all orders, whether takeout or dine-in, are served in styrofoam containers. I asked when the management planned to purchase reusable eating ware. She told me the idea has been mentioned several times to the owner but he refuses to change.

If I had not already paid, I would have left immediately. I swallowed strenuously, knowing the unnecessary plate would find its way to our overcrowded landfills when I finished. I will not eat there again, unless the owner changes to reusable or biodegradable plates and cups. I realize one person may not be enough to force this change, therefore I propose a boycott of The Teriyaki Bar by students and community members until the management decides to care.

Peter Donaldson
Environmental Journalism

Williams is off-base; women not to blame

To the Editor:

When I read Don William's letter in the Front, Jan. 23, I thought it was written tongue in cheek. Upon evaluation of his apparent beliefs and their inconsistencies, I decided to comment on his letter. I am appalled that he's teaching at this university. The many bright, open-minded, progressive, eager to learn young women and men at Western shouldn't be subjected to this kind of ignorance. All scientists are neither illogical nor do they resort to repudiation of other disciplines and scientists (anthropologists, socialists and feminists) in order to bolster a weak

argument!

William's reference to polyandry assumes the biological naturalization of polygamy. Women's capacity for a polyandrous lifestyle is biologically (sexually) superior to men's. Williams would do well to read the works of the feminist psychologists, such as Gilligan, Chodorow, Belenky, who he acknowledges. Feminist psychology speaks to gender differences which involve cultural expectations, socialization and the devaluation of the feminine!

William's contention that "culturally inclined feminists are disproportionately responsible" for the battering, and deaths caused by those beatings is spurious and unconscionable! How dare he blame women for the battering of women! Husbands, fathers, sons, and lovers are the baters, not the feminists! "Fluff-head feminists?" "Elitist academic women?"

It is apparent to me that Williams is feeling professionally challenged by academic women. When a person resorts to name calling, as he does, his argument is obviously inadequate and flawed.

Williams would do well to broaden his intellectual horizons by taking an interdisciplinary approach to science and the nature of human beings.

The patronizing, paternalistic, and arrogant nature of the attitudes reflected in William's letter belong to the old order. The old order equates male with wholeness and female with less than. These attitudes are on the endangered species list! People with attitudes like William's will soon be extinct! Human beings, both women and men, will benefit immeasurably when these narrow, outmoded attitudes have passed on to the place where the dinosaurs dwell. May they

rest in peace.

Spirit Eagle
Feminist Scientist

Bodies talk simply, when drunk, the yell

Editor:

Over the years, many claims have been made for hangover cures, including the "Six-Pak" advertised in the Jan. 30 issue of the Western Front. The reason these remedies consistently fail is that they are not based on fact. Current research indicates:

1) Alcohol is metabolized by the body at a constant rate of approximately one drink per hour. This means that if you've had a lot to drink (e.g., six or more beers) you may be starting off the morning after with alcohol still present in your system.


2) Alcohol consumption has a measurable impact on your cognitive ability (the ability to think and process information), motor ability and discreet judgment (fine decision-making skills) for up to 72 hours following your last drink.

3) The body's chemistry is altered as it metabolizes alcohol. When large amounts of alcohol have been consumed the body's chemistry is significantly shifted, which contributes to the various symptoms of the hangover.

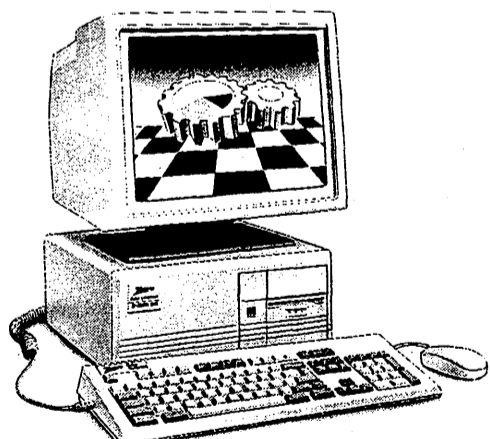
While the human body is extremely complex, the messages it gives us are often very simple. If you feel sick the morning after drinking, you've had more alcohol than your body can comfortably handle. The only proven way to make hangovers "obsolete" is to limit the amount of alcohol you consume.

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Substance Abuse Prevention

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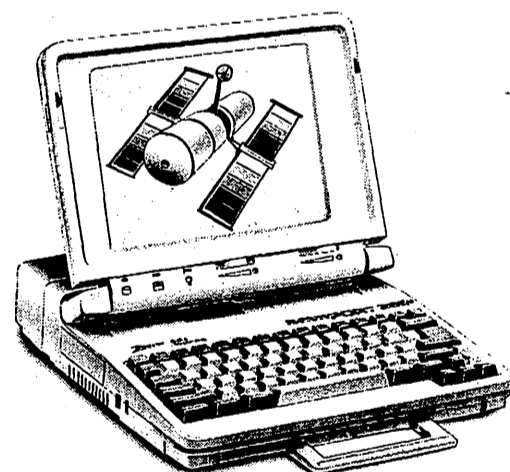
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