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Columbus day, confinement of Leonard Peltier protested

By Karl Horeis

The Western Front

American Indians and about 150 supporters huddled in the rain Sunday to ask for the freedom of Leonard Peltier and to protest the holiday that honors a European explorer for discovering North America.

The mood was light at the Indigenous People's Day Rally held in protest of Columbus Day and in honor of Leonard Peltier, the Chippewa-Lakota Indian convicted for his role in a 1975 gunfight with federal agents. After more than 20 years of fighting for the freedom of Peltier, a little Puget Sound rain wasn't enough to dampen the spirits of activists.

Sen. Slade Gorton, R-Wash., was singled out by a First Nations' speaker for his recent attacks on tribal sovereign immunity and autonomy.

"I heard about this senator from Washington, Slade Gorton," the voice of Johnny Maine echoed across Peace Arch Park in Blaine Sunday afternoon. "I heard he's trying to do us in," his words rang out from plastic-wrapped Peavey speakers through the gray drizzle.

"I think this guy is like Washington State's hemorrhoids ... irritating but not too deadly," Maine said.

This weekend's rally in support of Peltier started at noon Sunday with a march from Salishan Park in Blaine to a wooden stage below the Peace Arch at the Canadian-American Border. The event was the climax of a string of events including a caravan from Olympia to Bellingham and a "Run for Justice" held at Lummi Nation.

Peltier was sentenced to two consecutive life sentences after a gunfight at the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation left two FBI agents and one Indian man dead. He was arrested in Canada in 1976 and extradited to the United States to be tried in a case that American Indian Movement leaflets call "an outstanding case of human-rights violation."

The leaflet states, "Even the U.S. prosecutor declared there is no convincing evidence against Peltier in the 1975 killing of FBI agents," and marcher's signs at this weekend's rally read, "Peltier is the victim of an FBI frame-up."

At 1 p.m. the speakers at the arch began with traditional Indian songs and prayer led by Choctaw tribal member Bill Simmons. Members of the Puyallup Nation and Northwest Leonard Peltier Support Network also spoke. Volunteers handing out leaflets to north- and south-bound traffic



Front/Karl Horeis

Bill Simmons (third from left) of the International Indian Treaty Council and other Native American supporters of Leonard Peltier perform a traditional song to start Sunday's rally.

walked car-to-car as vehicles inched across the border.

The rally was co-sponsored by the National People's Campaign, the American Indian Movement, and the Bring Peltier Home Campaign.

"I've been planning on coming for several months," said Jesse Salomon, one of three Fairhaven College students among the crowd gathered in the park.

Support Network also spoke. A wide range of people were Volunteers handing out leaflets to north- and south-bound traffic rode bicycles and carried skate-

boards, drums and banners. Congress, from Nobel laureate
Marchers of all ages sang and
made an effort to communicate
with the local community. Congress, from Nobel laureate
Desmond Tutu, the Dalai Lama,
the Archbishop of Canterbury and
the late Mother Teresa. Mikhail

"Check in with people and invite them to join," said a march organizer to the crowd before the march started.

Speakers at the rally mentioned the support Leonard Peltier is been conceiving form all over the world.

A Leonard Peltier Defense Committee leaflet claims that Peltier has support from over 30 u. S. Senators and members of the support for 2009.

Desmond Tutu, the Dalai Lama, the Archbishop of Canterbury and the late Mother Teresa. Mikhail Gorbachev called Peltier a political prisoner and mentioned him during a meeting with President Reagan. Over 50 million signatures in support of Peltier have been collected worldwide and delivered to the White House.

Leonard Peltier is in Leavenworth Penitentiary in Kansas. His next parole hearing is scheduled for 2009.

University continues to recruit minority faculty, however ...

Western hires one minority professor

By Arvid Hokanson

The Western Front

Only one of the 41 new fulltime permanent faculty hired this fall was non-white, according to the Provost's office.

In her State of the University address to members of the administration and faculty, Western President Karen Morse said that she would hire tenure-track faculty to meet the demands of additional enrollment. In 1996, 19 new tenure-track faculty were hired and in 1997, 41 new full-time permanent faculty were hired.

Affirmative Action is defined by the Random House College Dictionary as "encouragement for increased representation of women and minority-group members, especially in employment."

According to Western's Administrative Policies and Procedures on Affirmative Action Employment Equal Opportunity and Discrimination, "Discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, marital status or status as a Vietnam era or disabled veteran is prohibited by federal and state statues. Discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation is prohibited by University policy." This policy was adopted by the Board of Trustees in April 1996.

One of the goals Morse set for the Center for Equal Opportunity

was to "identify ways to increase outreach and recruitment for the diversification of faculty and staff."

Statistics from the Provost's office show that for 1997, 15 caucasian females and 26 males were hired, and of the 26 males, one was Hispanic.

Thirty-six percent of the new hirees are women and only two percent are minorities.

In a report to the Board of Trustees, the center reported that "Ethnic minority faculty comprise 8 percent of the total number of tenured and tenure-track faculty ... The University continues its efforts to recruit minority faculty members."

Overall, the total number of

minority faculty was 8.4 percent, up from 6.4 percent in 1989.

Tenured faculty have permanent employement at Western while tenure-track faculty are in line to gain permanent employment.

According to the center, Western faces a number of challenges in recruiting minority faculty members, including difficulty with competing salaries, teaching loads, low representation of minorities in surrounding areas, mutual support networks among ethnic minority faculty and distance from major population areas where ethnic minority research and investigation is routinely conducted.

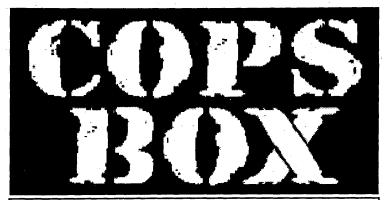
In comparison, the University

of Washington hired 138 new tenure-track faculty in 1996. Of those, 52 females, 37.7 percent, were hired, and 31 total minorities, 22.5 percent, were hired.

As for the 10 new full-time temporary faculty at Western, two were non-white; one Asian male and one Asian female joining the faculty.

The center said Western has made significant progress in achieving affirmative action goals.

Since 1987, the number of minority faculty has increased from 29 faculty members to 38, with the number of women increasing from 128 to 146. The number of women is still only 32.1 percent of the faculty.



Campus Police

October 8, 10:30 p.m.: A victim reported that he was missing a backpack from a university computer lab in Miller Hall.

October 9, 11 p.m.: A bicycle was reported stolen from the east side of Wilson Library.

October 9, 5:15 a.m.: A Fairhaven dorm resident reported that sometime during the night she found her door unlocked and ajar, after she had locked it before going to bed at 1:30 a.m.

October 11, 10:30 p.m.: A suspect was cited for furnishing liquor to minors and disorderly conduct at "an out-of-control party." One other resident was charged and five minors were cited for Minor in

October 11, 11:07 p.m.: Two suspects were cited for disorderly conduct and furnishing liquor to minors at "an out-of-control party" in the 1000 block of Humbolt Street. Five minors were cited for Minor in Possession.

October 12, 5:42 p.m.: Police were called to Highland Hall where an Resident Advisor turned over a marijuana pipe he had recovered while on duty.

October 12, 11:50 p.m.: An "unshaven" suspect was arrested and booked into Whatcom County Jail for criminal trespass. He has trespassed three times before.

Bellingham Police

October 12, 7:27 p.m.: A knife fight at Bellis Fair Mall resulted in the arrest of a suspect for second degree assault.

October 12, 8:07 p.m.: Officers contacted two complaintants at their residences about an ongoing problem with each other. Both parties claim the other is harassing them via telephone. The officer advised them to quit calling each other.

October 13, 12:10 a.m.: A complaintant reported seeing a silhouette of an unknown person and suspicious noises outside of the complaintant's house on the 2300 block of Fir Street, the complaintant requested more patrols during "hours of darkness."

October 13, 8:03 a.m.: Neighbors became involved in an argument over their children. The complaintant claimed that a child living on the 2900 block of Moore Street continually kicks the wall of their duplex and that the parents do nothing to prevent this. The parents reported they had just as many complaints with the complaintant. The officer suggested being more considerate since they have thin walls and young children.

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CORRECTION

In last week's New Playwright's Theatre story, "House of Macabre" by Mark Wright should have read "Seven and Three Eighths" by Mark White.

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Western Briefs

Run for scholarship fund

Participate in the Homecoming Alumni Scholarship 5K Fun(d) Run/Walk, starting 8 a.m., Oct. 25 at the Viking Union. Run or stroll the campus and boost the scholarship offers. Gift certificates are available for teams and individuals. There is a prize for the oldest alumnus finishing the course, as well as random prize drawings. Advance registration: \$10 alumni Club members and students, \$15 non-members, \$36 team. Day of race: \$20 individual, \$50 team. For reservations call 650-3353.

Strange objects displayed

The Viking Union Gallery presents "Strange Objects," an exhibit of printmaking, photography and installation by Seattle psychotherapist and artist Patricia Smith, Oct. 3-31, with a public reception 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., Friday. The Viking Union Gallery, located on the sixth floor of the Viking Union, is open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

Homecoming Bonfire, Blast, **Beatles and Brownies**

Come listen to The Fab Walrus play Beatles' tunes while watching the fireworks, 7 p.m., Oct. 24 on Field D. Hot apple cider, Homecoming brownies and s'mores will be served while the bonfire glows.

Several support groups for bereaved offered

the bereaved are scheduled to be held from 2 to 3:30 p.m., on six consecutive Thursdays starting Oct. 16, at the St. Luke's Community Health Education Center, 3333 Squalicum Parkway. The meetings will be devoted to education about the grieving process, as well as group sharing. To register, call 734-5400, extension 2456 and leave your name and phone number.

Legislative council to meet

The Legislative and Community Affairs Council will meet at 6 p.m. today in Viking Union 408, and 7 p.m. on Oct. 23 in VU 219A. This is an opportunity for students to give input on what they want their Associated Students lobbyist to fight for at the state capitol this year. Proposed issues include fees, putting a voting student on the Board of Trustees and childcare.

Upcoming Presentations:

- * The Distinguished Lecture Series presents stage director, physician and author Dr. Jonathan Miller, "The After-life of Plays," 5:30 p.m., Thursday in the Performing Arts Center. Admission is free, but tickets are required. For more information, call 650-6146.
- * Skylark's Fountain Mercantile, 1308-B 11th Street, presents flutist Amanda Werchen, 7 p.m., Friday, and guitarist Bill Davidson, 7 p.m., Saturday.
- * Associated Students A series of support groups for Production Films is presenting

"Raising Arizona" Nicholas Cage and Holly Hunter. Show times are at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m., Thursday in Fraser Hall 4.

- * The Western Gallery presents Jan Oxenburg's film, "Thank You and Goodnight," at noon, Wednesday at the Western Gallery.
- * The Performing Arts Center series presents the Hungarian chamber ensemble Capella Savaria performing music of the 17th and 18th centuries, 3 p.m., Oct. 19, in the PAC. Ticket prices are \$10, \$18 and \$20, for more information call 650-6146.
- * The Bellingham Parks and Recreation Department is presenting a slide show, "Midway Island: Then and Now," with Katie Elliot and Keith Allen, 7 to 9 p.m., Thursday, at the Bloedel-Donovan Park Pavilion.
- * A Homecoming Dance to benefit Western Cheerleading, 9 p.m., Oct. 25, in the Viking Union Lounge. Music is versatile, dress is casual. Tickets are \$5 at the door.
- * The Theatre Arts Department will present "A Taste Of Honey," by British playwright Shelagh Delaney, and directed by student Donald Drummond, at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 29 through Nov. 1 in Performing Arts Center room

Compiled by Corey Lewis

WWU Official Announcements

Deadline for announcements in this space is noon Friday for the Tuesday edition and noon Wednesday for the Friday edition. Announcements should be limited to 50 words, typewritten or legibly printed, and sent through campus mail to `Official Announcements," MS--9117, fax 7287, or taken in person to Commissary 113A. DO NOT ADDRESS ANNOUNCEMENTS DIRECTLY TO THE WESTERN FRONT. Phoned announcements will not be accepted. All announcements should be signed by originator.

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SPRING QUARTER 1998 DEGREE APPLICANTS: All students who expect to graduate at the close of spring quarter 1998 must have a degree application on file in the Registrar's Office, Old Main 230, by December 5.

MILLER ANALOGIES TEST: Registration is required in OM 120 or by calling X/3080. A \$35 fee is payable at the time of testing. All testing will be in FR2. Test times and dates for fall quarter are 3 p.m. Oct. 14; 3 p.m. Nov. 11; and 2 p.m. Dec. 15.

FALL 1997 GROUP OFFERINGS THROUGH THE COUNSELING CENTER INCLUDE: Math Confidence Workshop, 2-4 Wednesdays starting Oct. 15: Management of the Stress Response, 3-5 p.m. Tuesdays starting Oct. 21; and Attention Deficit Disorder/Learning Disabilities Group, 12:15 to 1:45 p.m. Wednesdays, starting date to be announced. For more information or to register, contact the Counseling Center, OM 540, or call X/3164.

A STUDY ABROAD INFORMATION SESSION will be held from 1 to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15, in VA 454 for the Butler University Institute for Study Abroad program. There will be an information table in the Viking Union from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on that date. Fall, spring or full-year scholarships are available for study in Great Britain, Australia, Ireland, New Zealand, Argentina, Chile and Costa Rica. MATH PLACEMENT TEST: Registration is not required. Students must bring picture identification and a No. 2 pencil. A \$10 fee is pay able in the exact amount at time of testing. Allow 90 minutes. Testing will be at 9 a.m. in OM 120 on Oct. 20, 23, 27, 30, Nov. 3, 6, 10,

13, 17, 20, 24 and Dec. 1, 4, 8 and 11, STUDENTS MAY REQUEST ADD CODES FOR WINTER 1998 BIOLOGY courses. Forms will be on a cart outside BI 315 Oct. 20-24. Completed forms must be put in the indicated instructor's mailbox no later than Oct. 24. Codes may be picked up in BI 315 Nov. 12-13.

JWE PREPARATION: The Writing Center offers workshops to help students prepare for the grammar and summary portions of the Junio Writing Exam. For more information, stop by the Writing Center, WL 342, or call X/3219. JWE CREDIT REQUIREMENTS: Students should take the JWE after acquiring 60 credits and before accumulating 90 credits toward graduation. Students who have completed 120 credits without passing the JWE will be blocked from registering for any course.

JUNIOR WRITING EXAM: Registration is not required. The exam can be taken only once per quarter. Students must bring picture identification, a pen and a No. 2 pencil. First-time examinees only may take the test in FR4 at 3:30 p.m. on Oct. 21 or 22 or at 2 p.m. on Oct. 24. Retests only may take the exam in FR4 at 2 p.m. Oct. 20 or at 3:30 p.m. Oct. 23. Allow two hours.

INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FAIR, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22, in the VU Lounge. The free fair is open to the public and geared toward students, community members and alumni seeking information about living and working in a foreign culture. THE BOOK OF THE QUARTER PANEL will discuss Generation X Goes to College at 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 6, in WL 503. Copies are

UNIVERSITY RESIDENCES HAS A FEW SINGLE ROOMS available in various residence halls, as well as some super/single and double rooms available in Birnam Wood. Contact the Housing Assignments office, X/6565, for details.

On-campus recruiting

- Moss Adams preselect camous interviews scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 13, for credit manager/manager trainee positions. Submit résumé and sign up beginning Oct. 30.
- Andersen Consulting. No campus interviews are scheduled. Submit by preselect deadline of Wednesday, Oct. 15: a cover letter, résumé, unofficial transcript and a completed application form. See company file in career library, Old Main 280.
- Deloitte & Touche. Preselect deadline for application materials is Thursday, Oct. 16. Submit résumé and company data sheet by deadline. Data sheet and company information are available in Career Services Center, Old Main 280. No campus interviews are scheduled.
- Larson Gross Preselect interviews on Monday, Nov. 3 for entry-level accountant positions in Bellingham. Requires graduation with an accounting
 major by June 1998. Submit to Career Services by October 17: cover letter, résumé and unofficial transcript.
- JobDirect, Monday, Oct. 20. Look for 30-foot long bus in a central area of campus, outfitted with laptop computers for students to access their database. The free service offers another opportunity to connect with potential jobs, especially for graduating students who wish to move out of state.

Western Review

Looking back at stories from The Western Front, Fall 1980

Beatlemania revives the legend

The Beatles changed the shape of rock music. The Beatles, who drove teenagers to hysterics, returned to Seattle in a nostalgic simulation, Beatlemania. Four mop-top musicians imitate the voices and stage personas of John, Paul, George, and Ringo. Beatlemania traces the rise of the Beatles from their first American debut to their break-up in 1969. The cataclysmic events of the 1960's are portrayed by Lennon-McCartney compositions, slides and movie clips.

Electric eye spots thieves

Students returning to Western this year will notice a few changes at the Wilson Library. Besides installing a new security system, the library has adopted shorter hours and a rule prohibiting most food and beverages.

The \$38,000 3M Tattle Tape system, installed over the summer, checks students for "unofficially borrowed" books as they walk past an electric eye. It saves

the time wasted and embarrassment previously suffered when checkers had to leaf through packs and briefcases.

Students indicated their desire for such a system last spring in a questionnaire issued by the library.

Library hours are shorter by one hour most days this year and the candy machines on the library's ground floor are now the only sources of legitimate food.

Designers pocket profit — opinion

As a newcomer to Western and a former student returning to class after four years in the business world, I was immediately hit by a strange phenomenon as I wandered around campus. Everybody was wearing designer jeans — Sassons on the sidewalk, Bonjours on the boulevards. Everywhere I looked was dazzling denim.

Where do students find the money for such frivolity? At \$25 a pair, the only people getting a good deal on designer jeans are the designers.

Final gun decision a resounding 'No'

After last minute pleas from both sides at an emotion-filled meeting, the Board of Trustees unanomously decided not to arm campus security guards.

About 150 people jammed into the meeting room to criticize or praise Western's safety and security and appeal to the four trustees to "examine your conscience" before deciding.

Grant will turn garbage into money

A recent \$11,000 grant from the state Department of Ecology is greasing the slow-moving parts of a total waste recovery program system that would make Western a forerunner in national recycling programs.

Constructed on the northeast corner of the physical plant property, a substation will recycle empty beer bottles, newspapers and cans, according to plans.

Beside transforming Western's eight to 10 tons of daily waste into dollars, the substation will

have an incinerator that will burn what cannot be reused.

Beer allowed at campus dance

Students of legal drinking age were served beer on campus during a dance featuring the Robert Cray Band. The evening was without incident as beer flowed free from kegs to the crowd of about 100.

Hecklers greet Mondale at airport

Vice President Walter Mondale flew in for a one-hour stop yesterday at Bellingham International Airport, bringing the re-election campaign of President Carter to a crowd of about 500 supporters and the blare of Schome High School's marching band.

A vocal minority of 30 Ronald Reagan supporters turned the appearance into a shouting match between local supporters of both presidential candidates.

As the vice president praised the record of the Democratic Party and President Carter in particular, Reagan supporters tried to drown him out with chants of "Reagan, Reagan!"

Hacky Sack gaining popularity

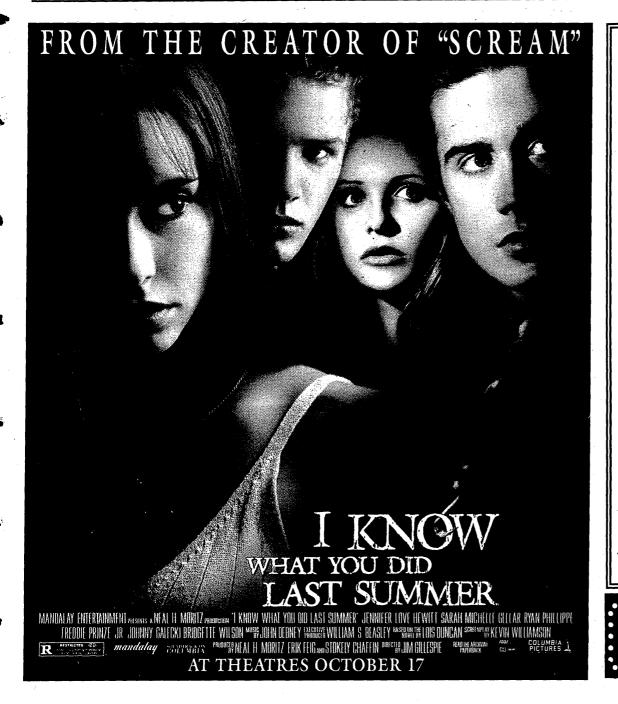
What looks like a dirty golf ball, is soft and sounds like a town in New Jersey?

Hacky Sack, a new sport, is gaining popularity with every kick. At least this is the hope for merchants who are trying to market the Hacky Sack in Bellingham.

"So far, Hacky Sack has been very popular among the college crowd in Oregon. That is where it originated," one merchant said. "We would like to see the interest grow in Bellingham."

A variation of an old North American Indian game, Hacky Sack was invented by John Stalberger of Oregon City, Ore. Stalberger originally developed the game as a training aid for athletes to improve lateral quickness and eye-to-foot coordination.

Compiled by Elisha Joseph



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Smoke clears Performing Arts Center

By Jana Alexander The Western Front

Smoke filled room 25 in the Performing Arts Center yesterday afternoon, setting off the fire alarm and summoning three fire trucks, nine firefighters, three campus police officers and three physical plant employees.

The alarm automatically alerted the Bellingham Fire Department and campus officials at 1:03 p.m., while simultaneously sounding a digitized voice ordering people out of the building.

"May I have your attention please. We have reports there is a fire ... will you please exit the building," the digitized male voice of the alarm repeated as flashing lights pulsed from boxes near the ceiling.

Firefighters responded in seven minutes. They set up fans to push smoke out of the building, and clear the air for electricians from Sound Elevator Company, who took over to try and solve the mystery of what caused the smoke. Firefighters stayed until 2:30 p.m.

"We have Sound Elevator Company working on the elevator right now, trying to re-create whatever it is that caused the smoke," said Bellingham Fire Department Captain Ken Krumdiack. "We can't find any scorch marks, any hot marks, anything, anywhere."

"It just created some smoke somewhere, OK. So we de-energized the system right away first to discontinue whatever it was doing to make the smoke," he said. "And now he's re-energized it again, and he's checking out every circuit to see if anything has gone down."

The room houses the PAC's elevator motor, which led officials to believe the elevator was the problem.

"The smoke and everything was isolated to one little small control room, which is totally encased in concrete so it couldn't have gotten any further than that. We used our fans to push all that smoke outside, so that the service people could get in and work on it," Krumdiack said.

"Obviously some sort of overheating was going on," said Roger Shipley of the PAC.

Some students milled around outside waiting for the alarm to turn off. Others just walked in the building, seemingly unfazed by the upset of fire trucks and a



Front/Aaron Dahl

Firefighters set up a large fan to disperse the smoke from the Performing Arts Center yesterday. sounding alarm.

PAC. He and others in the class with Tristan Hansen in a lounge

Sophomore Devon DeVries was sitting outside shortly after the event. DeVries had some reading time because of the alarm, which interrupted his Italian diction class inside the

PAC. He and others in the class thought it was a fire drill.

"They canceled classes," Devries said. "We were all kind of laughing about it."

"I saw the fire trucks coming in," said Jessica Solberg. She sat with Tristan Hansen in a lounge area near a classroom on the second floor of the PAC. Both thought it was a false alarm because "a fog machine set off the alarm during summer," Hansen said.

Legal advice offered to domestic violence victims

By Jenni Long The Western Front

In observance of Domestic Violence Abuse Awareness Month, the Legal Information Center and the Women's Center are co-sponsoring a Domestic Violence Legal Workshop from 7 to 8:30 p.m., Thursday, in Viking Union 408.

"This workshop will teach you how to legally protect yourself from violent housemates, family members or partners," said Julia Dunham of the Legal Information Center.

The Domestic Violence Legal Workshop will provide refreshments and child care. Domestic Violence Project Coordinator of Whatcom Crisis Services Catherine Chambers will speak. Students, victims of domestic

violence, community members, pre-law students and domestic violence volunteers are all welcome.

There are three types of domestic violence victim protection orders in Washington State: the civil restraining order, the protection order and the no-contact order. According to the Washington State Department of Social & Health Services, the most important thing about all these orders is that they are enforced by the police.

Orders of protection are obtained in different ways and vary in the help they provide. In some circumstances, orders of protection can be tailored to meet the victims needs, Dunham said.

"Some people think a restraining order is the only order of protection available," she said. Restraining orders are civil orders and do not come from a criminal case. A person does not need to call the police, although they must file an action in civil court to get one. Restraining orders are granted when a person files for divorce, paternity, legal separation or at any time after a person files a case and is awaiting the final decision, stated the DSHS.

A protection order is similar to a restraining order because it is also a civil order and the police do not need to be called to obtain one. A protection order is only available to victims of domestic violence. Another action, such as divorce, does not need to be filed to get one. Once a protection order is obtained, it can protect you for one year. This order can give you the right to care for your

children and keep the abuser away from your home. A protection order cannot provide any child support or the use of any property, except the family home, according to the DSHS.

A no-contact order is issued by the court in a criminal case involving domestic violence. To obtain this order, an arrest must be made or criminal charges must be filed before it can be issued, stated DSHS. This order will usually be filed at the request of the prosecutor at the time the abuser is arraigned.

No-contact orders generally prohibit the abuser from having any contact with the victim while the criminal case is pending. Children of the victim are not usually covered by a no-contact order unless they too are victims of the same assault. At the time

the abuser is sentenced, or if the abuser is found guilty, the no-contact order can be extended.

The Domestic Violence Legal Workshop will be confidential. Dunham said the workshop will be a "safe place to come." The windows will be covered with dark paper and participants do not have to give their names.

If you are unable to attend the Domestic Violence Legal Workshop and still have unanswered questions, join the Legal Information Center for Lunch with a Lawyer. Allena M. Kanne will be on hand to answer any legal questions you have from noon to 2 p.m., Oct. 22, in the Viking Union Foyer (by the candy counter).

For more information call the Legal Information Center at 650-6111.



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World Food Day aims to educate about starvation in global village

By Jenni Long The Western Front

Volunteer groups will be presenting programs and projects tp educate about food distribution and the life of the hungry in recognition of World Food Day this Thursday, according to the U.S. National Committee for World Food Day.

"The purpose is not to create a solution to hunger, the purpose is to educate people about hunger and why there is poverty and hunger in the world," said Catholic Peer Minister Elissa Knight of Outreach Community Service.

The main goal of World Food banquet on an empty stomach

Day is to increase informed action by: increasing awareness, information, services, support, advocacy, networking and impact, stated the U.S. National Committee for World Food Day.

The goal of World Food Day is to be able to say we have enough food for everybody, Knight said.

In recognition of World Food Day, the Catholic Student Coalition is hosting a hunger banquet at 6 p.m., Thursday, in the Shalom Center.

"The idea is to experience for oneself the distribution of food in the world," Knight said.

Everyone is encouraged to fast for 24 hours before, or go to the on the same level, she said.

'We live in a global village and yet we never think about how the majority of the world lives," said Shirley Osterhaus, a Catholic campus minister. "The hunger meal is a chance for us to grow in our understanding and awareness about why others do not have enough to eat and know that we can do something about it."

Jason Howland, a Catholic Campus Minister of Outreach and Community Service, said "From helping organize the dinner I see that it is an important issue, and I think that people will open their eyes to the world."

An educational speaker will

because this way everyone will be talk about world hunger and poverty. Information about different cultures, educational activities and time for participants to discuss and reflect their reactions to the event will also be available.

> Some people wake every morning not knowing if they will be able to feed their families, Osterhaus said.

"People can help by donating to Hunger Relief," she said. "Education is very important and might change attitudes toward food and make us more willing to support — financially and morally - those who are in need."

"I hope that if people become aware of their situation, they would be more conscious of what they are using and what other people of the world are experiencing," Knight said. "I hope this dinner may cause someone to go and help an event or at a soup

The cost is \$1 and proceeds will benefit Catholic Relief Services to aid hunger needs. To reserve seating by the Wednesday

deadline, call the Shalom Center at 733-3400.

"Along with world issues, I hope participants will also recognize the hunger problems here in Bellingham," Howland said.

According to Oxfam America, an organization promoting world hunger awareness, only 15 percent of the world's population has a nutritious daily diet. One out of every three children are malnourished and one of every five people in the world are chronically

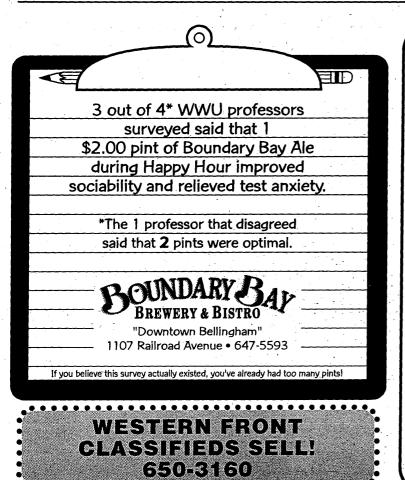
One of the several myths about why hunger exists in the world is "there is not enough food and not enough land," according to the U.S. National Committee for World Food Day.

Measured globally, enough food exists to feed everyone, but the world's food supply is not evenly distributed. Those who have much accumulate more, according to the U.S. National Com-mittee for World Food Day, while those who have little edge toward

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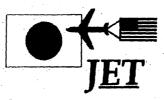


This Hungarian String Chamber Ensemble performs with authentic 17th- and 18th-century instruments. Capella Savaria will perform at 3 p.m. this Sunday in the Performing Arts Center. Gramophone magazine raved, "These are performances to lift the spirit recommended with an enthusiasm as great as that which shines from Capella Savaria." Tickets cost \$20 for adults, \$18 for seniors, Western faculty and staff and \$10 for students and children. They are available at the PAC Box Office. Student Rush tickets cost \$5 cash, 15 minutes prior to the performance.



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Alper elected vice president of Canadian association

By Mark Dewar The Western Front

Western's Don Alper, director of the Canadian-American Studies program, has been elected vice president of the Association for Canadian Studies in the United States.

"It is an honor to be appointed to this position, but it also means that I have to do more work," Alper said.

Alper has been a foremost expert on Canada since receiving his doctorate at the University of British Columbia in political science.

"From my time in British Columbia, I became interested in Canada and U.S.-Canada relations. Since coming to Western in the early seventies, I got involved in the Canadian Studies program," Alper said. "It is important to learn about Canada because it is the U.S.' largest trading partner by far. How well their economy does is also important to the U.S."

The ACSUS is an international organization made up of 1,100 members that present research papers, discuss teaching and talk about American and Canadian

Their goal is to promote research on Canada and the United States, Alper said.

Part of the reason Alper was able to attain this position was because of Western's distinct Canadian-American studies program, which he directs. It is one

of the largest Canadian-American programs in the nation and the largest one west of the Mississippi River, Alper said.

Alper also is knowledgeable about the Canadian government and is an expert on key economic and political issues between the United States and Canada, according to a press release from the Western Public Information Office.

Ironically, growing up in California, Alper did not know anything about Canada.

After receiving his bachelor's and master's degrees from California State, Long Beach in political science, he went to British Columbia because of his interest in international relations and the area's educational reputation.

Alper also said he had friends who visited Vancouver, where the university is located, who told him how exciting and beautiful it was.

"Vancouver is a worldly and sophisticated city," Alper said.

Living in Canada brought Alper many opportunities. One of these was working as personal advisor to Canadian legislator Bob Wenman in Ottawa.

"I was one of only a handful of U.S. citizens to work in the Canadian house," he said. "It was quite an experience."

It is convenient for Alper that in studying about Canada he is so close to the country.

"Western is an ideal place to learn about Canada," he said.

Western deals with larger freshmen class

By Aleesha Towns

The Western Front

Western admitted 50 additional freshmen this year, raising enrollment to 11,476 students, the largest student body in the institution's 107-year history.

"We are pleased to be able to admit more students," said Vice President of Student Affairs Eileen Coughlin.

To accommodate the large freshmen class and an unusually high upper classman retention rate, Western opened 93 additional class sections this fall. Within the sections are 2,978 seats, 1,031 of these in General University Requirement courses. Western also hired 34 new faculty members this year.

Western was able to admit more students this year because of an increased amount of money allocated to the school from the state legislature. Western also received a higher number of applications than in previous years. The larger enrollment will not degrade the quality of students' education at Western or the ability to complete required courses on time, Coughlin said.

To help alleviate student registration problems, Western initiated a new program called Classfinder on the university's web site. Students insert their various requirements and the database searches for classes which fit the student's needs. The program was designed by Western students in the computer science department in coop-

eration with Academic Advising Coordinator Tony Gulig.

"With this tool, students can find open sections of the required courses more easily," Gulig stated in a press release.

He said the program contributes to efficient choice of courses and perhaps to a student being able to graduate more efficiently

Coughlin said she thinks the program has been successful because "Students are registering for more credit hours than in the past."

She attributes this rise to students finding more courses that are required for their degrees.

Even with the improvements to the registration process, some students still have problems registering for needed classes.

"I couldn't get into a morning chemistry class, so it probably put me behind a quarter for my major," sophomore Brooke Paulin said. "I'll either take a summer class or just go longer than I expected."

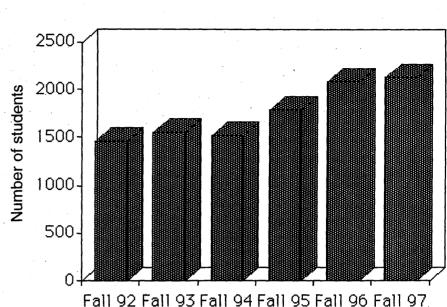
Paulin used the Classfinder program and was pleased with the results.

"It's nice because it doesn't give you the all the things you specified," she said "it will give you other options."

Paulin said she had to be flexible when trying to find GUR courses to fill requirements.

"I ended up having to settle for classes," she said. "They satisfied GURs but weren't what I wanted to take."





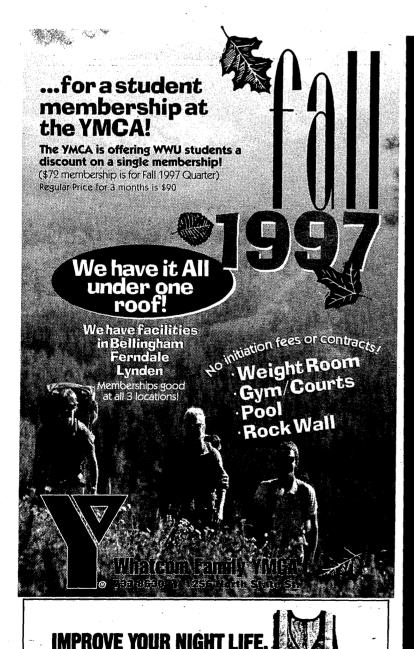
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Coughlin said students may still have trouble getting into some classes, but those students need to be dealt with on an individual basis.

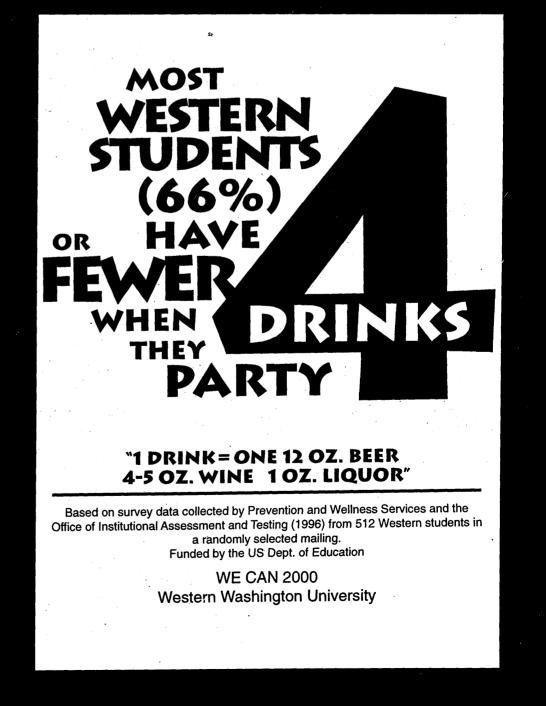
"We don't think adding new faculty and credit hours will make the problem disappear instantly," Coughlin said.

"Our commitment to (class) access is that students aren't delayed toward their degrees. We want to remove barriers that prevent students from timely graduation," she said.

Coughlin said she knows the faculty has gone to great lengths to accommodate students who need to be in certain classes. If students continue to have problems that they believe will prevent them from timely graduation, Coughlin recommends they contact Academic Advising or an adviser in their major.



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My summer on the battlefield: One Western student relates her experiences fighting tenacious weeds in the Puget Sound area

By Heather Romano The Western Front

The battleground spread out before me. Weapon in hand, I cautiously crept out. Stepping carefully, the crew marched out toward the front lines. Rain beat down, a glance in any direction revealed only a hazy green. Green everywhere. As the enemy neared, I clutched my weapon and stood face to face with the enemy on which war was declared-Spartina.

A noxious weed was the enemy. My summer job proved to be a constant battle with a seemingly innocent plant.

Spartina is invading mud flats in the Puget Sound area and, in places, seems to have gained control. Triangle Cove, on Camano Island has a 170 acre battlefield of Spartina. The thick grass can reach heights of six feet. A tough opponent.

This is not the only battlefield. Washington state's mud flats are being invaded and crews are out fighting. At times it is hard to tell who is winning the fight, the people or the grass.

A swaying action with a steel-

blade weed wacker effectively pushes aside the grass immediately in front of any soldier. However, the battlefield is large.

Spartina will grow back after being mowed and until the crew returns about a month later with a new weapon. The chemical mixture of Rodeo, R-11 and water, with blue dye for confirmation of a kill. It is like switching from using swords to machine guns.

The goal is to control Spartina and hopefully someday leave the mud flats, so animals and native vegetation can enjoy the mud, instead of infested meadows.

Many animals use the mud or the native vegetation. When walking along the bordering dike, bald eagles fly overhead, great blue herons bellow from the water's edge and many small hidden animals scurry about the area.

The journey out to some battlefields proved to be a challenge at times. Hip boots sink into the thigh-high mud; a separate battle begins just to reach the grass.

Upon reaching the grassy plateau, mud is no longer a relentless battle. The grass has conquered the mud.

Tides also want to fight. There were some close calls, with crew members returning from the field in over-the-hip high water.

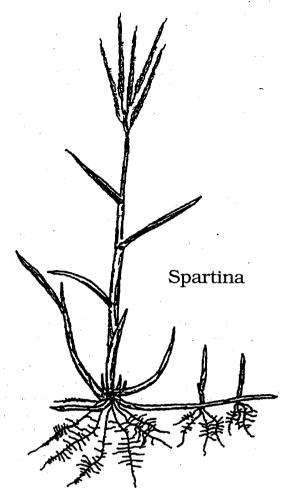
Rain, wind and temperature are not allies in the fight against Spartina. The rain makes it more difficult to mow in, however rain and wind over 10 miles per hour are not allowed for chemical application.

Standing on a dike near weed wackers in the middle of a lightning storm did not defeat us.

The Battle of Deer Lagoon on Whidbey Island, involving the lighting storm, 90 degree weather and a quick-returning tide, was defeated in six days. There is still hope. Another attack was just completed with the secret weapon of chemical solution.

The battle, as I know it, is mainly over for the season. Winter does not allow for chemical application and accessability is limited because of poor weather.

No one knows, conclusively, how effective the battle of this summer was. Results will show in the spring, when the grass starts to grow again. For now, all is quiet on the Northwestern front.



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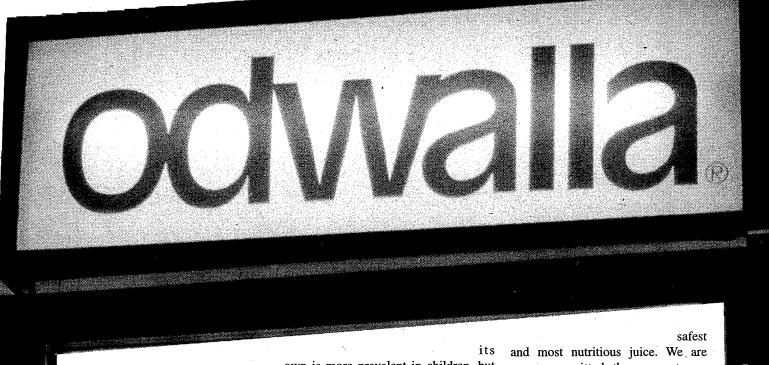
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By Jennifer L. West The Western Front

Thirty-one residents in Whatcom county were affected by last year's E. coli 0157:H7 outbreak, and about a dozen Western students were tested for the germ. One of those students was lab-confirmed with the germ in his stool sample.

Western's Associate Director of the Student Health Center, Dr. Emily Gibson, said that during the outbreak last year about three dozen students came to the health center, complaining of diarrhea, and about six students came in with bloody diarrhea.

This academic year Gibso

received no reports of the germ, but she encourages students who think they could have consumed unpasteurized juice, raw milk or contaminated and undercooked meat to go to the Student Health Center and have a free stool test done through a state lab.

"If health officials feel the student is at risk, they will order the test," Gibson said.

E. coli is normally found in the intestines of animals and humans, where it serves a useful

function in the body by suppressing the growth of harmful bacteria species. But E. coli 0157:H7 is a rare variety that produces large quantities of one or more related, potent toxins that cause severe damage to the lining of the intestines. The most common causes of this germ are consumption of undercooked contaminated meat, raw milk or contaminated water.

Within 10 days, severe cramping begins along with diarrhea, which sometimes becomes bloody. This illness lasts for an average of eight days, with most patients recovering completely. However, some develop a form of kidney failure called Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome. Small children are affected by HUS more often than adults are, thus some may die.

"I don't think that E. coli 0157:H7 on

own is more prevalent in children, but HUS definitely is under the age of ten," said Paul Chudek of the Whatcom County Health Department.

Last year, two incidents affected many residents of Whatcom county. The first happened in the Northwest part of the county where two families got together to make homemade cider. The cider was unpasteurized and contained the germ, which caused seven people to become ill.

The second incident happened in Lynden on Oct. 19, 1996. A church group sold 300 gallons of homemade cider to the public. Three lab-confirmed cases and two suspected were reported, from the unpastuerized cider.

students The most publicized case was the voluntary recall of all Odwalla blended juice products containing apple juice on Oct. 31, 1996. Ten of the 13 cases in Seattle-King County area were shown to

and most nutritious juice. We are more committed than ever to an appropriate balance between safety and the importance of offering consumers a range of choices in selecting fresh foods."

Lori Martin, supervisor of Creative Juices in the Viking Union Addition, felt that Odwalla took every precaution in protecting students when it recalled all of its juices. Plus, Martin said, "Now we sell lots of Odwalla juices."

Martin, who was not at Creative Juices last year, said she has not heard any negative comments about the juice since Odwalla started flash pasteurizing.

Most stores now only order pasteurized juices, and the two local juice companies, Stoney Ridge and Cloud Mountain, both in Everson, now only produce pasteurized juices.

Phil Maulding, manager of Viking

Union Eateries, said, "Western has never purchased unpasteurized juices except for Odwalla, and now they are flash pasteurized."

Environmental Health Specialist Tom Kunesh explained that there are many hurdles in controlling the problem of this germ, one of which is that it's not known for sure if there are other possible sources which contaminate the apples besides cow manure. In addition, the equipment and additional labor needed to pasteurize cider cost more.

Right now Washington State University is researching a way to avoid pasteurization and still keep the public safe. Until that research is done, Kunesh said he recommends pasteurization because it's the only way to effectively destroy the germ.

As far as the public being safe, Chudek said, "E. coli 0157:H7 is not even on the list of the most common causes of death in the United States." Tobacco, poor diet and lack of exercise, and alcohol top that list.

"America has a safe food supply," he added. "And food consumption disease is relatively small."

Gibson agrees that with increased public awareness, the risk of getting this germ is lower. But, she warned, "Every person still needs to be concerned with what they are consuming."

washing hands when handling food, cooking meat thoroughly and not drinking raw milk or juice will help cut down the risk of ingesting E. coli 0157:H7.

A recommended way of preventing E. coli

Using preventative measures, such as always

A recommended way of preventing E. con 0157:H7 at home is to make sure fruit, hands, knives, boards, utensils, juice making equipment and containers are washed thoroughly. To pasteurize cider, heat the juice to 155 degrees Fahrenheit for 45 seconds.

function in the body by suppressing the growth of harmful bacteria species. have come from Odwalla-brand apple growth of harmful bacteria species.

Since the outbreak, Odwalla has revised its Hazard Analysis Critical Control Points. It will now use a process called flash pasteurizing, which is currently the most effective method to eliminate harmful pathogens from fresh juice. Flash pasteurizing involves heating the juice for a short time to a set temperature.

In a prepared statement, Greg Steltenpohl, Chairman of Odwalla, said: "Since the outbreak of E. coli 0157:H7 on the west coast, we have all learned a great deal about the evolution and necessity to review all procedures involved in providing safe juice. This learning process continues and we believe continued research is important in order for consumers to receive the

Photo Illustration/Jennifer L. West

New geology chair enlivens classes with bones, skits and his daughter's cartoons



"I like discovery, and that's what I want for everybody. My goal is to help people enjoy inquiry and know how to act on it."

Thor Hansen

Thor Hansen, chair of the geology department, displays one of his teaching aids, the skull of a sabre-tooth tiger.

By Karl Horeis

The Western Front

"Pretty much anything that works in kindergarten works in college," Professor Thor Hansen said, describing what 12 years of teaching at Western has taught him about holding a student's attention.

Hansen, who received a bachelor's of science degree at George Washington University and a doctorate from Yale University, has been teaching geology at Western since 1985. He was appointed chair of the Geology Department this summer.

"I really like teaching," Hansen said, leaning back in his chair behind a large, clean desk. His new corner office was organized and spotless. Fuzzy South American blankets draped his couch and the room had a comfortable feel.

"I like discovery, and that's what I want for everybody," Hanson said. "My goal is to help people enjoy inquiry and know how to

"It's a really exciting time for the department. We're thinking about our plans for the next century."

He was working to handle increased

enrollment with the same limited resources.

"We're doing what we can to provide a mix of large and intensive small courses,'

The department faculty is more involved in decision-making through committees since Hansen became chair.

"I feel lucky to be in his department, he's very approachable," said Robert Mitchell, environmental geology professor. "He balances his teaching and research well."

Hansen has spoken all over the world on every subject from the history of the universe to the demise of the dinosaurs. He has been invited to speak all over the country, including Washington D.C. two years ago, University of California at Davis last year, and North Carolina just three weeks ago. He has also spoken in Spain, Prague and in England, where he was on sabbatical.

On top of his regular schedule of farreaching lectures, Hansen also spends time with elementary school students once a quarter teaching about dinosaurs.

Hansen is known by both students and faculty for his interactive, less-apt-toinduce-sleep style of teaching.

"With all professors the thing that thrills

them the most is to get students excited about learning," he said.

He described some of the demonstrations he uses to break the monotony of the classic lecture. He does an earthquake skit involving a pot of coffee, a string analogy that represents the history of time from the birth of the planet earth to now, and of course everybody who has had Hansen in the last three years knows the story of the emu in his back

He is also known to do such things as bring in a series of cartoons, complete with captions, created by his 5-year-old daughter. He might bring them in one-per-day, each day explaining what she has been dealing with, be it Halloween, a headless Santa or his smelly home-brew.

"I try to get people out of looking at written texts and expose them to more graphic media," he said.

Hansen's most demanded course is Historical Geology 212. In this class, Hansen's students look forward to the "create a world" and "create a creature" projects.

"These labs promote learning by creating rather than just feeding information," Hansen said.

Each student is asked to create a new creature that would fit in a certain phylum, but that does not match anything already in

"It has to be biologically possible," Hansen said. "The creature cannot move on wheels," he added with a smile.

Hansen said when he gives students freedom such as with the "create" projects, the finished projects are usually very well thought out.

"When people are inquisitive they are responsible for what they find out," said Hansen, explaining his idea of student empowerment.

He went on to explain that his own sense of curiosity blossomed early when he grew up in the suburbs of Maryland outside of Washington D.C.

"Those were the days when kids were free to go out in the woods as long as they were home for dinner," he said.

He described the fossil outcropping two miles from his house where he started collecting 60 million year-old Paleocene clam and snail specimens as a child.

"I'm just curious," he said. "Most people are, unless it's been beaten out of them."

Western blazes Oregon trail Vikings bring home back-to-back wins

By JJ Jensen The Western Front

Western's men's soccer team took a trip to Oregon this weekend and brought back two victories as souvenirs.

Western's first win came Friday with a 2-1 overtime victory over Western Baptist College.

Their second win came on Saturday as Western shut out Concordia University 1-0.

"These games were our most intense so far," said goalkeeper Dave Green. "Both games were pretty badass, and you can quote me on that."

Green recorded eight saves this weekend and had his third shutout of the season.

In Friday's game, Western jumped out to a quick 1-0 lead as senior forward Scot Swanson scored on a header 30 seconds into the game.

Freshman midfielder Brian Schaper got the assist.

WBC came back to tie the game in the 52nd minute on an unassisted goal by midfielder Jeremiah Hansen.

Western came back and put the game away 20 minutes into sudden-death overtime when senior forward R.J. Merritt scored from 20 yards out.

"It came down to heart and soul
— it was a gutsy effort," said
Western coach Brad Swanson. "I
was very pleased."

Both these games were pretty bad-ass, and you can quote me on that:



Western came right back out and continued its tough play Saturday against Concordia.

The Vikings dominated the game offensively with a 12-4 edge in shots on goal and a 7-2 advantage in corner kicks.

The game's only goal came in the 43rd minute from freshman midfielder Sean Standley. Midfielder Brian Schaper got the With only four games remaining, Western can almost start looking forward to the playoffs.

"Teams in the playoffs are going to be better, but competitive and quality teams like these will get us ready," said sophomore midfielder Shane Brady.

Brady was making his third start of the season.

Despite improving their record to 8-3-1, all was not positive for Western.

One of the team's leading scorers, senior Josiah Johnson sustained a broken leg against Concordia.

"Josiah was playing well, and we're going to miss him," said team captain Keith Baker. "But our

bench is deep and they're going to have to step it up."

Johnson's impressive play this season will make him a tough player to replace.

"Whoever's going to be replacing him has to work as hard as they can," Baker said. "It's going to come down to heart and pride."

The Vikings will be in action next when they host Regis University at 1 p.m. on Oct. 20.

Baked in Alaska? Volleyball plays in Great White North

By Jessica Sprenger
The Western Front

The Vikings volleyball team looks to rebound from back-to-back five game losses during a four game trip to Alaska before returning home for Saturday night's match with Lewis-Clark State College.

Western, trailing 2-1 Saturday night at Central Washington University, came back and took the fourth game 15-10 to even the match.

The fifth game was tied at 12 before the Wildcats rattled off three straight points to take the victory.

Despite the loss, the Vikings retained their fourth place standing in the Pacific Northwest Athletic Conference with a 1-3 record, while dropping to 11-11 overall.

Junior middle blocker Tanya Price, who is ranked second nationally and first in the PNWAC with a .445 attack percentage, led the Vikings with 24 kills. Freshman Jessica Jones had 28 digs and added 15 kills. Also recording a double-double was junior Jaimee Hardenbrook with 16 kills and 19 digs.

Senior setter Adrienne Sloboden, who leads the league in assists with an 11.4 per game average, recorded 69 assists in the victory.

Western will play the second of a two match series tonight at the University of Alaska Fairbanks before moving onto the University of Alaska Anchorage Results from Monday night's match were not available at press time.

This is the first Vikings trip to Alaska since 1990, when they downed Alaska Fairbanks twice and fell to Alaska Anchorage.

Saturday night the Vikings will return home to take on third-ranked LCSC.

The Warriors, who are 2-0 in PNWAC action and 21-1 overall, will be at Simon Fraser University Friday night.

LCSC senior outside hitter Kymm Lingnaw had 21 kills against Western Montana and was the league's honorable mention pick for the week.

Last season the Vikings split with LCSC during the regular season each winning at home, but LCSC took the PNWAC playoff match and the NAIA PNW Regional match.

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Western works overtime to tame Wildcats

Vikings take control of playoff destiny with shutout win over CWU

Western Front Staff

Western's women's soccer team moved a step closer toward a playoff berth last Sunday.

The Vikings defeated Central Washington University at Viking Field in a crucial Pacific Northwest Athletic Conference

The game's only goal was scored 12 minutes into overtime. It was set up by junior defender Bryn Davidson. Davidson dribbled down the right sideline and sent a low cross into the goalmouth.

A mad scramble for the ball broke out in front of the goal. The ball bounced out to forward Stacey Wood. Wood took advantage of the out-of-position goaltender and knocked in the game-winner.

"It's a big win for us," said Wood, a sophomore. "We're not in the playoffs yet, but this'll help."

The victory put Western in the driver's seat for a berth in the PNWAC final on Nov. 8. The Vikings need to win two of their next three games against Evergreen State College, Simon Fraser University and

Most of the game was played in CWU's half of the field. Western finished with a 20-8 advantage in shot attempts. Despite their great field position, Western failed to score against Central's defense in regulation time.

"We couldn't buy a goal all game," Wood said.

"It would have been an awful tie," said coach Derrek Falor. "I didn't think we'd handle them as well as we did. To win 1-0 in overtime was justice served, because we had so many chances."

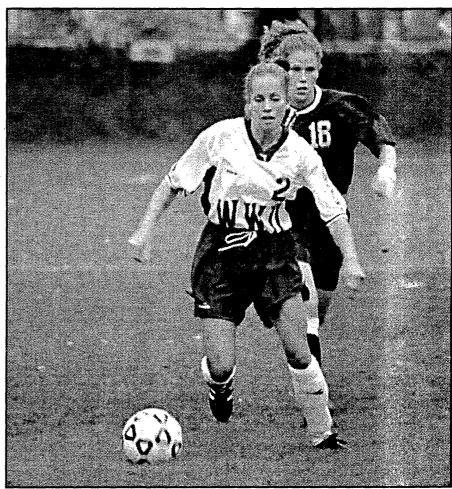
Western goalkeeper Kim McArdle made two saves to earn her third shutout of the year. It was the third straight shutout for the Vikings and their ninth of the season, just two short of the school record set in 1984. CWU forward Judy Koenigs had her schoolrecord streak of games with a goal ended at

"We kept possession of the ball and I got the sense Central never got into any rhythm," Falor said. "The chances they had were on breakaways, not off of building

Western's best chance to score prior to overtime came on a penalty shot 20 minutes into the first half, but CWU keeper Sacha Martin made a diving stop of sophomore Trisha Keating's shot.

The Vikings improved their record to 8-5-3 overall and 2-1-0 in PNWAC games. It was the second loss in three games for CWU, which dropped to 9-2-2 and 1-2-1 after opening the season with a 10-game unbeaten string.

The Vikings are at ESC at 2 p.m. on Sunday for their next PNWAC contest.



Junior defender Bryn Davidson takes the ball upfield in a key Western win.

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Western football Head Coach

By Jai Ferguson The Western Front

Western shut out the Humboldt State Aggies for much of the game and went on to win 45-7 last Saturday at the Redwood Bowl in Arcata, Calif.

Cornerback Mike Perez, defensive end Chad Rorabaugh and safety Mike Williams had standout performances.

An interception return for a touchdown by Perez gave Western a 21-0 lead in the second quarter. Rorabaugh and Williams each recorded two sacks. Rorabaugh leads the conference with ten sacks.

Western (3-2 overall and 1-1 conference), ranked fourth in the NAIA in total defense and sixth in rushing defense, held the Lumberjacks (1-5 and 0-1) to 147 yards of total offense. HSU had only 32 total yards in the first half and had minus-1 rushing yards at halftime.

"I was real pleased with the mindset we came out with today," said Western Head Coach Rob Smith. "We needed this type of game. It's nice to do the things we're capable of."

Senior quarterback Darren Erath continues to move up the Western career passing yardage list as he surpassed Dave Blue to move into third place.

Erath completed 16 of 24 passes for 102

capable of.

yards and was involved in three touchdowns in a little more than half the game before junior Sam Hanson replaced

Erath started the scoring with a fiveyard touchdown run on Western's

second possession of the game. The run capped a six-play, 54-yard drive.

Erath threw a two-yard touchdown pass to senior running back Ryan Wiggins to give the Vikings a 14-0 lead. Erath also threw a two-yard touchdown pass to senior tight end Erik Morin in the third quarter to give the Vikings a nearly insurmountable 31-0 lead.

Western closed out its scoring in the fourth quarter on a four-yard run by Wiggins and a two-yard run by freshman Ryan Canon.

> Wiggins finished the day with 18 carries for 96 yards. He also pulled down five receptions.

HSU notched their only points late in the fourth quarter on an 18yard touchdown pass from Matt Mitchell to tight end

Dan Wheeler.

- Rob Smith,

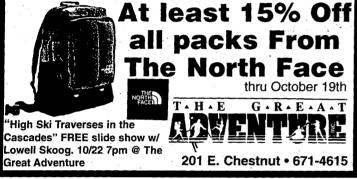
The trip to California was Western's first since 1969. They will head back to California this weekend for a game against University of California-Davis, which is ranked No. 19 in NCAA II play.

"It's a great challenge for our football team," Smith said. "It has been guite some time since we've played a game where we're considered a significant underdog. So, we're excited about the challenge."

Davis has had 27 consecutive winning seasons and has reached post-season play 12 times — the second most in Division II history — including the semifinals last year. The Aggies beat Central Washington University earlier in the year 32-6.

Davis is led on offense by junior quarterback Kevin Daft, who has completed 109 of 193 passes for 1,292 yards and 11 touchdowns; John Shoemaker, who has caught 29 catches for 317 yards and three touchdowns; and Gerald Burgin, who has rushed 740 yards on 146 carries (5.1-yard average) and six touchdowns.

Davis is led defensively by senior linebacker Joseph Castagnola and sophomore linebacker Jason Geldermann. Both players have 41 tackles for the season. Geldermann also leads the team with 12 tackles for losses.



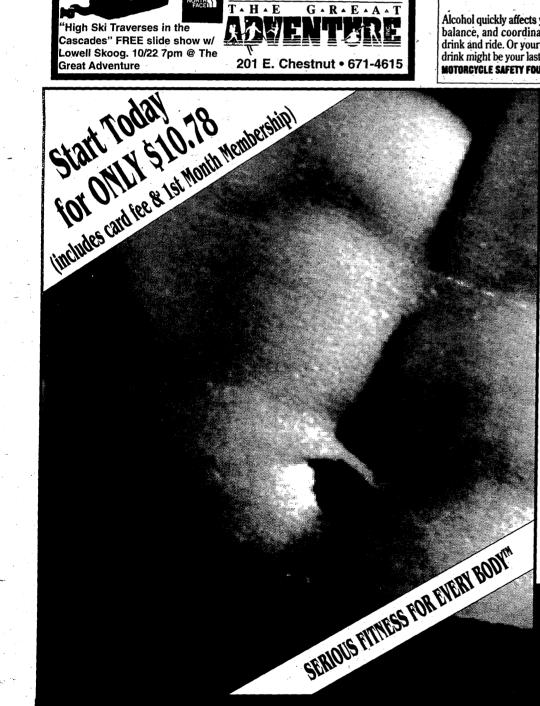
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Ads in schools? Give kids some time off



Christine Root

school equipment.

public schools, students pile into buses adorned with Pepsi advertisements and

Today in

COMMENTARY Burger King logos. Children read books to earn free pan pizzas from Pizza Hut and collect Campbell Soup labels to redeem for valuable

Like Mary's little lamb, advertising is following kids all the way to school.

Once free from reminders of the outside commercial world, schools today are fast becoming billboards for corporate messages. Facing declining budgets, many are eager to use the free materials from businesses.

Some solicit advertisements to make money, while other schools let logos sneak in with free company-sponsored posters, brochures and coupons.

Ads in school are active solicitation. Give kids a break for a few hours of their day.

Whatever their port of entry into schools, advertisements pose potential harm and teach students the wrong lessons.

First, kids are more impressionable than adults, less sure of themselves and less able to sort out fact from fiction. Advertising affects their thinking and behav-

I know from having a 6-yearold brother that young kids have difficulty distinguishing fact from reality in advertisements. One day we were in the grocery store picking out cereals and he told me he wanted the cereal Trix.

I told him Trix wasn't good for you. My brother replied, "Yes it is; it's fat free!"

Maybe so, but what about the sugar? The ad he read forgot that.

Older kids may have some ability to see past the hype and manipulation of advertisements, but ads still cause them to waste money on things they don't need.

In fact, according to a recent article in U.S. News & World Report, "Kids and young adults spend an estimated \$102 billion annually and influence their families to spend an additional \$130 billion."

I know while growing up, my decisions on what I wanted for Christmas (Karaoke machine), what I wanted to eat (Berry Berry Kix) and where I wanted to travel (Disneyland) were definitely influenced by advertisements.

Countless ads play on kids'

they lack certain products, they're losers. If they aren't skinny and beautiful or strong and muscular, they're nothing.

I remember in high school that Nike shoes were the most popular and all the "in" students wore them. Nike shoes were thought to be the best quality athletic shoe. They could make you jump higher, look cooler and feel better.

My boyfriend worked for Nike. He told me a pair of Nikes cost less than \$3 to make.

Advertisements obviously worked in manipulating consumers to believe that Nikes are worth an additional \$100 dollars of "coolness."

According to a 1994 study by the Center for Media and Values, ads can lead to feelings of low self-esteem, "promote desires for harmful or unhealthy products

insecurities. They imply that if and lifestyles" or make "unhealthy behaviors seem normal."

> Schools should ideally be adfree zones where young people can pursue an education without inappropriate commercial influences or pressures.

Until this ideal becomes a reality, information targeted at kids should not exploit kids' inexperience, vulnerabilities and trust in those who teach them.

Second, schools need to reject the idea that allowing advertising is an ethical way to finance education. Why not, instead, pursue non-commercial partnerships with businesses?

Most importantly, schools need to educate elementary students about how to deal with commercial propaganda by helping them analyze ads, evaluate sources of information and clarify market alternatives.

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Maybe it's the false intimacy of that disembodied voice seemingly speaking to us and us alone. Perhaps it's our innate desire to believe everything we are told. Whatever the case, radio holds an allure that other media just do not, which makes its demise all the more sad.

Over the past 30 years, the nature of radio broadcasting has changed. Quality has taken a back seat to playlists and advertising dollars. Radio has become a mundane, homogenized shadow of its former self. Programming is developed and aired not because of its relative merits, but rather because of its ability to squeeze in between ads for used cars and cellular phones.

Until recently, the only holdouts were classical music stations. Only they had the audacity to play a 90-minute piece of uninterrupted music or to eschew the zany-morning-guy formula.

Now, however, many of these stations are employing focus groups in an attempt to increase their listening audience. From the information garnered from these random samplings, some classical music stations are now changing things around a little.

No longer will a listener be allowed to hear an entire piece of music. No, our panel of experts said classical music is just too long. Instead, the pieces heard will be excerpts. History's great works will be reduced to three-minute pop songs.

Another change is the incorporation of the dreaded playlist. It turns out that the folks in those focus groups only like music they can immediately identify. So, unless you can find your favorite piece of music in a lightbulb commercial or backing the Lone Ranger and Tonto's ride into the sunset, you're out of luck.

An optimistic few insist this new, streamlined format won't work. They claim people are smarter than that and more appreciative of their musical heritage. They seem to forget that these changes are not a revolution in radio broadcasting, but rather just the last stragglers jumping on the corporate bandwagon.

As our culture demands less from us, like lemmings marching to the sea, we accept it as our fate and continue blindly on.

Radio, at one time, lent Orson Welles the power to convince a nation of their impending doom at the hands of Martians. Radio allowed Cleveland disk jockey Alan Freed's midnight broadcasts to spring rock 'n' roll on a generation.

Now, it seems all radio can muster is to sell us mouthwash and bring us listening so easy we don't even realize we're doing it.

Stephen Uhles, Accent editor

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Kennewick man: Native or Norwegian? No matter, give bones appropriate burial

Disputed skeleton, 9,000 years old, looks Caucasoid



Mike Dashiell
COMMENTARY

folks think of death, they generally envision a casket and a hole in the ground.

Kennewick

When most

man gets no such rest.

K-man is no longer a man, however. He is the remains of a

however. He is the remains of a 9,000-year-old fellow and the center of much controversy.

Found by two college

students along the edge of the Columbia River in Kennewick in July of 1996, he has been claimed by a Norwegian pagan cult, five Native American tribes and many scientists, not to mention the Army Corps of Engineers.

The remains were confiscated by the corps in August of last year, with the l

August of last year, with the legal backing of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act. Scientists, whose carbon-dating tests date the bones to more than 9,000 years old, have filed suits to "reclaim" the bones. They contend that the bones suggest European ancestry, which would not allow the corps to hold the

remains under NAGPRA or try to "repatriate" them to any native tribe

Getting wind of the story, a small, California-based Norwegian sect flocked to Kennewick, performed a burial ritual and spent some time with the bones. The Umatillas, the native tribe in the spotlight, have claimed that Kennewick man is Native American. The tribe has since performed burial rights as well.

As of Oct. 3, the Army Corps opened the investigation. The

were uprooted for bones or artifacts for museums. Native warriors, killed on the battlefield, have been mutilated and dismembered for the sake of scientific study. What "civilized" America has never given our Native Americans is peace and rest, even in death.

Armand Minthorn, a tribal religious leader representing the Umatillas, wrote,

backing and military force,

Native Americans have been

stripped of land, rights and even

bones in the name of science.

Sacred Indian burial grounds

gious leader representing the Umatillas, wrote, "Some scientists say that if this individual is not studied further, we, as Indians, will be destroying evidence of our history. We already know our history. It is passed on to us through our elders and through our religious practices. Our elders have taught us that once a

body goes into the ground, it is meant to stay there until the end of time."

Let the Native Americans have their burial ceremonies. Let the pagan Europeans perform their rituals. Let Martians do a hula dance in respect of "their own." Let's put Kennewick man to rest, though, and soon. The sooner he sleeps, the sooner I will.

'Civilized' America has never given our Native Americans peace and rest, even in death ... The men in white lab coats should leave Kennewick man alone.

tribes are talking every two or three weeks to discuss their stance on the case. Whether the body is of indige-

Whether the body is of indigenous or European descent, the confrontation is clear. Science has a need, and culture has the rights. For this issue, the men in white lab coats should leave Kennewick man alone.

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Nader vs. Gates: Two wrongs still not right



Kevin Rus

such a thing as too much of a good thing." Ralph Nader's COMMENTARY stance on

adage says,

is

"there

consumer protection is an excellent example of this.

Nader has been a leader in the fight for consumer protection. In his latest battle, he announced that he is taking on Microsoft.

His first act is to sponsor a twoday conference that, as the press release for the conference reads,

"aims to bring together industry leaders, academic specialists, writers, consumer activists and government officials to discuss and debate the business practices of Microsoft and the impact of those practices on our society."

The conference is actually a meeting for Microsoft's enemies. Speakers at the conference include Gary Reback, a lawyer who has lead the antitrust movement against Microsoft, and Scott McNealy, president of Sun Microsystems, a company currently suing Microsoft.

Nader called for the conference after learning that many of Microsoft's competitors in the

computer business and in other market dominance. sectors, were afraid to speak out against it for fear of retaliation by the company.

Nader saw this intimidation as wrong — and it is. However, Nader's way of trying to rectify the situation is just as wrong.

By gathering only people who have a grudge against Microsoft, the only thing that can come from the conference is a one-sided view that Microsoft is evil.

Coke has its Pepsi. McDonald's has its Burger King. All major corporations have at least one rival. These rivalries act as checks and balance, because one company can never hold true

Microsoft has no equal. Apple was the closest thing. Now Gates owns part of it.

Because Microsoft has no equal, it must be watched. Nader is correct in believing that Microsoft has too much power, but calling for a conference that can only produce one view will not change the situation.

Nader ran for president in '96. He should know you can't win if you can't be heard.

Ralph Nader feels Microsoft has too much power and can get away with almost anything. Maybe Nader and Microsoft are not that different.



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