

ALL DECKED OUT — A Fairhaven Bridge Project member looks on as the Halloween dance proves it takes little more than a good attitude for a good time.

# Ball proved gala affair

The traditional contingent of witches and goblins were joined by trees, babies and supernatural beings Friday night in the Viking Union lounge.

The event was the annual masquerade dance, this year entitled "A Gala Ball!", jointly sponsored by the Gay People's Alliance and Fairhaven College.

The influx of roughly 100

ghouls and goblins came romping across campus and through doors about 9 p.m. the Cool Breeze, a seven man soft-rock band, was ready for them with some of the rich, full sounds they are known for in their home area, Seattle.

"This is to provide an atmosphere where people of any sexual preference can be open with themselves and others. And of course, for everyone to

have a good time," said Hillary Bolles of the Gay People's Alliance.

Everyone seemed to. Amidst balloons, lively frenzied streamers, and a windy Halloween night's eerie backdrop, the silhouettes of pirates, demons, a broad-leaf Maple tree wearing tennis shoes and several drags boogied on into the night. Some folks just know how to celebrate Halloween.

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# Students study North Slope oil

by BOB SLONE

Oil spills don't damage the environment - as long as they happen in your garage. A group of Western researchers spent the summer studying places that could suffer in the case of a spill.

The area of concern was the shore and tidal areas along Alaska's Outer Continental Shelf where large underwater reserves are expected to be tapped soon. The researchers conducted a survey to determine how many and what kind of organisms inhabit the area.

The group, headed by Carter Broad of the Biology department and David Mason of Fairhaven, is sponsored by a two-year \$98,106 grant from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in conjunction with the Bureau of Land Management's Outer Continental Shelf Program.

David Schnieder and Maurice Dube of the Biology Department and Bert Webber of Huxley headed three teams of students with Broad and Mason acting as coordinators. The teams stayed at Distant Early Warning (DEW) stations in different locations while in the field. They covered the area from Pt. Barrow to the Canadian border where the drilling will take

According to Broad, there are several types of a fish and marine life in the water close to the shore. Migratory birds by the thousands pass 2 through the area that is home for caribou and burrowing animals such as lemmings.

The drilling will involve offshore platforms that will be at the mercy of a lot of hostile factors. Pack ice clogs the waters through most of the

"It has a lot of force behind it," Mason said. "It's constantly gouging the shallows and shorelines."

The rigs will have to be well engineered. "It would only take one welder having a bad day to make a big mistake." Broad said.

The groups had a chance to look at wells already in operation. According to Broad, privately owned operations are making an effort to minimize damage done to the ecology. Ironically, government sites don't show the same concern.



**CARTER BROAD** 

"We saw scars in the tundra that have probably been there since World War II," he said. "They were caused by vehicles that belong to the Naval people working there." Naval Petroleum Reserve No. 4 takes up roughly a third of the area the researchers worked in.

Plans are underway for a return trip next summer. Meanwhile, the Alaska pipeline nears completion at that end and may give the group a chance to study that segment of oil industry in the north.

# Vote today



RED SQUARE TURNED STAGE — A troop of 5-year-old performers entertained students between classes on Friday.

## Sword swallower, friends dazzle Red Square crowd

by ERIK MAGNUSON

A talented troupe of sideshow artists, including a sword-swallower, a magician and a tight-rope walker, entertained a large crowd in Red Square Friday.

All performers were five years of age.

Sponsored by the Bellingham Co-op School, the show was a kindergarten class project, according to one of the school's

Teachers and students alike had faces painted bright hues of blue, red and green. They wore costumes from a fireman's red raincoat, rubber-boots and hat, to magician's cape, hat and

A staff member provided background music with an auto-harp. "Muscles McArt" and another unidentified strongman awed the crowd by each lifting 1,000 pound dumbbells with one hand, twirling them in the air and passing them back and forth.

The dumbbells consisted of broom handles with a paper bag fastened at each end marked 500 lb.

A clown-faced adult announced through a bull horn another performer: "David — show the crowd the muscles in your finger. His finger is so strong he will now stand on it!"

David promptly bent down and inserted his finger beneath one

hite tennis show to the loud cheers of the crowd. A three-foot high sword swallower put his back to the audience after brandishing a wooden sword and slowly shoved it down past his mouth and down the front of his flowing cape. More cheers.

A tight-rope walker made several dramatic attempts to climb up onto a rope stretched tightly between two groups of his fellows (to shammed "oohs and ahs" from the crowd), then walked on the rope when it was lowered to the ground.

The magician, replete with black robe and wand, picked a toy out of an "empty" hat, and "made his finger fly around Red Square and land on another hand" (so fast the crowd couldn't see it, it was explained.) He also, as was announced with great fanfare, 'passed a penny from one hand to another, through his knees and out the other side."

After the seven pint-sized performers had finished their routines, a sign was held up reading: "Bob Apples - 2 cents," and apples from a red wagon were thrown energetically into the

The show ended with some of the audience looking a good deal more ridiculous than the performers, on their knees at the edge of the fountain, trying to pick an apple from the water with their

# Candidate claims election misdealings

by ERIK MAGNUSON

Washington Secretary of State Bruce Chapman tried to prevent an election for the office, Kay Anderson said here Thursday. Anderson is the Democratic candidate for Secretary of State.

Chapman based his attempt on a 1909 state statute, ignoring a 1973 election law stating anyone appointed to an elective office must run in the next election, Anderson said. Chapman, a Republican, was appointed by Governor Dan Evans last January after the resignation of Lud

Anderson, who is in her second term as Snohomish County Clerk, spoke in VU 354 at the request of the Young Democrats of Bellingham.

Chapman's efforts to block the election caused her campaign to get off to a slow start, Anderson

Both Chapman and Governor Evans have tried to damage her politically by linking her with Senate Majority Leader August Mardesich, she said in an interview afterward. Their claims that he has backed her candidacy are false, she said.

Mardesich was recently acquitted of charges he extorted \$10,000 from two garbage dealers, but is under pressure to resign as majority leader.

"If I'm elected, a fair campaign code of ethics is one thing I'll work for," Anderson said. Under such a code a candidate who had been charged with wrongdoing by an opponent could have him



brought before a board to prove his charges, she

Chapman has spent most of his time working on a new state constitution which would make his

and other state offices appointive rather than elective, she said.

'He has not been promoting his constitutional duties," she said.

When appointed, Chapman said his goal would

be to make the office appointive, Anderson said.
"I disagree," Anderson said, "our Secretary
of State should be elected and accountable — it is too dangerous to have the office appointive,'

Anderson disputed Chapman's campaign claims that he has drastically cut back on staff

"He claims to have cut his staff from 17 to five," she said. "What I understand is that they are not off the state payroll - they've just been moved up the street.

An audit by the state auditors shows that Chapman has cost the state \$200,000 by not enforcing corporate filings, Anderson also charged. Corporations must list their officers annually and can be fined for a failure to do so.

If elected she will enforce corporate filings, she said. She would also set up a commission to look into ways to improve voter turnout and review possibly unfair election laws," she said.

# Free University evaluates effect of children's books

by JULIE STEINBERG

Children are natural imitators and as they come up through the school system, they learn about themselves and the world by what they see

As concerned parents and citizens, a group at the Northwest Free University is looking into what children in Bellingham elementary schools

'Educators assume that they know what children want to read," said Esther Helfgott, group coordinator. "Children get messages through books, and there is a subconscious conditioning or hypnotic effect when nothing multi-racial or multi-cultural is seen.'

Helfgott has three children ages 12, 10 and 7 in Bellingham schools. She is working on her master's degree in history.

At a meeting in Helfgott's home last week, members discussed their recent investigation of reading material available to children in five schools in the Bellingham area.

In one school, they found nothing about Martin Luther King and only one biography listed under 'women' in the card catalog. At the same time, they found that "Little Black Sambo" remains a favorite of some school librarians.

The group is basically looking for books which show Blacks and Whites, boys and girls, and families in "realistic roles," Helfgott said. The group is concerned with all aspects of stereotyp-

The Ginn books of Dick and Jane fame are among the list of books being investigated. Using a checklist, members of the group are going through texts from different schools to evaluate them for overall content as well as specific

They have found books in which boys are shown in active roles, climbing trees and riding bicycles while girls were passively portrayed, sitting or in aprons. In one book, boys in pictures outnumbered girls five to one. A member of the group said many alphabet sequences still show an Indian in a headband and feathers for the

The group concerns itself with a state law requiring textbooks, including audiovisual materials, to present nonstereotyped portrayals.

"Literature on minorities is crucial," Helfgott

The group plans on forming a task force on children's literature and would like to organize with other groups nationwide doing the same

## WashPIRG petition drive gets past half-way mark

WashPIRG hopes to have reached its goal of 4,000 signatures by the time consumer advocate Ralph Nader visits Western, Nov. 12.

According to Tom Hiegler campus PIRG co-ordinator, 2,200 signatures had gathered by last.

To speed the petition-gathering process, campus PIRG members are now carrying clipboards.

In addition, Hiegler said that PIRG members will soon be making three to four minute class presentations in order to get signatures.

Students can also sign Wash-PIRG petitions at tables located between Miller Hall and Bond Hall, between the Humanities Building and the library, and in the VU plaza.

Hiegler said Western is running into a problem that WSU experienced during its PIRG petition drive. When approached, most students said they had signed petitions when it was evident that many had not.

Once a majority of students have signed PIRG petitions, Western's Board of Trustees will be asked to endorse a campus WashPIRG. If the Board approves, quarterly tuition will be increased by \$2. Students wishing a refund would be able to get one in the PIRG Office, VU 213.

#### Public hearing to discuss labor regulations soon

A public hearing to discuss proposed protective legislation regulations for Washington state workers will be held tomorrow at 7 p.m. at the City Hall second floor council chambers in Bellingham.

The proposed changes concern such protections as the 8-hour day, rest and meal breaks, and safe working conditions.

The Coalition for Protective Legislation, a recently formed non-partisan group, warns that workers' rights that have long been taken for granted are now being threatened by the legislation and that workers should take positive action.

The Coalition can be contacted in Bellingham through Cheryl Wyer, Coalition of Labor Union Women, 1310 Valley Parkway, phone (206) 734-3501.

### Rape, America's fastest rising crime

by BARB WEISS

Every man is a potential rapist, and every women is a potential victim, Judy Simmer, director of Rape Relief said.

Looking at the peculiarities of rape in our society, Simmer explained the magnitude of rape, and the implications it may have politically and socially, in lectures last Thursday in Miller

Rape is the fastest rising crime in America today, according to FBI statistics.

From 1967-1972 the reported accounts of rape increased 62%. Even with such astounding statistics, and the seemingly candid attitude of society toward the subject, only an estimated 10% of attacks committed are ever reported, according to the investigative bureau.

By this estimate, although only 19 rapes were reported in Whatcom County last year, approximately 200 were actually committed.

Simmer says that in suburban areas like Bellingham, women are hesitant to admit they have been raped. "Due to the small town gossip circuit, everyone would know if a rape had occurred," and this makes many women quiet, she said.

Myths concerning rapists as insane, pathological maniacs, were dismissed by facts Simmer presented..

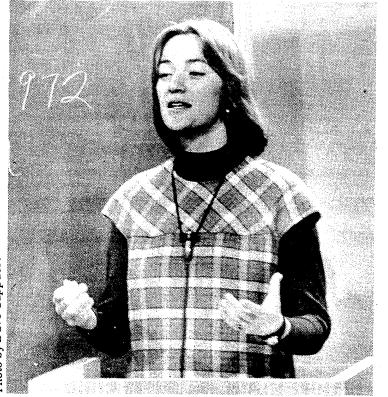
According to research compiled by Menachem Amir, a Philadelphia sociologist, rapists are primarily normal men, 60% of which are married and have access to normal sexual activity at home. Also, the fallacy that a rapist is an unknown stranger is disproved by the fact that 48% of women attacked were raped by someone they knew.

From a feminist viewpoint, Simmer sees rape as an issue with "strong political dimensions."

"Something political happens when a man rapes a women," Simmer said. "It is part of the power struggle that is present in every man-woman relationship. Women are always on the losing end of the stick in these struggles, and so it is in rape.'

Simmer believes the degrading of women, and the supression suffered by rape victims promptthe National Organization for Women, to make rape a national issue. NOW chapters across the nation have worked to pull the covers off rape, and encourage women to speak up, and claim their rights.

"Rape thrives in an atmosphere of silence," Ms. Simmer says, and exposing it, bringing the truth to the surface, hopefully will help smother



JUDY SIMMER 

# Ethnic Studies to Human Studies

by KEITH OLSON

Jesse Hiraoka, dean of Western's College of Ethnic Studies, has proposed a reorganization of that cluster college's programs into a College of Human Services and Studies.

Hiraoka discussed the need for such a reorganization at an informal press conference with the Western Front staff Friday.

According to Hiraoka, the expansion of ethnic studies to emphasize human services would:

-offer a more complete and relevant program for the study of a multi-cultural world.

enable ethnic studies to make fuller use of its eight faculty members in regard to studentteacher ratios.

-attract more students by deemphasizing the mistaken notion that the College of Ethnic Studies is primarily for minority students, and

-allow the College of Ethnic Studies to define itself and realize the purposes it was meant to achieve when it was established.

"I don't think the way ethnic studies is now structured fits the future needs of students. It has to have a fuller context for looking at the world in a multi-cultured setting," Hiraoka said.

He cited a more diverse, contemporary idea of ethnicity which comprises not only Blacks, native Americans, Chicanos, and Asians, but all factions in America's melting pot society.

He said the future needs of students could best be met by instituting programs which employ community relationships and interaction with people in the community, as a supplement to the study of ethnic groups, their histories and social contributions.

'To remind us of things going on now, we'd be better off emphasizing work and labs within the community (than teaching those relationships only in a classroom setting)," Hiraoka said.

We need to develop study in human services, focusing on the human unit and how to get along in a multi-ethnic society.'

After the press conference, Hiraoka elaborated on how the shift toward human services would affect enrollment, budgeting of the

program, and the future development of Ethnic

Hiraoka said he felt the emphasis on human studies, rather than ethnic studies, would be more meaningful to students and offer a more attractive alternative to students "trying to find their way through an education."

The expansion to include human services would offer a more complete program; not just a 55 hour major, but a total four-year program,'

Hiraoka said the formal inclusion of Human Services programs - which now operate off campus with about 284 students - would increase enrollment and make fuller use of ethnic studies faculty. Hiraoka said ethnic studies now operates at 44 per cent of the Full-Time Equivalency (FTE) formula, compared to 72 per cent legislated for Western as a whole.

'The assertion is not more money (needed), but how to make programs function within the 72 per cent formula and provide the best education-

al programs," he said.
"We can't maintain ourselves under the present structure because, in terms of FTE, we are too high cost a program.

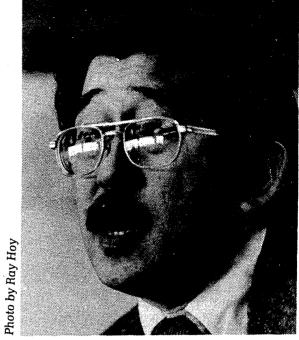
"Some programs on campus appear to be less high cost because they have a high captive student enrollment. At present we may appear to be overstaffed, but if you include Human Services we would be understaffed," he said.

At present there are 302 students enrolled in the College of Ethnic Studies. The inclusion of Human Services students would make that number 586, according to figures from the College of Ethnic Studies and the Registrar.

Hiraoka also said that inclusion of some ethnic studies courses as alternatives in the general college requirements (GCR) would invite more students to take ethnic studies courses.

"When the College of Ethnic Studies was created, nothing concrete was worked out to give it a lasting place inside the college structure," Hiraoka said.

In terms of GCR, Hiraoka said students should



JESSE HIRAOKA

have the option to select courses outside the traditional views of minorities in history. He cited Western's acceptance of "non-Western culture" classes transferred from other colleges, but not courses from the College of Ethnic Studies.

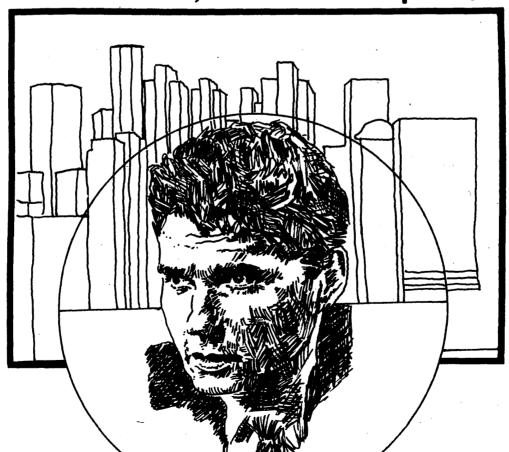
Hiraoka said the creation of a College of Human Studies and Servicés would allow ethnic studies to be recognized by the whole college community, and allowed to redefine its purposes, from the study of minorities and their contributions to society, to helping people understand each other better, to get along in a multi-cultured

Hiraoka has discussed his proposal only informally with college President Paul J. Olscamp on whose recommendation the proposal would be brought to the Board of Trustees for approval.

However, in his second faculty forum Oct. 24 Olscamp reportedly said there is a need to rethink the purpose of the College of Ethnic Studies in consideration of its lack of students. Friday, Olscamp said that that reference was made in consideration of Human Services.

# RALPH NADER

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# Give boys in blue a break

OK, so what's all this talk of a commissioned Security force, unrecovered stolen property, lenient officers on a Saturday night, and windshields collecting overtime parking tickets?

The same Security force that almost everyone, at one time or another, has put down, bad mouthed and possibly turned paranoid about is maybe actually on our side. Just maybe.

The force is expending every available means to protect our property and valuables, as well as protect the student population from possible crimes of violence.

With the crime rate at Western shooting skyward on a parallel with the national rates, Western students owe themselves a bit of

A serious lack of data base concerning burglary and larceny ot draw conclusions, which would aid in recovery of stolen items was evident.

It's all very simple. Involvement of students, in cooperation with the Security force, is needed in order to combat campus crime.

Last year, of the \$40,627 of state and private

property taken, only 10.3 per cent was recovered. One of the reasons why the recovery rate is so low is a lack of student involvement.

The Security system offers marking tools for labeling valuables. Students are urged to turn in inventory sheets in case of theft. The system offers films and lectures on crime prevention. And it offers personal protection at night.

And here we are, telling ourselves that this small-time police force is ignorant of student problems, that they virtually thrive on giving us those gawd-awful parking tickets, as well as condemning anyone caught with a drink in hand.

Well now that we know that the Security system is in our favor, let's take it to heart. That doesn't necessarily mean taking a Security officer to lunch.

But do yourself the favor of protecting your possessions with their equipment, take their word on locking your doors, and take time to see a crime seminar. But most of all, give the beleagured battalion in blue a break. After all, they are working for you and me.

-Steve Adams



# Teachers should admit prejudices and play devil's advocate for students

[Ed. note — This letter was submitted to the Front before David Ziegler's letter was printed in last Friday's issue.] Editor, Western Front,

An open letter to Dr. David Ziegler of the political science department -

Before last Tuesday's Front (Oct. 21) appeared I had never heard your name so I was very surprised, and as you no doubt expected, somewhat angered by your unfounded attack upon my teaching.
You wrote to the Front

suggesting that students should seek out, for independent study, non-ideological sources of information.

The point is that I have not been able to discover any of these non-ideological" sources you prefer, nor do I believe that they exist, especially in the social sciences. We are all products of a larger society than WWSC.

I believe that rather than denying the existence of an ideology and pretending to be purely objective, we should open ourselves up - put our prejudices and preconceptions and analysis of the way the world works out front, for examination and possible change.

I am not denying that I see the world in a particular way. I am an individual citizen. I have serious concerns about the political direction of the United States government.

My job at this college however as a professor is not to win people to my way of thinking or my "cause." My job is to deepen understanding of the world and to expand the understanding of our own values and

One of my most useful realizations in teaching is that we can best discover ourselves through others. That by trying

out our ideas and values against those opposing them we can create a much stronger base. Therefore if a student (or professor) appears who is a liberal, a capitalist, a communist, or even one who claims no ideology, I would ask that they open themselves up to other possibilities.

One of the most important things we, in America, can learn by the study of other cultures and systems of thought is what our own prejudices and blindspots are, where we are narrow and constricted.

This long response to your

brief charge is prompted by a fear that we can easily create intellectual stultification on an emotional closing off of options and alternatives, and a feeling that that is an extremely dangerous direction for an educational institution (or, as those in the China field can attest, to a discipline.)

I look forward to hearing from you and welcome your response. I do hope though that your future criticisms of my teaching will be based on more than conjecture.

> Sincerely, John McClendon

**Editor. Western Front:** 

A few Thursdays ago there were nine returning patients and five new patients who did not keep their appointments at the Planned Parenthood medical clinic. Inasmuch as the majority of our evening patients are college students, we are alerting the college to the situation.

We realize that midterms were undoubtedly the cause, but nonetheless at least fourteen people were turned down who called and asked to have an appointment for that clinic, and it takes a minimum of time to call and cancel an appoint-

We urge everyone who finds it impossible to keep an appointment to let the office know preferably a day ahead -that you will not be there. As little as an hour's lead time will make it possible for someone else to have your appointment.

## Show consideration for others, keep your appointments at Planned Parenthood

We are attempting to serve patients as fully as our staff and budget permit. At present we have day-time appointments (at which the clinician is a Monday nurse-practitioner) through Friday. Thursday mornings are reserved for staff meetings and Friday afternoons for pregnancy testing.

Appointments for the daytime clinics are being made three weeks in advance. Our evening clinics are held in the

Health Department building, and physicians staff

The waiting time for appointments in the evening is a week and a half to two weeks. Because of the numbers of patients served in the evening clinics, each patient should expect to wait several hours.

Title money for family planning programs has been cut back this year, which means all federally funded, or partially federally funded programs are suffering financial problems. Planned Parenthood of Whatcom County has something over one-third of its budget from the government, one third from the patient fees and some from the local community.

We hope to increase the support from the local area. Our accounts receivable show that something over \$9000 is owed to us by patients. Needless to say, it would help if some of this could be paid.

**Dorothy Giesecke** 

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# Sincerity, commitment & ability to bridge majority & minority

Editor, Western Front:

in the Front (Oct. stated that I was qualified for the position on the AS Board of Directors, citing my sincerity to serve the student body, my commitment to serve on the board and having a special ability needed by the board. I would like to take this opportunity to be more specific on those general claims.

Presently, I am president of the Black Student Union (BSU). In this position. I have had an opportunity to direct input into various functional aspects of the AS, and also receive some feedback. The feedback I have received has led me to believe that there should be minority input in as many functional areas in the AS as possible.

In pursuit of this goal, the BSU has been successful in securing minority representation on the AS Activitiescil and tion on the AS Activities Council and the Senate. I am one more link in the "minority involvement chain.

As a member of the AS Board of Directors, I will be able to provide an input that has long been lacking and bridge the communication gap between the majority of the AS and the minority of the AS.

Thank you for your support. Melvin N. Hatcher AS Board of Directors and **President of BSU** 



# Oregon: forceful musicians

by CAROLYN CRAIG

Fingers flying, pounding, caressing, pulling every possible nuance of sound from instruments never meant to produce some of the sounds they were producing.

Cymbals stroked with a violin bow, piano wires plucked and guitar strings muted by a matchbook made an eerie earthy twang.

Oregon came to the Music Auditorium last Saturday night, bringing with them a musical version of sensurround, playing what can only be described as a sensual translation of the sounds and music of the Earth.

Oregon is not a jazz group. They are certainly not a rock group. Nor are they folk or classical.

Ralph Towner (guitar and piano), Collin Walcott (tabla and sitar), Glen Moore (bass), and Paul McCandless (oboe) are musicians, period. Real good ones.

They do not tailor their music to any certain classification, nor do they just "play instruments" in the traditional sense of the word. Instead they persuaded and teased their instruments to play the minds and senses of the audience.

Oregon's music follows close to the "Freebus Musicus" tradition of their mother group, the Paul Winter Consort, with which Towner, Walcott and McCandless have all been associateda

Unlike the Winter Consort, however, Oregon didn't rely on a staggering display of musical paraphenalia. Instead, they used a few instruments to produce a staggering array of sounds. Still, especially in the "free piece," late in the first set, their music showed much of the Winter style of instrumental conversation.

Individually and together, the performance by the four musicians was sublime. Walcott, seated cross-legged on a table at center stage, played what was much more than a rhythmic background on the tablas, and his work on the sitar lived up to the expectations one might have of a student of Ravi Shankar.

McCandless' performance on the oboe was breathtaking, especially during a solo in "Yellow Bell' which drew a standing ovation. In the free piece he demonstrated a little mind-over-matter by playing two wooden flutes simultaneously.

Glen Moore caressed his huge bass, coaxing from it beautiful sounds which belied its cumbersome size. At one point, while reaching into the mouth of the grand piano, plucking the strings, he let out an ear curdling scream, mimicing the sounds of one of several babies in the audience who, to the dismay of many in the audience, missed few chances to accompany the performers.

Ralph Towner, who played classical, six and 12 string guitar as well as piano, displayed extraordinary versatility and talent on all of these instruments. On two pieces he spread himself around and accompanied McCandless' oboe with some admirable trumpet work.

It would be impossible to say that any one of the four outshone or outplayed the other. At times you could close your eyes and forget that there were four people on the stage and just let the sensuous, earthy sound seep into your soul.

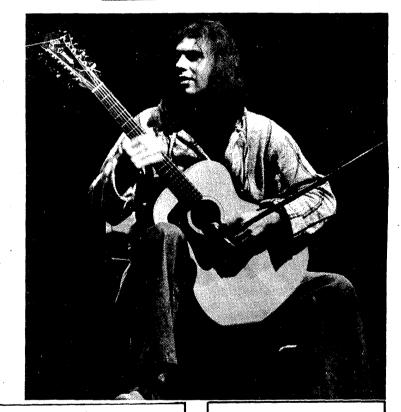
The audience was small but powerfully responsive to the performance, giving the group a rare pre-intermission standing ovation, as well as three more before the night was over. They were rewarded with an encore.

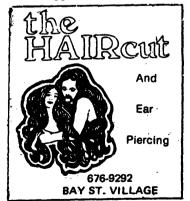
There were a lot of people walking around last week, myself included, asking "Who's Oregon?" Many of them, judging from the size of the audience, didn't care enough to find out.

The concert didn't miss them, but they missed a rare and beautiful concert.

OREGON: Clockwise, Collin Walcott on tabla, Glen Moore on bass, **Ralph Towner** on guitar.







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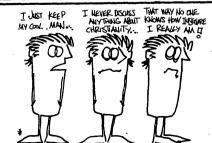
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# Rising rate of burglaries prompts of



THERE'S THE PROOF - Security head R. G. Peterson reveals invisible detecting dust on the hand of a reporter. An ultra violet light is the means by which the dust becomes visible. Last year Security marked state property partly in this manner as well as with an invisible ink. Security is now making these marking devices available to students in order to fight theft.

# Well trained security can handle problems

by MIKE DeFELICE and STEVE ADAMS

"We like to think we can handle campus problems better than the city police because we know the problems of the college community better," Security Director R.G. Peterson

There is no way to measure the amount of prevention that the Security patrol have on defering crime on Western's campus. The campus enforcement agency maintains a 24 hours a day, 365 day a year watch.

Over the years Security has come in contact with a wide range of criminal activities.

"You name it and we have had to deal with it," Peterson said. "Every type of crime from arson and forgery to sex offenses and runaways. About the only exception is homicide.'

Basically, Security provides a watching eye over the campus and property of students. Foot and vehicle patrols are constantly on patrol, day and

"The 32 student patrolmen provide the backbone of the force. They are the eyes and ears of the staff," Peterson

Making up the remainder of the force are nine full-time officers. These officers have gone through a minimum of 440 hours of training at basic law academies, along with on-campus training.

Some services often go unnoticed such as escorting students to residence halls after Wilson Library closes. Regular checks of all parking lots are made nightly, and more than one drunk student has found a ride home late at night in the back of a security truck.

Unlocked rooms -golden invitation to campus crooks

by MIKE DeFELICE

Whoever said, "the only actions we h fear are our own," may very well have li Western and had something ripped off.

According to Campus Security Director Peterson, the main cause of burgle "carelessness on the part of the victims, w they're students or staff personnel. individuals invite theft by leaving their unlocked or open and unattended.

In the past there have been few cases of burglary with forced entry. Almost exception, the theft of personal property dorms has occurred where a criminal walked in and helped himself.

Also, most of the burglaries on comp committed by individuals not connected w college. Peterson said.

"We have a nice open campus where can walk in and go unnoticed," Peterson 'So say a guy enters a dorm and goes do hallway until he finds a door open with home. He sticks his head in and helps hir "Many times this kind of guy will knoo

closed door to see if anyone is in. If so answers, the criminal says 'is John Dokes

## Service clubs attack burglary through Block-Watch program

by KEITH OLSON

In an effort to curb the rising number of burglaries in Bellingham, local service clubs are combining efforts to sponsor a Neighborhood Block - Watch Program through the Bellingham Police Department.

Similar programs have been instituted in many other cities throughout the country with an amazing record of success, according to Bellingham Police Chief John Burley.

It is hoped the program will reduce burglaries in the city by 25 per cent. A record number of burglaries, 768, occurred in Bellingham in 1974. Through September of this year there have been only 441 burglaries reported in town. However the heaviest burglary months are yet to come.

Under the program, neighborhoods would get together and review a presentation of burglary prevention techniques and home security information.

A film entitled."Crime in the Home," presentation of various security devices, a home security check, written material on burglary and a question and answer session are also part of the program.

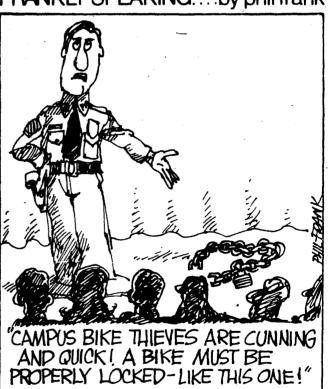
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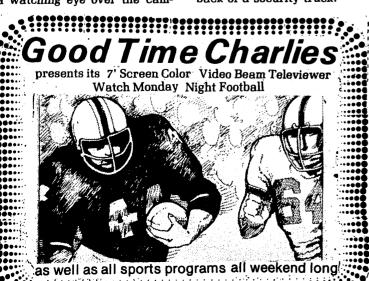
program should call 676-6913 and request Mount to contact them. The program begins Nov.

Stating that the college area has the highest instance of burglary, Mount said. "I hope

we can get the college guys and gals to invite us into their homes. Winter is a particularly susceptable time for burglaries when many students are away from their Bellingham residences (over the holidays)."

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Since the main reason for theft on campus is student carelessness, it figures that the amount of burglaries decline as the school year continues. "Students begin to learn to keep their rooms locked," Peterson said.

At one time if you had your stereo ripped off the chances of getting it back were better than four out of ten. This was when Security had enough money to place a staff person on full-time professional investigations. With budget cuts, the enforcement agency has not been able to maintain a full-time investigator. Because of this, the chance of recovering your stolen stereo is about one in ten.

There are a number of preventive steps Security is taking to deter crimes. One is a tentative "Community Awareness" program which informs students of the type of crimes taking place and possible preventions. They also provide an escort service and have 24-hour patrols. And the agency also has an id-a-mark program [see related stories] that enables students to label their belongings with invisible ink.

But since crime cannot be completely repressed, the enforcement agency has other methods to aid in recovering stolen goods.

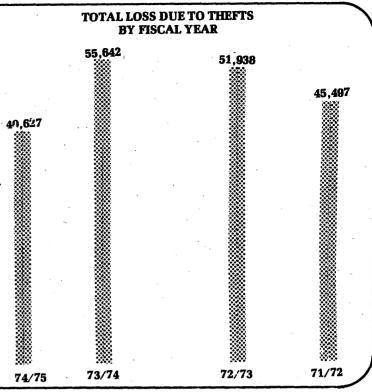
"The first is the standard electric engraver," said the director. This can inscribe non-removable identification on an object. The instrument can be obtained for free use from security by calling 676-3556.

"The other method we offer," Peterson said, "makes available facilities for people to inventory their possessions." The student lists valuables in his room on a special sheet with descriptions and serial numbers. Copies are made for both parties.

Both of these methods greatly increase recovery rate of stolen property by enabling positive identification.

Throughout campus Security has installed a number of alarms to aid in speeding officers to crimes in progress.

Withholding the exact location of the alarms for obvious reason. Director Peterson said, "several intrusion alarms have been placed in key locations at Western where valuable state property is located. We also have a number of hold-up alarms in areas where money transaction takes place."



#### Bellingham crime is up

Crime is on the increase in Bellingham, according to Bellingham Police captain Harold Raymond.

Raymond said there have been 12 armed robberies through September, nine strong-armed thefts through the same month and six reported rapes that have been investigated.

Hit and run driving, which has recently become a matter of concern on the Western campus, has been on the increase. "Hit and runs have really soared the last 10 years. A lot of it is brought on by drinking drivers and drivers without insurance," Raymond said.

The Bellingham Police force, with 62 commissioned officers and 18 civilians, works with the campus security force.

"We patrol the campus area, but really don't investigate problems until they call for us," Raymond said.

Incidents regarding burglary, rape or robbery on campus are taken up with the BPD.

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CAUGHT - Security stresses the marking of possessions in an effort to battle crime.

#### Info lectures in plans

One of the best methods of preventing crimes is to expose them to the public. To this end, Western's Department of Safety and Security has proposed a Community Awareness program.

"The program will consist of various films, press releases, lectures, and possibly workshops," program originator R. G. Peterson, director of Campus Safety and Security stated.

"We hope to bring to the attention of the campus community the problems that exist in the college," he said. Because the program is still being blueprinted, specific speakers

and film titles have not been selected.

Security does however have another informative series containing a lecture and slide presentation available now. "This program gives ways of preventing theft and fire. It also explains what to do in case of fire," Peterson said.

This program, like the Community Awareness show when it is finalized, is open to any interested groups upon request of Security (phone 676-3556).

"Wherever and whenever we can get an audience together we will give the program," Peterson said.

# Invisible ink can protect property

by STEVE ADAMS

To keep your priceless collection of marvel comics from being ripped off, Security has a few tips to protect such valuables.

A system of marking valued items with an invisible ink which is only visible with an ultra-violet light is one means now being used.

Last year Security marked all items belonging to the school, (chairs, phones, tables, etc.)

with this method. This year, they are offering students the opportunity to mark personal possessions in the same manner.

Security also recommends that students take an inventory of possessions and give them a copy and keep a copy for themselves.

A third method used to protect possessions from theft is invisible detecting dust. The dust is sprinkled over an object and leaves a florescent sparkle on fingers which is only visible under an ultra-violet light.

"The dust works on any surface. In any circumstances where we need to catch a thief, we use it," said Security Director R. G. Peterson

Students interested in checking out the marking equipment are asked to check with Security.



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# County-city crime center could relieve aging facilities

by DAVE NEFF

A proponent of a \$3.3 million Whatcom County bond issue on today's ballot for construction of a city-county public safety annex said Wednesday that Western students should be concerned with the measure because it involves "public safety and taxes."

Conrad Thompson, director of probation services for Whatcom County District Courts, and the Bellingham Municipal Courts, told a VU noon gathering that city and county jails and related law enforcement activities are currently "poor and duplicative."

The city and county jails, 36 and 30-years-old respectively, have come under recent scrutiny by state and federal prison inspectors, Thompson said. He said the investigators found the two facilities lacked adequate space and were poorly designed.

Thompson said several of the cells in the city jail have been condemned because "of antiquated light fixtures and toilet facilities."

Thompson said the U.S. Attorney's office, empowered to close jails if found outdated, has written the county prosecutor informing the office that the city jail is on a "prosecution list" for potential closing.

"Whether they will (prosecute) or not, I don't know," Thompson said. He did add, however, that he felt if the bond measure passed, the city "probably" would get a reprieve from the federal government until the facility is completed in 1978.

Though he didn't cite specific costs of having separate jails, Thompson said it costs Bellingham taxpayers \$60,000 annually for jailer's salaries.

In addition to the jail, located on the second floor, the proposed two-and-a-half story structure will provide space on the first floor for consolidated city-county law enforcement records, a duel communication dispatch center, an evidence storage room, and a special telephone emergency line.

Such consolidation, Thompson said, would tend to make city and county law enforcement

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coordination more efficient. Among the examples Thompson cited of past inefficient coordination was a recent county kidnapping.

Instead of calling the county sheriff's office, Thompson said the victim's family called the city police to report the incident, who then told the family to call the county.

Thompson said it took "far too long" for the county to finally be notified, the victim found, and the suspect apprehended.

On the proposed facilities' third floor will be space for a court room to accommodate a Superior Court judge, recently appointed by the legislature to Whatcom County.

Thompson said the county currently rents court space from the federal government's Bellingham federal building for the justice at a monthly cost of \$1,000.

Thompson said the current bond issue was offered in 1969 and 1970, but failed to get the necessary 60 per cent voter approval.

#### Correction:

On Fri. Oct. 31, the Western Front incorrectly stated that students who withdraw from Western by Dec. 1 will collect a half refund on fees. The students would, in fact, not receive any refund. qqIn the same article, the Front should have stated that a K grade, not I, signifies an Incomplete.



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# Shorts & Sidelights

Compiled by Linda Lang

#### Women's seminar to discuss job market

tion will be held in the VU and Labor.' Lounge starting at 8:30 a. m.

discussed include: "Women as Nov. 5 at the Placement Center

A seminar concerning Students," "What are the Jobs "Women in the Job Market" Now?" "Science and Techwith afternoon workshops on nology," "Law, Government Career Counseling and Asserand Education," and "Business"

Anyone interested in the seminar or the afternoon work-Some of the subjects to be shops should register before

#### UW changes pre-med requirement

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Western premedical students This requirement could be are advised not to take Chemis- satisfied by taking Chemistry try 251 if they plan on attending 351, 352, 353, and 354. Stuthe University of Washington's dents who have already taken medical school. Clyde Senger, Chemistry 251 should check biology department, said the with George Kriz, Gary Lampprogram now requires one year man or Donald Pavia of the

#### Raffle proceeds for inter-ethnic fund

An all-campus raffle starts 25 and the winners will receive an inter-ethnic book fund.

today and will continue through various prizes. Tickets are Nov. 25. Tickets are 50 cents, available from all Native Amerwith all proceeds going toward ican and Black Student Union representatives.

A drawing will be held Nov.

#### Pre-dental students get new advisor

Pre-dental students are son urged to see Dr. John C. Whitrequirements and testing. He is Haggard Hall 201. replacing Dr. H. William Wil-

Whitmer is a member of the mer, the new dental adviser, Chemistry staff. His office for information on admission hours are 1 p.m. MTTrF in

#### events

Cancellation — The Nov. 4 Quarter Calendar of Events has 102. been cancelled.

Meeting - The Black Student Union will meet in VU 008 at 7 p.m. to discuss an all campus raffle and their consti-

shop presents an open mike from 7:30 to 11 p.m. Free.

Film — "Joyce at 34" will be 4:30 p.m. presented in the Fairhaven Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. Admisare asked to donate a book to and 11 p.m. the feminist library that is Women's Opt class.

gram presents recreational Room at 7 p.m. Free. films in the Wilson Library THURSDAY Presentation Room at 7 p.m. Free.

Music - "Faculty Chamber MacDonald, and Concert Hall. Free.

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speak on "Drug Use in the Old HH 368. West" at a faculty seminar at 4 tion Room.

Discussion — A potluck din- carte dining room. ner at 5:30 p.m. will be followtion call 733-3885.

Meeting - The impact of this 7:30 p.m.

November's election will be discussed at a Political Science Faculty Recital listed in the Fall Club meeting at 3 p.m. in AH

Meeting — Young Democrats will meet in VU 224 at 7:30 p.m. Meeting — Students interested in forming a French Club will

meet in HU 246 at 7 p.m. Seminar - "Women in the Music — Fairhaven coffee Job Market: Today and Tomorrow" will be presented in the VU Lounge from 8:30 a.m. to

Film -Fairhaven College presents "Lucien" in the Fairsion is free, but those who can haven Auditorium at 6:30, 9

Lecture — An introductory being started by the Fairhaven lecture on Transcendental Meditation will be given in the Films — The Outdoor Pro- Wilson Library Presentation

San Francisco riims with Clark Gable, Teanette Spencer Winds" will be directed by Tracy will be shown in L-4 at Eugene Zoro at 8:15 p.m. in the 6:30 and 9 p.m. Admission: 75 cents.

Meeting - Counseling advice Seminar — Roland DeLorme will be given at a pre-nursing of the history department will meeting scheduled for 4 p.m. in

Teach-In — South Korea will p.m. in the Library Presenta- be the topic of a teach-in to be held at 7:30 p. m. in the VU ala

Film - A discussion will ed by an informal discussion of follow the showing of "Life in Paha'i Faith at 1230 Indian the Thirties'' in Shakey's Pizza St. Apt. 3A. For more informa- Parlor's back room. Social hour at 7 p.m., program begins at

# Parking tickets help fund operations, changes in lots

by TOM ELLISON

Ever wonder where all that money security gets from parking tickets goes? Not in security's back pocket according to Robert Peterson, Director of Safety and Security.

"The money from parking tickets goes into the parking fund," Peterson said. This money pays for operation and maintenance of the parking system, expansion of the parking system, and major changes in parking lots with a cost of over

Peterson said the money also goes for "the enforcement of parking regulations, along with a patrol of the parking areas by security officers.'

There are two full-time officers who check the parking lots for violations, theft, and vandalism. Students enforce parking regulations and patrol the parking lots after 4 p.m.

All tickets issued by security carry a \$1 fine, Peterson said. This goes for any violation: being parked in a parking lot without a permit, being parked in a no parking area, etc.

When questioned on the alleged "system" security and the towing companies have, Peterson responded quickly, "We get nothing. We have a contract with a towing company to do

our towing and storage. We try to get the lowest priced contract in the interest of the student.'

The cost for towing right now stands like this: \$7.20 for passenger cars and pick-up trucks, \$10 for trucks over 11/2 tons, \$5.00 for motorcycles, and \$7.20 extra if the use of dollies is required to move any vehicle. The storage rate is \$1.50 per day after the first 24 hours.

Peterson said cars are impounded for three reasons

-Parking in a no parking area or parking in any way which might endanger life.

-Parking in an area without a permit and

having a permit holder complain.

-If you have two unpaid tickets on record. "We give you two tickets which could be considered warnings," Peterson said. "You're always towed on the third violation unless you've paid for one of the previous violations.

Parking regulations are the same this year as last, with the exception of free parking for all cars in most parking lots from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. Lots 13G and the C lots are not open to free parking, however, Peterson said.

You can pick up a copy of parking regulations from the main desk of the security building.



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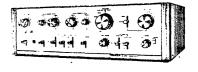
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# Sports

## Weekend regatta





WING-ON-WING — 420 Class sailboat at right attempts to pass Viking sailors Riley Sebers and Mindy Johnston on the downwind leg of a race at Western's eight school Invitational Regatta held last Saturday and Sunday at Lakewood on Lake Whatcom. Western came out on top after 18 races, beating the University of Washington by two points.

# Clinic amazes wrestlers and coaches

by BOB COALE

Two-time Olympian Bob Douglas amazed over 100 young aspiring wrestlers and their coaches with his wrestling expertise at a clinic Saturday in Carver Gym.

The clinic was sponsored by Western's athletic department and gave Douglas the opportunity to greet wrestlers from as far away as Spokane and British Columbia in morning and afternoon instruction sessions.

The 32-year-old head wrestling coach at Arizona State University devoted the morning session to takedowns (moves to take an opponent to the mat), and the afternoon session to ground wrestling techniques and moves to pin an opponent.

Douglas first demonstrated how to get an advantage over the opponent. The eager pupils then left the bleachers with their respective partners and practiced the techniques they saw Douglas perform.

After ten minutes, Douglas whistled them to halt.

"Now I'll show you a move to counter when an opponent grabs your wrist," he said, and another step-by-step demonstration followed. Thereafter wrestlers swarmed the mat once again, doggedly trying the new move.

All the while, Douglas gave advice on proper nutriton and

exercise for wrestlers.

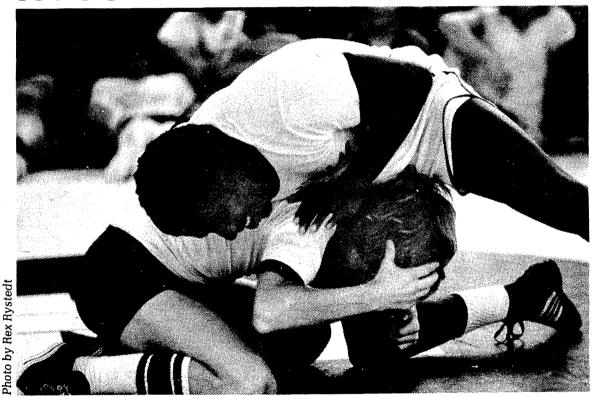
"One of the most important elements in this sport is flexibility, and it's often the most neglected one. It's important in every aspect of wrestling," he said.

Likening his sport to tennis, Douglas said for a long time wrestling was neglected by the news media, but recent exposure has now made it a popular spectator sport.

He told the young grapplers to take pride in their sport saying, "The discipline we get from wrestling makes us better people. This sport requires dedication of a high magnitude.

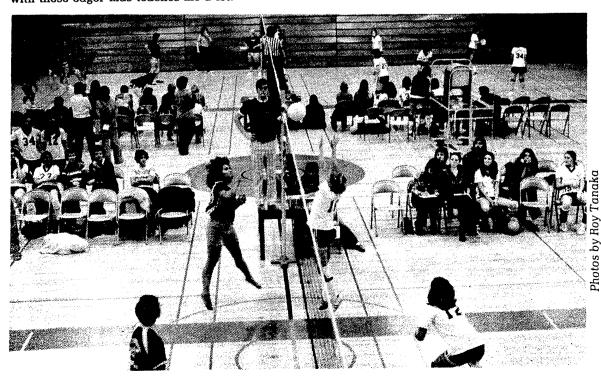
"We're unique when it comes to physical agility and moves; there's no other athlete, no football or basketball player, who can do what we do," he said.

Douglas said that passing his knowledge on to enthusiastic beginners and watching them grow on it gives him personal satisfaction. The author of two best selling wrestling books and winner of numerous wrestling titles said, "The fellowship I have with these eager kids teaches me a lot."



LEARN BY DOING — Bob Douglas [on top], two-time Olympic wrestler, conducted a clinic at Western on Saturday. Demonstrations by Douglas were followed by practical workouts.

# Spikers' tourney





IV VOLLEYBALL TOURNEY — [above] Vikette Coach Diane Graham exhorts Gloria Nickson [4] after the team captain came through with a successful spike. [left] The barefooted Surfers [dark jersies], a team of Seattle-based Hawaiians spike against Highline C.C. in the hectic all-day tourney. [see story on page 11].

## Gridders win in last seconds

by MIKE THOMPSON

A 19-yard field goal lifted Western to a 24-21 victory in the last 37 seconds of last Saturday night's football game against Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT), at Klamath Falls.

The exciting finish was reflective of seesaw battle which had Western coming from behind all night.

OIT opened the game with an onside kick which they recovered on the Viks' 46 yard line, and drove in to score.

Another onside kick by OIT was recovered by Western on their own 36 yard line. The Viks' drive to the Owls' five yard line ended after a fumble was recovered by the Owls.

The Viks tied the score at 7-7 when linebacker Bob Taylor intercepted an Owl pass at OIT's 37 yard line setting up the score. Taylor was named Evergreen Conference defensive player of the week for his efforts against OIT.

An intercepted pass by the Owls just before the end of the first half set up their second score, driving in for a touchdown from the Vik 13 yard line.

Western came back in the second half to tie the game up 14-14, after taking the ball on their own 42 yard line. Fullback Dave Browne broke loose for a 33-yard sprint to paydirt.

OIT took the lead for the third time when a bad Wetern punt was received by the Owls at the Vik 26 yard line. They took advantage of the good field position and marched in for the score.

The Viks countered on a 16 yard scoring pass play from quarterback Bill Mendelson to halfback Bob Fenton, capping a 62-yard drive.

Tight end Mike Haerling's game winning boot came at the end of a Western drive from their own 35 yard line to the Owls' two yard line.

# Harriers third at Evco meet

by TOM ELLISON

Eastern Washington's twoyear reign as Evergreen Conference cross-country champs was snapped Saturday, but not by Western, as a powerhouse Central Washington team placed six runners in the top 10 to take an easy victory in the Evco cross country championships at Cheney.

Jim Hennessey of Central won the five-mile race in a time of 25:36 as he led his team to the championship. Central scored 24 points, Eastern Washington 41, Western had 70 for third place, Eastern Oregon was fourth with 117 and Southern Oregon College fifth with 132.

Steve Menard was the first Vik to cross the finish line for Western, in sixth. The other Viks who completed the scoring were Keith Raymond in 12th place, Steve Pilcher 15th, Steve Wilson 17th and Jeff Sherman 20th.

Comments by some of the team members were sparse regarding the meet.

"We just weren't aggressive enough. But I'm not going to brood about it. You just get yourself in a mental rut," Sherman said.

Sherman has already turned his thoughts towards next Saturday when Western hosts the NAIA District I meet.

"As a team, district is our most important meet. It's the one we picked as a season-long goal," Sherman added.

"Everybody on the team ran a poor race. Nobody had it. Central and Eastern went out and ran aggressively, and we sat back. We waited for opportunity to come to us and it didn't," Steve Wilson said.

"At district we're going to have to go out aggressively. We underestimated Central and Eastern. They were both unknown qualities, and it was our first time running against them," Wilson continued. "It

was almost as though the Central guys were superhuman. But they aren't, and we should beat them."

Both Central and Eastern will be here Nov. 8 for the district meet. So only time will tell whether the "superhumans" can be heaten

# JV spikers place fifth, win consolation honors

Western's junior varsity volleyball team hosted an eight team invitational tournament Saturday and won the consolation bracket title, but Coach Diane Graham said if the tourney were played again, the Vikettes would probably win it.

It was the first tournament appearance for the team and their first exposure to other college level teams and Graham said the team did surprisingly well.

They lost their first match of the long tournament (it lasted eight hours) to the Bellingham YMCA women's team, which eventually won the championship.

Their only other loss of the day came at the hands of runner-up Bellevue C.C. in the last match of the round-robin tourney that determined the championship and consolation brackets.

They lost that match in two straight games but both went into a duece situation.

"We never got wiped off the court and we scored at least 10 points in every game (it takes 15 to win)," said Graham. "Now the team knows what it can do under the pressures of a tournament and a rough schedule.

The Vikettes' only problem — the one that kept them from being a title contender — was their serving, said Graham. Other than that, she was pleased with the performance and especially the togetherness of the team.

"Everybody pulls for everybody and that helps a lot. We don't really have a starting lineup and the players know that so they're all out there playing their best and pulling for each other."

The Surfers and Highline C.C. were third and fourth, while Green River, Everett and Edmunds community colleges trailed Western in the final standings.

The tournament was labelled a success by tournament director and varsity coach Rich Huntoon because it fulfilled its purpose of giving teams a chance to play a lot of volleyball. Each team played at least

10 games.

Graham has set up a homeand-home series with each of the community college teams that participated in the invitational. Those games will be scheduled sometime before the Thanksgiving weekend, when the volleyball season ends.

# Sports Shorts

Women's intercollegiate soccer underway

Paul Stensen, Western's women's soccer coach, is looking for players. The newly organized team needs a few more players, Stensen says, in order to field a team for some games, as yet unscheduled, this year.

He said this is a building year for the team, and he'd like to get a few games in to establish an identity. So far he's been working with players of all calibers.

"In three weeks of practice they've made rapid progress, and I see a lot of bright spots," Stensen said. "Soccer is a fairly new sport in this country, and I'm finding the hardest fundamental to learn is just to start 'thinking soccer'."

Women interested in getting into soccer, which outside of this country is the 'world's pastime,' can join the team at practice Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3 to 5 p.m. on the lacrosse field behind Carver Gym and the track.

If the team gets it together this year, it could ask for its own budget from the school next year, Stensen said.

#### Ruggers heavily penalized, lose again

The Viking Rugby Club absorbed 12 penalties during the second half against Abbottsford (B.C.) Saturday and wound up on the short end of a 16-3 score.

It would have been a 4-3 game, save for 12 Abbottsford points scored on penalty kicks. It was the fourth straight loss for the ruggers, after two opening victories.

Several Viks felt many of the officials' calls weren't quite right. John McCarthy, a Viking back, said many of the calls came within the opponents' five yard line and had a definite demoralizing effect on the team.

#### **Booters fall to powerful Clansmen**

The Western soccer club scored first, but league-leading Simon Fraser University roared back with seven unanswered goals to trounce the Viks 7-1, Saturday in Bellingham.

Viking center-forward Buzz Burns, one of the top five scorers in the Northwest College Soccer Conference, scored Western's only goal early in the game. The Clansmen, rated number one in Canadian collegiate soccer, completely dominated the game after that.

Western travels to Oregon this weekend for games against the University of Oregon at Eugene and OSU at Corvallis.



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# Students for Life take stand on human issues

by GREG HOOFNAGLE

"Life is a continuum unbroken in its essence from conception to natural death," according to the Washington State Students for Life organization. Using this definition as a basis for their activities, over 40 Western students and faculty have established a Western Students for Life group.

A planning meeting was held Oct. 21 in Viking Union 360, to discuss the group's purpose and projects for the school year.

Western's Students for Life coordinator, Mike Callero, said the group's purpose is "to educate fellow students on human life issues such as abortion, euthanasia and genetic experimentation."

The state Students for Life organization directs members to "make use of all means of communication and education in order to create a pro-life awareness among other young men and women." Callero said Western's group will use speakers and discussion sessions as its major vehicle of education.

Washington State Students for Life was started last year at Seattle University and the University of Washington. It is part of the National Youth Coalition for Life, which operates primarily on college campuses, Callero said.

Some of the positions Students for Life have taken include: That the unborn are also human beings, that abortion is a form of killing, and that euthanasia is generally wrong.

Callero said Students for Life is a political group, and is "not affiliated with churches." The group cooperates with other state and national organizations in lobbying against abortion, euthanasia and related issues.

A Supreme Court decision on Jan. 22, 1973, defined the unborn as non-persons, Callero said.

Thus, Students for Life is helping to ratify a Constitutional Amendment which would guarantee the right to life of all humans from conception to death.

Students for Life have met opposition, especially from pro-abortionist groups, Callero said. Students for Life at the University of Wash. "couldn't even get articles in the school paper because of women's rights groups." he said

because of women's rights groups," he said. Caliero said he also expected flack at Western.

He said Students for Life is not against birth control. Mike Galloway, a Western Students for Life member said "It's not a matter of running out and having an abortion or having 20 kids. There are alternatives."

Another Students for Life member, Dan Stutesman, added, "All lives are valuable — whether they're mentally retarded or an Albert Einstein"

# ACLU says law limits speech; backs Northwest Passage appeal

by BOB SPEED

The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) has reiterated their support of the Northwest Passage's appeal of their recent conviction.

According to Michelle Celarier of the Passage staff, the ACLU contacted her last Thursday to underscore their support. The Passage has been in contact with the ACLU since it was charged with a gross misdemeanor for publishing telephone company credit card number codes, a violation of state law. The Passage was convicted of that charge last week in Whatcom County Superior Court. The fortnightly alternative newspaper faces a maximum fine of \$1,000, plus legal fees and court costs.

The appeal probably won't be heard for more than a year by the Washington State Supreme Court, due to the backlog of cases pending, according to the Passage's lawyer, John H. Anderson

According to Dan Larner of the local chapter of the ACLU, the issues involved are fundamental to Constitutionally protected freedoms.

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Larner said the ACLU takes issue with the state law, on two basic points, which he called an "outrageous violation" of Constitutional protections of censorship and free speech.

Prior censorship

Larner said the state law in question is an example of prior censorship because it includes restrictions against publication of material by anyone "with reason to believe" that the

material may be used by someone to commit a crime.

He explained this could include any media relaying accounts of crimes. Anything from news accounts of crimes to fictional stories on television could fall under this category, because each can give information "with reason to believe" it could be used to commit a crime. Therefore, the law itself is "overly broad," Larner said, and is a case of prior restraint.

"The founding fathers went a long way to avoid prior censorship," he said, calling prior restraint a "really dangerous thing in this society."

Free Speech restricted

The ACLU also attacks the law because it restricts free speech. According to the law, a person may be convicted for a private memorandum or even for material conveyed in a conversation between two people.

"This means it is forbidden to tell the material in private," Larner said. "This is a really serious incursion on freedom of speech which threatens constitutional guarantees.

"We want the law off the books," Larner stressed.

In reply to a comment by Michelle Celarier in last week's Front article on the case, Larner said Celarier was wrong in her impression the ACLU would get involved in the case before appeal, and that the impression was "a communication foul-up."

#### Dillard to give poetry reading

Annie Dillard, Pulitzer prize winner and Author-in-Residence here, will give a free poetry reading from her book,

"Pilgrim at Tinker Creek" 7:30 p.m. Friday in Fairhaven Auditorium.



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