

AS to decide religious groups' status

by JESSIE MILLIGAN
and CLAY HARTL

Western's student religious groups are fighting to continue using on-campus facilities free of charge.

In so doing, the groups are in essence asking the Associated Students to reinterpret the state constitution.

In updating a policy to grant facilities and recognize student groups, the AS found use of space by religious organizations might be in conflict with the constitution.

According to the constitution, no state property or money can be used for "religious worship, exercise or instruction."

"Allowing religious groups to use facilities is not propagating religion. It's just allowing us to use the building," Doug Bosscher, spokesman for the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, said.

Bosscher said recognized Christian groups can now use rooms free of charge for confer-

ences and meetings. In accordance with federal and state law, religious groups do not receive funds for activities or services.

Bosscher said he feels the interpretation of the constitution is the basic issue. Religious activities do exist here, but that does not mean they are promoted, he said. Bosscher pointed to humanities classes on campus as religious activities in school.

The AS has now formed a religious impact committee to examine how the possible lack of recognition would affect the groups, Kevin Majkut, VU assistant director, said.

Christian groups estimate they would have to spend roughly \$10,000 per year for rental of campus space if the AS does not grant them recognition, Majkut said.

The committee, formed of members of some campus religious groups, an Activities Council representative and Majkut, will distribute a questionnaire to campus Christian

organizations asking about possible consequences to their finances and membership.

The questionnaire also will try to determine if any off-campus alternatives for the groups exist.

In Western's Attorney General Tom Anderson's opinion,

"guidelines for recognizing student groups must apply to all on a non-discriminatory basis."

"But Anderson set up a paradox," Majkut said, by pointing out that no state money or property can be used for religious activities.

This conflict led the AS to

reexamine its recognition policy. The revised policy will go into effect after spring quarter.

Bosscher said, "It is not fair to make one group pay (for the facilities) because of their religious affiliation. We're being denied our right to associate."

Mud stunts progress of 'Project Intertie'

by BOB SIMS

Soggy weather might dampen plans for completing "Project Intertie" on time, John Williams, building contractor for the project, said Wednesday.

"Intertie," a \$595,000 face-lifting of area surrounding the Arts Building and Carver Gym, was scheduled to be finished Feb. 6.

Sloppy ground around Miller Hall and the Arts Building probably will stall asphalt and brick paving until spring quarter, he said, "but the major part of the project, laying a pipe system, is done."

"We need stable ground to lay brick on . . . it's such a gooey mess right now after thawing," Williams, who owns Whatcom Builders Inc., said.

The project, started last June, is a wide-ranging construction plan that has:

—Removed post pilings supporting a utility system dating back to the early 1900s, replacing them with concrete piling that holds a 12-inch pipe carrying water, sanitary and storm sewer lines;

—Converted the Garden Street 8-inch pipe system, which is fed by central campus, to a 12-inch line that's more capable of handling the increased utilities.

A storm drain pipe slipping on its piling, originally helped give impetus to "Intertie," H.A. "Barney" Goltz, Western planning officer, said last week. He couldn't pinpoint what caused the pipe to slip initially.

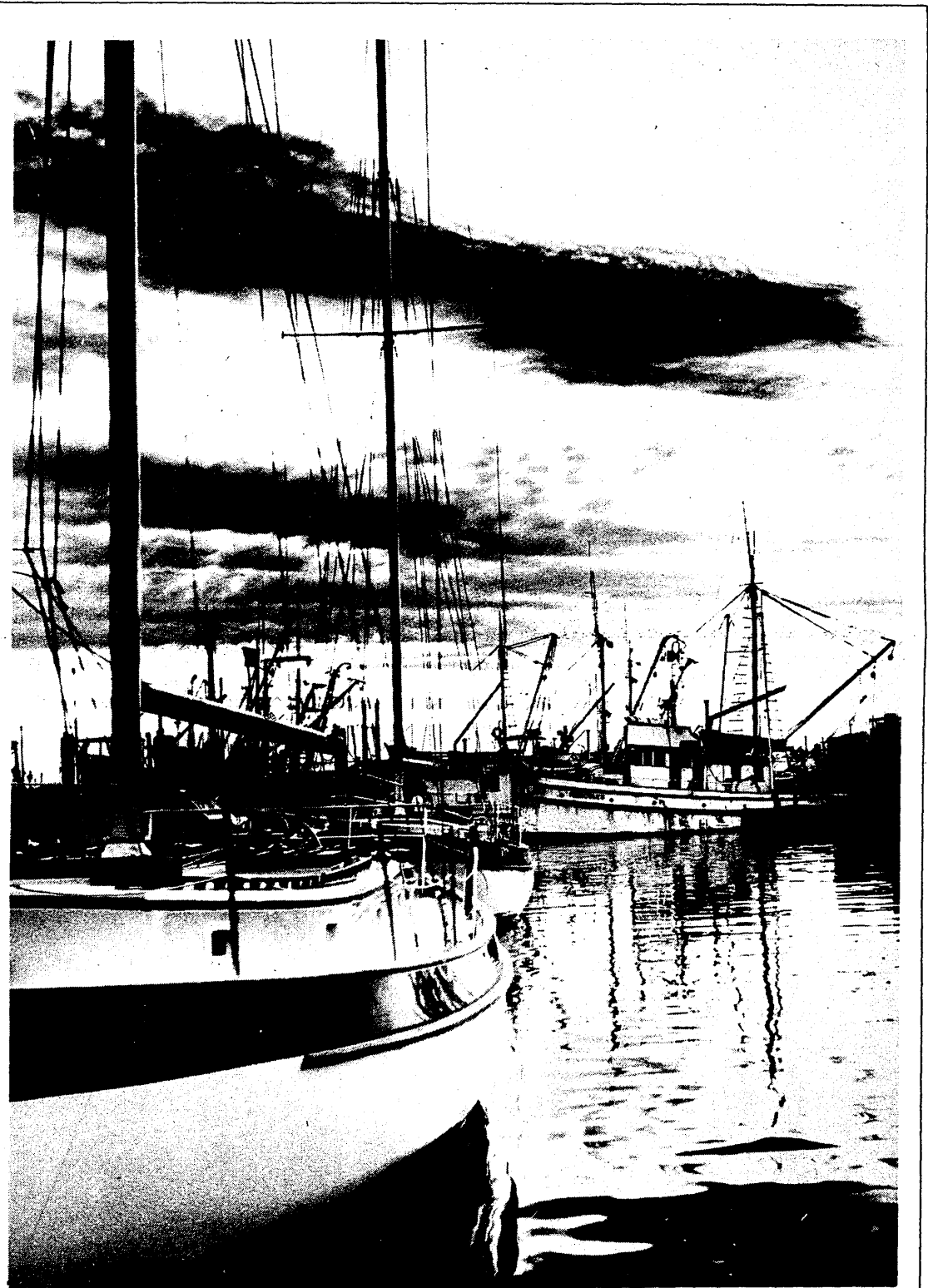
"I suspect it could've been anything: an earthquake, act of God, design or construction problem," he said. "There were so many factors that you can't assess responsibility."

To repair the slipping drain pipe, approximately \$110,000 was spent on pile-driving steel pre-cast beams (supported with concrete) 15 to 20 feet down, and securing them in bedrock, facility and development sources said.

A layer of peat, which covers most of south campus, was apparently responsible for breaking up posts and causing utility lines to sag, which in turn caused the drain pipe to slip.

"It was a troublesome area to build on," Goltz said. "Sehome Hill and the hill behind Ridgeway dorms are actually two small mountains, the valley in between them has been filled by decomposed, compressed leaves and dust through the years," he said. Peat was the residue.

Grading the west-central area and planting trees, shrubs and lawn have yet to be completed for the project.



SQUALICUM SUNSET — These sailboats, moored in Bellingham's Squalicum harbor, seem to be waiting for a chance to be used. Unusually warm, dry weather has broken through the usual cold of winter, yielding this sunset photo.

Photo by Charles Nacke

Inside Roller-nuts

Skateboarding is a national craze, and Western has its share of enthusiasts. Page 3.

Evaluation?

A move to publish teacher evaluations by students is on by the Associated Students. See page 4 for a student vs. teacher debate on the subject.

Cheap drinks

The Front's contribution to ending the homework blues is on page 11 — a list of happy hour rates for Bellingham bars. Drink up . .

\$80,000 not spent for student jobs

AS asks study on job funds

by JOHN NELSON

The Associated Students Board of Directors is asking the All-University Senate to form a nine-member task force to study the misuse of student job funds.

The board's proposal charges that nearly \$80,000 in funds allocated for student jobs last year were not spent for that purpose. In addition, during the year before last, more than \$50,000 was not spent on student jobs.

A trend of underspending on student employment has developed in the last few years, according to the AS proposal. In 1972-73,

according to the board Western actually overspent for student jobs by \$5,000.

"We are concerned about it enough to want to establish a task force" to study it, Bob Anderson, former AS Board member and author of the proposal, said at Monday's Senate meeting.

Should the task force be set up, it would study the student employment spending patterns and make recommendations to the senate.

Several senate members said the study should be handled by one of the committees in the

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Trustees view summer fees, governance

by JOYCE ANSLEY

Students could pay less to attend Western's summer session under a new summer fee schedule approved by the Board of Trustees last Thursday.

Vice President Donald Cole said a new single fee schedule will replace the old system which was based on the academic year plan.

A summer quarter fee of \$20 per credit for up to nine credits will be billed. Students with over nine credits must pay the full \$197.

Cole said, "Under the present academic year structure summer students pay about \$25 per credit not including extra fees."

The alteration will bring Western

into conformity with Eastern and Central Washington Universities.

The board also learned Thursday that Western must construct a \$157,000 three-story elevator to meet federal guidelines for the handicapped.

It is part of Phase II of a \$1 million project to renovate campus buildings so the handicapped will have equal access to programs, Joan Stewart, Western's Affirmative Action officer, said.

Phase II, costing \$900,000, depends on a 1978 legislative session to be funded and completed by the 1980 federal deadline.

Phase I, already funded for \$130,000, is responsible for new

wheelchair ramps, conversion of restrooms, and automated door installation in several campus buildings.

Barney Goltz, Western Planning Officer, said the total cost of the renovation is less than one per cent of the \$122 million value of Western's physical facilities.

The board also received as an informational item University President Paul Olscamp's "Proposal #2" for Western governance alterations.

Olscamp said he composed the new proposal to accommodate the major suggestions received from faculty, students, staff and administration in response to his original proposal in October.

Olscamp requested further response from the four constituencies before Feb. 15, so a final proposal could be submitted to the board in March.

Herb Hersey, a representative of Western Washington Retirement Association (WWRA), reported on organization efforts at Western.

Hersey said the WWRA hoped to gain board support for House Bill 920, legislation which would increase the incomes of retired faculty.

The bill would increase supplements to help keep retirement incomes at the cost of living, he said.

Olscamp told Hersey he would do what he could to lobby for the bill in Olympia on behalf of the WWRA.

Faculty faults procedures

Council criticizes Olscamp

University President Paul Olscamp was censured by the Faculty Council Monday.

The Council passed a resolution saying Olscamp violated governance procedures in introducing a new governance proposal to the Board of Trustees without first presenting it to the Faculty, Faculty Council Chairman Ed Stephan, said.

Olscamp said he had not seen the resolution and did not want to comment on it.

Faculty Council member Bob Balas said many faculty members disagreed with two provisions of the new proposal.

Many were against Olscamp's and Vice President Talbot's ex-officio membership on a proposed executive committee which would meet quarterly, Balas said.

Balas said some faculty feel Olscamp's presence inhibits discussion at Faculty Council meetings.

Stephan said many Council members are

against having an executive committee.

Some also disagreed with Olscamp's proposal that each academic unit be included in council representation, Balas said.

Stephan said he talked to Olscamp after the resolution passed. "Olscamp said he wouldn't accept any proposal that left departments unrepresented" he said Olscamp implied, he said, that current area representation might be acceptable, though.

Olscamp introduced the new proposal to the board as information Jan. 12. The proposal was intended to accommodate the major suggestions received from campus groups in response to his original proposal last October.

Stephan said the resolution criticized Olscamp's bypass of the faculty, not the substance of the proposal.

The next Faculty Council meeting is at 4 p.m. Jan. 30.

Employment fund underspent; money goes for 'paper clips'

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university's governance system — either the Business and Finance Council (BFC) or the College Services Council (CSC) — instead of setting up a separate task force.

AS President Dave Clark disagreed with this, however.

"What I'd be afraid of is that it would just get caught in a committee" and nothing would be done about the problem, he said.

"I don't think it can be worked out at those levels,"

University Controller Don Sturgill said.

The money for regular student jobs comes out of Western's budget, whereas funds for work-study jobs come from the federal government. Therefore, Western saves money when it employs students on work-study, Sturgill said.

Sturgill said that between last year and the year before, work-study funds increased \$100,000 for Western. This year, work-study funds will increase another \$50,000, he said.

As the funding for work-study has increased, the amount of money spent on student employment has decreased.

"Obviously you're going to take a student for free rather than pay for him," Anderson said of the situation. "Not everybody can qualify for work-study."

"A large number of students don't apply but need funds to get through school. That doesn't mean their need is any less," he said.

By spending less money on student jobs, Anderson said, "you're denying people (other than work-study recipients) the right to work on campus."

Although the trend is to spend less on student jobs, the money that wasn't spent for this purpose was spent on other things, Sturgill said.

To begin with, he said, the money various departments are allocated by the university goes into two categories: salaries for permanent faculty salaries and funds for the operation of each department.

Funds for student jobs come out of these operating funds as well as money for goods and services (paper, pencils, etc.), travel, equipment and personal services, Sturgill said.

Each department is allowed to spend its allocated funds any way it wishes to. If funds are not spent on student jobs, for instance, they will be spent on one of the department's other categories.

"As it is now, they under-expend on student employment and over expend on paper clips," Anderson said of the budget flexibility. "In my mind there's too much flexibility."

Currently, Anderson said, no way is available to tell where the money goes that is not being spent on student jobs.

Situation could change, however

Western hurt little by freeze so far

by SUE TAYLOR

The state's hiring freeze hasn't made a dent in Western's budget yet, University Controller Donald Sturgill said recently.

The freeze came from an executive order from Gov. Dixy Lee Ray and allows only half of vacated job positions to be re-filled.

So far, at Western, this has meant not re-hiring for six positions, Sturgill said. The total amount saved since the freeze went into effect is

\$7,244. Western's entire budget is \$22.5 million.

"It hasn't been a real big money-saver," Sturgill said. But if it were to continue for the next 18 months until the next scheduled legislative session it would save much more money, he said.

The work load doesn't diminish, however, when positions are cut back, Sturgill added. "Eventually, it could become quite a problem."

The freeze is applicable to the library, research, student

services, administrative support, the physical plant and public services. Instruction and primary support areas, such as university deans, were exempt from the freeze.

"The longer the freeze is in effect, the more of a problem it will become," Sturgill said.

He said he expects the freeze to be a problem for everyone. The University of Washington probably will turn over amounts in the \$100,000-area, he said.

The money Western saves from the freeze is stored in an unallotted reserve, Sturgill said. Western can ask for the money after the freeze is over, he said.

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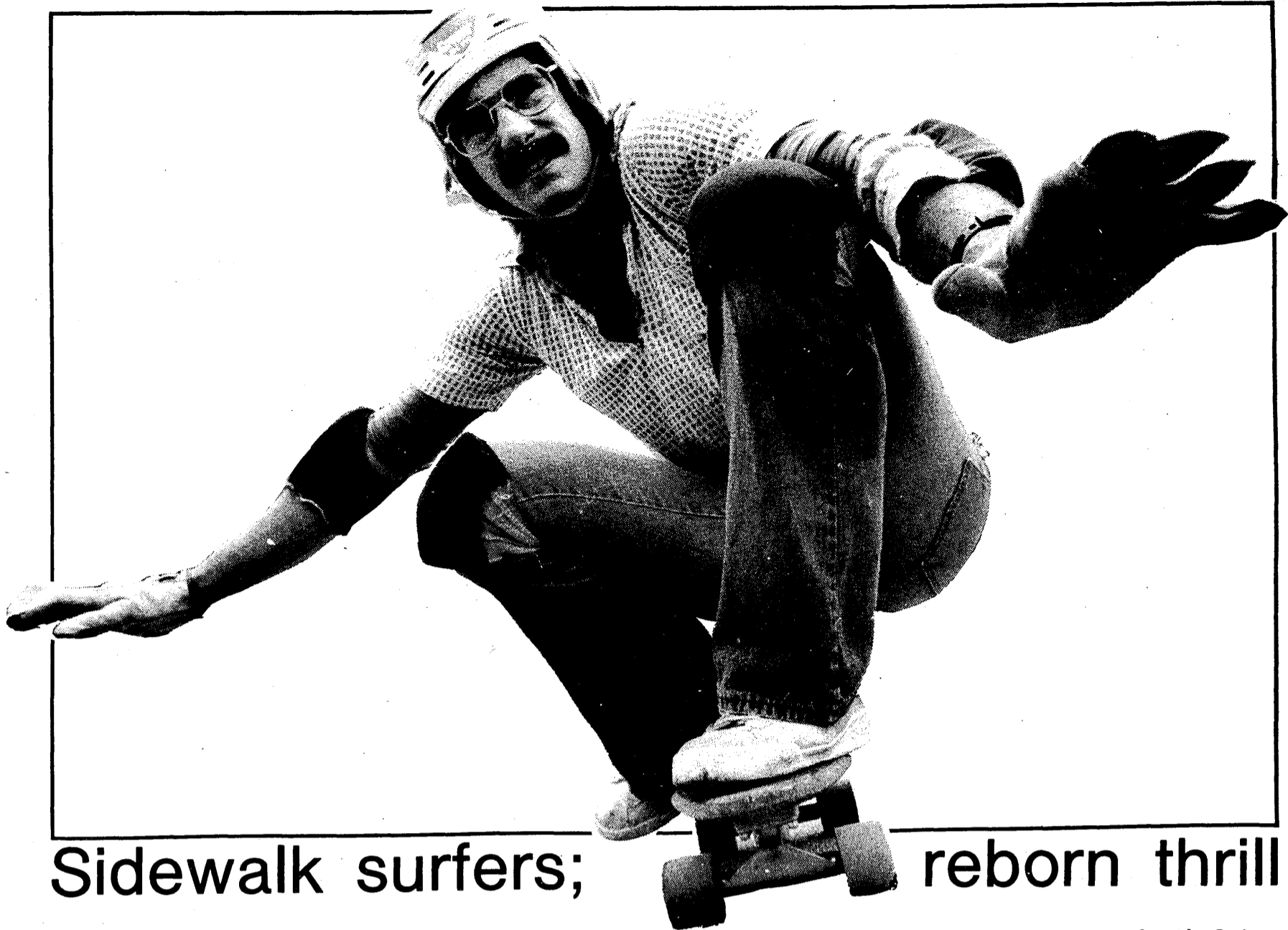
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How's Your Love Life?



Don't Miss It!



Sidewalk surfers; reborn thrill

by RUDY YULY

Skateboarding is not what it used to be.

With new and sophisticated equipment available — hard urethane wheels for speed and softer urethane wheels for control, precision bearings, fully adjustable trucks and wider, stronger boards — it has become a fast, competitive and dangerous sport.

Sue Olson, a licensed practical nurse in the emergency ward at Bellingham's St. Luke's Hospital, said skateboard injuries are common.

"We hate them," she said. "Generally, they'r the same type of injuries that motorcyclists get.

"You've got to remember that those things go about 15 to 20 miles an hour," she explained, "and when you've scraped all the skin off one whole side — arm, side, hip and leg — it hurts."

Broken bones and permanent tattooing caused by imbedded gravel are also fairly frequent, she said.

Doesn't strike your fancy? Oddly enough, the threat of bodily injury is like icing on the cake for many hard-core enthusiasts.

Dan Chamberlain, freshman architect major whose passion is skateboarding, put it this way:

"Sometimes, when you're really going good, you feel just like you're weightless. It's like you're flirting with death. You just flirt with it, and then you're off. It feels fantastic."

If you think that talking about the possibility of death is a little strong, here are some facts that might interest you:

The speed record for a skateboard in a slalom competition is 44 mph. The speed record for a skateboard in a downhill competition is more than 50 mph. When you consider the skateboarder is standing on a piece of wood, less than three feet in length and one foot in width, approximately four inches from the hard ground, Chamberlain's comment about "flirting with death" becomes much more

plausible.

Jack Pouchet, a junior technology major who also loves skateboarding, has a different attitude towards the sport.

"Anyone can do it," he said. "You can be overweight, underweight, out of shape — it doesn't matter. Skateboarding embodies a lot. It's just yourself against yourself. Just simple self-improvement. That's why so many people get into it."

As for skateboarding on campus, Sgt. Walt Springer of campus security said "common sense" rules apply. "About the only problems we've had this year with skateboarding are with young kids from off campus skateboarding in the buildings."

Springer advised that riding in the street is illegal, and that good equipment is invaluable.

All three experienced skateboard-

ers agreed with Springer about equipment.

"These young kids buy cheap equipment," Pouchet said, "and they wind up getting hurt."

The biggest problem with inexpensive boards is a thing called "speed wobble." It's caused by loose bearings in the wheels (standard on cheap boards), and feels like you're riding along a railroad track. If you're traveling fast and speed wobble hits, you're in for a wipe-out.

Pouchet said a safe and good quality board can be bought for "upwards of \$40."

Also, if you're really serious (or scared), it's a good idea to invest in a helmet and some padding. Pads are required at most skateboarding parks (the nearest is in Burnaby, B.C.).

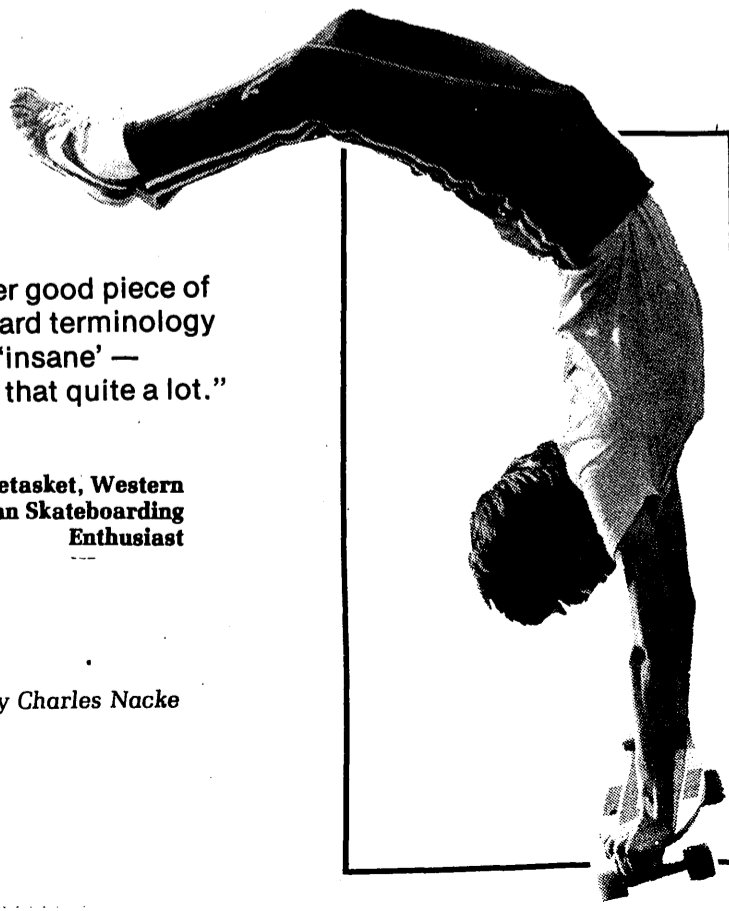
To quote Pouchet, however, "The best reason for all the pads is pain."



"Another good piece of skateboard terminology is 'insane' — you hear that quite a lot."

—Mike Retasket, Western Freshman Skateboarding Enthusiast

Photos by Charles Nacke



Editorial

Suds opera

If you want to see melodrama at its finest, don't tune in "Mary Hartman" or "All My Children." Instead turn your attention to the continuing saga of "A Liquor License at Western."

Opponents of a drinking establishment stand on their soapboxes and foresee doom and destruction for the city of Bellingham, local tavern owners and perhaps even a few souls lost to the devil of alcoholism.

But worse than the feeble-minded, over-sensational reasoning that keeps us from getting a liquor license at Western is that our own university president is playing politics instead of representing the students.

Bowing to the interests of the Bellingham community, University President Paul Olscamp is holding back his support for the license until Mayor Ken Hertz changes his mind and supports it also.

This time, it seems the interests of local tavern owners, church organizations and the city mayor are more important than those of nearly 10,000 students, whom the decision affects.

If the interests were for the good of the campus, it might not be so frustrating. But taking a closer look at the reasoning behind the opposition reveals which concerns are really at stake.

Tavern owners are opposed to a campus liquor license. But they haven't considered what kind of a threat a campus liquor establishment actually would be. Beer and wine would be sold only from noon to 7 p.m. You hardly can call these prime-time business hours for most taverns.

Hertz has said before he is against a liquor license for Western because he wants to avoid the spread of taverns into residential areas adding that Bellingham has enough taverns.

A place that sports seven coffee shops, a bookstore, library, post office, a band and presents speakers, concerts and movies weekly somehow doesn't fall into the causal idea of a residential area.

Bellingham does have a lot of taverns, but how many of them can you go to and return from in the space of one hour?

Opposition to new taverns and bars by church organizations is as old as the Women's Christian Temperance Union. No one seems to take them seriously if it means establishing another money-making enterprise for the Bellingham community.

The application for beer and wine licenses can't be sent in unless Olscamp signs it. But it is obvious where his sympathies lie.

In the meantime, the university is held in limbo until Hertz hands down his decision. The students have to wait for the outcome like a Saturday or Sunday between episodes of "Days of Our Lives."

Will the students' interests be represented? Will Mayor Hertz succeed in saving the unknowing, innocent campus population from certain destruction? Will Olscamp work for the concerns of 10,000 students whose \$197 pay his salary?

Tune in next week. But remember, soap operas don't have happy endings.

— Sue Taylor

A piece of green

A radical environment group was on campus last week, but few people noticed. They carried no banners and disrupted no people. They came to talk, but few people came to listen. They are Greenpeace and they're out to save the earth.

They are radical, indeed, but have a new type of revolutionaries: they still buck the system, wear long hair and are "into" counterculture living.

They are the radical that Webster's New World Dictionary defines as "fundamental; favoring basic change."

Still, they're not the radicals of the '60s, who hide behind slogans and curse at administrators with fists clenched and eyes afire.

Greenpeace members are radicals like no others. Without trepidation, they will place themselves between a whaling boat's harpoon gun loaded with a 250 lb. explosive (a bomb) and an exhausted and confused, surfacing sperm whale.

They're a radical group whose members will also endure the rigors of the Arctic to confront the Canadian sealers. Greenpeace is protesting the taking of 180,000 seal pelts (through the mass-murdering of young seals) because their research reveals a harvestable population of only 200,000. Canadian officials contend 300,000 baby seals exist.

The group recorded a bizarre incident in Newfoundland last year when one member handcuffed himself to a bundle of seal pelts being loaded aboard a Canadian icebreaker. The captain of the ship instructed his crew to drop and raise again (repeatedly) the pelt load and their newly-acquired "charge." Fortunately for the Greenpeace cavalier, his handcuffs broke, still, it was imperative that the man be immediately treated for hypothermia.

Greenpeace is more than a boat full of hippies singing songs to the whales and handing out "Save the whales" buttons to Russian and Japanese whaling crews. They are a radical group, who in the words of Seattle member Bruce Hoeft, are "standing up for what they believe in."

Little do we know it, but we need people like the crusaders of Greenpeace to tell us (like Lenny Bruce tried to so many years ago) "what we're doing wrong."

Certainly, Greenpeace is active environmentalism. Yet it is an environmentalism with a game plan: a tactic of nonviolent confrontation; a suitable synonym (in my estimation) for communication. They wish only to be heard — to slow the pace a bit and strive towards a sane interpretation of the laws of nature.

— Kevin Baker

Should students grade their professors?



No

A recent proposal for evaluating Western's faculty in a handbook sponsored by the Associated Students has drawn praise and opposition. Should the classroom performance of professors be measured by their students?

by DAVID ZIEGLER

Student evaluation of teaching is a serious business. Tenure, promotion and merit increases for faculty all require evidence of teaching effectiveness; last year the legislature came close to making salary increases contingent on evidence of good teaching. It is currently the policy of WWU to rely almost solely on student evaluations to ascertain teaching effectiveness.

Martin Reeves' proposal would be a separate evaluation, but it would undoubtedly have a contaminating effect on the quarterly in-class evaluations used for assessing faculty. A professor who ranked low in a published list would be more likely to receive low ratings from students in his or her course.

To put the shoe on the other foot: How would students react to a proposal to circulate within a department the grades of all the students taking courses from members of that department? Students would be justified in fearing that such information would influence grades; students might be judged not solely for their actual

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performance but also for what they had done in the past. In fact there is a lot of research that demonstrates that this is exactly what happens when teachers have such information.

Fear of such contamination may concern faculty more than students, but another aspect of the proposed evaluation is of direct concern to both. What is it that will be measured? Teaching effectiveness or popularity? One frequently cited study found that students ranked highest those teachers from whom they learned the least.

A colleague of mine recently received evaluations from last quarter. His overall rating was not high. A common complaint was that he continued to lecture a few minutes after the clock passed 11:50 AM. I find it hard to believe that five or ten years from now his students will consider themselves less well educated because of a two minute delay in getting to lunch. Yet complaints like that have a big effect on a teacher's rating.

Other people's opinions are important to all of us in reaching decisions — what courses to take, what restaurants to eat in, what cars to buy. But we also know enough about the people we ask to evaluate their opinion. Personally, I trust my auto mechanic's judgment more on what car to buy than on where to eat.

But published evaluations of teachers will give no clue as to sources. Even if a truly random sample for every class could be selected, not everyone in the sample would respond. Who would? The malcontents, the grumblers, those with grudges? Or those who did well in the course and were flattered by high grades?

Grade inflation has affected students as well as teachers. Rarely on the presently used forms does a teacher receive the lowest scores. On a five-point scale, the responses are all 4s or 5s. But this permits a lot of mischief by one or two unhappy students. Just a few students marking the lowest response can move a teacher way below the median.

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Yes

by MARTIN REEVES

There are several uses to which student evaluations of faculty might be put. From a student perspective, one of the more compelling applications would be as a tool to be used in deciding what classes to take. Granted, there are times when a student simply must take a certain class, but I'd venture that no student would leave Western without having made choices among alternatives. The unfortunate thing about this situation is that the choices are usually made on the basis of insufficient information.

There are currently three alternatives in choosing among classes (and/or between instructors). First, the guess method. It amounts to: "pick a prof, any prof." Used all too often. Second, the first-hand investigation. Visit one of the teacher's classes, look at the exams and talk to the teacher. A good method but used very infrequently; there's no reason to believe that that situation will change.

Third, the highly-touted "grapevine method." Ask a friend if they have taken this or that class from this or that teacher. The answers can range from being critical, objective analyses to second-hand impressions. But the point is . . . you make the decision on some basis; if all you have is hearsay, then that's what's used. Moreover, if you get one person's opinion, that's usually it. If you get two, cornucopia.

The proposed faculty evaluation program is a fourth alternative. With regard to "grapevine choice" it should be noted that a survey of student opinion would provide much greater objectivity. This is due to the nature of the survey (an objective document as opposed to the necessarily subjective "grapevine method") and to the greater number of responses available. I would much rather take a course on the basis of say, thirty opinions, which calculate performance of faculty on several established criteria.

On the broader question of the validity and reliability of student evaluation of faculty I must quote a statement made by Robert Thorndike in

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Letters

Higginson offers apology

Editor, Western Front:
As a member of the staff and living community of Higginson Hall, I would like to respond to Betty Knauf's letter to the Front (Jan. 13) with a sincere apology. The actions of others often reflect on ourselves if we appear to condone their behavior. The welcoming of the Christmas Kazoos to Higginson was not the action of the Higginson community, but of a few selfish, ungrateful and uncaring individuals who the rest of us also have to put up with. In the name of these individuals as well as all the Higginson Hall residents, we

offer our humble apologies and hope our ears are fortunate enough to hear your acceptance and your kazoos.

**Joel Ferrell
Resident Aid
Higginson Hall**

Where art thou, Nav?

Editor, Western Front:
I was an ardent follower of the Front last quarter — especially the brilliant record column done by Michael Navalinski. His insight usually offered a fresh and on-target look at some really good records, yet I've checked the past two issues this quarter and his work is nowhere to be found. Is he on drugs or did he fall through a black hole in Red Square?

**M. Navalinski
Editor's note: See the Front, Jan. 17.**

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Old 'pick-a-prof' method soon to become obsolete

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last week's Front, "Faculty evaluations have no demonstrable validity." This is an unfortunate statement, first, since it is "demonstrably" false and second, because it does not correspond to his own previous research on the issue. (See "Content Validity and the Uses of Student Ratings" by Robert M. Thorndike and Carol A. Waldram) For example, "The student rating an instructor at the end of the quarter or semester generally has spent 30 to 60 hours observing and interacting with the instructor in the classroom. This is a source of information on the habitual classroom behavior of faculty which should not be wasted," (p.2, op cit)

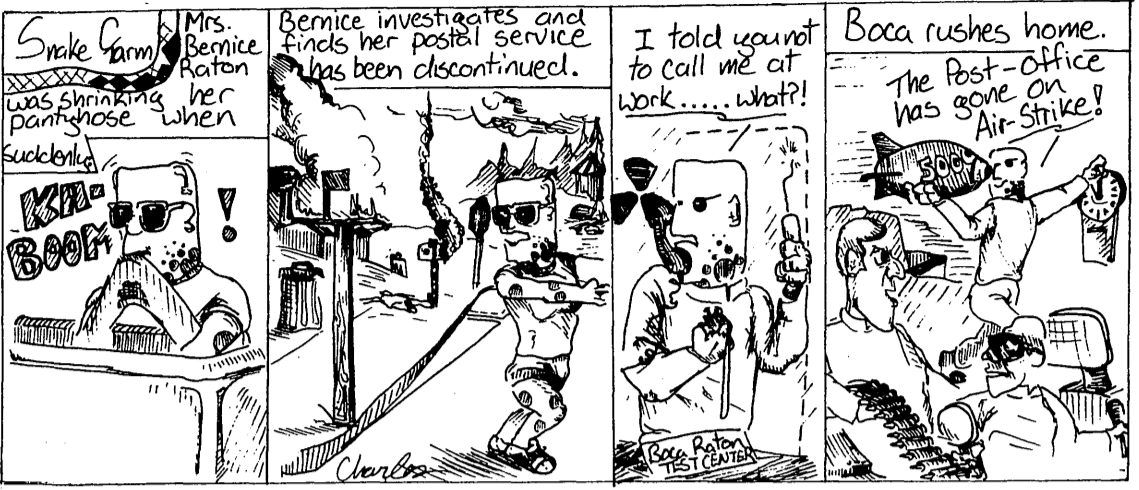
There is nearly overwhelming agreement among researchers that student evaluations are a valid indication of teaching competence. Arguments to the contrary (e.g. assaulting students' subjectivity) are simply not supported by the evidence. This conclusion is supported by the following statement approved by the Council of the American Association of University Professors in June 1975 as a part of its policy statement on teaching evaluation. "Student perceptions are a prime source of information from those who must be affected if learning is to take place. Stu-

dent responses can provide continuing insights into a number of the important dimensions of a teachers efforts..." ("Statement on Teaching Evaluations," AAUP Bulletin, Vol. 61, 1975, p. 87.)

Before closing this article I would like to mention a few other possible uses of a faculty evaluation. First, student opinions can be quite valuable to the instructor for self-improvement. The limitations on self-evaluation are obvious — a point implicit in schools' grading systems. Student evaluations of faculty when used in conjunction with evaluations done by other members of a teacher's department might be very instructive.

A second possible application of faculty evaluations could be in their use in decisions on tenure, promotion and merit pay increases. Of the various parties concerned, who would have greater expertise on an instructor's abilities in the classroom than the students? As has already been noted, students spend up to 50 hours in a classroom with the teacher. Contrast this to the number of times you have seen two professors in the same class.

A published evaluation provides a good alternative to the current practice of either choice by default or choice on the basis of unrepresentative opinions.



Johnson's 'perceptive coverage' congratulated

Editor, Western Front:
We would like to congratulate Lori Johnson for a well written article in the January 17 issue of the Western Front titled "Abortion group advocates free choice." Her accurate observations and informative comments about the

NARAL meeting are an example of journalistic excellence. We feel Lori deserves a pat on the back for her perceptive coverage of a meeting that, in our opinion, dealt with an extremely important social issue.

**Kariann Ostheller
Sandra E. Thompson**

Alum writes

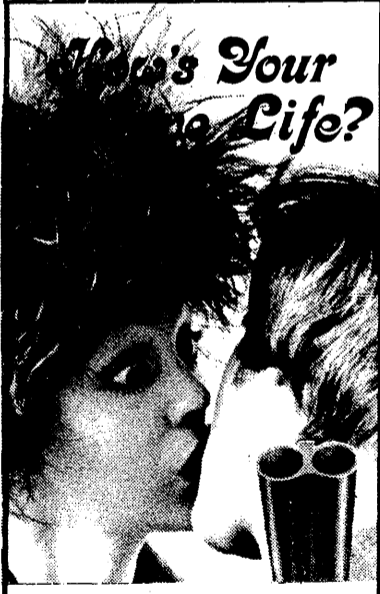
Editor, Western Front:
May I make a suggestion re: your planned student evaluation of faculty?
Remember constructive criticism does not equal unjustly attempting to capture the class. How a student feels a professor's good professing to B.S. ratio is significant. But remember, if one is that smart, why was he not hired as a professor?

**David Oates
Class of '72**

Evaluation: no

Continued from page 4

A published evaluation is a poor substitute for first-hand investigation. Visit a teacher's class during the quarter before you plan to enroll. Ask to see old course outlines and exams. Make an appointment with the teacher and talk over the course. And of course, talk with students who have taken the course, but do so wisely, weighing what they say against what you know about them.



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Which bug has smitten who?

Flu hitting Western in epidemic proportions

by DAVID VAN VEEN

The flu is nothing unusual for winter, but it is here in epidemic proportions.

An increase in illness occurs during winter months, Herb Anderson of Seattle King County Public Health said, "and we are experiencing the usual winter series."

Two types of flu have been isolated, Texas A strain with symptoms of nausea, vomiting, diarrhea and fever and Victoria A Strain with upper respiratory symptoms such as coughing, sore throat, shortness of breath and fever. The flu poses no serious problems, but Dr. John Knudsen of St. Luke's Hospital warns that people with respiratory problems "should be careful and watch for pneumonia."

"The epidemic is national

and has not yet reached its peak. It started in late December in Whatcom County and is expected to last six to eight weeks."

There has been an increase in the number of flu-related complaints at Western in the last two weeks, Debbie Flickinger, of the student health center, said. These include symptoms of nausea, vomiting, head aches, muscle aches, fatigue, sore throats, shortness of breath and other respiratory problems.

Viral flu has no cure. Flickinger advises students showing symptoms to stay in bed, drink plenty of fluids, eat properly and take aspirin or Tylenol for fever, aches and pains. The flu can last two to seven days, but bouts lasting two to three days are common.

If vomiting accompanies flu symptoms, restrict the diet to clear fluids such as apple juice, tea, jello, broth, water and flat 7-UP. Force as much of these fluids as possible to replace those lost from the body and also to settle the stomach. Flickinger advised. After 24 to

48 hours, try to tolerate foods such as milk, ice cream, bread and cereal.

A person might feel better after two or three days, but it takes several days to fully recover, Flickinger said. The best prevention of illness is to

eat properly and get the proper amount of rest, she said.

Should a student miss a test because of illness, the health center will issue a sick pass when the student returns. Students are responsible for letting their professors know that they are ill and will be absent.

Shorts & Briefs

First Aid practice session

The Outdoor Program offers "First Aid Practices Session I" on life threatening emergencies. Breathing, circulation, bleeding, shock and poisoning will be discussed. Meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in VU 305.

Join the AS Activities Council

The AS Activities Council now has openings for club and at-large members. The council is responsible for many of the student-coordinated programs on campus. Meetings are Monday evenings. Contact Kevin Majkut or Mike Smith in VU 202.

Rape prevention forum slated

A rape prevention forum is scheduled from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Feb. 15 in VU 450. The presentation is free, but pre-registration is necessary for admittance. More information may be obtained at the Sex Information Office in VU 217.

Jazz exercise class offered

Shake those winter blues and tone up muscles. The Leisure Activities Program sponsors a Ladies' Jazz Exercise class from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Tuesdays in Carver Gym C.

KUGS features 'Dead' concert

A special two-hour Grateful Dead program will be at 7 p.m. Sunday on KUGS 89.3. The station presents an "End of the Weekend Special," a one-hour program spotlighting special artists and their albums, at 7 p.m. each Sunday.

Avoid cold-related emergencies

Don Wenzel of the Bellingham Mountain Rescue Council will present a movie and demonstration on cold-related emergencies as part of the Outdoor Program's session on hypothermia, frostbite and exposure. The presentation will be at 7 p.m. Monday in VU 305.

Free macrame class

Free instruction in macrame starts at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in VU 209. The class continues every Thursday throughout the quarter.

EVENTS:

Tonight: "Don Quixote," with Rudolf Nureyev at 6:30 p.m. in the Music Auditorium. Cost is \$1.50.

Tomorrow: "Don Quixote" at 6:30 and 9 p.m. in the Music Auditorium.

Women's basketball: Western vs SPU at 5:30 p.m.

Wrestling is here with Central at 7:30 p.m.

Sunday: "Don Quixote," 2 p.m. matinee in the Music Auditorium.

"Bound for Glory" at 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. in the Music Auditorium.



Photo by Dave Van Veen

TAKE THREE ASPIRIN — Health Center officials are seldom lonely this month. Two flu strains have hit the campus, sending students flocking to the center. The nurse's prescription: bedrest.

Evaluation to cost \$5,000

Faculty grading coordinator

by JESSIE MILLIGAN

The creation of a job to coordinate the proposed student evaluation handbook will be considered by the AS Board of Directors tonight.

"The faculty evaluation handbook hinges on the acceptance of this job," Martin

Reeves, AS board member said.

The coordinator of the handbook initially will be responsible for gathering information on the costs and techniques of publishing the handbook. This information will be used as a basis for the AS approval or disapproval of the handbook

when it comes before the board next month.

The \$300 per quarter position requires a full-time student with a knowledge of statistics and evaluation, Reeves said.

The handbook would rate professors' quality of instruction based on student responses to questionnaires.

Reeves said he will ask the board of directors to use AS funds for the salary and the estimated \$5,000 printing costs for the handbook.

If the handbook is approved, the coordinator will be responsible for designing the questionnaire, mailing it to students and compiling the results of the evaluation in a format for publication.

Reeves suggested the questionnaire not be distributed until late spring quarter. "This would allow freshmen the chance to get to know more of the faculty," Reeves told board members last week.

The results of the survey would be compiled this summer and published in a handbook before fall quarter, he added.

Originally, Reeves was "working on the project voluntarily" along with Mark Gramps, AS personnel director and Mike Acord, recreation council chairman. Reeves suggested to board members last week that the project would warrant a paid position instead.

Also considered at last week's board meeting was the possibility of having a faculty advisor to ensure that evaluation statistics were interpreted correctly

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Professor quits dual role

Drake leaves City Council

The public has a responsibility to keep informed because they can make an impact on the community, George Drake, Western sociology professor, said after recently retiring from the Bellingham City Council after four years of service.

Utilizing his experience on the council in the classroom, Drake said he can better con-

front students with problematic social situations likely to face them as responsible adults in the community.

"A single individual can make a difference, Drake said, "City government has a need for citizen participation. Citizens should write a letter if they can't voice their opinion in person because then it is a

"matter of permanent record."

He decided to run for the council in a "responsive moment" when he found that the fourth ward council seat hadn't been filed for on the last day.

A veteran of U.S. foreign and military service, Drake said he ran because he realized the need for a good and responsible democracy.

Drake said he wanted to restore a sense of credibility in local government.

One of Drake's accomplishments while on the council was reforming the Community Development Committee. This committee went on to apply for the Community Development Block Grant Program which was eventually singled out to make improvements in the lettered streets neighborhood.

As far as running for office in the future, Drake said that he is not averse to running again. He would never consider leaving Bellingham, he said.

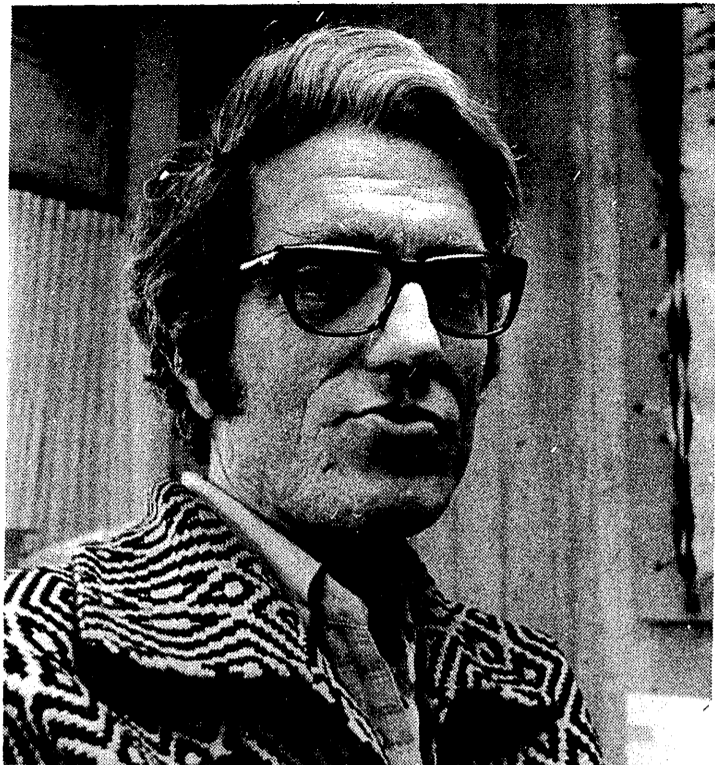


Photo by Mark Dana

ENDORISING INFORMATION — George Drake, retired city council member and Western sociology professor urges citizens to voice their opinions. "A single individual can make a difference" he says.

Briefcase stolen from student; contents requested returned

Steve Smith lost something dear to his heart . . . his briefcase.

On Friday, Dec. 9 Smith, a freshman, had just finished neatly packing his Austin America with everything he needed for Christmas vacation.

As a final act, he picked up his briefcase containing bank books, \$90 cash, car and motorcycle records, land deed, diary key, university records and every other document he'd ever collected.

He carefully placed the case in the trunk, and tenderly closed the lid.

He should have slammed the damn thing shut instead.

Somewhere between Higginson parking lot and the Campus Security building, the trunk popped open and the case slipped out.

"The briefcase contained most everything I owned," Smith said. "I had things in there that I might never replace."

Smith said he stopped at Campus Security to buy a parking sticker before he left Western. He needed his auto registration, which was also in his briefcase.

"But when I went to get it, the trunk was open and the briefcase was gone," Smith said.

"It was very aggravating losing the case," he said. "I had grown to depend on it and had spent a lot of time getting everything in order."

Smith said he backtracked as soon as he noticed the trunk lid open, but could only find a pair of tennis shoes.

After numerous efforts to locate it, Smith finally gave up his search, believing the case to be stolen.

"Whoever picked it up has shown no sign of returning it, and I don't think I'll ever get it back," he said.

"I guess I've learned the hard way," Smith said, "I don't need the briefcase anymore."

But Smith would still like the briefcase returned, or at least the documents inside. Anyone with information can contact Smith at 676-4367.

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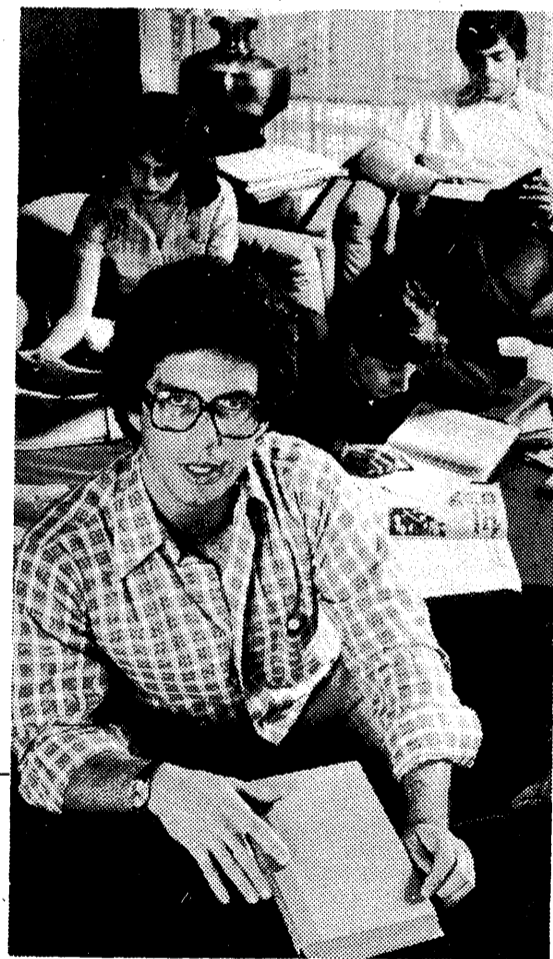
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New lounge for women in Miller Hall

Women older than 25 can now meet and eat lunch in a special lounge in Miller 263.

The new "Off-Campus Women's Center and Lounge" is for beginning students over 25, returning students and mothers. It is designed to bring them together in a relaxed atmosphere and help them utilize Western's services.

Weekdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., the center is open and a resource woman is there to help and advise. Joan Gregg, one resource woman, said she hopes students will bring a sack lunch and get acquainted.

A small library might be started in the lounge, she said. Activities and programs will reflect the women's interests.



Photo by Charles Nacke

Who needs husbands? Wives: Dare to earn more

Married women might have trouble breaking into management positions according to a recent study prepared by Lois Peterson, assistant professor of business and economics.

"Personnel people and people in a position to assign jobs do not look at the women's capability first, but mostly at her ability to adapt," Peterson said.

She found in most instances employers were very concerned whether a husband would consent to relocate if his wife were given a promotion to another area.

"In most cases there is a masked resentment

by husbands towards their wives' careers," Peterson said.

Even if a husband is supportive of his wife's ambition, he might still resent her new role. It damages his ego to see his wife in the limelight if he is not in such a noble position as she, Peterson said.

But moving is not the only reason women are having a difficult time climbing their way to the top of the business world.

Another is the fear of ruining their marriage by earning more money in a more prestigious position than their spouse, Peterson said.

Spring financial aid less certain

For students needing help with spring quarter school expenses, the Financial Aid Office has some money still available.

"Essentially, for those students now applying for the '78-'79 academic year, we have available the National Direct Student Loan Funds (NDSLFF), and limited work-study to fill their needs," Wayne Sparks, financial aid director, said.

The NDSLFF is a long term, low interest loan which the student isn't required to pay until he or she has been out of school for nine months, Sparks said.

Financial aid received a surplus of \$7,354 for the spring quarter, which was given to the

work-study programs to cover expected costs.

The work-study programs, with a few exceptions, have been closed to new students for spring quarter.

"We're making just limited additional commitments of work-study for students who are now applying for spring quarter," Sparks said. The application deadline is April 1, 1978.

The office has also received financial aid information bulletins and applications for the '78-'79 academic year, Sparks said.

Sparks said the applications for '78-'79 have been simplified from three repetitious forms to two basic forms.

"We have made an effort to simplify Western's application too, and we have eliminated some of the questions that are already present on the other forms," Sparks said. Hopefully this process will benefit the students, he said.

Cathy Dudik, Student Employment Center director, said, "Students should be encouraged to apply for some financial help, so that they don't have to worry about the upcoming year."

Dudik also said the Student Employment Center is starting

to get summer job information.

Students in need of financial aid for next year can pick up packets containing information about various aids and applications from the financial aid office, Old Main 120-G.



WAYNE SPARKS

MISTER, MOVE OVER — The climb to the top of the business world is rough for women, and sometimes rougher for their husbands.

Services for Westerner

Memorial services were yesterday for Lorraine Zimmerman, former Western student, at United Methodist Church in Des Moines, WA.

Zimmerman, 24, whose skeletal remains were found Dec. 28, 1977 near a gravel pit in Essex County, VA., had been missing since July 16.

Calvert Delano, Essex County sheriff, said definite signs of skull damage were found, although the cause of death is uncertain.

A fund in Zimmerman's name has been set up by the King County Assn. for Retarded Citizens, in memory of her involve-

ment with programs for the retarded.

She spent much of her last three summers working in camps and schools for the retarded, her father said. She had hoped to make this work her career, he said.

Zimmerman's struggle with crippling nerve damage was her inspiration to work with the handicapped, he added.

The damage resulted from an undetermined illness during her early childhood, affecting



her extremities and forcing her to wear braces on both shoes at 18.

Through physical therapy, Zimmerman gradually acquired what her father called, "good movements."

Her father also attributed his daughter's interest in the handicapped to her personal nature.

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RESTAURANT AND DISCO

Cops make library bust

by MARK WOLKEN

The Bellingham Police and Western Security teamed to apprehend a Western student on campus Wednesday night.

Bellingham Police arrested Joseph Leo Wedner, 38, 511 Chestnut St., in the reserve reading room of Wilson Library on a warrant charging him with second degree assault, Rod Groves, Bellingham police detective, said.

On Jan. 12, Wedner allegedly threatened a man with a gun in an alley adjacent to Wedner's house, Groves said. The weapon was identified as a .45 caliber automatic pistol. Groves said Wedner was not armed at the time he was arrested.

Groves said, "The arrest was a matter of good investigation and cooperation between the Bellingham Police and Campus Security."

Wedner was being arraigned at press time.

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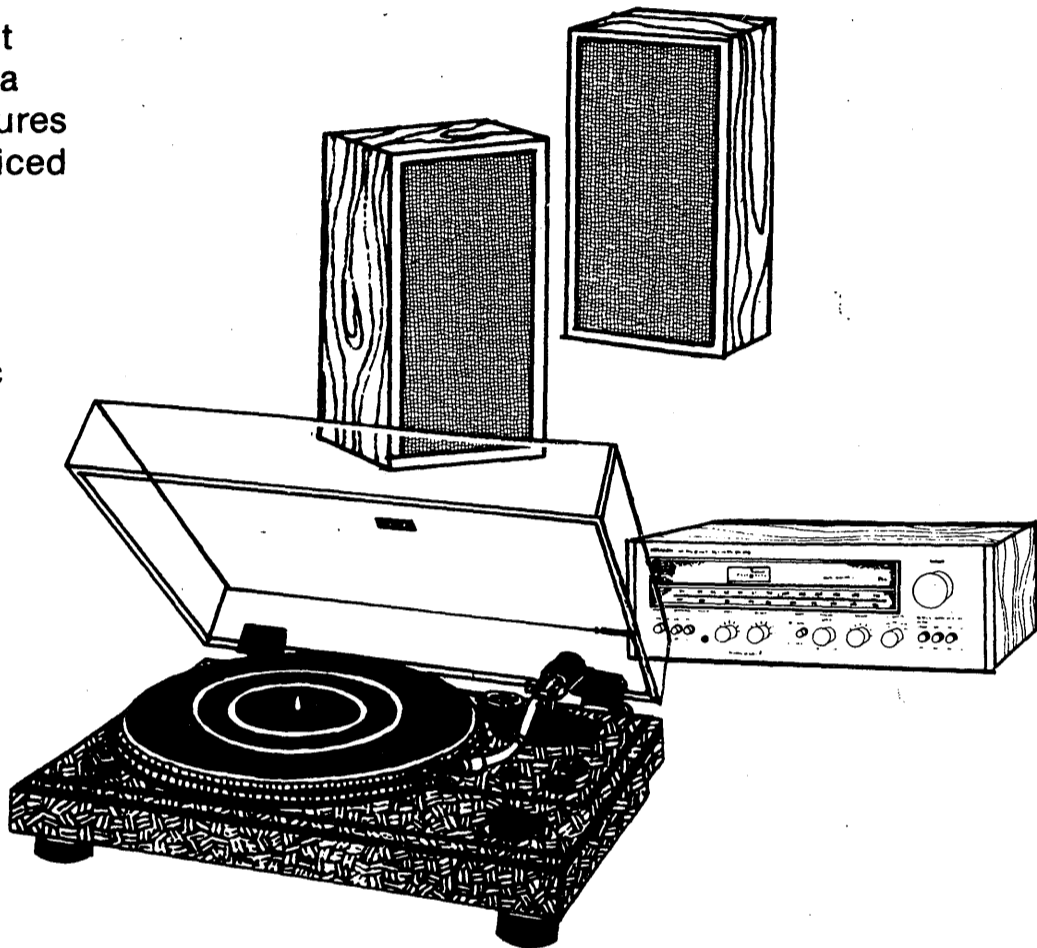
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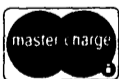


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Arts & Entertainment

ABC's 'Nashville' presentation on the up and up

by KEVIN CHARLES

Tell the posse to dismount and have the lynch mob go home. The varmints got themselves a lawyer and turned the noose into a loophole.

When last we left this column it appeared that ABC had run too many commercials in its presentation of "Nashville" on Jan. 8.

The National Association of Broadcasters limits commercial time to 9 minutes and 30 seconds per 60 minutes during prime time. The limit

extends to 16 minutes after 11 p.m. ABC and its local affiliate KOMO are pledged to the code.

"Nashville" in its last hour and 15

Outtakes

minutes had 17 minutes of commercials, promotions and public service announcements. The movie's final scene ran longer than 15 minutes. Thus ABC was apparently over the

NAB code limit of 16 minutes per hour limit.

I came to this conclusion after receiving information that the code limit included "all non-programming time" from a KOMO spokesman. Since then I have learned that the term "all non-programming time" isn't all inclusive.

Public service announcements and promotions for the same program are excluded from the code definition of "all non-programming time." Most

television stations run their public service messages late at night. Virtually all stations do not air them during prime time.

"Nashville" was stuffed to death with commercial time. But it might be a solace to know that it was done legally.

Rats. For a brief time there, I felt just like Zane Grey. The next time I try and slap leather with a network, I'll let you know. Giddy-up there, ole paint.

Focusing on visual effects

by DAVID VAN VEEN

The average photo show is at the Western Gallery. It is typical of photo shows that have been around. There are some interesting techniques, but the applications are little more than visual effects on simple ideas.

The most exciting things are done by Richard Margolis. He takes a simple composition of trees in the dark inner city, adds a little blur and creates a sense of cold, vibrant loneliness.

His variations do not always come across, though. One photograph of parked cars in front of a building and fence posts, vibrating with lights in clouds and trees leaves a cluttered feeling.

He likes to photograph trees, using blur to create motion. Margolis has too much of this subject matter. The only variation is in composition. One simple picture of a tree trunk and leaves comes across quite well, but others using this idea are either too complicated or incomplete.

Two of his photos of trees illuminated in a dark field have

a tranquil effect but they lack any other quality.

Rod Slemmon's attempts to be vague work all too well. Several times he takes a picture of the forest, makes a light print and blurs it to a point of nonrecognition. One picture using this idea is well done, though, and takes on the appearance of a charcoal sketch. It is a strong picture, but smooth.

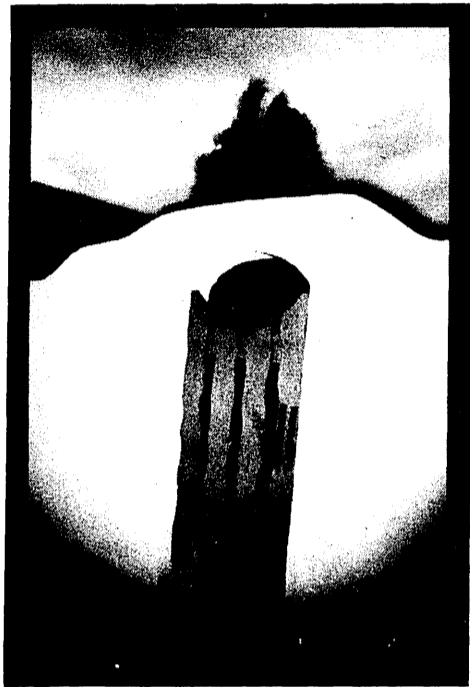
A few of Slemmon's pictures try to catch the viewer's eye with graphic photographs of trees and buildings and a lot of blur to create a sensation of motion. This idea of graphic motion is intense to the point of motion sickness. When he does the same thing with highway guard rails it gets rather pointless.

These photographs appear to represent Rod Slemmon's picture taking style rather than photographic interpretation.

Jeff Wolin is from an old school of thought. His works represent the idea of subject matter, in this case trees, having its own comment. It is up to the photographer to find the message and make an interpretation.

Many of his photographs are bland. However, examination will show that each tree has a uniqueness that Wolin attempts to show.

The show holds no surprises. There is the usual amount of catchy current stuff with whatever they need to get rid of thrown in. The prints are editioned and are for sale. The show will run to Jan. 27 at the Western Gallery in the Art-Tech building.



What's Happening . . .

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Jan 20, (the day after Bridget's birthday so this is special for her . . .) and what present could be nicer than *Bodie Wagner and Mike Marker*? Mike plays long neck banjo and sings new fashioned songs of political outrage, usually to make you laugh and sing along. *Bodie* . . . "The first time I met Bodie Wagner he was sitting on a bridge. That was four years ago. Now he's living in a garage." — Utah Phillips, He sings and writes hobo songs, kid's songs, drinkin' songs, sober songs, and all of them magical.

SPECIAL EVENTS

This next Wednesday the WWU community will be treated to a very special evening of contemporary dance by The Kathryn Posin Dance Co. of New York. The Co. will be on campus the first three days of next week in residence, teaching classes and giving demonstrations and will culminate on Wednesday at 8:00 pm in the Music Aud. Combining music from jazz to rock to Bach, the Co. features a wide range of interpretations of Symbolic Reality thru the Dance mood. The price for this unique show is \$3.50. Tickets are available at the door and the VU Info Desk as well as the usual downtown outlets. Check posters and flyers for the times and places of the classes and demonstrations.

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GALLERY

Charles Luce will be opening a show in the VU Gallery on the 21st of January at 12:00 pm. There will be a public appearance by the artist. This show has been arranged courtesy of the Linda Farris Gallery of Seattle.

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Lasers, dancing to dazzle WWU

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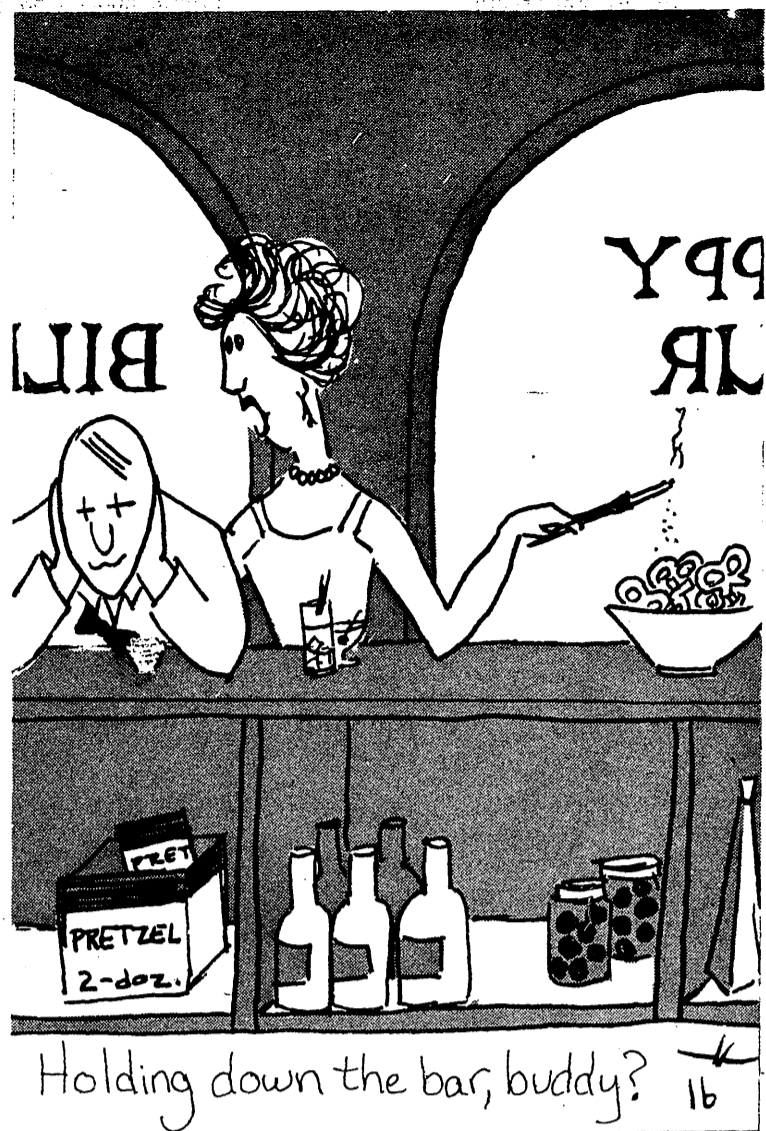
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IN OLD FAIRHAVEN

Happy Hour Helping Hints

The following chart is a selected index of restaurants around town for persons desiring a loose encounter of the happy hour kind. Next Friday the Front will list local taverns and their brews.

RESTAURANT	DAYS AND HOURS	PRICES
Black Forest 710 Samish Way	Mon.-Fri. 5 to 6:30 p.m.	Two for one bar drinks \$1.10
Bristol Bay Fish Co. 1139 N. State St.	Mon.-Fri. 3:30 to 6:30 p.m. 10 to 11 p.m.	Half price bar drinks 65c
Cathay House 950 Lincoln Ave.	Mon.-Fri. 4 to 7 p.m.	\$1.25 double bar drinks
Dan's Landing 501 W. Holly St.	All week 4 to 8 p.m.	Bar drinks 75c Beer and wine 50c
Good Time Charlies 1224 Cornwall Ave.	Mon.-Fri. 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.	Highballs \$1 Beer 35c
The Hacienda 1217 Cornwall Ave.	All Week 4 to 8 p.m. Tequila Tues. 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.	First two hours: two for one bar drinks \$1.10 and imported beer. Last two hours: Tequila shots 89c and discounted Margaritas.
The Fairhaven 1114 Harris St.	Mon.-Fri. 5 to 6 p.m.	Tap beer 25c Bar drinks and wine 75c Margaritas \$1.00 Coffee drinks \$1.10
Kinetekos 1317 Cornwall Ave.	Mon.-Sat. 5 to 7:30 p.m. 10 to 11 p.m.	Bar drinks 75c
The Meat Hook 4200 Guide Meridian	Mon.-Thurs. 4 to 6 p.m. 10 to 11 p.m. Fri.-Sat. 4 to 6 p.m. 11 p.m. to midnight	Two for one highballs varied prices Tequila drinks \$1 on Thursdays
The Ram Pub 1313 E. Maple St.	Mon.-Thur. 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Fri. 2 to 6:30 p.m. Tequila Thur. 9 p.m. to 1:30 a.m.	Double bar drinks \$1.15 Discount on House specials



Holding down the bar, buddy? 16

Tingle your senses, enjoy classical music

The music department offers a week of complimentary programs next Monday through Thursday beginning with three student recitals in the Concert Hall of the Performing Arts Center.

Joel Swafford will perform two chamber pieces at 5 p.m. Monday, including Beethoven's (Spring) Sonata in F Major. Assisting will be Clark Story, violin, Diana Robertson, clarinet, and Marty Garrett, violin.

Lyn Johnson will present a junior piano recital at 5 p.m. Wednesday. Her program features "Dumky" Trio by Dvorak. She will be assisted by Story and Ginger First, cello.

At 5 p.m. Thursday, pianist Ruth Reichwald

and voice major Jon Reed will present a Chamber recital. They will perform "Die Shone Mullerin," a cycle of songs by Schubert.

Collegium Musicum students under the direction of Mary Terecy-Smith will present a baroque music recital at 8:15 p.m. Thursday in the Whatcom Museum of History and Art. Works by Itaina, French and German composers from the Baroque Music period (1600-1750) will be featured.

The program will include Corelli's Trio Sonata for two violins, cello and harpsichord; Bach's Flute Solo Sonata; Telemann's Aria, tenor solo; and Couperin's "Little Windmills" for flute and guitar, with other selected works.

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Ram's 'Sam' does well with what it has

by STEPHANIE JENSEN

The arrival of dinner theater in Bellingham at the Ram is a welcome addition to the entertainment scene. The restaurant pub has developed a dining-theater experience which has the potential for producing first-rate entertainment.

At present, however, indicated by low attendance at the performances, the dinner theater is seemingly operating virtually unknown in the community.

The current debut production, "Play It Again, Sam," by Woody Allen, is an often hilarious, yet uneven production resulting from the different levels of characterization given by the actors.

The story concerns the plight of Allan Felix, a man left by his

wife, and consequently left struggling to find his sexual identity. Felix's desperate attempts to make contact with the opposite sex are tragically comic. A go-go dancer, a photographer's assistant, and even a nymphomaniac reject his advances.

Randy Carl as Allan Felix is far superior to the rest of the cast in conveying the humor of the script. His comic timing is excellent and, as a result, he steals the show.

The Ram offers a small, intimate stage space which is both an asset and a weakness.

The small area allows the audience to be drawn closer to the action. This is especially effective during the many fantasy sequences, where special lighting and sound fill the entire

theater and create a theater-in-the-round experience.

Director William Dunagan works well with a stage that is normally the Ram's disco dance floor. The set is adequate, not at all cluttered as might be expected.

The disadvantage of the smaller space became apparent through the performance of Jayne Muirhead as Linda Christie. Limited to the dimensions of the Ram, Muirhead's performance closed up, as she blocked herself out, visually and audibly, in many of her movements.

The script is very fast paced, and at times it seemed to slip out from under the actors in their line delivery. Many of the cast were plagued by problems of unclear speech.

The timing that is essential to

good comic delivery was often lost because of lack of understanding of what was being said. Backstage noise also detracted from the performance.

The object of Allan Felix's fantasies, Humphrey Bogart, was played by Del Elliot. Although he gave a basically weak performance, the illusion of a "Bogey" was realized through costuming and an attempt at Bogart's vocal inflections by Elliot.

William Fulle portrayed Allan's friend, a chronic achiever. His performance reached an energetic high in the scene where he imitated a jilted Italian lover. Here, he demonstrated vitality that was lacking throughout the rest of his scenes.

The quick pace and energetic

performance by Carl made the show comically contagious. The audience could hardly help becoming interested in the plight of Allan Felix, and the ten minute intermissions between acts were almost too long for the sober members of the audience.

"Play It Again, Sam" is being held over until next Tuesday, Jan. 24. Dinner is served at 7:30 p.m. Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Curtain for the performance is at 9:00. The price of the complete prime rib dinner and show is \$13.00. Those wishing to see the show without having the dinner may do so for \$4.50. Reservations for the dinner theater may be made by calling the Ram at 676-1540.



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Sports

Refs play major role

Viking win streak snapped by Falcons

by BART POTTER

Basketball coaches are usually too diplomatic to honestly vent their feelings about game officials. Sportswriters don't need to be.

Referees Phil DeKoster and Bob Gates did almost everything they could to give Western a home court win Tuesday, but their last-gasp efforts fell short as the Vikings lost to Seattle Pacific University anyway, 58-57. Had the game lasted one more minute the refs could have turned the trick.

The officials' conduct drew attention away from another gutsy performance by the seemingly always outmanned Vikings. In fact, the Viks seemed reluctant to accept the kindness. Fred Knutsen, at the charity stripe (in this case the old cliché is disturbingly apt) with two seconds left in the game, missed the first shot of a go-ahead one-and-one situation and the game was SPU's.

How Knutsen got there is the most blatant example of the referees' work this night. The 6-2 guard drove to his right into the key with time ticking away and slammed into the Falcons' Mark Christiansen, knocking him down. Gates' call, of

course, went against Christiansen, who, to all appearances, had solid and legal defensive position.

Of the crucial call, SPU coach Keith Swagerty said with a smile, "I thought our three guys had pretty good position."

Western coach Chuck Randall went so far as to admit, "I suppose it was a typical home-court call."

DeKoster and Gates certainly did not begin the game with any pre-conceived notions of swinging the game in Western's favor. On paper, in fact, the edge appears to go to SPU. Each team was whistled for 17 fouls, and the Falcons shot four more free throws than the Vikings. But any observer would have noticed that the much shorter Vikings were forced into over-aggressiveness and fouled more as a result.

It was the timing, rather than the quantity, of the whistles in Western's favor that had many in the partisan crowd admitting that the Falcons were getting homered. Every time the Vikings needed a boost, especially in the stretch run when the Viks trailed, the refs seemed to provide it.

When asked after the game

about the general quality of officiating, Swagerty, ever the diplomat, said, "No comment." His tight lips, however, suggested there was much he wanted to say.

"I've had it happen to me," Randall said, somewhat evasively, when asked the same question. "You expect it on the road."

It is a sad commentary on the state of basketball officiating when a visiting team, as a matter of course, can expect to be cheated.

In any case, it was the Vikings' inability to put the ball through the hoop that was the major factor in their defeat. Kevin Bryant, Western's top offensive threat the last several games, and Pete Pilkey had particularly frustrating games. Bryant hit on 5 of 15 shots and Pilkey only one of eight. The Vikings made 25 of 71 shots for a poor .352 percentage.

"We just had a tough shooting night," Randall said. "Tonight was one of those nights we really missed May (injured forward Ron May). He's probably our best shooter and we could have used him."

Center Mark Clay led the Vik scorers with 12 points. Dave

Harding hit for 11 points with 11 rebounds and was a prime mover, along with Knutsen, as the Vikings came back twice from five-point deficits in the final two minutes of the game. Bryant managed 10 points and led Western with five assists. Knutsen had three important baskets for six points.

The Falcons, who hit on 23-52 shots from the field for a .442 percentage, were paced by guard Keith Woods with 16

points. Christiansen added 12 points, along with 10 rebounds, and Rob Thayer had 10.

The difference in the final score can be traced to free throw shooting. SPU, aided by Christiansen's 6-6 shooting, made 12 of 15 for .800. The Viks hit seven of 11 for .636.

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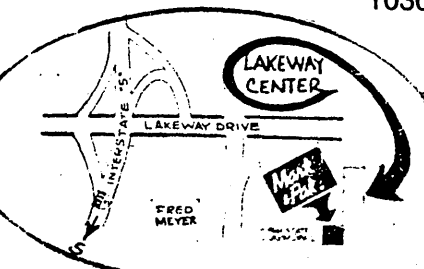
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SAVE THIS AD

Viks have bad time up north face tough Husky team next

by RICK ESKIL

The lead changed hands 14 times as Western's women's basketball team lost a close one to Simon Fraser University Tuesday night 74-70.

The trip over the border to Burnaby, B.C. also brought a change in the rules. International rules were in force, as opposed to the intercollegiate rules normally used by the Vikings.

This change in rules caused problems for the Viks as they were called for four over and back violations in the final minutes of the game.

Under women's intercollegiate rules a player in possession of the ball may cross the mid-court line as often as they want. The international rule is the same as the men's collegiate rule that says a player in

possession of the ball can cross the centerline only once.

Viking coach Lynda Goodrich said, "We played one of our better games. We just ran out of time."

"Center Jan Johnston did a fine job, holding the woman she was checking to eight points. Last year the same woman scored 35 against us," Goodrich said.

Leading the Vikings' scoring was freshman forward Jo Metzger with 27 points. SFU's top scorer was Bev Bland who hit for 25 tallies.

The Vikings, whose record stands at 6-4, shot 28 of 65 from the field. SFU shot 31 for 65.

Tonight the Vikings travel to Hec Edmundsen Pavilion in Seattle at 7:30 p.m. to take on the University of Washington Huskies.

The Huskies, who boast an 8-1 record, will be tough. Goodrich said, "They might be beatable, but I don't know if we're ready to do it yet."

The Huskies will be led by 6'1" center Margie Nielsen, who is leading the Northwest Women's Basketball League in rebounding with an average of 15.4 per game. She is third in scoring with an average of 18.1 per contest.

Saturday the Vikings travel to the other side of Seattle to take on the Falcons of Seattle Pacific University at 5:30 p.m. in Broughan Pavilion.

Clearance time for Fall lockers

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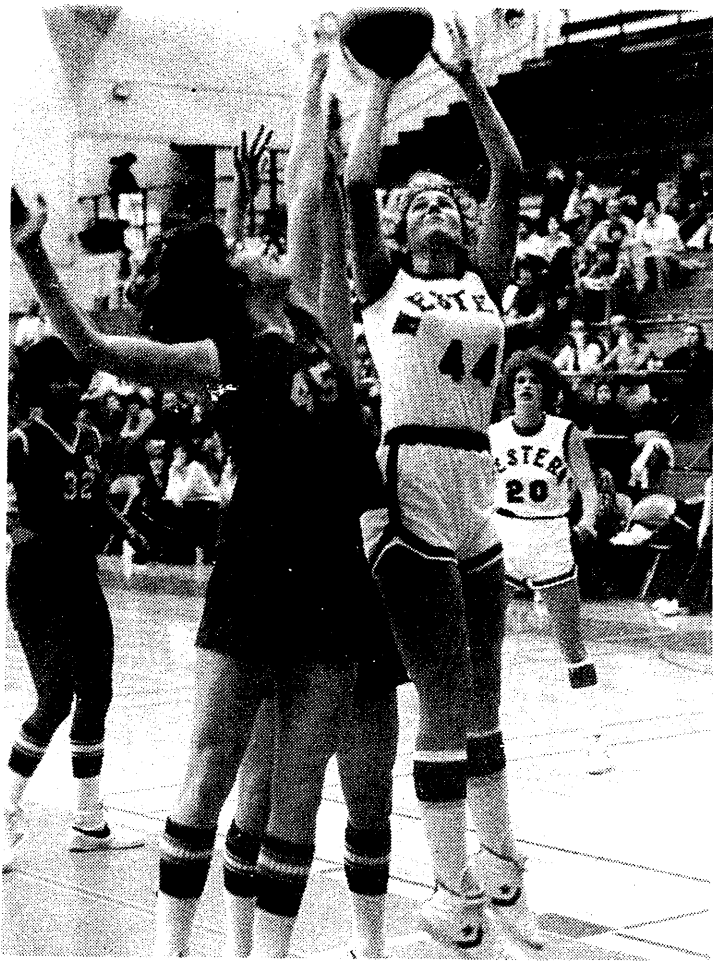


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A TOUGH PLACE — To take a shot and the Vikings have two tough games ahead as they face the University of Washington Friday and Seattle Pacific University Saturday. Shooting the ball is Jan Johnston and looking on is 20 Jo Metzger.

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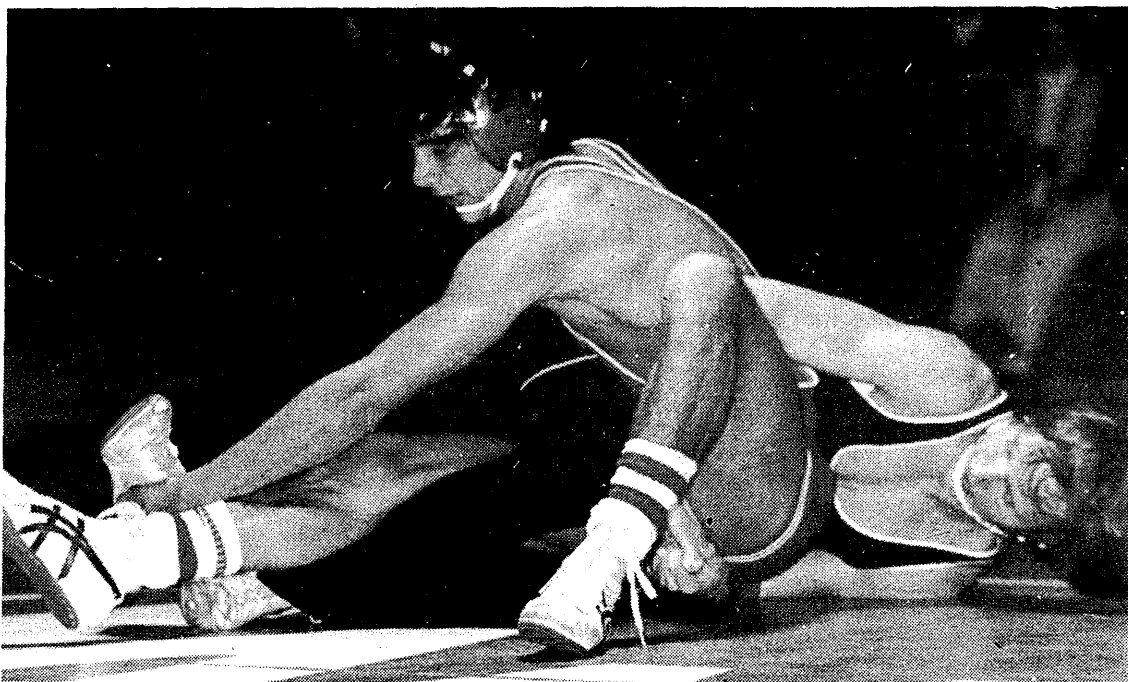


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WHOSE SHOES? Viking grappler Rick Geyen works on a Southern Oregon wrestler's footwear in last weekend's match. The Viks take on the Central Wildcats tomorrow.

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Face Surrey club

Demotion for kickers

by BRUCE STINSHOFF

The rules of the world's most popular sport may be based on fair principles, but they leave little room for exceptions, as Western's soccer team is finding out.

Western, now a third division team, is faced with the possibility of dropping to the fourth division, even though coach Mike King says his club is one of the tops in the league.

The Viks must prove their right to the third division by defeating the Surrey Hungarians at 2 p.m. Sunday at the football field.

If they win this game they must still win three others, but the team is taking everything one game at a time.

The task of upending the Hungarians won't be easy. Surrey is in second place in the Fraser Valley Soccer League, just behind Aldergrove.

Surrey, with a 13-1-1 win-loss-tie record, has scored 63 goals in the past 15 games (over four per game) and has let in only seven.

Surrey's only loss this season was at the hands of Aldergrove, and there lies most of King's hope for a Western win.

"Aldergrove beat Surrey 3-0, but Western only lost 2-1 to Aldergrove," King said.

King has more to base his hopes on than just the point spreads of these two games. The team that takes the field against Surrey on Sunday is an improved version over the one that played most of the season.

During the fall, Western's soccer

program was split into two teams. While the second team (the one playing Sunday) was in the Fraser Valley League, the first team played in the NCAA.

Western's first team players were not allowed to play on the second team because of eligibility reasons.

The revamped second team made its debut last Sunday as it lost a 3-1 mud-sling to Port Coquitlam. This loss knocked Western out of contention for the Pakenham Cup.

As well as league games, Western also participates in cup play. The winner of the cup play is awarded the Pakenham Cup. The Viks were in the quarter-finals when they lost.

King has made some changes in the line-up which he hopes will ignite a win.

A new forward, Bob Berg, has been added. He will team up with veterans Bill Smith and Dick Jones.

Western's first line goalie, Stephan Birgh, also will be back in the line-up. Peter Munro, who will start at fullback Sunday, tended the nets against Port Coquitlam, because of injuries to Western's two top goalies.

Not starting, but expected to help out as a substitute, is Wayne Anderson, who can play either offense or defense.

King said he doesn't think last week's loss will affect the team.

"We go out to win every single game. We don't care about the standings," King said.

Still, it would be nice to remain in the third division.



KICKS — Western player boots the ball out of the reach of Port Coquitlam defender, but to no avail as the Viks lost the game 3-1.

Viking wrestlers survive flu bout, face rough Simon Fraser, Central

by ERIC HOOKHAM

In spite of the ravages of last week's double defeat and that ruthless foe, the Texas flu, Western's wrestlers will again engage in combat this weekend.

The matmen travel to Burnaby, B.C. today to take on Simon Fraser University (SFU), and will entertain Central here tomorrow.

In Western's last meeting with SFU, the Clansmen narrowly won, 26-19. Wrestling coach Harry Smith feels the match will have a different outcome today.

"If we stay healthy, we will

have a good chance to knock them over," he said.

He said the only difficulty the team might encounter is that SFU wrestles freestyle. In freestyle wrestling, a wrestler may be pinned if his shoulder blades even momentarily touch the mat. Western usually wrestles collegiate style, in which the shoulders may briefly touch the mat.

Central will appear here at 2 p.m., tomorrow in Carver Gym D. The Wildats, (5-6) are ranked 12th nationally in the NAIA.

"They (Central) aren't as

strong as they've been in previous years," Smith said, "and with the new people we've gotten since the quarter break, our chances should be much greater of winning."

Smith said that the Vikings must win at least one of this weekend's matches to obtain an even record for the season. Western is presently 4-7.

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GRADUATE STUDENTS expecting to complete their master's degree during winter quarter should be in touch with the Graduate Office. Applications must be filed by today.

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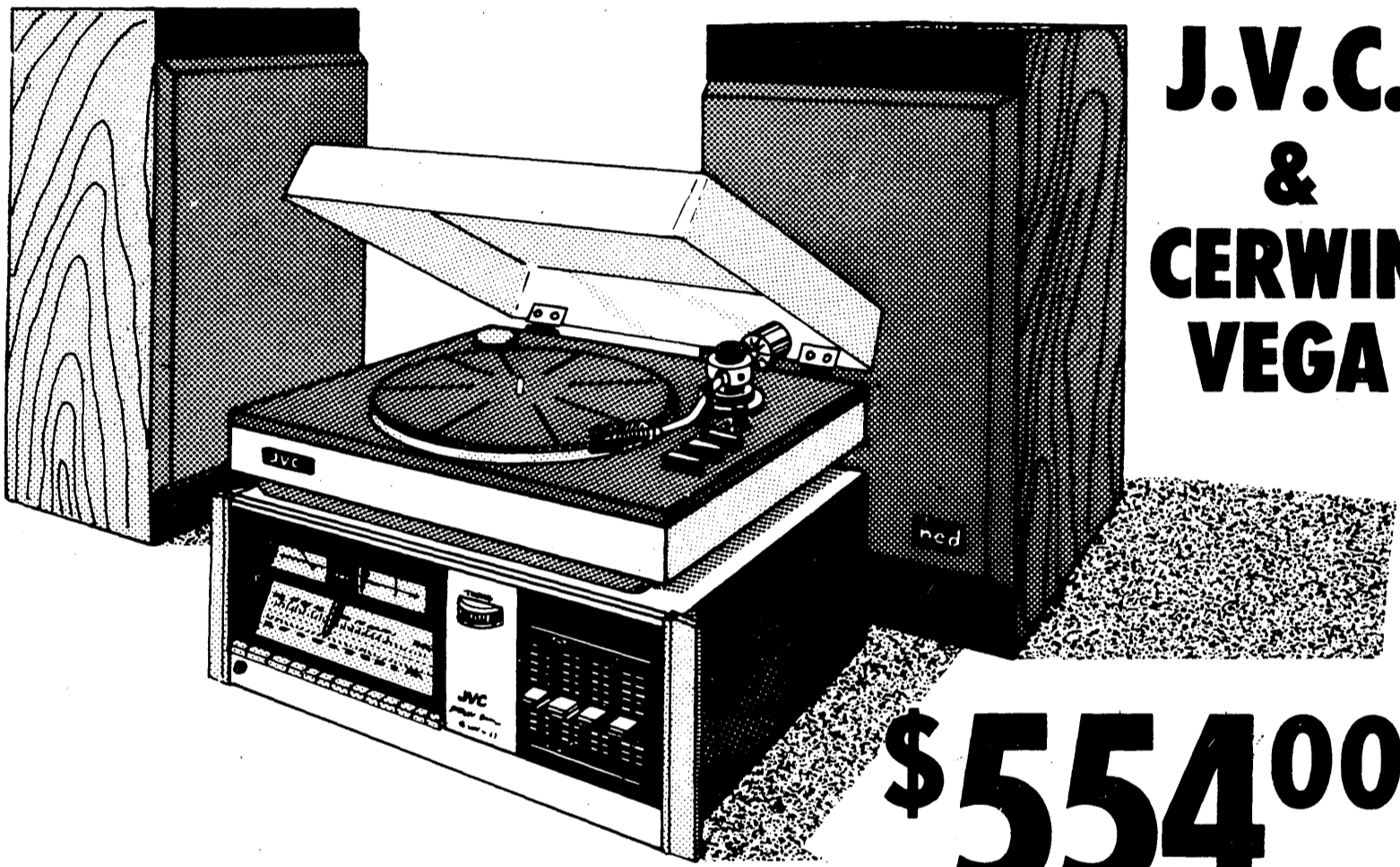
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