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# WESTERN FRONT

## CBE dean Davis to resign his post

By MITCH EVICH

Prompted by a chance to return to where he grew up, J. Ronnie Davis, 41-year-old dean of the College of Business and Economics, will leave Western for the University of South Alabama in Mobile.

Meanwhile, Acting University President James Talbot has set into motion plans for a committee that will lead to the selection of the next dean.

Davis, who will assume the deanship of the College of Business and Management Studies at the Alabama campus this spring, said the university "turned out to be about 10 miles from the high school (on the Mississippi coast) I graduated from."

South Alabama wasn't the first university to call for Davis' services. In his brief tenure at Western beginning in the summer of 1981,

Davis said, nearly every month a university notified him that he was being considered for the dean's position.

"It was very easy in each of those cases to write back and tell them I wasn't interested," Davis said. "My intention had been to stay at Western for years."

But the death of his father helped change that. Davis said he learned earlier this year his father was suffering from terminal cancer, and that forced him to "begin thinking about my life priorities and career opportunities."

Davis said the job opportunity gave him a chance to be with his family "at a time when I felt I was needed."

He conceded that the favorable growth the Mobile university is experiencing helped make his decision easier.

Davis also cited Southern Alabama's emphasis on professional programs, including business, as an additional enticement. Although the college is only about the size of Western, with an enrollment of about 10,000 students, Davis said it comprises "a strong professional environment."

Talbot said he will appoint a search committee early next month comprising four faculty members from within the business college and one from another area of the university.

The search committee will select three, unranked finalists — all from within Western — and Talbot said he will select the new dean sometime in December. The new dean will take over Davis's position spring quarter.

Talbot termed Davis's decision a "total surprise."

"I thought he was doing an excellent job," Talbot said. "Nobody wanted him to go."



Outgoing College of Business and Economics Dean J. Ronnie Davis: a re-evaluation of "life priorities and career opportunities."

### Battle for academic independence

## Huxley votes freedom

By CAROLYN CASEY

Like an army preparing for battle, Huxley College leaders last week announced their unanimous decision to remain a separate college, despite pressures to merge with Western's other science departments.

Several top administrators, including Provost Paul Ford, have recommended the chemistry, biology, physics, math, nursing and technology departments and Huxley be consolidated into a college of sciences.

Huxley Dean Richard Mayer said the college has been given the option of merging with the other sciences or trying to ride out the program review process, which began last week.

The faculty voted unanimously Thursday morning to take the position that Huxley should remain a separate environmental college, Mayer told a crowd of pre-majors that afternoon.

His announcement was met with applause and cheers.

"It was not an easy decision to make. I can see the dangers in it," Mayer said.

He said it first seemed tempting to join with others in a more protected unit, because of the threat of being eliminated.

But after much "soul searching," he said he decided it was worth the risk to fight to remain a separate college.

The main danger is Huxley will become easy prey for the academic review process taking place this year, he said. If the planners are looking for small units to eliminate, Huxley with 250 majors may be vulnerable, he said.

"There will be people who will have such thoughts. In fact, I have already heard such thoughts expressed," Mayer warned the students.

David Clarke, a Huxley professor, said to join with the other sciences would be the "death of Huxley."

Mayer admitted the battle to save Huxley may be a rough one. He called on students to help him win.

"I look to you to sell the idea. I need you to go out in our campus and tell others what environmental studies is," he said.

Mayer said he plans to write a document within two weeks "presenting our case for the continuation, if not enlargement of Huxley" to administrators.

The merger with other science departments probably would force elimination of courses unrelated to physical science, Mayer said.

Huxley is proud of its reputation for interaction between science and social science and doesn't want the latter "frozen out," Mayer said.

Clarke said Huxley also is vulnerable because of its often politically unpopular stands on environmental issues.

"A college like Huxley is saying things people don't want to hear. Huxley's job is to rub people's noses in it," Clarke said.

Mayer plans to change the direction of the college, however, through "appropriate environmentalism:" a "less emotional and far more cooperative, problem-solving attitude."

"We don't want to get into bed with industry. But, we do want to be able to talk with them," Mayer said. "Industry is not interested in prostituting the environment. They have to live here, too," he said.

Mayer said he wants to increase Huxley's enrollment by eliminating admission requirements next fall. Potential majors now must take certain courses before entering the college.

"We are trying to become a little more reasonable and flexible," Mayer said. "Let's face it, I want to attract students."

Mayer said approval of the proposed Huxley graduate program currently being considered would help the college.

"If we get it accepted in the next few months, it will give our cause enormous political clout," Mayer said.

Mayer said he also plans to begin recruiting for Huxley at two-year colleges and high schools.

## Ross here this week

A Western presidential candidate touted by former colleagues as an inspired leader and an adroit administrator will arrive in town tonight.

G. Robert Ross, former chancellor at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock and now a senior consultant at the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, brings a stormy past and a record of success to Western Wednesday and Thursday.

Ross, the second of five presidential finalists to visit Western, will make five public appearances during his stay here (See adjoining schedule).

As chancellor at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Ross became embroiled in a controversial struggle with the president of the Arkansas state university system.

Ross, sources in Little Rock say, helped turn the institution there into a first-rate university—something the president of the university system resented.

The system president, James Martin, was drawn from the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville, a school that traditionally had dominated the flow of state funding. Rosalie Cheatham, faculty senate president in Little Rock, said Martin saw the Little Rock campus as a threat, and moved to replace its leader.

But Martin's attempt to fire Ross was blocked by the university's local governing body, and Ross finished his term as chancellor, which ended last June.

During Ross' 13-year tenure as chancellor, enrollment skyrocketed by more than 300 percent—to 10,000 last year from 3,000 in 1969. Ross has a particular knack of convincing legislators of the merit of higher education, Cheatham said.

### Wednesday, Oct. 27

8-9:30 a.m.—Breakfast with Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs Paul Ford

10-11:30 a.m.—Campus tour

Noon-1:30 p.m.—Lunch with Presidential Search Committee

1:30-3 p.m.—Faculty Forum, Arntzen Hall 100

3-4 p.m.—Free time

4-5 p.m.—Meeting with Western Staff, Arntzen Hall 100

5:30-7 p.m.—Reception at Canada House with Western Foundation Board members, alumni, vice presidents and community leaders

7 p.m.—Dinner with the Board of Trustees

### Thursday, Oct. 28

8:30-10:30 a.m.—Meeting with deans and chairmen of departments

11:30-1:30 p.m.—Lunch with vice presidents

1:30-3 p.m.—Student Forum, Viking Union Lounge

3:30-4 p.m.—Press interviews, Old Main 340

4-5 p.m.—Open community forum, Arntzen Hall 100

5 p.m.—Interview with Board of Trustees, Old Main 440 A

# Review panel eyes more information

By ELAYNE ANDERSON

Despite three hours of deliberations Friday, the committee charged with studying Western's academic future couldn't agree upon what direction they should take.

The eight-member committee was set up to review academic programs and recommend possible consolidation, enhancement, reduction or elimination of programs and departments. The administration recommended a review process following funding reductions.

Although the committee discussed and debated what Western should be like five years from now, little agreement was reached.

Committee Chairman Harvey Gelder, faculty emeritus, said he would like to find a way to retain all academic programs through reorganization.

But other committee members said they didn't think it was feasible to save all of Western's programs.

Gelder replied that he didn't think the

"faculty is much larger than when we had 7,000 students."

John Moore of the business administration department said the purpose of Western isn't to provide employment for a certain number of faculty.

Marjorie Donker of the English department said the committee is supposed to

— a brief written description of each department;  
— a list of academic assignments of faculty not listed in the class schedule;

— the number of full-time faculty equivalent positions filled by teaching assistants;

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—Donker

make a list of priorities recommending what should be cut.

"I take for granted that there are no cuts we could recommend that would be desirable," Donker said.

The committee decided more information is needed before any decisions are made.

The information the committee is requesting consists of:

— a list of classes by section number, with the number of students attending each class and the instructor's name.

The committee also may informally request that the roles and missions statement for Western be rewritten.

Five of the eight members said they wanted to close the meeting to the public because they felt inhibited by the presence of a reporter.

"There are things I cannot say if they are going to be in the Western Front," Donker said.

But Gelder said he wanted the meetings opened to prevent rumors spreading about what is going on in the meetings.

According to state law, a meeting of a public agency not dealing with a legal issue or personal matters, or with national security issues, must be open to the public.

After former presidential search committee member Bruce Pullen pointed out that meetings probably couldn't legally be closed, the committee decided proceedings would be taped to guard against inaccurate reporting. The tapes will be made available to the public in Wilson Library.

"Our druthers are for a closed session," Moore said. "But we will respect the law."

The committee decided it will try to meet twice a week with the next meeting at 8 p.m. Friday in Wilson Library room 212.

## Bottle bill proponents clean up county roads

By NORI SHIROUZU

Bellingham supporters of the proposed state "bottle bill," calling for a "cleaner Washington," last Saturday went out to gather littered bottles and cans from roadsides.

They collected about 4,000 pieces in three hours.

At the Federal Building downtown, the supporters, many of them Western students, presented a pickup truck full of bottles and cans, amid shouts of "no more litter," "no more thrown bottles" and "yes for Initiative 414."

The pickup truck contained a horde of plastic pop bottles along with some detachable pulltabs from metal containers and plastic ring devices holding beverage containers together.

Eleven supporters of the Refund and Recycle Act, Initiative 414, cleaned up "a mile range per person" along Mt. Baker Highway and Marine Drive, they said.

The supporters say the "bottle bill" is the best way to prevent bottle and can litter. It will make people think twice before tossing out a bottle or can by giving a five-cent value to containers, they say.

If the initiative is approved, most soft drink, beer and ale containers sold in the state will have to carry a refund value of at least five cents.

"Washington currently recycles less than 30 percent of the beverage containers sold in the state and the other 70 percent simply become packages of waste," Sue Pelley, Whatcom County coordinator of 414, said.

Pelley said the bill would increase the state's recycling rate and reduce beverage container litter.

"We will be able to save a lot of resources and energy by reusing and recycling the containers," she said.

In states that have approved the bottle bill, such as Oregon and Maine, more than 90 percent of the sold containers were recycled, and container litter was reduced more than 80 percent in 1981, she said.

Foes of the bill, however, claim the state's Model Litter and Recycling law, which provides a litter pickup program, has worked fine and a new system is not necessary.

In a statement published in the 1982 voters pamphlet, they argue the initiative would damage the private recycling industry, and at least 1,680 recycling workers would lose their jobs.

The opponents also contend the bill would create beer and soft

drink price hikes. They estimate that consumers, if the bill is approved, will have to pay an average of 50 cents more (including at least a 30-cent deposit) for a six-pack of beer and 40 cents more for soft drinks.

Pelley said the initiative, however, would lower beverage prices and benefit the recycling industry. It will bring more recycling jobs, she said, because of increased can and bottle handling.

In Oregon, one of nine states that approved a refund and recycling bill, the study indicates a net job increase in the recycling field in 1981, Pelley said.

And the study shows the average soft drink price decreased.

But opponents argue that if nearly 1.5 billion uncleaned containers annually are forced back through food stores, sanitation problems will occur and the stores will become "garbage dumps," the voters pamphlet statement says.

Washington's bottle and can litter is minor—only 4.2 percent of the total litter—and the Model Litter and Recycling law cleans up most of the litter, opponents say.

The initiative, if approved, would allow retail stores to delegate their responsibilities to



A supporter of the "bottle bill" campaigns at the Federal Building Downtown.

recycling centers located no more than 1,000 yards from the store. Retail stores and recycling centers would receive a fee of at least two cents per container from distributors in addition to the refund.

## Western 'all parked out;' committee seeks solution

Problems exist with parking on campus—that's no secret to many faculty, staff and students.

But what to do about those problems isn't so clear.

This year, the parking system will undergo its first complete review since 1970, said Dorothy Telles, director of transportation.

"The main problem is that we're out of parking," she said.

With overselling of some of the bigger lots, about 2,500 parking spaces exist to serve all faculty, staff and students.

The enrollment drop hasn't helped alleviate the problem. For the first time, all parking spaces were filled within the first week, Telles said.

The parking review will begin with the Parking and Transportation Committee, which reviews and makes recommendations concerning rules and regulations and major policy issues, such as parking regulations during interim breaks.

These recommendations will be passed on to the Business and Finance Council (BFC). The Faculty Senate then will review the BFC's recommendations, perhaps in February, Telles said.

Any changes in the parking structure are targeted for fall quarter 1983.

The Parking and Transportation Committee still needs one staff member and one student appointment before a review can begin, Telles said.

## Proposal seeks writing classes as graduation requirement

By NEVONNE HARRIS

Incoming students may be required to take a writing course their freshman year, a writing-intensive course as part of their major and possibly a junior-level writing test beginning next fall.

Expository Writing Committee Chairman Ken Symes said the proposal will be presented at the next Academic Coordinating Commission meeting in mid-November.

Symes stressed that the proposal still is tentative. The freshman writing course would be required regardless of exemption determined by scores on college entrance examinations.

If students are exempt from English 101 then another course would be required.

The Expository Writing Committee also is considering a test for juniors, but doesn't know if it will be proposed or what kind of test it would be, Symes said.

The writing-intensive courses, which would stress essay writing, are the most important parts of the proposal, Symes said. The courses would be required for every major, not as general university requirements, but as courses required for graduation in the major.

The program will better train students in writing, Symes said.

The committee decided early that the proposal would make use of current staff, Symes said. No new faculty positions would be needed and auxiliary help from the Tutorial Center and the Writing Clinic would be used outside of class.

The committee looked at programs in other universities for ideas.

The proposed requirements will be in the 1983/85 catalog and take effect next fall if adopted. Students enrolled under the 1981/83 catalog will not have their general university requirement courses altered. Students declaring their major or minor under the 1983/85 catalog will be affected in that area, however.

# Dyslexia: Students can get help from Tutorial Center

By KATHLEEN STANFORD

Dxilasey a ibastilydi is gniirael. That is what some Western students would see when they try to read, "Dyslexia is a learning disability."

Some college students who can't read, write, do simple arithmetic or listen well suffer from dyslexia. Experts haven't proven the cause, but the main theories are that brain injuries or inactive brain centers have damaged their sight and hearing.

Letters and numbers appear backward, out-of-sequence and upside down to those who suffer from visual dyslexia. Written words can be unrecognizable.

Auditory dyslexia also harms students' work. Auditory dyslexics can't "listen" to a lecture with other distracting noises in the room. Spoken words can be one jumble of noise.

Dyslexics, however, can get help from the Tutorial Center, Old Main 285; the Affirmative Action Office, Old Main 410, the speech pathology and audiology department in the South Academic Building and other departments at Western.

In fact, Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act requires state-funded institutions to provide equal access to normally intelligent, handicapped students who meet entrance requirements.

The Tutorial Center uses a "multi-sensory approach" to help dyslexic students develop compensating skills, said, Dorothy Crow, program coordinator. Volunteers tape written material, which dyslexics listen to while they read to improve comprehension. Most students referred to the Tutorial Center by faculty members have reading, writing and spelling difficulties.

Dyslexics also can find arithmetic difficult.

Two forms of dyslexia are acalculina and dyscalculia.

Acalculiac students may read numbers from bottom to top or right to left. Dyscalculiac students can't understand numerals.

Dysgraphia is the inability to write legibly. Letters are under- or over-sized, poorly formed or broken. Although those who suffer from dysgraphia usually can read their own penmanship, it is nonsense to others. Practice drills can help those with dysgraphia.

Some faculty members wonder how dyslexics can succeed academically when they struggle with basic skills. One student wrote a story, but when it was returned to him after 15 minutes, he couldn't recognize his own work, one professor said.

Dyslexics complete term papers with friends' help, he said. Some students don't know how to write a formal paper, so they need editors to help organize thoughts and correct spelling.

Strong memories also aid non-readers, said Leslie Nix, Affirmative Action Office coordinator. Some can recite lectures long after they've finished the course, she said.

Coordination problems also result from dyslexia. "Raise your right hand" is a simple order, but some dyslexics confuse right with left. Those who lack depth-perception must map where they are all the time, to avoid running into things, Crow said.

Several Western departments treat dyslexic students. Some non-readers are referred to the speech pathology/audiology department for auditory training. They learn

to identify language structures, which may help them to read, said Samuel Polen of the department. They practice separating syllables, discriminating between rhyming words, sentence and sound sequences and closing gaps between words.

The Affirmative Action Office mediates between dyslexics and Western on legal/education matters, Nix said.

Although many people try to help, dyslexic students still are frustrated. One senior was put in special education classes before college. He was grouped with cerebral palsy and Down's Syndrome victims and children in wheelchairs in one elementary school program.

An alumna was told she had a high IQ. "When she ran into someone who told her she was dumb, her self-esteem shot down again, and she believed she was dumb again," Student Life Programs Coordinator Liz Partolan recalled.

The Tutorial Center spends an average of four hours testing each student for specific disabilities, using selections from 15 available tests.

The Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale (WAIS) is the Tutorial Center's main assessment tool. The WAIS is preferred because it measures people's abilities to understand abstract concepts, using verbal answers, Crow said.

In addition, tutors help outline notes from tape recorded lectures.

Most faculty members are helpful to dyslexic students, Crow said. While the Tutorial Center supervises typewritten and oral testing, some professors give special examinations themselves.

Dyslexia is a learning disability — but it's one that can be fought, with help from Western.

## Computer to read aloud for dyslexics

A machine that reads aloud to dyslexics and the blind will be added to Western's learning aids collection next summer. The phonetic reader uses a code to match printed words with spoken syllables, then vocalizes material with a synthetic voice.

Kurzweil Computer Products, owned by Xerox Corp., donated 200 Kurzweil Reading Machines for the Blind to colleges and other institutions. The original offer was 100, but so many applied for grants that the company raised the number, said George Gerhold, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. Each machine costs about \$25,000, he said.

The donation may help the computer company and Western. The reader can be used by only one person at a time, so it becomes a personal tool.

As costs decrease, Kurzweil may expect alumni who have used the reader to buy their own, said Gerhold, who has been involved in computer sciences.

Visually impaired students and faculty, and Whatcom Community College students will use the reader, which probably will be housed in Wilson Library, he said. Currently, a record player, tape player, Braille writer and reference books are in a private room. A print enlarger, for persons with weak vision, also is in the room.

Several faculty members may need to use the reader. Gerhold said he hopes one faculty member will train other faculty and students to use it, but no one has been selected yet to do that.

# Biofeedback: Center measures tension, teaches how to relax

PHOTO BY DAVE JACK

By KATHY MATHISEN

**B**iofeedback is neither strange nor magical. A mother taking her child's temperature receives information ("feedback") about her child's health ("bio-"). A sphygmomanometer measures a patient's blood pressure, and an electrocardiograph monitors the heartbeat.

In biofeedback, machines measure tension. And tension's a cause of poor health.

Some reactions to sustained stress are ulcers, headaches, cardiac arrhythmia and generally heightened action in the sympathetic nervous system. Relaxation stimulates the salivary and digestive glands, improves blood flow and lowers the pulse.

Biofeedback practitioners use certain machines to learn about their tension levels. They can watch their temperature increase or their muscles become less tense as they practice relaxation techniques. By the end of the seven-session course at Western's Biofeedback Center, they've learned how to avoid migraines, tension headaches or hypertension by just becoming more aware of their own body.

The Biofeedback Center in Miller Hall 279 charges a \$25 fee to cover materials and machine costs. The Center can accommodate eight clients per seven-session course. The number may increase as more technicians are trained.

Elva Giddings was referred to the Biofeedback Center last year by the campus



Machines evaluate Elva Giddings at the Biofeedback Center, Miller Hall 279.

Health Center. Her blood pressure was high when measured in the doctor's office, but was normal when taken in the health center.

"What was recommended to me was that biofeedback might help because it seemed to be a situational problem," Giddings said. "(I'd) walk into a situation and I'd suddenly get stressed out and my blood pressure was reacting."

She said she kept a record of her stress

levels during each day and "found little things triggered a lot of tension." Now she can eradicate much of that tension.

Biofeedback no longer is being used as a last resort by doctors, said Judy Lemon, a technician at Western's biofeedback center.

Lemon added that she is a technician, not a therapist. People who come in for biofeedback might find that they could be helped better by the Counseling Center, Miller Hall 262, she said.

The machines used in biofeedback are small. Western only uses electromyographs (EMGs) and thermal units. They are battery-operated and pass no electricity into the patient. The patient actually generates electrical impulses in the voluntary muscles. Those impulses are sensed by the electrodes and displayed on the EMG.

When the EMG reading is low, the patient relaxes voluntary muscles.

A thermal unit attached to the dominant hand's middle finger registers temperature fluctuations. When the hand is warm, the unit shows the involuntary, smooth

muscles, such as those surrounding the blood vessels, are relaxed and allowing blood to flow freely.

The relaxation techniques in biofeedback are performed successfully without the machines. The machines just show how much tension is in the muscles, said Giddings, who has taught relaxation training to people without machines.

Biofeedback is not for everyone. People who suffer from certain psychological disorders shouldn't use the machines.

"You don't do biofeedback with someone suffering from psychosis," Lemon said.

People who suffer from seizures also shouldn't work with biofeedback, Lemon said. "Sometimes getting people to relax changes brain wave patterns and that can bring on a seizure."

Anyone on medication who wants to try biofeedback needs his doctor's permission.

Each applicant for biofeedback must complete a health history, family history and a form that may indicate emotional distress. The form is available through the Counseling Center.

Wiggum said biofeedback or relaxation techniques can teach more conscious control over the body and the difference between being relaxed and tense. Most people don't realize when they are tense, she said.

"The point is to get (people) to understand what their body's 'doing,'" Lemon said. "Once you get people to know what their stressors are, then they have a choice." Their choice is between maintaining the stress or letting it dissipate by relaxation. Stressors are thoughts, positive or negative, emotional responses to events, or other stimuli.

"We're taught not to pamper ourselves," Lemon said. "We're taught not to relax. The idea is to practice taking time to relax. You don't learn it overnight."

"You're not going to learn to take 20 years of stressful focusing on how you react to things and change it in a day."

## Stress group meets weekly

Students who suffer from frequent headaches and want to learn how to reduce their number and severity may find help through the Counseling Center's Headache and Stress Reduction group.

Methods to control the responses that produce tension headaches or migraines will be taught, group coordinator Candy Wiggum said.

"Each of us tends to respond to stress differently — hormonally, muscularly, emotionally, or vascularly — cold hands or migraines," Wiggum said. "Some tend to

overuse one system instead of wearing out the body evenly."

Stress can't be avoided, she said, but it's necessary to learn how to manage it.

Although people with headaches will Counseling Center, Miller Hall 262 related problems such as ulcers or backaches can join the group.

The group meets 3 to 5 p.m. Mondays in Miller Hall 263. Registration and information is available through the Counseling Center, Miller Hall 262, 676-3164.

# OPINION

## Closed-off review request inexcusable

We're glad members of the Instructional Program review Committee decided to obey state law at their baptismal meeting Friday.

Committee members, squirming in their seats because a Front reporter attended the meeting, actually seriously considered closing the meeting and meetings thereafter to the press and public.

State law, of course, clearly states that public agencies can't close meetings unless they're discussing personnel matters, land acquisitions or national security matters. The program review committee, of course, won't deal in any of these areas.

What the committee will discuss is the future of Western's academic programs. It's one of the most important committees ever organized here.

Committee Chairman Harvey Gelder correctly pointed out that closing the group's meetings would foster rumors and suspicions about the panel's doings.

It's heartening to note that at least one member of the committee seems to have a solid grounding in the principles of a free and open society.

But some of the other members, most notably John Moore of the business department and Marjorie Donker of the English department apparently are quite comfortable with suppressing the committee's actions.

We suggest that Donker, Moore and anyone else fond of secrecy in university governance consult the Washington Open Meetings Act.

In fact the Act should be required reading for any faculty member currently serving or contemplating serving on one of Western's many committees.

Such a requirement might eliminate the kind of foolishness that took place at Friday's meeting.

## WSL paternalism a slap at minorities

Ensuring representation on the Washington Student Lobby for minority students and others from a historically disadvantaged background was a well-intentioned idea, but at Western it's been stretched to ridiculous extremes.

The WSL's local chapter was unable to recruit a minority student for this position, so they handed it to Darcy Roenfeldt—a white, middle-class 19-year-old woman from Bellevue who hardly can claim to have experienced a "disadvantaged" past.

Roefeldt undoubtedly understands the irony of trying to act as a voice for a group of students quite different than herself, and has made it clear she gladly would relinquish the position to a person of more fitting characteristics.

WSL leaders here would be wise to immediately seek a replacement for Roefeldt, or request to the parent body of the lobby that the position reserved euphemistically for "diversified" students be scrapped.

It's an insult to all minority students to pretend they must be separately represented and looked out for by white students. Uncle Tom paternalism went out of style years ago, and the Washington Student Lobby has no right to bring it back.

Minority students here deserve a voice like everybody else. They don't deserve to be treated like children incapable of speaking for themselves.



## Students not only ones with governing interest

Questioning the wisdom of students at Western isn't a particularly prudent move. Philosophy professor Hugh Fleetwood tried it a few weeks back, and drew the understandable ire of much of the campus community.

But it seems that sometimes, we as students do indeed become disoriented among our own virtues as we tout our ability as decision makers. In emphasizing the student as the measure of all things, we forget that we aren't alone.

Western, as many a student leader has indicated, exists for the benefit of students. But Western also exists for the faculty, the staff and the administration. We are an important constituency here. But we are only one of many.

Sometimes our student leaders, in their effort to do what is best for students, forget that. Sometimes the interest of students become paramount at the expense of everything else.

Last spring, the Associated Students Board of Directors filed a referendum calling for a student position on the Board of Trustees. Not surprisingly, it passed. Nearly 90 percent of voting students supported it—a percentage higher than that of the vote against the nuclear arms race, U.S. involvement in El Salvador or allowing fraternities and sororities on campus. The

Mitch Evich



mandate for a student-trustee appeared so overwhelming it made one wonder what possible arguments could be made against it.

But for those who look hard enough, some very good arguments can be found.

To begin with, opponents of the measure contend, the Board of Trustees was not designed to represent particular constituencies. Although in practice it doesn't always work that way, the trustees are supposed to function free from political pressures and make disinterested decisions for the good of the state and the university.

Reserving a student position on the board would make a mockery of that concept. As Western presidential candidate Lorman Ratner courageously pointed out in front of scores of skeptical students here last week, a student-trustee by definition would represent students as a separate constituency.

If students were granted such privilege, then other campus constituencies—faculty, staff and

administrators—also would need to be allowed their own representative. And suddenly, the trustees wouldn't be trustees anymore. They would be politicians, each struggling to do whatever was best for his or her constituents. That may be the case in American politics, but that's not the way a state university system is supposed to operate.

Western's trustees, of course, tend to behave like something less than guardians of the general good. Rather, they lean toward unresponsiveness, unawareness, and in their dealings with students, downright rudeness. But the route to alleviating such shortcomings is through improved relations between trustees and students, not through demands for a privilege denied to others within the campus community.

Student leaders certainly have a legitimate reason for striving to place one of their own among Western's top governing body. They are doing exactly what the vast majority of voters requested last spring.

But as virtuous as the idea may appear, a student-trustee might not be such a sound proposal. It may be that many of us who voted for the measure last spring, although not necessarily wrong, perhaps were improperly informed of arguments to the contrary.

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# LETTERS

## Bottle bill to be beneficial, but to foes lacks fizz

The great bottle bill battle rages on, but the arguments of opponents against Initiative 414 are as flat as a soft drink without the fizz.

Foes of the measure, which would require a minimum nickel deposit on beverage cans and bottles, say passage would lead to such horrors as:

—soaring consumer prices, about 55 cents per six-pack of beer and about 44 cents per six-pack of soft drinks.

—unemployed recyclers, because people would take all their empties back to the stores where they bought them.

—filthy, unsanitary stacks of cans and bottles piled up in stores.

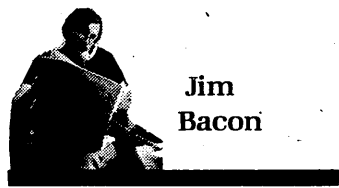
Phooey. The evidence from other states, most notably Oregon, where a bottle bill has been on the books since 1972, says differently.

Of course prices will go up—initially. You aren't told by the bottlers and grocers fighting 414 that 30 cents is the refundable deposit. You also have to figure it will cost them extra to pay people to handle the influx of bottles and cans that would come back, as well as any additional paperwork.

But realize also that every time you buy a one-way container, you

buy the container as well as the drink inside. Re-use the container and the product should cost less in the long run. At least the price should remain the same.

Deposits not redeemed would stay in the pockets of the wholesalers (retailers are charged the deposit price and are reimbursed when they return the empties. They should stay even that way and on unredeemed deposits charged customers). In Oregon, which has a more than 90 percent



Jim Bacon

recycling rate—compared to Washington's roughly 25 percent—unredeemed deposits amounted last year to about \$2.5 million.

Don't you go believing the stories of filth and dirt, either, warns the president of a chain of convenience stores based in Portland. "The backrooms of our stores are more full than they were before the bottle bill," says John Piacentini about his Plaid Pantry convenience stores, "but

the containers are not mice and rat infested."

Some opposed to 414 claim that could happen in Washington.

(He also notes, by the way, that the design of the more than 60 Plaid Pantry stores built since the Oregon bill became law has remained generally the same regarding storage space, despite the increase in beverage containers.)

It's interesting to note also that you don't hear of the filth and mess from all those empties stacked up in recycling centers.

The bottle bill battle rages on and doesn't rest on these three arguments. Claims that Washington's anti-litter laws do enough would appear empty, with a bottle bill deemed necessary by the thousands of voters who signed petitions to put it on the ballot.

Convincing evidence from other states with bottle bills also shows "container litter" (bottles and cans) dropped 77 to 86 percent. Residents of those states say they like what they see, or perhaps don't see.

That's good news. For all the money the foes of Initiative 414 have spent, they haven't offered a clear reason why Washington shouldn't enjoy the same clean environment.

spacious in their attempt to dictate the standards by which effective graduate student representation can be realized. Despite the Front's charge, the GSU certainly has official recognition from its members — this would seem apparent in the fact that our members pay dues.

As a subchapter of a strong national, state and local labor union — the American Federation of Teachers — the GSU does not seek the illusory benefits of associating ourselves with the AS.

—Tim Allen,  
Education Committee  
—Rich Walsh, President  
Graduate Student Union

## 9-1-1 access to emergency help

Western Front: The office staff has gone home, and you're working late to finish a report for the morning. Glancing down the hall, you see the night janitor slump to the floor. Frantically wishing you knew CPR, you run to his side. The man has stopped breathing and his color is changing rapidly. Who do you call for help?

The number 9-1-1 sticks out in your mind; you've heard about it on the news. A three-tone signal answers your call. "9-1-1 is not a working emergency number for your area," a man's voice drones. "For emergencies, hang up a moment, then dial operator. This is a recording."

Quickly, you hang up and dial "0". You breathlessly tell the operator you need an ambulance on First Street right away. "What city are you calling from?" she asks. The operator is based in Portland. Precious time is lost in explanations and in transferring calls.

No single access number exists in Whatcom County for our citizens to dial in emergency situations. The appropriate law enforcement, fire or ambulance agency can be reached only by choosing one of twenty-odd numbers in the phone book. What number would you dial for

different emergencies from your home? From a friend's house?

9-1-1 is a single-access emergency telephone number that is easily identified and remembered in stressful situations. It takes the guesswork out of getting help when help is critically needed. 9-1-1 is a communications system that provides coordinated dispatch of fire, ambulance, police and sheriff services.

On Nov. 2, a proposal to fund the emergency 9-1-1 system will appear on the ballot. Whatcom County Proposition Number One would allow an excise tax of up to 50 cents per month on each telephone access line to assist funding for a county-wide emergency services communication system.

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Your vote of support is needed for the 9-1-1 funding proposal on Nov. 2. 9-1-1 is an effective insurance for prompt medical, fire or police assistance for your friends, your family, yourself. Imagine you are driving from Bellingham to Sumas. Suddenly a child runs across the road and is hit and thrown several yards by an oncoming car. Which district are you in? Which emergency number do you call for help? How much time will you lose by trying to find that number? How much time could you save with 9-1-1?

—Debbie Ahl  
President, Emergency Medical Services Council  
St. Lukes Hospital

## GSU, GSO ties questioned

Western Front:

Once again, the Western Front seems to be a victim of its own poor investigative reporting. It is clear that the Front has no grasp of the organization, activities or goals of the Graduate Student Union.

The GSU has no ties with the defunct Graduate Student Organ-

ization. We know of no intention among graduate students for resurrecting the GSO. Will the Front please inform its readers as to the basis for charging that the GSU seeks to resurrect the GSO because of a slipping bank account? The GSU's bank account is sufficient to enable it to make contributions to legislative candidates, in addition to operating as an organization. We certainly don't need AS funds; and if the "access to university bureau-

cratic channels" that goes along with them amounts to no more than it has for the AS, then we feel we are in a superior position without them.

Finally, the only requirement for the graduate seat on the WSL is that the applicant be a currently enrolled student. If the student happens to be a union member — well, so much the better.

The Front's own overblown sense of self-importance is con-

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### UW grants dwarf Western's

# Summer grants are tallied

By JACKLEEN ASMUSSEN

Public and private sources contributed nearly \$506,000 in grants and contracts to Western during the summer.

Geri Walker of the Bureau of Faculty Research said Western ranks third in the state behind the University of Washington and Washington State University for project funds received.

But, she said, it's not really fair to compare Western to the UW.

"The University of Washington is a major research university in fields such as engineering and medicine," Walker said. The UW received about \$100 million last year.

Western received about \$1.8 million last year and is expected to get about the same this year.

Western gets more in grants than Central and less than WSU, which received mostly agricultural funding, she said.

Funding for projects at Western is provided by

private and public sources. Five of the 14 highest grants received are:

—Upward Bound, Derrick Harrison, \$146,969 from the Department of Education to operate the Upward Bound Program for the 1982-83 fiscal year. Upward Bound provides special education for low income high school students.

—Department of Sociology, Carl Simpson, \$129,509 from the Department of Labor for a study of on-the-job training programs.

—Vehicle Research Institute, Michael Seal, \$42,394 from the IBI Group of Toronto, Canada, for the CNG/LPG research and development project.

—Department of Geology, Myrl Beck, \$34,600 for the acquisition of a Spinner-Magnetometer and accessories from the National Science Foundation.

—School of Education, C. Max Higbee, \$21,458 from the Department of Education for the first year of a three year program for "Personnel Preparation Training of Special Ed Mediator."

Walker said up-to-date figures will be released later this quarter for other grants given this year.

## Burglars lift library painting, leave no clues for investigators

By ERIC DANIELSON

Art thieves struck in Wilson Library last month, removing an oil painting from the second floor while mysteriously remaining unnoticed and leaving no clues, said Lt. Chuck Page of Western's Department of Public Safety.

The painting disappeared between Sept. 24 and Sept. 27—when it was first reported missing.

The theft is particularly amazing because no one saw the painting leave the building and no clues have been uncovered, Page said.

Painted by student John Ramm during an invitational art festival, the work had been displayed for

the last 10 years on the second floor wall next to the library administration offices.

Entitled "umbrella" the darkly colored artwork showed a huge umbrella with a man's face behind it. It was worth \$150, Page said.

Because of the three-by-four foot frame, Page said it "wasn't easy" for the thieves to elude detection with the painting, but he admitted that it lacked an alarm device that unchecked books have.

"The chances of recovery are nil," Page said, unless someone tries to hock it at a pawn shop, in which case the state identification number probably would be noticed.

"I would suspect somebody is decorating their house with it," Page said.

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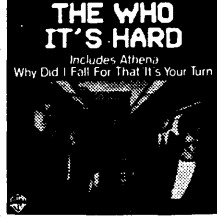
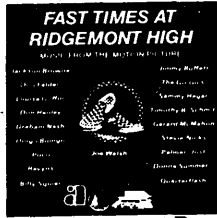
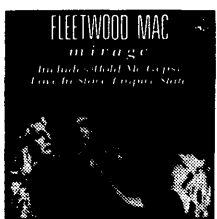
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In 42nd District race

# Education stances argued

By KIRK ERICSON

In the 42nd district House race, political newcomer and Democrat John Hummel is taking dead aim at what he sees as two-term Rep. Roger Van Dyken's most vulnerable spot: his voting record on education.

"The AFT (American Federation of Teachers) has developed a tally sheet of nine key issues important to education and he voted against eight of them," Hummel said.

Hummel, a Bellingham resident, further maligned Van Dyken's "90 percent support of the Republican Caucus, which calls for, among other things, the closure of The Evergreen State College and Central Washington University."

But Van Dyken isn't about to willingly accept the role of an anti-education lawmaker. He said he's proud of being part of a Republican Legislature that gave higher education faculty the largest salary increase of any state employee in 1981 despite a \$2 billion deficit.

Van Dyken termed the AFT rating sheet "meaningless."

"I'm not ashamed of my voting record on education. I'd be happy to talk about education with anyone," he said.

Hummel says he's intent upon

drawing a clear distinction on education issues between himself and his opponent. While Van Dyken says he wants to improve education by improving the economy, Hummel offered some very direct measures designed to help state colleges and universities.

"I want to look at each school in the state as serving a particular need — one for business, one for technology, etc.," Hummel said. "Western's strength is probably Huxley, but it wouldn't be a total conversion, just an emphasis."

Van Dyken stressed he wants to maintain current education levels, but says the best way to do that is to improve the economy. And the best way to improve the economy, Van Dyken said, is to alter the tax structure.

"We have to examine the effect of revenue increases on the economy because of its impact on jobs," he said.

"Everytime we raise taxes we force more people out of work. We need to find a fairer and more effective way to tax the public. The property and the business and occupation tax are the least fair, other than the sales tax on food, and I want to explore trading them for something like a flat-rate income tax," Van Dyken said.

Though the economy and education are important issues this year, one of Hummel's top priori-

ties is to force government to listen to the millions of people around the world demanding a nuclear freeze.

"The federal government is simply not being responsive to the people's call," Hummel said.

If the federal government continues to ignore the overwhelming consensus of Americans, Hummel said, drastic action will become necessary.

"What if we just refused to send the federal government any more money?" Hummel asked. "They could sue us but what if other states followed suit? Maybe then they'd get the message."

But perhaps Hummel's main concern in this election is his opponent.

"Roger is the ultimate politician. He gravitates toward people in suits," Hummel said. "In July, when I decided to run for office, I treated this as my job, but Roger doesn't. He was supposed to speak after me at a forum up at Western and he didn't show up. He's gotten very imperial."

Van Dyken, though, is content to run his campaign by stressing issues, not characters.

"I'm not a salesman. I try to tell people who I am, what my priorities are and if they decide that's the kind of person they want they can vote for me," Van Dyken said. "If they want something else, they can look at my opponent."

## NEWS NOTES

### Conference set

More than 100 political scientists from five Northwest states and British Columbia are expected to attend an annual conference at Western this Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

The Pacific Northwest Political Scientists Association conference will offer panel discussions on nine topics, said Political Science Department chairman Ralph Miner.

Some of the subjects to be included are Electoral Politics, Constitutional and Public Law and Comparative Federalism.

Dr. Edward Greenberg, a University of Colorado political scientist, will speak on the subject, "The Meaning of the Reagan Revolution: Class, Economy and State," at 11 a.m. Friday in Lecture Hall 4.

U.S. Sen. Al Swift (D-Bellingham) will speak at the conference luncheon at noon Friday in the Viking Union Sasquatch Room.

The conference will be based in Canada House. The panel discussions will occur at several different campus locations open to the public, Miner said.

### Ed. seniors meet tomorrow

Information about graduation certification approval and materials for establishing placement credentials will be given at a meeting for education seniors who plan to graduate this spring.

The meeting will be at either 4 or 7 p.m., Oct. 27 in Lecture Hall 2.

### Kayak trip to Sinclair

The Outdoor Program is offering an overnight kayak trip to Sinclair Island on Oct. 30 and 31. The \$25 cost

includes kayak rental and rowing lessons. Any interested persons can sign up in Viking Union 113. The trip is limited to 13 people.

### Blood drive scheduled

Western's fall quarter blood drive will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Nov. 4 and 5 in Old Main. Western's goal this quarter is 300 units a day.

### Health-food link probed

The relationship between health and nutrition will be examined in a nutrition workshop co-sponsored by the Program Commission and the Environmental Center.

The workshop, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday in the Viking Union lounge, will feature a number of prominent local speakers, as well as the films, "Diet for a Small Planet" and "Eat, Drink and Worry."

### Cheese, butter free to needy

The Salvation Army Corps Community Center will host an Agricultural Food Surplus program Oct. 27, 28 and 29. Powdered milk, cheese and butter will be distributed at the center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Thursday will be reserved for senior citizens, but everyone is welcome the next two days. The only required proof of need is a signature, a center spokesman said.

The center is at 2912 Northwest Ave. The phone number is 733-1410.

### Local surgeon talks of nukes

Dr. J.L. Trimmingham, a local surgeon, will speak at 3:30 today in the Fairhaven College auditorium for the Physicians for Social Responsibility program. The film, "The Last Epidemic," also will be shown. The program is free and open to all who are interested.

### Correction

An article on page two of Friday's Front stated that the bookstore netted about \$160,000. That is misleading. The bookstore's net income from textbooks, tradebooks and general merchandise for last year was \$13,768. The total net income of \$160,066 also included the \$13,768 from operations, plus post office rental, interest, commission on sales and a tax refund.

### New GURs may be on way

Students have two more options when choosing their General University Requirements courses next fall.

If the change gains approval from the Academic Coordinating Commission and the Faculty Senate, Biology 384 (Personal and Social Implications of Modern Biology) and Ethnic Studies 203 (Hispanic Peoples of the United States) will be included as GURs in the fall 1983 catalog, said William Stoeber, GUR Committee Chairman.

The four-credit biology course will be listed under the natural sciences option. The three credit ethnic studies course will go toward fulfilling the non-western and minority cultural studies requirement.

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# SPORTS

## Eight turnovers seal Vikes' fate

By STEVE RUPP

Going into their game with Southern Oregon State College, Western's Vikings were struggling to find their identity. If the way they played Saturday is any indication of things to come, the Vikings may not like themselves very much. They lost 37-6.

Western turned over the ball 21 times in their last three games. Those turnovers, coupled with a rash of injuries, have spelled continued doom for the Vikings.

The defense, which already had been weakened by the loss of tackle Larry Berg, lost two more key players, Scott Kimmel and Butch Cason.

Linebacker Kimmel was lost for the season when he strained the ligaments in his knee. Cason, who had just rebounded from a gimpy knee of his own, separated his shoulder Saturday.

"Scott was lost for the season, but Cason's injury is one of those things we'll have to play day by day," head coach Boyde Long said.

The offensive unit, already short of performers with the loss of Bill Handy last week, was held to 107 yards of total offense and further handicapped by injuries.

Sophomore offensive guard Jeff Todahl, filling in for still another injured guard Steve Jones, was lost for the season when he suffered a broken arm.

Western only had six first downs, and gained only 69 yards on the ground.

"They have a good defensive team," Long said. "We just couldn't get anything going."

Southern Oregon, on the other hand, ripped the injury-plagued Viking defensive unit for 17 first downs and nearly 300 yards on the ground.

Red Raider tailback Warren Benamati gained 34 of those ground yards on the first of two touchdowns he scored Saturday.

Southern Oregon wide receiver Jeff Anderson scored again in the first quarter from 13 yards out to put the Raiders ahead by 14 points.

Western finally scored when backup quarterback Mark Moran hit Dave Blackham on a five yard scoring pass as time ran out in the first half to put the Vikings within 14 points.

Southern Oregon came out after halftime and put the Vikings away with 17 third-quarter points.

The Vikings stay home to meet Western Oregon at 1 p.m. Saturday at Civic Stadium.

### Game Statistics

Red Raiders 37, Vikings 6

WWU	0	6	0	0-6
Southern Oregon	14	6	17	0-37

Fumbles-lost	6-5	5-3
Penalties-yds.	7-62	10-75
Punts-avg.	9-41.9	4-31.0

### INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

**Rushing:** WWU—Locker 14-47, Tilton 4-24, Magnuson 8-25, Ummel 5-minus 5; SOSC—Benamati 23-143, Young 5-21, Southern 14-91, J. McClellan 6-minus 33, Lockett 2-4, Anderson 2-26, Bullion 3-13, Brunk 1-minus 3, Dodson 3-12, Mahon 2-1, Buckles 3-11.

**Passing:** WWU—Ummel 2-8-1, 23 yards; Moran 4-10-2, 15 yards; SOSC—J. McClellan 8-19-1, 101 yards; Brunk 0-1-0, Dodson 2-3-0, 17 yards.

**Receiving:** WWU—Blackham 2-18, Cummings 1-4, Davidson 1-2, Locker 1-10, Tilton 1-4; SOSC—Turner 4-57, K. McClellan 1-12, Dixon 1-5, Anderson 1-15, Landon 1-12, Ward 2-17.

### YARDSTICK

	WWU	SOSC
First downs	6	17
Rushing yards	69	286
Passing yards	38	118
Total yards	107	404
Passing	6-18-3	10-23-1

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Kristie McEwen (right) eyes the ball and maintains control of the direction it is taking.

## Women destroy UBC

Western's women's soccer team wasted no time in gathering points on their way to a 12-0 triumph over the University of British Columbia last Saturday.

The action began immediately, with Western scoring four goals in the opening 20 minutes.

The Vikings looked impressive and handled the ball with ease. They showed no mercy in the first half, leading by a score of 9-0.

Annette Duval, who connected on every shot she took, dominated the scoring. She opened the game with three goals, scored once more in the first half

and put in the first goal of the second half.

Other scorers included Hope Grimm, who collected three goals in the first half, and Cindy Gordon, who added the final two points of the game. Sue Swanson and Mary Ann Curulla each contributed one goal.

Coach Dominic Garguile said he saw "superior play by everyone...they handled the ball nicely, passed well, anticipated well, and went for the ball."

The Vikings' home-field win was their sixth, bringing their record to 6-1.

## OOF! Ruggers lose, 12-0

By BRUCE MOON

The Western Warthogs Rugby Club braved strong winds and a dense, sandy field Saturday to battle the upper-league Chuckanut Goeducks. Despite a 12-0 loss, the Warthogs made stubborn efforts to give no ground to the more experienced Goeducks.

The Warthogs and the Goeducks traded sneers, surges and lateral runs constantly through-

out the first 40-minute half until the Goeducks got their first try for four points, followed by a two-point extra kick.

Western players, unintimidated, held on to their unity within the team, calling to one another for the best play, but grew impatient with the Goeducks, nearly resulting in fights.

Western coach Gerry Henson, who used to play for both the Goeducks and the Warthogs, said

his team should have used the wind more to their advantage. He said they should have kicked more while downfield and let the wind carry the ball for them.

With 15 players on the field at a time, chances of injury always seemed present. Assistants to the coaches used Cold Spray to relieve bruises received from flying cleats and elbows.

About one-third into the second half, the Goeducks scored for another six points, but that's all the Warthogs would allow.

Although they came close to a try several times, Western didn't score. Henson said both teams looked tired in the second half, like "night and day" after the strong showings in the first half.

He said his team, with about 10 new players, was "green" and still needed to get into shape. This would not only make them faster, but would help prevent injuries, he said.

With 20 minutes to go, Western replaced its first injured man, standoff Ted King, who twisted his ankle.

Five minutes later, wing Mark Summearl had to exit. He already had been wearing a bandage over his ribs.

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And they're off! Western dominates the start of the 4.7 mile course as the runners hop the log across their path at Lake Padden State

Park. The men's team is ranked seventh in the nation and the first in the Northwest.

# Vikings split Padden meet

By MARGARET CARLSON

Western's nationally ranked men's cross country team won and the women's team lost to Seattle Pacific University in a dual meet Saturday at Lake Padden.

The men's team won with 24 points to SPU's 66. The women had 41 points while SPU had 20.

Western's men's team was ranked seventh in the nation and first in the Northwest by the NAIA last week.

Clay Stenberg of the Flying Iguana Track Club won the men's race Saturday with a time of 24:50. Kathryn Tooker, running unattached, won the women's race in 16:56.

Freshman Matt Eichenberger was second overall and the first to finish for Western with a time of 25:31 for the 4.7-mile course.

Larry Kaiser was sick with the

flu and did not run Saturday.

Men's coach Ralph Vernacchia said the meet was a qualifying meet to decide which runners will compete in the district meet. Only seven can run in the district meet and more than 20 runners are on the team.

"We all agreed that Larry (Kaiser) would run and the first five finishers in this race," Vernacchia said. They will have a run-off this week to see who gets the seventh spot at the district meet.

Those finishing for Western and earning a berth for the district meet were Eichenberger, Jon Hanson in third place, Chris Bjarke in fifth place, Dave Dzewaltowski in sixth and Mark Steen in eighth place.

Other Western finishers in Saturday's race were Toby Smith in 11th place, Chris Caviezel in

12th place, Mark Christensen in 14th place, Mike Dubuc in 15th, Jeff Osberg in 16th and Paul Smith finishing 20th.

Lisa Reidel finished second in the women's race, and first for Western, covering the three-mile course in 17:13, which ties the school record she set two weeks ago.

Ann Armstrong finished eighth in the race with a time of 18:08. She dropped a minute and 36 seconds off her previous best time.

Rhonda Anderson finished 12th, Sharon O'Dornan 14th, Jeanna Setera 15th, Kelly Malek 17th and Leslie Hanna finished 20th. Cathy Santini, also sick with the flu, did not run.

Women's coach Tony Bartlett said everyone is running better every week. He said that Pacific Lutheran University is the favorite

for the district meet, but it will be close for second place between Western, Simon Fraser and Whitworth.

Both the men's and women's teams have two weeks to prepare for the NAIA District I meet, which Western will host Nov. 6 at the Lake Padden course.

# Loss hits Ruggers

(continued from page 8)

Western players agreed it was a tough loss, but said they were pleased with their performance considering the caliber of their opponents, many of whom played for Western years before.

Henson said the match with the Geoducks was fine, but to keep in mind that the A-League Geoducks should have played their seconds against the B-League Warthogs. Actually, he said, Chuckanut's team was a mixture of its first and secondary players.

After the game, the clubs shifted to their "seconds" rosters to give newer players a 40-minute exhibition.

The Warthogs mixed in some of their more experienced players to help guide the novices.

The Geoducks scored early this time, but the Warthogs came back with a try by Matt Gordon, of the seconds team.

The Geoducks got two more try-kicks for a total of 18 points, and Western's Steve Friswold ran in another four points for the Warthogs, only to lose 18-8.

The Warthogs (ranked third in the Western United States last year) are 2-1, having defeated the Seattle Rugby Club two weeks ago, and losing last week to the Tacoma club.

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- ENGLISH COMPETENCY TEST** for prospective teacher education candidates will be given at 4 p.m. Tues., Oct. 26, Wed., Oct. 27, and Thurs., Oct. 28, in LH4. Advance sign up with picture ID is required; sign up in MH202.
- COMPUTER SCIENCE** courses 311 and above are open to CS, Acctg/CS, BA/CS and Math/CS accepted majors only. Placement is by priority. Apply in BH202 Nov. 2-5. You must bring bluebook and registration appointment notice to BH202 Nov. 2-5.
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- PHYSICAL THERAPIST** Terry Busch from Northwest Physical Therapy Services, Bellingham, will discuss physical therapy schools and academic preparation for therapy programs at 7 p.m. today (Oct. 26) in BH105. Interested students are encouraged to attend.
- INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS:** A limited number of scholarships are available to international students, including Canadian students. Deadline for winter quarter is Nov. 1. Applications may be picked up in Student Life Office, OM380, or Admissions Office, OM200.
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- STRATA BROWN-BAG LUNCH** with open discussion on "How Are You Surviving So Far?" will be held 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wed., Oct. 27, in VU408. Bring your lunch. Coffee/tea available.
- BOQ PANEL:** "Freedom from Fear, or What Governments Must Not Do to Their People: The International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights," is set for 4-5:30 p.m. Tues., Nov. 2, in the WL Presentation Room.
- FALL QTR. BLOOD DRIVE** will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thurs.-Fri., Nov. 4-5, in the Registration Center. If you wish an appointment, call 676-3400. Need is great for all blood types.
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  - Naval Ocean System Center (NOSC),** Thurs., Nov. 18. CS/physics majors. Sign up in OM280 beginning Nov. 4.
  - J.C. Penney Co.,** Thurs., Nov. 18. Business and other majors. Sign up in OM280 beginning Nov. 4.
- EDUCATION SENIOR MEETING—MAR., JUNE, AUG. GRADS: 4 and 7 p.m. Wed., Oct. 27.**  
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# THE ARTS

At the movies

## Midler wasted in gambling movie that doesn't pay off

"Jinxed," starring Bette Midler, Rip Torn, Ken Wahl and Val Avery, currently is playing at the Sehome Three. The film is rated R.

By GORDON WEEKS

What do you get when you cross a busty blonde, a "pigeon" and two \$10,000 bills?

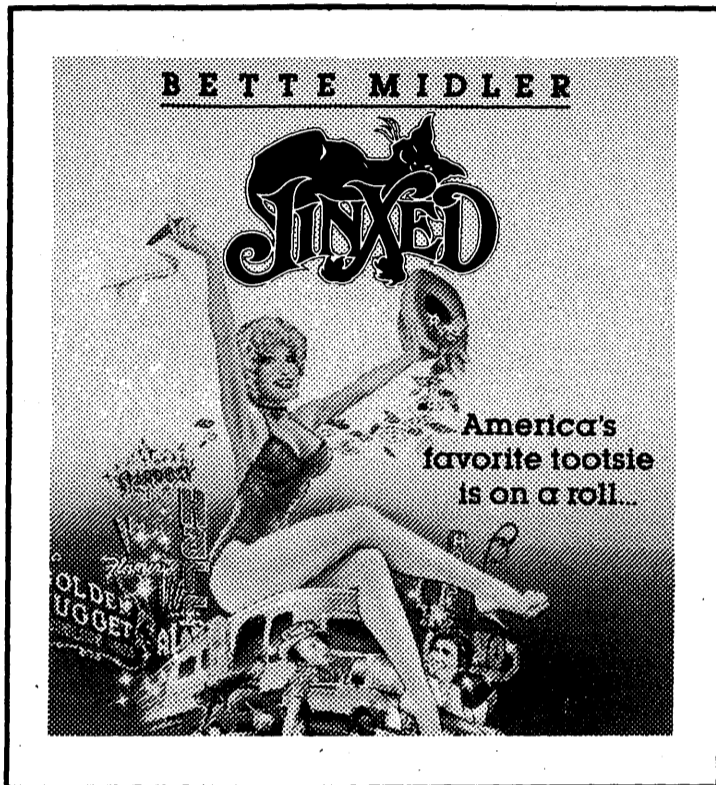
A gambling movie that doesn't pay off.

"Jinxed," the story of a "subsistent gambler" (Rip Torn) and his girlfriend (Bette Midler) turning the odds against their "own personal patsy" blackjack dealer (Ken Wahl), suffers a severe identity crisis.

"Jinxed" tries to be a film where true love overcomes, but the only affection shown is sexual. The film is unsuccessful as a comedy because the intended laughs are based on death and physical abuse.

But most of all, "Jinxed" fails as a character study of gamblers—the viewer never finds out who these people are or why their lives revolve around a blackjack table.

Instead, the film is a tedious, jumbled mess that seems to have been assembled by a dozen directors and film editors, all aiming in opposite directions.



"Jinxed" has so many false endings that the inane finale brings only a sense of relief.

The pace fluctuates between choppy and painfully slow. The film lingers on all the

inappropriate and distasteful moments—dressing a dead man after his suicide, a tacky religious radio station featuring a singing nun, etc.

The performances are as muddled as the scenario. Ken

Wahl's lackluster portrayal of the blackjack "pigeon" might be considered one-dimensional with a little more character definition; Arnold Schwarzenegger appears versatile in comparison. Rip Torn courageously fights a losing battle with the script.

The screenwriters don't seem to know what to do with Midler—her cute and pitiful role doesn't mix. In "The Rose" she played a dynamic but vulnerable singer bent on self-destruction; in "Jinxed" she's just plain helpless.

It's hard for the audience to imagine the "Divine Miss M" as helpless; her character has the same problem.

The producers apparently felt Midler's acting ability alone wouldn't carry the film, so they made her character a part-time singer, for no other reason than to cash in on the success of "The Rose" and "Divine Madness." They shouldn't have bothered—neither of her campy country send-up nor hits-of-the-forties rendition are top-40 fodder, or even entertaining.

Reports circulated during filming that Midler and the film makers constantly were at odds. The producers stated that she was overbearing, while Midler claimed to be a perfectionist and wouldn't settle for second best. Apparently Midler lost.

## CALENDAR

TODAY — The last chance to audition for Western's Theatre Department's production of "Suddenly Last Summer" begins at 4 p.m. in the Old Main Theater.

THURSDAY — "Fireman's Ball" plays at 6:30 and 9 p.m. in the PAC Main Auditorium. Admission is \$1.50.

"Festival of the Flesh," a presentation of two one-act plays in conjunction with the holiday of Samhain, plays at 8 p.m. in the Old Main Auditorium. The first play is performed in the language of "Enochian," or language of the angels. An English translation will be provided in the program. The second ritual honors the Egyptian diety, the Goddess Nuit.

General admission is \$2.00, students \$1.50. The event is sponsored by the Associated Students.



"Fireman's Ball—Thursday

## NPT focuses on growth of the script

By LINDA WASSER

One would expect to see a first-run play only on Broadway. The New Playwrights Theater brings Broadway to Western by presenting new plays never before seen on stage, or for that matter, anywhere.

NPT is mainly for the new playwright and focuses on the growth of the script, not necessarily on the production of the play.

"A script is not complete unless it is performed for an audience," said Bob Schelonka, production director of two of this quarter's shows.

NPT also is an opportunity for actors and actresses who do not have enough experience to attempt major parts. "It's a breaking in time for new, young talent. Students are involved in the whole spectrum, from production to directing," Schelonka said.

This quarter's plays include "It's a Little Like Godot Whether You Like It or Not," by Colette Ogle and directed by Schelonka.

"The play is about people confronting, and not confronting, their fears and

dependencies," Ogle said. "It is a metaphorical play, and will be done script-in-hand."

Ogle, who usually acts, said that it was different not to be on stage. "It's kind of a shock to be on the other side of the boards," she said.

While writing "Godot," Ogle said she "wrote for intimate theater, using reaction and feedback from the audience."

"Janine," by Ann Schweinler and directed by Schelonka, "is about the decay of a family."

Schweinler said that it's difficult to know exactly what the play will be about until it's finished. Primarily a novelist, Schweinler said she had the most difficulty showing what the characters are thinking using only dialogue. "I also have problems because of the difference in the characters the actors portray compared to my own view of them."

"Existentialism Sucks," by Sean Robinson and directed by Bob Hughes, is a dialogue that has realistic characters and plot, as well as examples of the mercenary posi-

tion. Example — "if a shuttlecock falls in the forest and there's no one around to see it, does it land on its nose?"

"Sometimes the director himself wonders what the show is about," Hughes said.

The ending has been changed three times. "It's about breaking societal conventions," Hughes added.

"Alternate Dreams," by Patrick Timmins and directed by Ken Terrell, is "an adult, suburban fairy tale, like life between the pages of 'Redbook,'" Terrell said.

"Transmutations," by Andrew Thompson and directed by Bob Hughes, tells the story of "a young man with All-American ideals who finds out he isn't who he thinks he is," said Thompson. "Through a roller-coaster of emotions a man confronts himself."

This set of plays will be performed on Nov. 4, 5, and 6 at Performing Arts Center 199. Admission is free.

Scripts for next quarter's New Playwrights Theater should be submitted to Bob Schelonka or Dan Lerner, Dean of Fairhaven.



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# 'Garp' hype cheats Irving's readers

John Irving convinced me of his talents when I read his book "The World According to Garp," this past winter.

Now, with the movie such a success thanks to the superb acting of Robin Williams and company, Garp has fathered the success of Irving's latest novel, "The Hotel New Hampshire." This despite the fact Irving wrote the book before the movie's release. In a sense, "The Hotel New Hampshire" reached its level of financial success because of the promotion of Garp, the book and movie.

Fine. That's just great. I like his style and if "The Hotel New Hampshire" is as great as the promotion claims, I can't wait to buy and read it.

That is, until I went into a bookstore in downtown Bellingham to buy it.

Having read Garp before the movie came out allowed me the opportunity to compare the old



Scott Fisk

Garp book cover with the "Now A Major Motion Picture From Warner Bros."

Robin Williams' image, the motion picture plug and the cast of characters from the movie printed on the back caught my eye and pulled it out of its socket.

Right next to the newly styled Garp I found the newly styled "The Hotel New Hampshire," with the book's and Irving's name stamped at least 50 times on the cover.

To top off that blatant redundancy of advertising, the word "Garp" is stuck right on the cover in bold white print.

Now what does "Garp" have to

do with "The Hotel New Hampshire"?

In small print at the top of the cover is the legitimate "by the author of 'The World According To Garp'."

That's okay, I guess; it is a significant piece of information. But the "Garp" is cheap grocery store checkout rack promotion, which you would expect to see alongside the trashy Harlequin romance books while standing in line at Safeway.

It's a degrading, exploitive method for eliciting an association with Irving's previous success.

It should be asked, where does Irving's success actually lie? Is it in his series of novels, which develop aspects of modern society's influence on individuals, or is it in the acclaim from the Hollywood movie?

By judging the covers of his latest novels, I can only conclude the people promoting Irving's

writing talents seem to favor the latter.

As you open "The Hotel New Hampshire" cover, the familiar photo of Irving no longer is there. Instead, an illustration of the book's 13 characters spreads across two pages. By doing so Irving is taken even further away from his audience of true admirers.

No longer is the individual allowed to piece together with his or her imagination the characters' looks and expressions. By doing so, a crucial element necessary to fully enjoying Irving's story-telling ability is taken away. It's like reading Garp for the first time with Robin Williams in mind instead of creating the character of Garp on your own. It doesn't give the reader's imagination enough credit.

It's bad enough Irving's talents are being exploited by the motion picture industry, but to profiteer while robbing people's imagina-

tion is beyond my level of tolerance.

A central theme in Garp explores the dilemma Irving faces in his own life as an author.

T.S. Garp, the writer-son of famous feminist writer Jenny Fields, makes a career of having his material published in the shadow of his mother's fame. Success because of someone else's success troubles Garp throughout the book. At all cost it seems he doesn't want to have his work sold because he is the son of a successful writer. Garp firmly believes each book he writes should be bought because of the book's merits alone.

But his work leaves his hands and it falls into his agent's (who is his mother's agent as well). From that point on, Garp has no control of how the book is presented to his audience.

In real life, Irving has ironically fallen into the same vice. The movie has become his "Jenny Fields." For what can be expected to be a long time, Irving will be successful because of someone else's success, even though he originated the material. I doubt the millions of copies of "The Hotel New Hampshire" being sold rest purely on the book's merits alone.

It is disheartening the explosive contemporary novelist has allowed himself to become commercialized in a way he professed to detest in the book responsible for his success.

I'm forced to judge his latest book by its cover. I carefully replaced the copy of "The Hotel New Hampshire" back in its place next to the star-gazing Robin Williams and looked elsewhere.

I hope the blanket of money Irving has tucked himself into a bed of success with, doesn't smother his sensitivity to his original audience of admirers.

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# 48 YEARS: That's a long bus ride, but every trip was different for driver Phil Dorr

PHOTO BY BLAIR KOOSTRA

By JACKLEEN ASMUSSEN

For almost half a century, he was a welcome sight to those who waited at the roadside. For a wave of the hand and 75 cents, Phil Dorr took passengers six times a day, six days a week on his bus, the Lynden Stage Coach, from Lynden to Bellingham and back.

Retiring after 48 years of driving, Dorr couldn't explain why he enjoyed his job so much.

"I just couldn't say. I like to drive, I like people and I found that each trip was different," he said, rolling a pencil between his hands. The pencil caught and clicked on his wedding ring.

"It was the same as any job. It gets monotonous. But even the road changes with the weather from hour to hour. Or there's the little dog that runs out in front of you and wakes you up."

Dorr, with a thin and slightly stooped frame, smiles instantly at the mention of passengers. "The people are nice," he said, "I get along with 99.44 percent of them." Some passengers have commuted with him for as long as 25 years, Dorr said, still smiling. "It's more like a family than a business."

His years on the road were uneventful, he said. "It was fire up the bus at 6:30 a.m. and close it down at 6:45 p.m. It was all pretty even."

Except for one time when a man died on his bus. Dorr said all he could do was simply drive the man to the doctor and help carry him inside.

Born and raised in Lynden, Dorr said he really never considered any other kind of work. Dorr's father was a bus driver, beginning with the Lynden line in 1915 and later owning the Ferndale bus line.

Dorr didn't attend college because, he



said, "I was one of the depression kids." He delivered milk for a few years and later worked for Washington Motor Coach system. When the Lynden line came up for sale, his father helped him raise the capital and Dorr bought the line when he was 28.

The job wasn't a particularly stressful one, Dorr said, although "Breakdowns upset me to no end. One of the things that hurt me was a busload of passengers sitting by the side of the road."

"You do the best you can and people appreciate it," he said. Dorr and his wife of

49 years—"We're going to make it to 50,"—have been given enough corn for the winter along with zucchini and apples from former passengers. "They take pretty good care of that old man that drove the bus, the rosy-cheeked Dorr said.

Dorr's longevity on the Lynden-Bellingham route may earn him a place in the Guinness Book Of World Records. Fellow employees plan to submit the claim that Dorr holds the record for most years driving on a single bus run.

Retirement is not coming easy for him.

After a medical exam, which diagnosed an irregular heartbeat and high blood pressure, he said he felt his physical condition could endanger his passengers.

"I got the idea that I ought to get away. I resented it in a way," he said, looking at the floor. With no particular retirement plans in mind, Dorr said he and his wife would just take it day to day.

"I've seen 'em come and I've seen 'em go. I've lasted longer than the average bus driver — just too damn dumb to quit," he laughed.

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