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Happy Halloween!

Prof. Annis fears another Vietnam

By DOUGLAS BUELL Sports Editor

When the Vietnam war becomes a topic of discussion, it is, like most American battles in the past, historically thought of as a "war over there." However, today's generation doesn't often hear about the war that divided the United States in it's homes,...it's schools,...and it's people. In other words, the war on the "domestic front."

Professor Leroy Annis, professor of English at UPS and an anti-war activist during the Vietnam war, spoke to Honors students in the Quiet Lounge at TCC last Oct. 17, continuing the five-part Hornors colloquium focusing on Vietnam.

Ironically, even as Professor Annis began to speak about his part in protesting the war, he was drowned-out by the ear-splitting sounds of fighter jets over head. Annis replied, "Defense,...you should feel safe. I don't." Eventually, things got underway.

While a student teacher at the University of Washington in the mid-60's, Prof. Annis referred to the early rumblings of anti-war activity by saying, "There ought to be more of a aoral climate at the UW." lather than adopt the attitude of out-and-out protest, he and others decided to use a more subtle but effective approach known as "satyagraha," Ghandi's word for "passive resistance."

So students staged a silent vigil. Annis and a small group of a dozen people assembled, then walked together off the UW campus, using neither words nor protest signs to make their point. In the first week alone, the solemn group grew to 60-70 walkers and con-Continued on page 4

Students under pressure

By BIANCA ALLEGRO Challenge Staff

Many people in America believe that life in England is much the same as it is in the United States. Although we have many customs and practices that are similar, the English school system is one institution that is radically different from our own. TCC biology teacher, Richard Perkins should know. He taught biolgy, chemistry, swimming, and general studies to 320 students in England for a full year.

Perkins was one of only 150 teachers selected nationwide for the Fulbright teaching exchange program, which allows teachers to instruct abroad. During the 1982-83 school year, Perkins taught at Nun Thorpe school, located in York, England, approximately 200 miles north of London. At the school, he taught students ranging from grades 6 through 12.

Perkins said there are two basic "tracks," or learning systems in England. The first is the grammar school concept. At age 11, students are given a standard test in areas of general knowledge. Upon passing this exam, a student then goes on to a grammar school, such as Nun Thorpe, where preparation for a college education takes place. These grammar schools are segregated between the

sexes. Perkins stated that only 20 percent of the students who take the exam go on to a grammar school. The remainder of the students who do not pass the test go on to a comprehensive school. In this system, both male and female students attend the same school and usually enter the workforce after completion of school in the tenth grade. Some go "on the dole," which is the English term for welfare.

"Occasionally," said

"Occasionally," said Perkins, "a comprehensive school student will do well and go on to college." But he added that this was rarely the case.

As for the grammar school students, they are given yet another exam upon completing the tenth grade. The O-level (ordinary level) exam determines whether or not a student will progress to the eleventh and twelfth grades. This is called the sixth form school, and students who advance to this level specialize in specific areas.

Perkins said that there were "sixth formers" at Nun Thorpe, who, upon completing twelfth grade, were required to take the A-level (advanced level) test. If the student passed this final test, their college education would be paid for by the government, and they would become experts in their specific areas of study.

Perkins feels that the comprehensive system is better because the problem with the test, at age 11, is the "tremendous pressure put on students to do well and go on to the university." He added that many students are bright, but not quite mature enough at age 11 to pass such an important exam. Perkins also criticized the system in that the eleventh and twelfth graders "specialized in only three areas; (they) became experts in those areas. I think people need a very broad, general education."

Many parents like the grammar school because of its status element. But many schools are now breaking the elite concept of a grammar school and switching to the comprehensive system. Still, the top 20 percent are put in special advanced classes.

More vocational schools are being developed as well, to help train and retrain people for jobs. Perkins said England is "working towards a community college concept. Many people over the age of thirty are going back to school."

Perkins said that the English school system has many of the same problems as our own. "England is only the size of some of our states," he noted, adding that "teachers are grossly underpaid and facilities are

grossly underfunded in some areas." He said that the average wage of a teacher in England is \$10,000 a year.

Perkins concluded that "kids are really very much the same" in England as they are in America, and that "teaching varies from school to school" just as it varies here. "I gave lots of talks and showed lots of slides," he said. He believes that there are many misconceptions the English students have about the U.S.

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"A lot of what they understand is from T.V.," he said.

He was once asked about the size of his swimming pool by a student in England. From watching "Dynasty" and "Dallas," the English students were under the impression that everyone in America was rich and had a swimming pool

When the students heard he was from Washington, they immediately thought Perkins hailed from Washington, D.C. They didn't know about the "other" Washington.

With a population of only 55 million people, Perkins added that many English people "can't understand the tremendous diversity in the U.S."

Oct. 30, 1985

It could be worse



SHANNON SAUL

Some things make me mad, and not just mad in the Irish sense of crazy. I mean red-hot angry mad.

For instance, a group of young men drinking beer by a lake in Port Orchard:

"Hey guys, let's move to Russia. They've got to have a better system than this lousy country does."

"Sure. Anywhere's better than this dump. I mean, they're taxing the hell outa me. Twenty percent just for the goddam government!"

"Yeah. And what do they even do with the money. This country's worthless."

Hearing this conversation, I butted in, "Where do you propose to go to? I mean, where is this paradise you're looking for?"

They turned to me in surprise. One of them shrugged and said, "Anywhere. Put me on a plane to Egypt. There's nowhere worse than the U.S. of A."

You hear it all too often. People complaining of a worthless tax system, of the high cost of living, of the uselessness of education over here. Everything.

Yet America is not that bad. Every country has its good and its bad points. Every country has its flaws.

Take Ireland. Many people move there for its beautiful scenery, its lack of population and pollution, and its nation of manic romantics who are as happy to die for their country as live for it.

That's as good a reason as any, if you can afford it. But if you do decide to mosey on

over to Ireland to escape America's terrible traumas, don't come crying to me when you find out that gas is \$4.00 a gallon, minimum wage about \$1.50, and decent, quality clothes can't be found except in the most expensive department stores in Dublin.

And don't yell at me when your TV takes 3 years to be fixed. (It probably won't matter anyway, since three hours of MTUSA on the odd Sunday is the closest thing to MTV and there are only 2 channels to choose from.)

Or, when that nice patiobuilder turns up at 9:55 a.m., takes "elevenses" at 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., a two-hour lunch at noon, a tea-break at three, and heads for home at four. And when you ask him why nothing's accomplished, he says, "Sure, didn't I put that wee rock on the wall over there, and wasn't I out sweeping the leaves off the ground the past half hour? And anyway, a man has to have a cuppa, or freeze to death when the weather's like this." And the fact that it's August is irAnd when you get your first paycheck, don't be surprised when over half of it is missing— on its way to the government. And what's left is just a little, teeny weeny bit less than what you're used to.

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Or, when it gets time to send your kids to school and the bill gives you quite a shock. "Tuition," you say, "books, uniforms? No!" But yes. Tuition is paid through high school, and as for college....as a woman stated to a reporter for the *Irish Times*:"I have two (children) at college already...and to tell the truth, I am living in terror that one of the others will want to go as well. God forgive me, but it's almost got to the stage where I hope the next boy doesn't do well in his exams." (Irish Times, page 7, Sept 28, 1985.)

That's if you can get into college. There aren't nearly as many facilities for education there as the States have, and I've heard it said that less than 10 percent of high school students go on to college.

And when your kid tells you that she's going to move to

that great land of "Golden Opportunity," (the United States), don't wring your hands and moan, "But why, Grainne?" Wouldn't you if you had a passport to the States and couldn't get a job in Ireland?

There are a lot of people in Ireland who are permanantly on "the dole," and take "nixxers" on the side. Unfamiliar words, perhaps? Well, "the dole" is unemployment benefits and "nixxers" are jobs taken under-the-table as supplement. Is it any wonder that such dishonesty continues, when the truth is you can earn more that way than in a regular job?

Most Irish people would give anything for the chance to live in the States. But for them, the door is locked. So all you people out there who gripe about the terrible state America is in would do well to think about other countries for a change. And Ireland is only one of them. Ethiopians and Cambodians don't exactly have it easy either.

Hawks QB off-target



AURA GILLMER

Could someone please explain something to me? How can Dave Krieg look so good statistically, and then stink up the field so bad? This man is setting records, and yet he can throw 12 consecutive incomplete passes to receivers who are known for pulling a ball out of places normally

considered beyond reach.

Steve Largent, one of the best receivers ever to play the game, is finding himself more and more empty-handed, with passes falling just out of his reach. Krieg isn't ALL bad; when he's having a good day (less and less frequently), he's great. As a "hot and cold" quarterback, he isn't bad at all, but when he's cold, my beloved Seahawks should have someone on the sidelines who can be counted on for a few completions.

Who is this back-up QB, anyway? Gilbert doesn't see much playing time; maybe Knox (the greatest man on earth, "All hail Chuck Knox!!") is trying to tell us something. Everyone knows that a Superbowl can not be won without two good (not one good and one "so-so," or one great and one not so hot) quarterbacks. At the beginning of the year, I picked the Hawks to win the Superbowl. Unfortuately, one can not change one's picks in the mid-

dle of the year, or else I would. I have been forced to realize that this is not the year. My only hope is that I will be proven wrong.

Something for Knox to maybe look into is a new back-up for Krieg,...after all, we shouldn't expect the poor man to play through the whole game without any rest. The only problem is this: Do you go for experience or youth and vitality?

On the youthful side of the coin, Lomax's back-up, Rick McIvor (UT Austin '84), has a great arm, set all kinds of records at UT while he was there, and would love to play in Seattle. Coach Knox could maybe investigate this further?

The saddest thing this year is this blasted 45-man roster. I knew when the team population was lowered that we were going to lose Reggie McKenzie. I knew it in my bones, and when his name appeared on the cut list, I was devestated. Reggie, even though he was

relatively new, was the moral fiber of the team. I noticed a few weeks ago that he was standing down on the sidelines. He was in street clothes, and besides looking out of place, he appeared to be longing for the action of being on the field. My heart goes out to him.

I could go on and on, touting the attributes of one player or another, but I shall try to contain myself by handing out just a few words of praise for a few people.

Jacob Green is the Lyle Alzado of the Seahawks. Everytime he gets a hold on an opposing quarterback, the blood pressure of every Hawks fan skyrockets. He is doing an admirable job of filling in for McKenzie in the moral support area, and I hope he stays around in Seattle for a long, long time.

"Deep Heat" Daryl Turner is a storybook example of the receiver that could. When Krieg needs big yardage, (and can find the receiver), he goes

to Turner...BOOM! Six points!

The two Byrons, Franklin and Walker, are a thrill to watch in action. I hope to see even more of them in the future.

If there were to be an MVP chosen, it would have to be Kenny Easley. Whether he's working special teams, or intercepting passes, he's always on top of things.

All in all, the Hawks are doing pretty well, and since Chuck Knox does have a reputation to maintain, maybe they'll all give it a little extra, and those well-deserving players will have a Superbowl ring on their fingers come this time next year.

By the way, the entire purpose of this was to prove that football is not necessarily a man's sport. Women can enjoy watching an exhilarating game as much as men, so men, watch out!...Pretty soon there may not be any more "football widows."

5,000 walk for peace

By BIANCA ALLEGRO

Challenge Staff
On March 1, 1986, approximately 5,000 people will leave their homes, jobs, and schools to participate in a nine-month march, beginning in Los Angeles, Calif., and ending in Washington, D.C., to urge world-wide nuclear disarma-

The event, called "The Great Peace March," is being planned by the executive director and founder of PRO-Peace (People Reaching Out for Peace), Dave Mixner. PRO-Peace is an organization dedicated to the cause of world peace and nuclear disarmament. The event is expected to take 255 days, with par-ticipants walking approx-imately 15 miles a day. To raise money for the

march, more than 200 colleges will participate in a national campus fund-raising event scheduled for Nov. 3. Colleges plan to raise half a million dollars by sponsoring walks, 10K runs, and canvassing drives, dances and concerts.

Through the Investment for Life program, six colleges have already pledged \$15,000 each to pay for the expenses of the march. The funds will help pay for tents, which will serve as cafeterias, meeting halls, communication centers, and infirmaries. Each tent will bear the name, colors, and mascot of the donor school and will be returned when the march is completed.

For those who cannot come along, there is the Adopt-A-Marcher program. In return for the contribution of a dollar per mile, which will help pay for the marcher's expenses, the sponsor will receive letters and photos from their adoptees, as well as an invitation to visit the

The marchers will pass through many communities of various sizes. In Denver, Colo., they will be greeted with a ticker-tape parade.

Says Mixner, "Never before in my 25 years of organizing has anything come together this easily. Optimism, idealism, energy-there's more than enough to carry this thing through."

For more information, contact Marshall Mayer, campus coordinator for PRO-Peace, at (213) 653-6245, or write to the orgabnization at: 8150 Beverly Blvd. Suite 301, Los Angeles, CA, 90048.

Belize tour in March '86

Special to the Challenge

A special travel-study program examining the tropical ecology of Belize, Central America is planned by TCC for March 23-30, 1986.

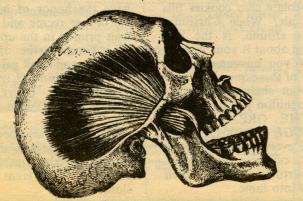
Interested persons can attend a free trip preview, Nov. 4, at 11:30 a.m. or 6:30 p.m., in Bldg. 14-12.

The spring trip will include snorkeling along the barrier reef to observe the marine ecology, study of geological formations of the coastal reefs

and mainland, and travel into the tropical rainforest to experience rainforest ecology and explore the remains of the ancient Mayan Empire.

Belize, formerly British Honduras, is located on the western shore of the Carri-

Tour leaders are Dr. Richard Perkins, TCC biology instructor, and Dr. Jack Hyde, TCC geology and vulcanology instructor. For more information, call TCC at 756-5060.



Don't let mid-term blues get you down

Special to the Challenge

It is the "mid-term crisis" time. If this is your first time in college, you might not recognize the symptoms: a feeling of helplessness, of not living up to your expectations, or to others' expectations; or feeling that you are in trouble in one or more classes, or even looking at the possibility of academic probation. Some of you are saying, "What's the use?" or "I can't do it. It's too late!" You're drowning in "shoulds."

Mid-term crisis need not be fatal! Help is still available. Specialists are available to you with their academic prescriptions. Bldg. 7 is full of specialists: regular counselors, peer counselors, a special needs counselor, and the Office of Vocational Assistance. The Advising Center can also be found there. Bldg. 8 contains reading, math and writing labs, and tutoring.

If you received a letter from the Office of Vocational Assistance earlier in the quarter, and you didn't come into the office, I'm still here in Bldg. 7, room 16A. Many students came in and were able to arrange some changes (prescriptions) in their schedules, plan for next quarter in a more realistic manner, deal with personal problems which were blocking progress, etc. Some of you borrowed audio tapes on stress, test anxiety, self-esteem, memory, and other subjects related to college success.

To those of you who did not

come in, but are now experiencing problems (mid-term crisis), it's not too late. The Office of Vocational Assistance operates on a dropin basis. Appointments may be made, but if you're feeling down, just failed a test, or are curious about your ability level and want to know more before you sign up for winter classes, drop in to see me or one of the other "specialists."

Please don't get down on yourself and fade into academic oblivion. Tacoma Community College is a fine school, with lots to offer. You just need to know where to look, and we would like to help you do just that. It's our job, our specialty, and we are used to mid-term crises.

Reader input: Letters to Editor

To the Editor:

I want to thank Michael Casey for his article titled "Abortion: It's not excusable murder" (Oct. 18).

It's time that women stop thinking about their own selfish feelings and think of that small person growing inside of them. God and God alone created that living being, and as Michael stated, in God's eyes, abortion is murder.

I'm sure God hangs His head in shame for those who condone abortion. I pray that Michael's article will touch the hearts of others.

Donna Long

To the Editor:

In regard to the editorial, "Abortion: It's not excusable murder," I fully agree with Mr. Casey. Abortion is murder. Some fail to realize the true meaning of abortion. which is the act of ending the development and bringing the unvoluntary expulsion of a baby before it's term.

In many states, abortion is legal, and quite popular. But, legal or not, it involves the taking of life.

If a society of what Michael calls "Pro-death" activists, as a whole, was to actually ex-

perience the suffering, pain, and destruction of what some millions of babies go through during abortion, and returned to tell about it, the thought of supporting abortion would be the furthest thing from their minds.

Put yourself in the baby's place. Would you be willing to murder yourself, or would you petition to save yourself?

For the "Pro-death" activists to even think that abortion isn't murder, there must be a physiological or psychological lack of understanding and affection, to be so unmerciful as to condemn a life even before its

Society must realize that man was told to multiply and replenish the earth by God. God considers children a blessing to any family that has them. "Lo, children are an heritage of the Lord; and the fruit of the womb is his reward."(Psalm 127:3)

"Pro-death" activists must realize that there is a danger of incurring God's wrath (their death), for attempting to circumvent God's plan for a family. "And the thing which he did displeased the Lord; wherefore he slew him also." (Genesis 38:10)

Darius Norfleet

To the Editor:

I enjoy reading The Challenge, and I realize that many people expend much time and effort in putting out the paper. However, I find it quite monotonous to read the same old stuff each issue. It seems that not an issue can be published without a few articles concerning abortion, and an editorial about how much God loves you, and how happy someone is with their religion.

Are these topics a requisite in The Challenge? I get a picture of the staff trying to find enough material to fill out the paper: "Well, if nothing else, we can always tell more about the evils of abortion and how

Mike Casey is listed as the News Editor, but I think a more appropriate title would be Religious Editor, or maybe Administer of Propaganda.

If you must print all these shallow, "controversial" articles, at least give equal time to both sides of the issue. want a lecture on morality, I'll buy the Christian Science Monitor or Plain Truth.

Gary Glenn

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Competitive job market in counseling field

By FLORENCE DUMAS Challenge Staff

For those who want to be counselors, Phillip Griffin, TCC Counseling Center staff member, said, "Be prepared for lots of heavy work." Griffin said that, "First we

must distinguish in counseling between college and private practice. An agency pays the same, whether you do a good job or bad job. In private practice, there's no room for doing a bad job. The clients pay for it and expect outcomes on problems that took 10 to 50 years to develop, and sometimes solutions in a few hours. For instance, in marriage counseling, I am often asked, 'Is it too late to change?' I tell them there is always hope."

In 1967, Griffin became a counselor because he "wanted to do something significant" in his life and make a contribution to society. To further answer why he chose counseling as a career, he showed two small cards. The first was titled, "Independance: to be able

to determine the nature of work without significant direction from others; not do what the others tell me." Heading the second card was, "Help Society: Do something to contribute to the betterment of the world."

Griffin emphasized, "You don't get a meaningful job or pay without a master's degree. Exceptions are few and far between."

Computer research information from the Career Services Center shows that entry rates in social service agencies range between \$1,100 and \$1,400 a month; smaller agencies usually pay less. An institutional counselor with a bachelor's degree earns between \$1,200 and \$1,536 a month. Vocational counselors with a four-year college degree in social science, and two years work experience, receive anywhere from \$1,426 to \$1,826. Those with an M.A. earn from \$1,530 to \$1,760.

In general, an M.A. in school counseling or counseling psychology is required for

elementary, secondary, and higher levels. A master's degree in social work is a standard credential for counseling in mental health agencies. Griffin received his first M.A. in school counseling and the second one in marital and family therapy.
"One thing I appreciate

about most master's degree programs," Griffin said, "is that there is a supervised internship aspect. Without that, one would have just theory, which would be useless.'

Topping Griffin's list of essential qualities to look for in a counselor was "empathy"—having such a deep understanding that feelings, thoughts, and motives of a person are readily com-prehended by another. Also essential are compassion and flexibility - flexibility in thinking, and in adapting to a wide

variety of people.
"Dealing with diverse groups, a counselor cannot afford to be rigid," he cautioned. Furthermore, he said,

Have a creative mind, and intelligence."

Counselors go through expectations, first dealing with those of the client, which are not always realistic, then dealing with their own expectations. "A neophyte counselor," Griffin explained, "wants to provide answers for everyone. The more experienced one is able to define more limited objectives, and feels good when those are accomplished."

Sitting for long periods of time is an occupational hazard for counselors, which is definitely something else they "go through." Griffin said, "To be healthy, one has to be active,...have a routine of exercise.

Another negative aspect of counseling as a career is the job outlook. Currently, there is a surplus of qualified job applicants in Washington. According to Griffin, there have been enormous cutbacks in funding, affecting available positions. Eliminated as a job requirement, in some areas, is the master's degree.

Competition is keen, and experience is important. Griffin said people are often hired by agencies. A B.A. in social work will get you "in the door" with an agency for jobs as case workers, employment counselors, and social workers.

Counselors help others to understand themselves better and apply that to living and working more effectively. The need exists in Tacoma, Griffin informed, and in other places, although the opportunities of job openings are not commensurate with the need. "Most people," he said, "at some time in their lives, would benefit from counseling in one form or another. This does not necessarily mean that there will be job openings for counselors."

If you want to go into counseling, but can't find work, "creativity comes in," Griffin said with a smile. "A self-starter with a desire to 'do his own thing' could hang up his, or her own shingle."

Annis defends protests

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tinued to grow every day, gaining the curiousity of onlookers and alerting people to the situation.

Then, quoted Annis, "America came to the front."

Initial response came in the form of carloads of jocks and rowdy-types, pulling up to the silent crowd and hurling water balloons and other projectiles.

In 1969, Annis gained much publicity for the anti-war cause when he walked from Tacoma to Olympia to meet with important figures in the capitol. In an upbeat mood, Annis and others exchanged heated words with senators and representatives.

On April 15, 1970, students banded together again, from TCC and other schools, for a candlelight walk to Wright's Park to demonstrate against the war. Annis, among others, gave a keynote speech encouraging people to take to the streets with a message of opposition to the war.

With the Vietnam war escalating, more extreme kinds protest developed. At Pacific Lutheran University, the students came up with a clever ploy. To make their point, they advertised widely that they were going to napalm

(Napalm is an intensely hot, jelly-like substance composed gasoline and hydrocarbons.) Sheriffs. police, and many indignant people went to PLU to put a stop to the action at all costs. Then pamphlets were handed out to the gathering crowd, explaining that the students never really planned on burning up a dog; they only wanted to remind people of the "human dogs" burning up in Vietnam, and to contemplate the ethics and realities of the

In a speech given outside the UPS administration building, Annis, in reference to the Kent State massare of four students, called then President Nixon "a bastard." Commented Annis, "I din't enjoy the notion of someone sending our troops on-to campuses." He felt if it could happen there, it could happen here next.

Tacoma came out with the

first underground newspaper in the area, the Iconoclast, and as a result, moved ahead of most areas in the state as far as keeping up on protests and other information. The Iconoclast staff spent much time bailing out its reporters, and others, out of jail for their

"informative" writing.
Like some reporters and journalists, other outspoken activists spent time in jail, including Annis. But when the FBI and other government agencies sought to jail him for his opinions and activities, they wound up looking into his involvement with other organizations, namely the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU). Annis is sure his stay behind bars was in-directly related to his participation in anti-war protests.

Annis' activities began to affect his home life as well. He and his family began to get death threats and bomb scares regularly. To protect his wife and children, he sent them to relatives and spent 6-8 months by himself.

The main thing to remember, as Annis put it, is Continued on page 5

More input

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My lungs and I wish to express our appreciation for the no smoking regulations now in force in all buildings at TCC. What a pleasure to eat in the cafeteria without my food being ruined with cigarette smoke! I can now walk through Bldg. 19 without my hair and clothing picking up cigarette odors.

In addition to my personal appreciation, I am aware, as a health professional, of the serious effects of second-hand smoke. Since Gallup surveys show that 7 out of 10 adults are NON-SMOKERS, this regulation is long over-due.

Students, faculty, and EVERYONE'S lungs benefit from our buildings. smoke-free

Julie Moorer

Dessert cook-off

By AURA GILLMER Features Editor

Have you ever been begged for your cake recipe? Do people flock to your house when the scent of your chocolate chip cookies fills the air? When Christmas rolls around, is the best thing about it your fudge?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, here is your chance to gain the recognition you deserve:

THE GREAT CHAL-LENGE COOK-OFF will give every one of the campus' culinary geniuses an opportunity to bake their way into fame.

recipe and the dessert item to Bldg. 14-13 on Nov. 5 for taste-judging by an august panel of experts on Nov. 5.

The over-all winner will have the honor of having his or her recipe and portrait printed in the upcoming "Foods" issue of the Challenge and will gain the distinguished title of "Challenge Cook-off Champion - Dessert Divi-

If your culinary specialty is not in this area, wait patiently for other upcoming cook-offs of different divi-

Neil Simon's "Chapter II"

By MARK SIMONDS Challenge Staff

The atmosphere and setting the Narrows Dinner Theatre is aimed at the comfort and convenience of its patrons.

The Theatre's latest production, "Chapter II" deals with the starting of new relation-

The play follows four characters; George, his brother Leo, Jennie and Faye.

George is going through the shock of the death of a spouse and is full of self pity. Later he is confronted by Jennie who has gone through a marraige and allowed herself to be put into a mold with which she is unhappy.

The best features of the play were the lighting, which was flawlessly on cue, the host, who did the best job possible

to make patrons feel comfortable; the players, who did a good job and had no trouble making one feel a part of the play, and the artistic director Rocke Wicks who was very helpful to patrons.

The play is an excellent Neil Simon comedy.

Note: At 8 p.m., on Oct. 31 (Halloween night), there will be a costume party at the Narrows Dinner Theatre, with a prize for the best costume. There will also be a magic show by Tom Gallo, "The Phantom Man.'

Costumes will be judged during intermission, with only one prize, valued at \$100, to be given. Cost is \$16.00 per couple; \$10.00 single. Hors d'oeuvres will be served. Reservations are mandatory. Phone 627-1020.

Helpful hints for a

By Scott Granse & **Douglas Buell** Photo and Sports Editors

We all have a different idea of what Halloween is about. Our favorite part is not so much the treats, but the tricks. It's our opinion that Halloween should be as lively (or deadly) as possible. So, here are a few of Scott and Doug's tips on reaping the rewards of this tongue-in-cheek holiday. If you subscribe to a more conservative way of life, you may benefit by making our do's your don't's. Read on, oh adventurous souls:

Don't put a real pumpkin on you head as a mask. Many children enjoy smashing them. You can imagine the "impact" of this.

Don't hand out pennies to trick-or-treaters, lest you get them back later in the night at

night full of

Don't say nice things about little childrens' store-bought costumes just to please his or her accompanying, 6'5, 260 lb.

mother.

Don't bob for apples in hot tar, or any other volatile substances—especially highly flammable liquids.

Don't play silly, pseudo-scary records over your house intercom. If you must play something, play countrywestern music-it scares more kids anyway. Some of our favorite horror singers are Boxcar Willy and Slim Whit-

Do drop a scoop of Rocky Road ice cream into children's paper treat bags. We'll be by later with rakes and shovels.

Do grease your dooorstep. Do go to a party and suggest playing "Drive the Nail Through the Unwanted Guest" instead of "Pin the Tail on the Donkey.

Do leave your highbeams on when driving down a street that is crowded with children.

Do dress up like Mr. Rogers with a spear through your head.

Do try new things. If your hanging dummy didn't scare them last year, try impaling a Cabbage Patch Kid with a salad fork. It's a "killer" for the little girls.

Do realize that some dogs work as well as black cats, when rolled in chimney soot.

Do keep your child's candy

if it looks tampered with, and hand it out to all the older kids who come late and are too old to be trick-or-treating anyway. Another possibility is giving it to that stray dog who keeps running through your rose

El Salvador/ Vietnam

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"Freedom of opinion doesn't come free.

He believes there is a definite decline of moral standards in this country today. Americans are too quick to picket other issues such as abortion and AIDS, thus taking emphasis away from what could be another Vietnam in Central America. In the same way, Americans should be more concerned about the skyrocketing defense budget, part of which goes to supply US-backed militia in El Salvador and Nicaragua.

Referring to increasing US involvement in Central America, Annis says, "We're just about ready for another

"If El Salvador blows wide open, and they start killing rich kids," said Annis, "the temperature's going to climb, and then the situation will get

Prof. Annis sees today's student population as a genera-tion of "fantasizers," People People who have either forgotten about the war or weren't old enough to feel its impact.

Hopefully, students will prove him wrong when it becomes time once again to march,...to protest,...to stand up for freedom of speech and opinion.

Ooo—scary nightwear hot this Halloween!

By SUSAN LLEWELLYN Challenge Staff
Over two-thousand years

ago, the Celtic Druids of Britain lit huge bonfires on the last day of October. These fires burned through the night until the first day of November, while people sang and danced around the flames.

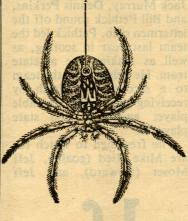
The Druids would put wisps of burning straw on the ends of pitchforks and set them on fire, waving them wildly in the air in hopes of chasing away evil and terrifying spirits. These people believed that with the end of summer, the demons of the underworld were waiting to pounce on them with winter's arrival. These spirits, they belived, would afflict them, causing calamity, misfortune, and perhaps even death.

The people tried to frighten off these evil spirits, witches, and goblins with fire; and if they felt that this tactic wasn'tworking, then they would resort to wearing horrible and grotesque costumes. Their hope was that in dressing-up in a horrible enough fashion, they would be able to fool the evil beings of the "Halloween" night into thinking they were one of them, and therefore escape unharmed.

This is how the custom of

wearing masks, capes, and hideous costumes originated in today's celebration of this pagan holiday.

Perhaps you will want to wear a costume to ward off the evil spirits this Thursday night as you go out on the prowl. Costumes range from funny to fearful in department stores.



At the Bon, you can purchase costumes at a price anywhere from \$14.99 to \$30.00. The biggest sellers are the Black Widow, the Enchantress, and the Devil Woman. According to a sales clerk at the Bon, men buy mostly masks and capes, while women tend to avoid skimpy outfits. Punk wigs and make-up kits have also struck a fancy this year.

Brocklind's Inc. is renting mostly witches' clothing, flappers in 1920's fashion, and long, black capes.

The B & I Costume Shop specializes in lots of novelties, such as bunny ears, large noses, wild wigs, and hats. Their big sale items this year have been priest and nun outfits, prison garb, Ninja-wear, Zorro costumes, and Rainier beer bottles.

Wearing costumes once a year is a fantasy for children and adults alike. It can all be fun, and no one seriously worries about warding off evil spirits anymore. But just in case you plan to stay out all night,...a Dracula cape or skeleton mask may be your best choice-that and a flaming pitchfork!



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Get a head start on track in the spring

Challenge Staff

For those who would like to be on the right track—the TCC track team, that is - second year men's and women's coach Dave Robertson has some advice: "Go out for it."

Robertson, who was once a nationally ranked decathlete, the mens' and womens' head track coach at the University of New Hampshire, and coach for javelin throwers at the University of Maine, said he doesn't want just elite athletes to turn out for track. "I'm here to help you," he said. "You don't have to be good."

Robertson said the quality of coaching is equal for each athlete: "I give the same attention to each individual. Everyone has a chance to compete." But pushing athletes to turn out for track is one thing Robertson said he won't do. "I

don't chase after runners," he said, "but I do try to get as many, and the best, that I can." He wishes more women would turn out.

Robertson stresses that having a solid academic base, as well as an interest in the sport, is one requirement for track. Self-motivation, discipline, and commitment are other qualities necessary for the student athlete. These qualities are highly recommended due to his "laid back" approach to coaching. It's up to the athletes to do their workouts, he said. "I won't run around checking up on them." Coach Robertson advises athletes who aren't serious about their commitment to track to "be honest. If you don't want to run, say so. Don't make up excuses," he said.

From the student's point of view, Anthony Cane, long-

jump champion in the 1984 Tacoma Junior Olympics, sees Coach Robertson as a "guy who knows his stuff." He added, "It's like having a friend for a coach."

Elizabeth Harris, one-half of TCC's womens' team, who earned second place in the high jump in the NWAACC state meet last year, praised Robertson for his dedication to the athletes. "He's a nice guy to work with," she said, "and he's willing to put in time for the athlete." Harris feels, as does Robertson, that the lack of publicity for track adds to the low turn out. "People don't hear about it, except from other team members, she said.

For more information about our track teams, contact Phyllis Templin, TCC's athletic director, in Bldg. 9, or at 756-5097.

Climbing takes common sense, plenty of wool

By ALLAN DREYER Challenge Staff

We have all read or heard of hikers dying of hypothermia in the mountains because they were wearing blue jeans and cotton shirts. A storm caught them and that was their end.

Others bacame lost because they did not have a map and compass. But if they had these things, they probably wouldn't know how to use them anyway.

I have wondered about the mental quirk which causes people to go into the back country so illequipped. It is hard for me to believe that it is a lack of knowing what they need. The information on how to survive is continually in magazines, newspapers, and on television. Working in scouting, I have heard some adult leaders say, "You don't need wool, all you need is three or four changes of jeans." I think to myself, "What if there is a storm and all of those jeans get wet? Then what?"

I had some people tell me, "Someday I'm going to get some guys together and climb Mount Rainier." After questioning them, I found out that they did not have even the basic knowledge of mountain climbing, and they surely did not know about glacier travel.

Some experienced mountaineers are careless and have the attitude: "It won't happen to me."

One summer, I took a vacation to climb Mount Olympus with an experienced climber. Just before the climb, I found out that he couldn't get a group together; it was just him, another fellow, and me. I refused to go on with the climb. In order for glacier climbing to be safe, you need six people in the party.

Some people do not take the mountains seriously enough. Others carry a big, useless hunting knife, when a little common sense would do them a lot more good.

In our Pacific Northwest, you should never go into the back country, winter or summer, without wool or a synthetic equal to wool. You should carry a rain parka, or a poncho, which is a poor substitute. A person needs a map, compass, and the knowledge to use them. Always carry a flashlight with extra batteries and bulbs. In your pack, along with a first-aid kit, you should have matches or other firestarters, such as a candle or fire ribbon. Always carry at least one wool stocking cap; 70 percent of body heat is lost from the neck-head area. Carry extra food and clothing in case you get caught in a storm or lost.

Yes, my pack is bigger and heavier than most, but so are those of the experienced hikers and climbers with whom I associate. These are people who come back alive.

Titan soccer goes to 7-3-2

By LARKIN CAMPBELL Challenge Staff

TCC soccer coach Tom Keegan is in his fifth season here at TCC and so far, this year has seen the Tacoma Titans off and running to a 7-3-2 record.

Keegan coached the Titans for three years befor moving to Skagit for a one-year term as their head soccer coach, and after that, he returned to TCC. As a coach, Keegan's record speaks for itself. With the teams he has had under his direction, he has made the playoffs 4 years in a row.

With only five returning lettermen, one could say the team might be short on experience, but not so. In the words of Coach Keegan, "Five or six returning lettermen is very unusual for a small col-lege. We're basically the Moser (forward), and Jeff

veterans of the league."

Keegan stated that the strong point of the squad this year is teamwork. "We're still coming together as a team, but with seventeen guys contributing, we don't have to ride on the shoulders of one or two

Similar to most two-year college clubs, the returning lettermen are leading the team. Andy Miller, Scott Torve, Jack Murray, Dennis Perkins, and Bill Pethick round off the lettermen club. Pethick led the team last year in scoring, as well as making the all-state team. He helped lead the team to a second-place finish by receiving the most valuable player award in the state playoffs.

The freshmen to watch for

Seamans (sweeper). With a touch of experience, and a handful of freshmen, the team is well-rounded.

Leadership and teamwork are essential ingredients for a successful season. If their Oct. 23 game with Ft. Steilacoom showed us anything, it proved that the Titans are giving it their all once again this season.

With Bill Pethick scoring the Titans' only goal early in the first half, things looked good for the team. But, with the game turning into a defensive struggle, the Titans had to settle for a 1-1 tie with secondplace rival, Ft. Steilacoom.

The team improved it's record to 7-3-2 with three very impressive victories over Skagit Valley (1-0), Clackamas (2-1), and Everett (3-0).



Golfers



Wanted! - Men and women interested in golf and willing to put some time aside for training and tournaments.

TCC golf coach Bob Dezell would like to interview future team prospects in Bldg. 12 by Nov 15. The team is co-ed and gives its members several advantages, including a P.E. credit towards graduation and the chance for a scholarship in which spring quarter tuition will be paid for to the two most successful candidates. To set up an interview, call Dezell's secretary at 756-5060.

TCC sports calendar

Date Opponent

Place Mens Soccer Time

Nov. 2 Shoreline

Tacoma Shoreline

1:00 p.m.

Womens Volleyball Nov. 1 Optional Crossover Big Bend

Nov. 6 Green River Nov. 8 Centralia

Tacoma Centralia

TBA 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m.

"Creator" mature fun

By DELL GIBBS Challenge Staff

During the summer, the name of the game in the movie business was science. Nearly every major film studio released at least one science-oriented movie. First, there was "Back to the Future," a smash hit dealing with time travel. Soon after, viewers were deluged with two "Frankenstein"-type movies ("Wierd Science" and "The Bride"), two mad scientist movies ("Real Genius" and "My Science Project"), and one teenage werewolf film ("Teen Wolf"). These summer releases did well because they were meant for teens, but for mature adults who wanted to see a truly good movie, these films were more of an ordeal than entertainment. They were forced to endure the "sophomoric" antics of teenage characters in teenage films that lacked thought, drama, and meaning. These films weren't necessarily bad movies; they were just tailored to younger audiences. However, with the advent of fall comes a science-oriented film for the mature viewer: the movie "Creator".

"Creator" stars Peter O'Toole as Harry Wolper, an eccentric Nobel Prize-winning biologist who is as feisty as he is brilliant. By day, O'Toole is on the cutting edge of scientific research as the head of the biology department at a university. At night, however, he brings science even further as he labors over a 30-year old obsession—cloning his long-dead wife.

O'Toole is aided in his project by his young lab assistant, Boris (Victor Spano), and a spunky drifter (Mariel Hemingway). He is hindered, however, by the efforts of his pompous rival, Dr. Kouhlenberg, played by "M*A*S*H" veteran David Ogden Stiers.

But this film is about more than a man trying to bring his wife back from the dead. Writer Jeremy Levin, adopting his novel for the screen, uses that concept as a framework about which the humanity of the movie un-Wolper's folds. Through tragic quest, Levin shows what happens to a person who will not abandon the past, and what can happen if that person decides to begin living in the present again. This whole concept is presented in a mature way, with witty dialogue that doesn't need practical jokes and pratfalls to be entertain-

An already enjoyable movie

is made even better by the efforts of an excellent cast. O'Toole, who has already made a career out of portraying eccentrics, is brilliant as the sassy, lovable Wolper. Spano is funny and endearing

as Wolper's faithful assistant, and Stiers is entertaining in his high-browed portrayal of Kouhlenberg.

Kouhlenberg.

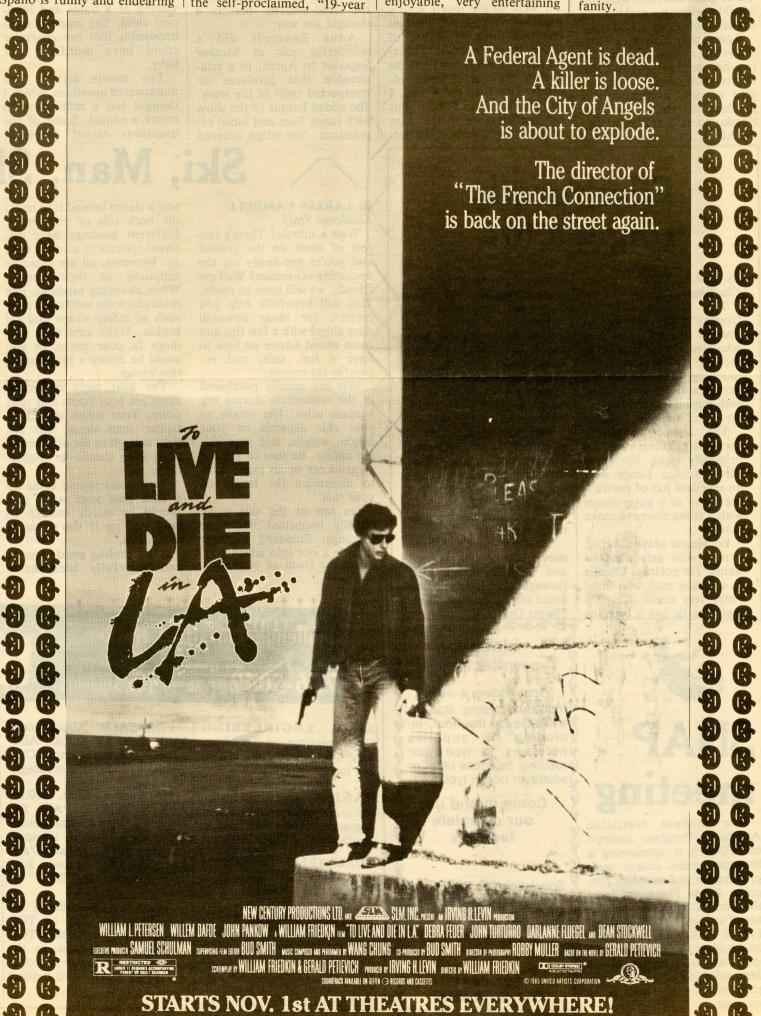
But it is Hemingway who steals the show in her role as the self-proclaimed, "19-year

old nymphomaniac" who tries to win Harry Wolper's heart. Her spunk and energy make her stand out in an exceptional cast.

All in all, "Creator" is a very enjoyable, very entertaining

movie that I recommend to anyone who wants to see a funny, mature movie.

"Creator" is rated R. It contains moments of female nudity and some affectionate profanity



Superior cast in "Agnes"

By DEBBIE LEVESQUE Challenge Staff

And the winner for best picture of the year is,... "Agnes of God." That's my prediction for the 1985-86 Oscar Awards. Three great actresses were put in this picture, making an unbelievable story a reality.

Agnes, played by Meg Tilly, is a young nun on trial for killing her newborn baby. The courts must decide if she is sane or not, so they hire a psychiatrist, played by Jane Fonda, to find this out. The trouble is that Agnes claims

that she doesn't even remember the birth, let alone the killing. Her Mother Superior, played by Anne Bancroft, trys to avoid a scandal by trying to rush the investigation.

I went to the movie with a negative attitude. I thought this was going to be one of those "Jane Fonda as 'Superwoman" movies, but I left the theater with a different attitude. Don't get me wrong. I still dislike Jane Fonda. But her performance in this film gave me a new respect for her.

Instead of playing the cold, manipulating, and unfeeling woman which she is well known for, her character was a good, kind, and caring person. As the psychiatrist, she convinced me that she wasn't the cold-hearted person I thought she was.

Anne Bancroft did a wonderful job as Mother Superior to Agnes, in a relationship that produces an unexpected twist in the story. She added humor to the show with funny lines and facial expressions. She often relieved

or created tension on screen to hide missing pieces to the mystery surrounding the murder of Agnes' baby.

Last, but certainly not least, is Meg Tilly, who protrayed Agnes. I found her very convincing as a naive and innocent child. She made it seem impossible that her character could have murdered her baby.

The movie left a few unanswered questions, which I thought left a motivation to create a sequel. Some of the questions raised involved, "How did she get pregnant in the first place?" and "Did she know what she was doing?" These questions are vaguely explained, but there is reason to doubt if the answers are correct. And if I told you what those answers were, then you wouldn't bother to go see the film. Here's my advice: if you want to see the future "Best picture of the year," then go see "Agnes of God."



Film recalls singer's life

By SUE BEYER Challenge Staff

The movie "Sweet Dreams" is the true story of country singer Patsy Cline, who died in a plane crash at the age of 30. It is the touching, romantic story of her beautiful love affair with music, her rise to stardom, and her love, Charlie.

The music throughout the entire movie was all originally sung by Patsy Cline. Jessica Lange does an excellent job of portraying Patsy as a gutsy singer with a stong desire to make it big.

Ed Harris plays Charlie, a man who gets what he wants. He portrays Charlie as a strong man who loves Patsy very much. It seems that Charlie has a beer, or something stronger, in his hand throughout the entire movie and appears to have a drinking problem.

Patsy is seen as a struggling young singer who's unhappy in her first marriage. She divorces her first husband and meets Charlie, whom she falls in love with and marries.

Patsy finds that something is missing in her life, but doesn't know what it is she's searching for. She appears unsure of her love for Charlie, but needs to hold onto him, because he's her security.

This is an excellent movie. The acting was good and it held my interest throughout. I highly recommend taking the time to see "Sweet Dreams."

Ski, Man, Ski!

By LARKIN CAMBELL Challenge Staff

Wait a minute! There's two feet of snow on the ground and you're not ready for the upcoming ski-season? Well my friends, we will soon be ready. This will hopefully help you prepare for those downhill days ahead with a few tips and some sound advice on how to have a fun, safe, and enjoyable ski season.

Skis are usually purchased in the wintertime during big bargain sales. The length of your skis depends on your height, weight, and your skiing ability. Be sure to ask the shop owner or an expert how to determine the length of your skis.

On top of the skis is an equally important item; the bindings. Standard bindings include a slot into which you insert the front of your boot

and a clamp behind it to insert the back side of your boot. Different bindings have different systems to assure a tight fit. However, all are basically simplistic in their nature. When choosing bindings, one must check the safety features, such as safety straps and ski brakes. Make sure your bindings fit your boots, or you could be eating a lot of snow this winter.

The next most important items are your boots and your poles. Your boots should fit tighter than shoes, but not tight enough to cut off circulation. They should be confortable.

Your poles should come up a little past your waist and should be sturdy enough to hold you up if the situation ever arises.

After finding good, sound, and hopefully inexpensive

equipment, you must pick out your skiing outfit. With the changing fashion trends, it's hard to keep up, but take heart! You'll be sure to see some of the old sweater and blue jeans outfits on the slopes. In any case, you should make sure you have good, warm equipment in case of an accident or injury.

Once you have picked out your equipemnt: skis, boots, bindings, poles and your skiing outfit, you must find a place to test your gear. Living in the state of Washington gives you lots of choices for your skiing ability. In the Tacoma area alone, there are many local ski resorts just waiting for you to try them out. Best of luck this coming season and remember, "MORE POWDER TO YA!"

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SNAP meeting

The Student Nutrition Assistance Program committee (SNAP) is sponsoring a low-cost, main course meal preparation and sampling program. Linda Flannigan from the Food Connection will be here Tuesday, Nov. 5, in Bldg. 11A at 12:30 p.m. If you are on a budget and have to cook, join us for an excellent demonstration on how to have good nutritional meals at a low cost.

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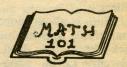
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