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Construction workers give campus a face-lift

Three current projects and two more planned

By Mark Hallmark
Staff Reporter

Current campus construction, while posing minor inconveniences, is part of an ongoing process which will expand the present college facilities.

In a recent interview, Donald Gagnes, vice-president of planning and operations, outlined a myriad of past, present and future building projects.

Last spring saw the completion of a new maintenance building and the first stages of remodeling in the science labs.

"The labs will experience a marked improvement in ventilation," Gagnes said. This is especially important for chemistry lab-work.

Redesigned heating, ventilating and air-conditioning systems (HVAC) of Bldgs. 14 and 19 will be operational this week to ward off winter's chill. They will be connected to the new main heating and chilling plant in Bldg. 7.

"This will reduce the amount of machinery needed and improve the interior climate. The 'economiser cycling' will save money by conser-

ving energy," Gagnes said.

The HVAC systems of Bldg. 22 will be revamped this spring.

Perhaps the most ambitious undertaking is centered around the library. A steel superstructure, which was started this week, will ultimately add a second-story enclosure.

Richard Aiken, reference librarian, is excited about the expansion that the construction will bring.

"We'll have more individual and group study areas, a computer catalog, an orientation area, increased shelving space, more comfortable furniture, and two new bathrooms," Aiken said.

The library will also house the math lab, skills lab and learning centers. Construction will continue thru next summer. It will resume in July, 1991, when funds are received to complete the second floor.

Few complaints have been voiced in regards to noise or dust. Judy Powell, program media specialist (library), has received gripes about the unavailability of the restrooms, Powell said. It's also confusing when students

come for counseling since the library forum area has been divided up, she said.

Another major task involves the creation of a new student center. Construction begins in mid-December.

Registration capitol fees and a bond issue which was sold last July, have raised over \$700,000 towards this venture. The center will feature improved catering capabilities and a 500-seat performance stage.

Funding for college maintenance and expansion is generally received through state appropriations. A biennial request process is prioritized in Olympia for the community college system. TCC is in direct competition with other community colleges for state funds.

"We get a little repair money, a little minor projects money, and maybe one major projects appropriation per biennium. When you have to fight and scrape for appropriations it's a never-ending process," Gagnes said.

Funding has been hampered by asbestos removal during

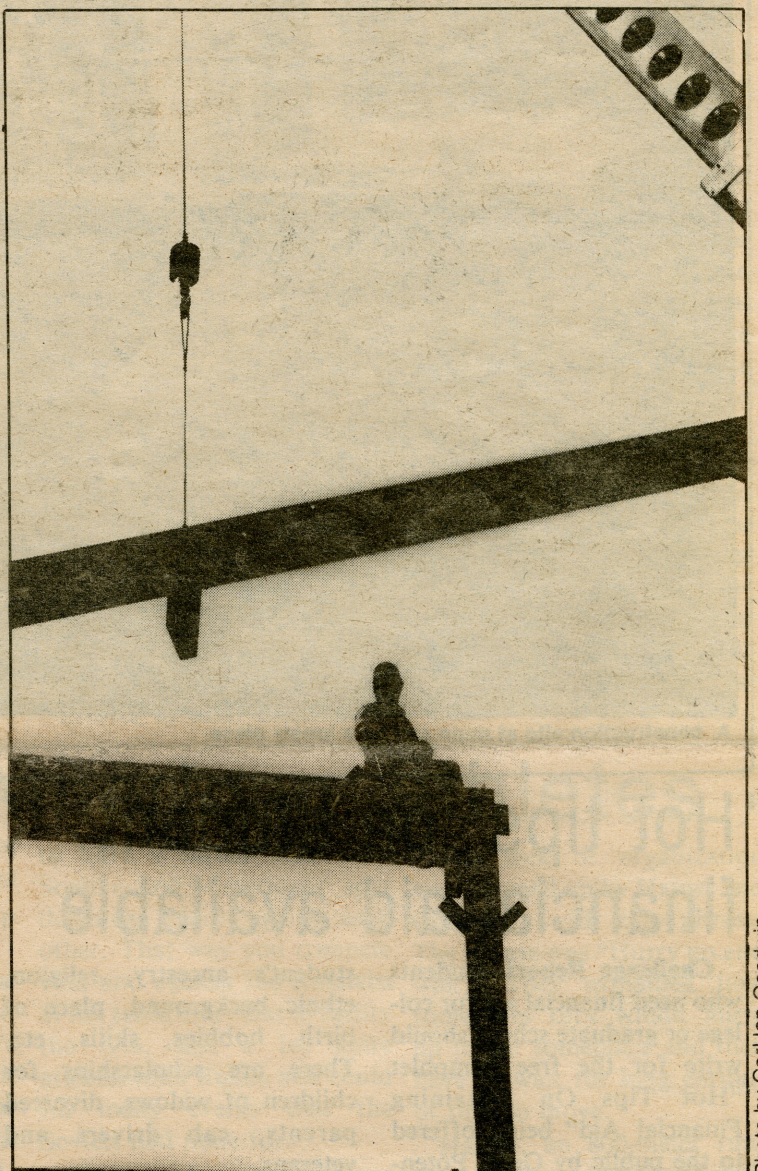


Photo by CarlJon Goodwin

Silhouetted against the afternoon sky is just one of the many construction workers that can be found on campus.

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Visiting legislators urged to increase funding

By Dan Hansen
Features Editor

Since Oct. 28, Washington state legislators have been visiting the Tacoma Community College campus, as the legislature prepares to consider a state supplemental budget request to increase funding for state community colleges by \$8 million for 1987-88.

For more related stories, see pages 4 and 12.

TCC, which is in community college district 22, directly serves the community represented by state legislative districts 26, 27, 28, 29 and 30.

These district legislators have been invited to view the school, see selective programs firsthand and listen to the educational concerns of faculty, students, staff, board of trustees and the administration.

The visits were arranged by the TCC Legislative Committee composed of faculty, staff, board administration and a student representative, Mari Hyzer, ASTCC president. The visits will continue through Nov. 13.

One member of the Legislative Committee, Karyn Clarke, a TCC board of trustees member, said, "The organizing of the legislators' visits is unique."

"They are visiting the campus individually and in pairs, to hopefully promote better communications between the legislators and TCC representatives," Clarke said.

As of Nov. 4, according to Dan Small, director of information and publications, the campus has been visited by State Representatives Ruth Fisher, Art Wang, Ron Meyers, Shirley Winsley and Wes Pruitt.

The two remaining representatives scheduled to visit are Rep. Sally Walker (Nov. 9) and Rep. Brian Ebersole, newly elected majority leader of the Washington state House of Representatives (Nov. 13).

In addition, Sen. Lorraine Wojahn (Nov. 5), Sen. Stan Johnson (Nov. 10), and Sen. Bill Smitherman (Nov. 13), are also scheduled to visit the campus.

Students can present comments and questions in the cafeteria to the scheduled legislators.

TCC is requesting \$295,067, as part of an \$8 million supplemental budget request by the State Board for Community College Education to the governor and Washington state legislature.

According to TCC President Carlton Opgaard, a

primary reason for the legislative visits is to "help legislators better understand the role of community college education and of the special needs of TCC."

Opgaard also said that community colleges really need more financial support from the legislature.

Several needs have been expressed by the administration. They include increasing funding for

- instructional support,
- basic skills and assessment and
- plant operation and maintenance.

Another important issue, according to Paul Jacobson, chemistry instructor and several other faculty members, is that legislators need to understand that community colleges, like TCC, are not simply cheaper institutions at

which to pursue an inferior education, so to speak.

As president Opgaard and several faculty members emphasized to Representative Wes Pruitt during his recent visit, high academic standards are maintained at TCC.

Moreover, it was emphasized by faculty that many TCC graduates go on to finish college and become successfully employed in the job market.

Many other former students

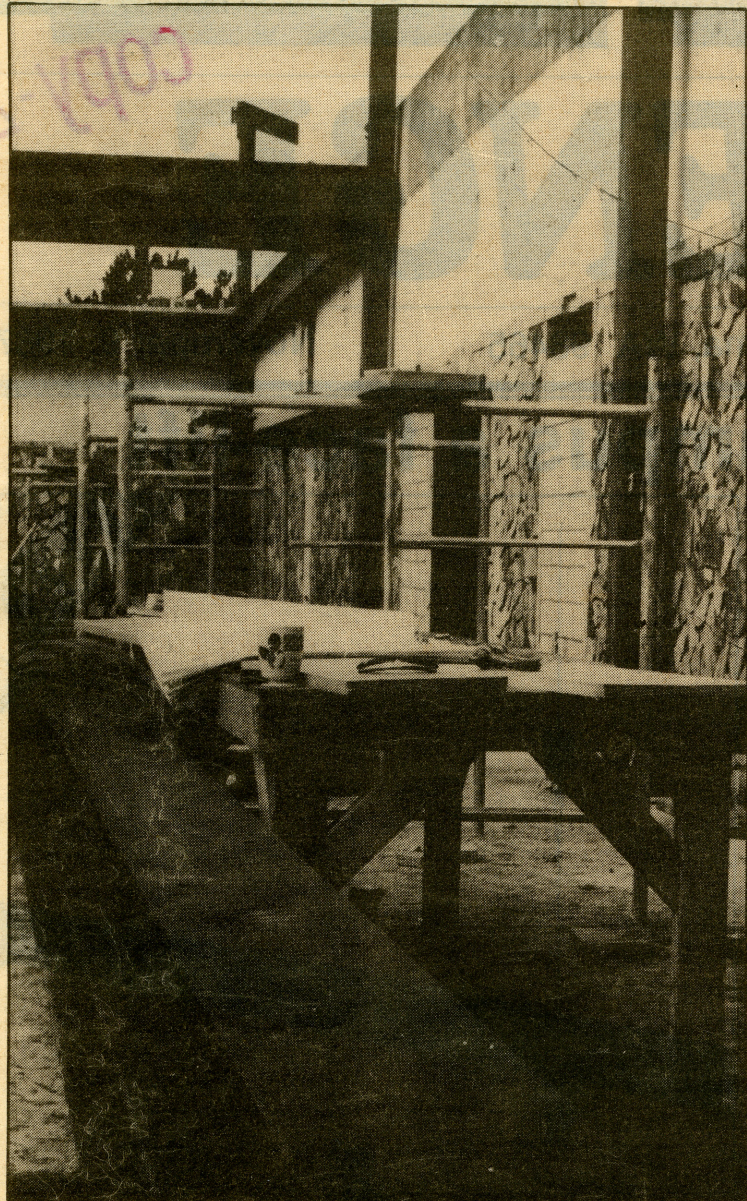
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Lunch break



A construction site at noon can be a lonely place.

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reconstruction. Over \$130,000 has been taken away from project monies for this reason.

Major appropriations funds will be used in April, 1989, when TCC begins building a new computer center. A tri-level accessible to handicapped students, the computer center will be located between Bldgs. 19 and 22.

Another project already in the works involves the reroofing of all campus buildings. A hypolon system—featuring a material similar to pool liners—will be employed.

While there have been some construction problems, Gagnes describes the process as “pretty much on schedule...thanks to the cooperation of both the people working with us and the weather.”

Future construction goals may include a new book store facility, additional student government space, a consolidated student support center, remodeling in the Allied Health building and Little Theatre, landscaping, parking expansion, and exterior lighting.

All in all there's a whole lot of shaking going on at various campus construction sites.

Photo by Carillon Goodwin

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have found satisfying jobs after completing two-year TCC programs, without necessarily having to complete a four-year degree, according to some faculty.

For example, Shirley Harris-Lee, chairman of allied health and physical education said, “Academic standards in health-related programs at TCC continue to meet high national standards for accreditation.”

In addition, as other allied health faculty pointed out, successful job placement of TCC students after graduation is quite high, from 80-100 percent, according to TCC statistics; many graduates become successful in health-related occupations.

Although TCC faculty, students, staff, board and administrators may understand the academic excellence at TCC, Representative Pruitt said legislators in general do not necessarily understand the unique contribution of com-

munity colleges in providing education to Washington students.

According to Pruitt, some legislators tend to lump all educational programs into one general category, which includes community colleges, four-year institutions and public schools (K-12).

Pruitt also said, “The large state universities, like the U of W and WSU, have strong lobbying and alumni support.”

Pruitt suggested that advocates for the community colleges need to “form coalitions with other public educational institutions,” to effectively influence legislators about how to allocate state funding for education in the future.

In part two of this series, the reaction of faculty, students, staff, board and the administration to visits by legislators will be examined.

(Note: Please see next issue for part two)

United Way
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‘Hot tips’ on student financial aid available

Challenge Report—Students who need financial aid for college or graduate school should write for the free pamphlet “Hot Tips On Obtaining Financial Aid” being offered to the public by Great Potentials Resource Center (GPRC).

This pamphlet is based upon research conducted by this Chicago-based financial aid information center into factors which can positively and negatively affect a student's application for aid. It presents guidelines to help students have the best possible chance to successfully obtain financial aid.

GPRC has also studied the problem of why approximately \$135 million in aid goes unused each year. One major reason is the fact that thousands of scholarships, grants and awards are not adequately publicized.

The sponsors of these financial aid programs are usually youth groups, churches, labor unions, trusts, foundations, philanthropists and ethnic organizations, to name a few.

Many of these aid programs are administered by a staff of volunteers who—due to a lack of funds, knowledge, or time—don't publicize the aid. Consequently, the funds often go unused.

Another factor is that most private scholarships have uni-

versal requirements, such as the student's ancestry, religion, ethnic background, place of birth, hobbies, skills, etc. There are scholarships for children of widows, divorced parents, cab drivers and veterans.

If you're left-handed, a descendant of a Confederate soldier, Protestant, American Indian, Hispanic, Polish, a woman over 40 years old, or a person named ‘Anderson’, there are scholarships available to you.

These are only a small sample of the groups of people who can qualify for aid from private sources. Few of these scholarships are based upon need or academic achievements, which makes them available to average students from middle-income families, but the student must qualify to be considered.

The bottom line is that much financial aid is available from the private sector each year. Information about major sources of aid can be obtained from library reference books and book stores, while computerized scholarship services can locate both major and lesser-known sources.

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Opinions. . .

Campus layout fosters problems

By Eric Wirsing
Staff Reporter

It has recently come to my attention that Tacoma Community College has some minor problems.

"California Style"

For one thing, the buildings are designed "California style." California style is the architectural design that spaces buildings 8-20 meters away from each other so that people migrating from building to building will get plenty of sun (and smog, depending on what part of California you're in). That works fine in California, but not in Washington.

Washington is a mild climate, with temperatures ranging from 30 degrees to

about 90. Consider also, that we have something most southern Californians know little about: R-A-I-N. It normally gets wet here. The southern Californian who designed TCC had obviously never lived here for any length of time, or he'd know this.

Parking, parking

Also, this seems redundant, and repetitive, and it's already been said a million times, but the parking problem is pretty bad. Unless you're at TCC before the ungodly hour of 8 a.m., you're not going to get a space.

Why don't they build parking garages here or something? We don't even have enough visitor parking for the students who can't park in normal parking places. What's the

matter? Don't the administrators want visitors? Some students I know have to park in restaurant parking lots. I've often considered bringing a tank to TCC. That way, I can park wherever I like.

...and another thing...

I've brought a bike to TCC a few times, and noticed something: There are no bike paths. Only walkways. That makes getting around campus to a bike rack a little harrowing. My most common phrases in the mornings are: "Excuse me." "Sorry." "Move, bud!"

"Sorry about that foot! Send me a bill!" The more polite student bikeriders are forced to ride in the gravel, on the grass, and yes, in the dirt.

Construction vehicles obstruct our walkways

By Rick Chisa
Staff Reporter

Each day, several hundred TCC students and faculty members utilize the public footpaths that stretch from one end of the campus to the other.

But, as of late, students have been forced to share their walkways. People that use these paths have been forced to yield to utility vans and trucks. With construction projects going on all over the campus, TCC students and faculty members even have to yield to trucks, vans, forklifts, and even cement trucks and 18-wheelers.

Couldn't these construction projects be done during the summer or on weekends? Even

if most of the work was done during the afternoon hours, there would be much less traffic along the walkways.

These disruptions aren't fair! For most students, the walk between classes is one of the only times during the day that they have to relax and feel relieved of daily stress. It is most annoying to be carrying on a casual conversation with a friend and turn around to see a forklift behind you, ready to run you over if you don't move.

All delivery trucks should also arrive during the afternoon hours. Not only would this cut down on campus congestion, but these trucks would no longer disturb classes.

Letters. . .

Food drive to stretch throughout November

By Mari Hyzer
ASTCC President

People go hungry for many reasons, ranging from a hailstorm ruining a year's crops to political upheaval preventing the normal production and distribution of food. What makes hunger persist?

World hunger is often attributed to too little food being produced. However, it has been increasingly the case in this country that the main cause of hunger is not food scarcity but poverty. Poor people lack access to food because they lack the resources or income to gain that access.

In light of the magnitude of the hunger problem, the

question, "What can I do?" might appear hard to answer. However, even a small contribution can make a difference.

On November 2, ASTCC will kick off a Food Drive. The drive will last from November 2 to November 24. The committee's goal is to collect enough food and money to make the holidays a much happier time for many TCC students who would otherwise go hungry. With your help the Food Drive will be successful.

Please bring food or money to Bldg. 6, Counseling Center, the information booth in the cafeteria or in your classes if there is a box.

Thank you for making a difference.

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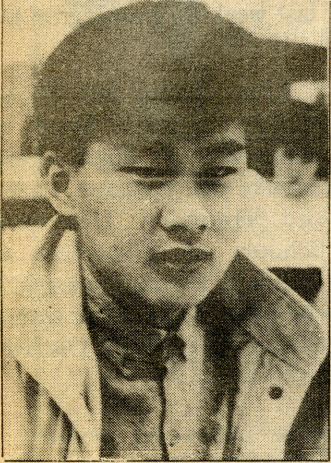
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Student forum

Should restrictions be placed on students with AIDS?



"If they went into the nursing program...or a contact sport...yes, but not otherwise."
Peter Eun, freshman



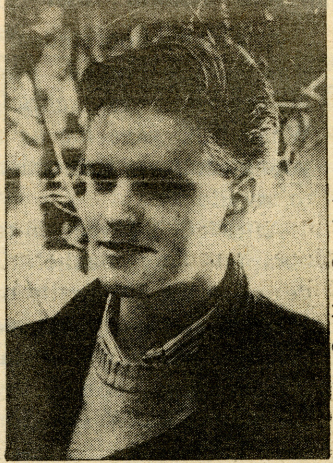
"No, they want an education. I think they should get an education."
Kimberly Ann Matthews, sophomore



"They should notify admissions if they are diagnosed as having AIDS for precautionary measures."
Jay Vesperman, freshman



"No, I think they have the same right to an education as everyone else."
Holly Pickett, sophomore



"I don't think there should be any restrictions...they would know how to conduct themselves."
Andrew Linellott, Sophomore

Photos by Carl Jon Goodwin

Features...

Domingo appointed WICERT president

By Dan Hansen
Features Editor

Royal L. Domingo, radiologic technology program coordinator at Tacoma Community College, was

Profile

recently honored by his professional organization, the Western Intercollegiate Consortium in Education for Radiologic Technology Programs (WICERT).

Domingo, who has taught at TCC since 1973, was voted as president-elect and will serve as the president for a one-year period during 1988-89.

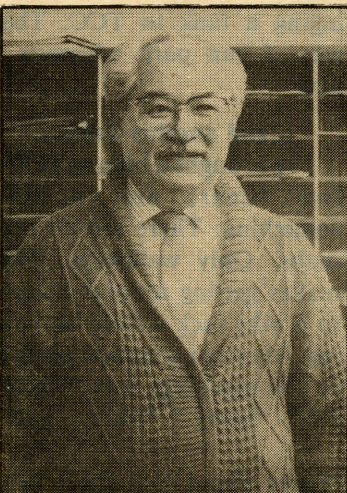
Domingo said WICERT, founded in 1975, is an important organization for professional radiologic technologists.

It serves to keep practitioner and educators up to date with major advances in the professional field and allows radiologic technologists to share recent innovations.

In addition, the WICERT also serves as a regional professional network that additionally helps professionals find employment.

An important goal for the TCC radiologic technology department is to preview and eventually purchase computer software for programmed

learning and for doing "imaging simulation," Domingo said.



President-elect Domingo

Domingo said, "Education and training in radiologic technology usually lag behind

technological advances because those changes and innovations take place at such a rapid rate."

Domingo said the application of computer technology could be a way for educators, practitioners and students to keep up with new developments in the field.

Moreover, "the use of computers will hopefully allow radiologic technology educators and clinical field supervisors to better communicate about how well students are doing in their internships," Domingo said.

The TCC Radiologic Technology program, which

Domingo coordinates, is very successful in job placement for graduating students.

"We have about an 80 percent placement rate for our students in hospitals and other clinical settings that are part of the Western Consortium," Domingo said.

Coincidentally, as Domingo pointed out, just last week, (Nov. 2-8) was National Radiologic Technology week.

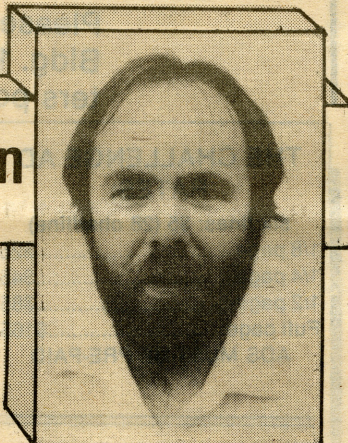
It celebrates the anniversary commemorating the 1895 discovery of x-rays by Wilhelm Roentgen, who later won the Nobel Prize in 1901 for his scientific find.

Column

TCC needs student support

The following is an opinion.

Dan Hansen



In many ways, writing this column is like "coming home" for me.

Twenty-two years ago, in 1965, I was an eighteen-year-old student at Tacoma Community College.

Fresh out of high school, I had no idea of who I was or what I wanted to do. Then they built TCC.

Having no idea what to do with my life, I—like the proverbial mountain climber who climbs a mountain because "it's there"—started attending TCC because it too was there.

It was the best and most important decision I made in my life.

Be proud of your struggle to learn.

As a high school student I was unmotivated and disinterested in school. What TCC gave me as a young adult was a direction to my life.

After TCC, I went on to complete my bachelor's degree at the University of Puget Sound and completed graduate work in political science and counseling education at Washington State University.

Now, almost 23 years later I'm back again, wearing two hats, so to speak, as a part-time instructor in political science and now as

There is a very human point here: TCC has, and is, changing human lives in a very positive way!

Young and old students alike are receiving an excellent education, a "mentorship" of sorts. Students are being motivated, enriched, pushed, lifted and tugged by TCC's faculty, and I believe the great majority of students are much better off because of it.

So my column's message is simple. Be thankful for TCC and our state's community colleges. Be proud of your struggles to learn.

It's well worth the effort, even in ways which you may not yet realize.

Beyond that, advocate for TCC directly. When the remaining Washington state legislators (Senators Wajahn, Smitherman and Johnson, and Representatives Ebersole and Walker) come on campus, meet them in the cafeteria at their appointed times.

You have a unique opportunity to participate in the legislative process. You can help support the State Board's request for \$8 million in supplemental funding.

Ask them questions, let them know how you feel about your community college. Consider it part of your education.

Help maintain the quality of our outstanding state community college system. Speak your mind!

a current journalism student and feature editor for the TCC Challenge.

What brought all this to mind was covering the Challenge story on legislators visiting the TCC campus.

As I was attending a meeting with our president, board of trustee members, faculty and State Representative Wes Pruitt, the issue of how crucial funding is for the success of TCC's programs and the future of the community college system was being discussed.

As I sat there, I had a strange experience. As an observer—an objective reporter I might add—I realized that I had personally experienced exactly what they were communicating to Representative Pruitt.

Although I was almost bursting inside, I remained calm and objective (as every reporter should) and just continued to take notes. But now I can express what I was feeling then, here in my column.

It all goes beyond words, beyond the statistics and the program testimonials.

Gross dedicated to art of teaching at TCC

By Eric Wirsing
Staff Reporter

Some people settle on their careers late in life, but teaching has been in the cards for Dorothy Gross since the second grade.

She has been teaching on and off, and has been at TCC since 1983. When asked what made her decide to teach, Gross said, "Something inside me..." From the second grade on she wanted to teach. When she was younger, she often used to play school with her brother.

She has taught at a variety of schools and states including Stadium, the University of Dakota, and even a junior

high school in Wyoming. She says teaching junior high was great, but she wouldn't do it again.

She takes great pride in her work. And several students are the very things that keep her motivated. Seeing them grow and improve is important to her. "Seeing their progress through the quarter is very rewarding," said Gross.

"I think she's a real good teacher," said Charles Lidane, a student in her 11:30 English 101 class. "She's a very fine teacher. She emphasizes the rules of English, which is good. And she works hard on the fundamentals (of English)."

Brunke elected to board of AAACE directors

Challenge Report

Tanya Brunke, Assistant Dean for Continuing Education at Tacoma Community College, was recently elected to the board of directors of the American Association for Adult and Continuing Education (AAACE). She was also named Director of the AAACE Special Issues Division, a task force involved with international education, human rights, programs for seniors, women's studies and programs for the disabled.

Based in Washington D.C., the AAACE is a 60-year-old association of professionals in the continuing education field. The largest organization of its kind in the country, the association encourages research and offers several reference publications on adult continuing education. The AAACE also serves as a continuing education lobby throughout the nation and at the U.S. Capitol.

A veteran teacher, administrator and volunteer in the field of adult and continuing education, Brunke is the first woman from Washington State and one of a very few representatives from the western states elected to the AAACE Board. She was formally installed at ceremonies last week in Washington D.C.

After earning her BA and M.Ed. degrees from the University of Puget Sound, Brunke did graduate work at the Harvard University Schools of Education and Business. Before joining TCC, she served as a teacher with the Clover Park School District in Lakewood.

A Lakewood resident involved in the United Way, YWCA and the Tacoma-Pierce County Municipal League, she has served as assistant dean at the college since 1978.

Arts...

Marketeers opens with laser extravaganza

By Mark Hallmark
Staff Reporter

Night skies above James Center were beaming last Thursday, Friday and Saturday as Marketeers employed Laser Fantasy to host an orchestrated laser show for their opening extravaganza.

Bopping to the sounds of Springsteen, Pink Floyd, John Cougar and others, the argon-generated lasers dazzled across a 45-by-80-foot screen mounted on the Marketeers roof.

"I knew it would be the coolest way to do it," Jeff Silverman, vice president of Laser Fantasy, said.

The 22-minute light and music show was projected five times nightly. It was a computer modulated production. About 30 percent of the show was directly related to developing Marketeers image.

Marketeers unusual advertising approach was formulated by Parisian marketing director John LeRoch. This is the first Marketeers Store to

"I knew (the laser show) would be the coolest way to do it."

**-Jeff Silverman
vice president,
Laser Fantasy**

open in America.

"We're different, even the way we talk to you is different. We offer imported goods, European cuts, specialty seafoods, plus the best prices in town," LeRoch said.

According to Bruce Towne, camera coordinator for Western Video Services, the use of visual arts and

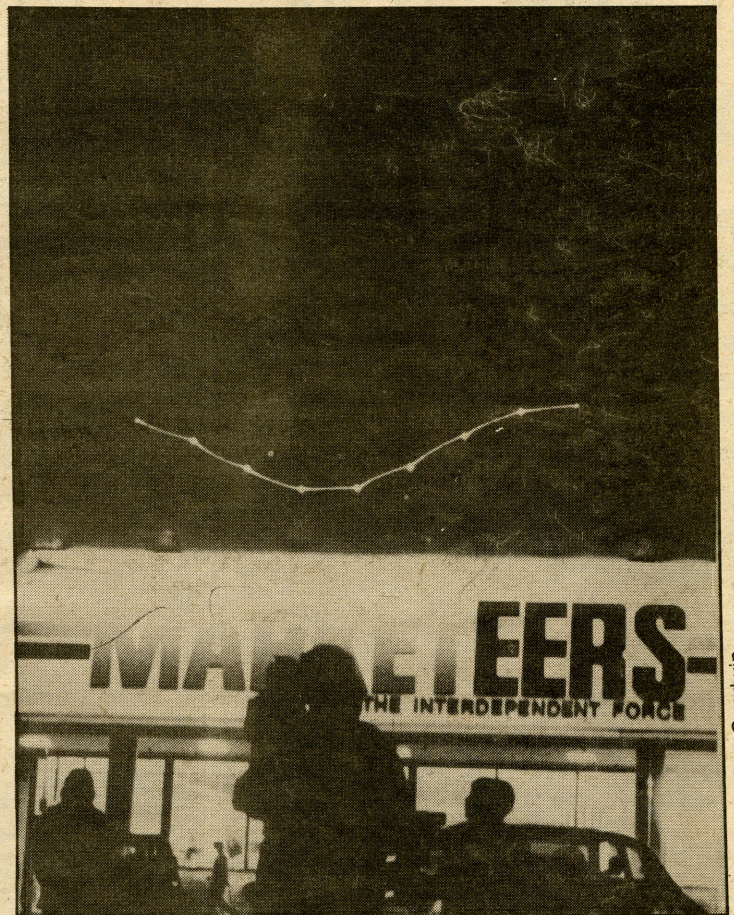
multimedia is becoming commonplace in the marketing field.

"Advertisers constantly need new gimmicks to obtain audience appeal. The video field is competitive but we're doing OK because of events like these," Towne said.

Laser Fantasy is responsible for laser productions in the Seattle Science Center, Seattle Mariners games, Tacoma Stars games and others. They manufacture laser equipment as well. "It's a very competitive business," Silverman said.

Using lasers directly for advertising is a relatively new development. "It's commercial...not exactly for art's sake," Silverman said.

Laser light shows have been entertaining people for years. This unique application may open new doors for laser use in the near future.



Lasers light up the sky above James Center.

Photo by Carlin Goodwin

'It' astounds readers

By Lori Sowell
Staff Reporter

IT, current best seller of master horror writer Stephen King, is an eerie journey into the childhood realms where creatures go bump in the night. This spooker will make even the most fearless and stable person check under the bed and in the closet before he turns off the light.

Review

A small city in Maine, Derry, is the hunting ground for a hideous shape-changing creature who preys on the children, using lures such as a cheerfull evil clown named Pennywise. This monster plays on the imagination of its victims to terrify and trap, transforming itself into each victim's private nightmare.

Seven exceptionally creative and talented children, all outcasts of the kids in their class, once faced the horror that was murdering Derry's children.

After the confrontation, they vowed to return and finish the job once and for all if the *It* ever began the cycle of terror again.

Twenty-seven years later, six of the group who moved away are successful, wealthy, and have forgotten almost entirely about Derry and the murders. The one who stayed behind in Derry has kept watch. It returns in full force, and the circle of friends must return to finish what was started all those years ago. The monster must be killed.

This thriller uses the deeply buried childhood fears in all of us to keep the reader on the edge of his seat. The characters are clever, imaginative and remind the reader of what it was like to be twelve and open-minded, willing to believe in fairies, ghosts, and monsters in the closet.

Well-written and spooky, this is one book you will want to read with the lights on and the covers firmly tucked under your chin. *It* will scare you!

Column

Authentic southern food this side of Mason-Dixon

The following is an opinion

Ted Mills

[This is the third in a series of four reviews on restaurants for the college student on a budget.]



Authentic southern cooking is hard to find in Tacoma, especially considering that we are located in the northern United States. But there is one place you can enjoy this kind of meal without having to hop a plane to Alabama.

The place I am talking about is Lessie's Southern Kitchen, on the corner of 6th Ave. and Sprague, across from Jason Lee Jr. High.

From the moment you walk into the "Kitchen", you feel like you're at home. The employees of this small but comfortable establishment greet you with smiles and warm conversation.

It's wonderful to find a place where you can enjoy a hearty, almost home-cooked meal, for a veritable

bargain (most of the meals will run you between four and five dollars).

Employees of the 'Kitchen' greet you with smiles and warm conversation.

This stuff is authentic, and even though I am not a fan of this type of cuisine, I

found that everything they served me was quite delicious. There are things I wouldn't dare order (but only because of my unadulterated tastes), such as liver and onions.

There are also a half a dozen other things on their menu that I would like to

try. And no, I'm not talking about cheeseburgers and french fries, but catfish and veal, to name a couple.

During this particular visit, I chose the chicken fried steak. This generous portion of beef came with salad, home-made gravy and mashed potatoes, as well as a corn cake smothered with butter.

Some items on the menu I found to be uncommon were sweet potato pie, bread pudding and grits, which I happen to love, but haven't had since I was a kid. They also serve barbecued spare ribs and fresh fish all day long.

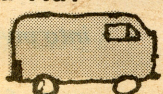


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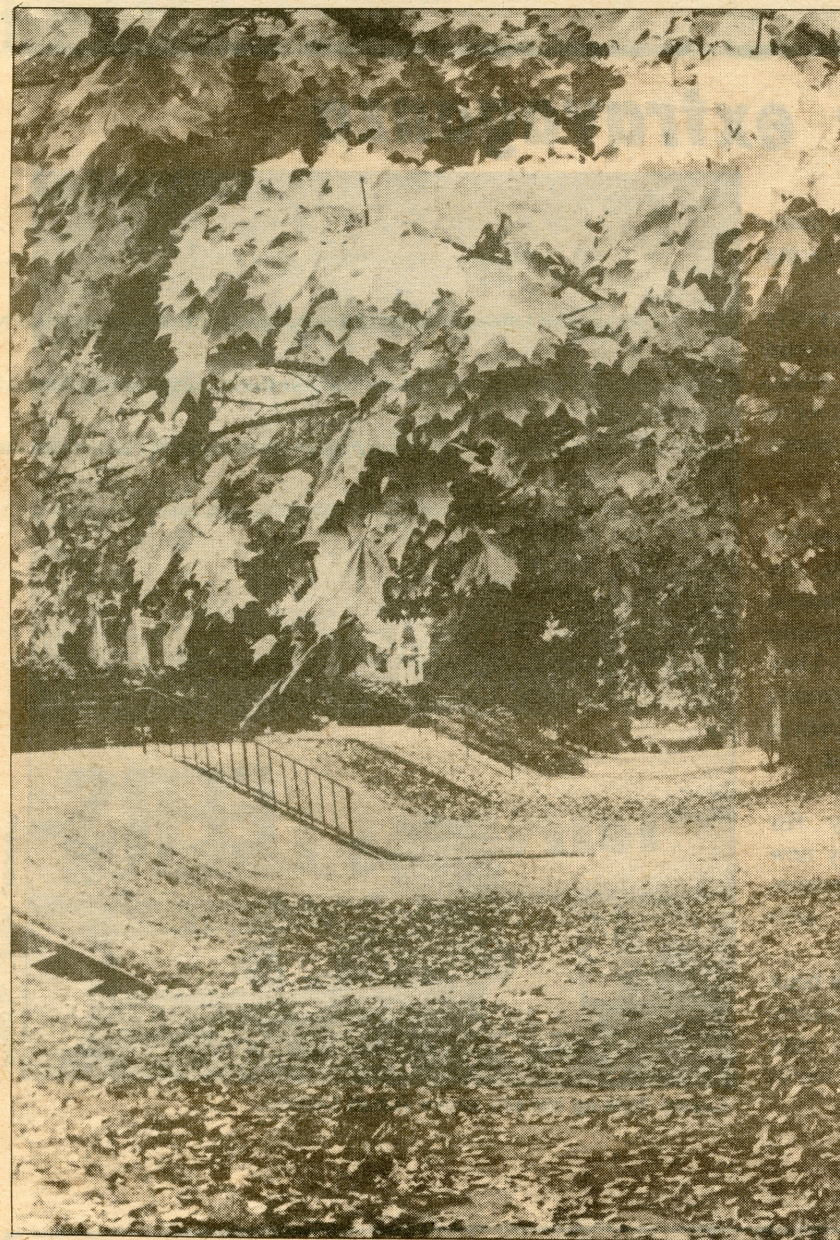
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Of leaves, cats and things.

By CarlJon Goodwin
Photo Editor

With the coming of winter the leaves on the trees change their colors and fall to the ground and speeding cars on the highway grind them to dust leaving nothing but the promise of spring in the bare trunks of the trees, a little snow on the ground.

Like most, I never gave it a second thought until a girl said to me: "Trees are like love—first they ever-so-gently bud then with summer bloom into broad green leaves only to change to golden browns, fall, and be ground into the dirt to form more soil for more trees to give us all bigger leaves."



Pondering this for a moment, I could see that trees are more like life than love, and buds are helpless babies, the leaves big and green are the young. As the elements play upon them, they wither and fall back to the dust from which they came, leaving seeds for the spring and hope for the future and a chance to begin anew.

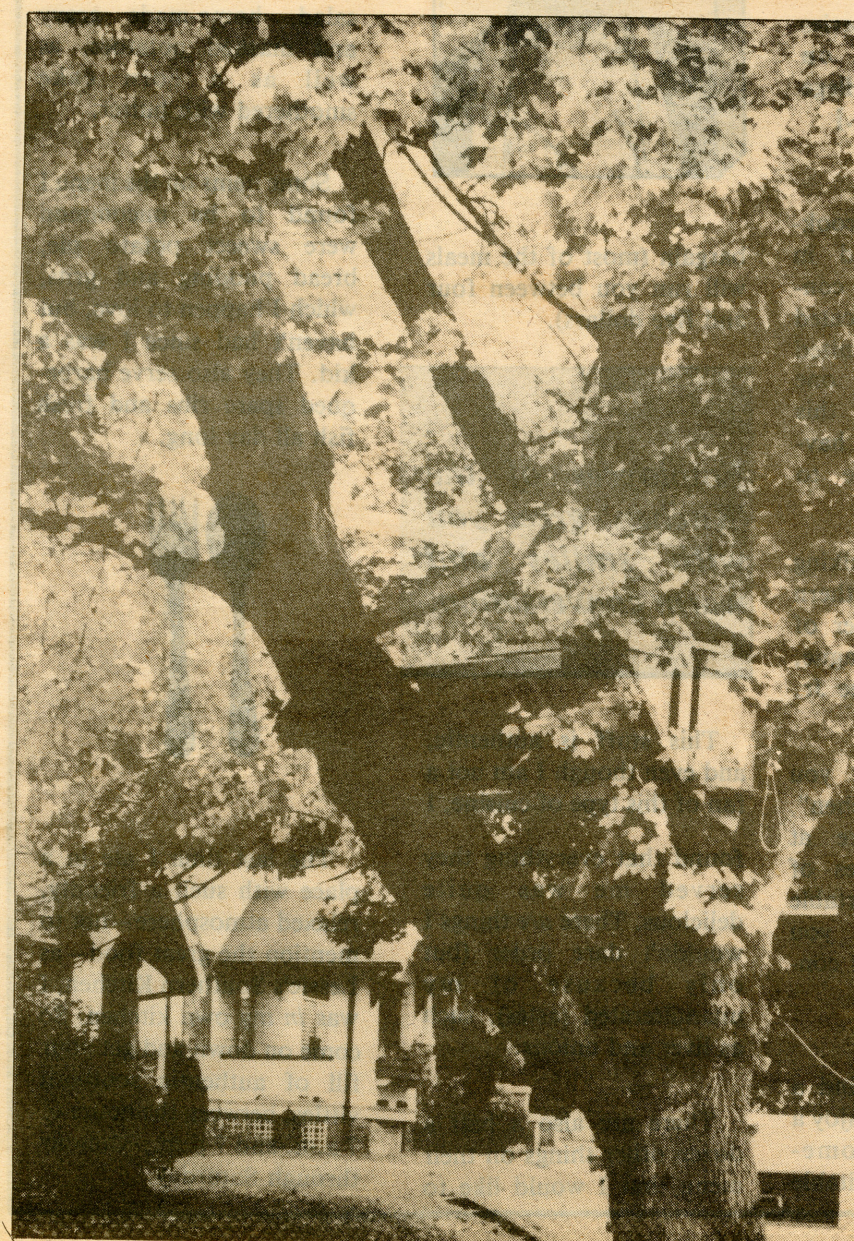
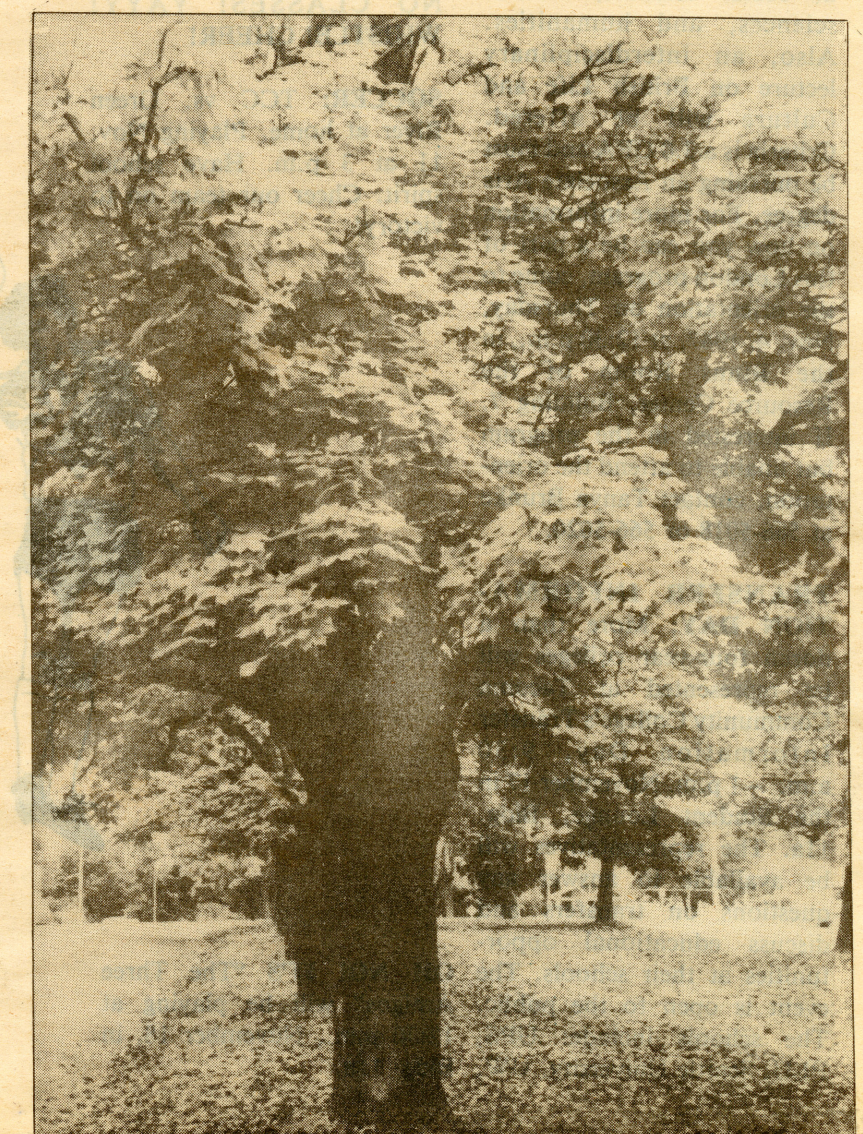


*I went outside and watch-
ed the autumn sun pierce the fog and light the leaves falling from the trees. And it was clear to see that neither of us were right. Trees are like art which reflects love and life both so true. We hug- ged and kissed and marveled at this for a time. Then she looked into my eyes, it was nice to be alive. She smiled and said, "C.J., I gotta feed the cat." So we went inside.*



Photos by CarlJon Goodwin

We argued the point the whole night through, until the first rays of sunlight came creeping through.



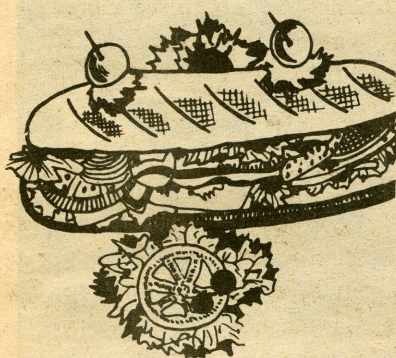
On/Off Campus. . .

By Eric Wirsing
On/off campus

SPECIAL FEATURES ON CAMPUS

COUNSELING: If you have questions about your career, education or personal life, a counselor is ready to lend a hand. Come to the Student Development Counseling Center in Bldg. 7, or call 566-5122 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday, and from 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.

LATE NIGHT SNACKERS: The TCC Cafeteria will be open Monday thru Thursday, 7 - 9 p.m. Vending machines only will be on.



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CHEERIO! In April of 1988, Tacoma Community College will offer classes in London, England. Outstanding faculty members selected from the consortium will teach classes in social sciences, natural sciences, and humanities. Also, an interdisciplinary lecture on British Life and Culture will be offered. Criteria is a 3.0 GPA and must be pursuing an Associate Arts degree. For more information on how you can be a part of this London program, come to the orientation on Thursday, Nov. 4, 1987, at 12:30 p.m., in the Binns Room of the Resource Center, Building 7. If interested in the program but unable to attend the orientation, contact Tanya Brunke at 566-5018 or 566-5020.

TRANSFER INFORMATION DAY: More than a dozen four-year colleges will be represented at Tacoma Community College's Transfer Information Day, 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. November 17 in the Student Lounge, Bldg. 11a. The representatives will be available to answer any questions on transfers and discuss educational opportunities at their schools. The event is open to the public. The schools include: UPS, PLU, Seattle University, UW,

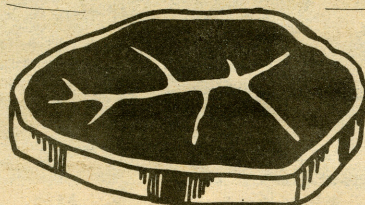
Washington State, Western Washington, Central Washington, Eastern Washington, Bastyr College, City University, Saint Martin's College, and Evergreen. ROTC reps will also be present. for more info contact TCC Counseling Department at 566-5125.

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ANNUAL ACADEMIC PROGRESS SCHOLARSHIP: Must be a Vietnam Era veteran who will achieve the most academic progress during his last 45 credits earned at TCC as determined by donor. Must graduate in June '88. Get applications at Financial Aid office in Bldg. 18. Deadline: Nov. 10, 1987.

LITTLE "EXTRAS" AT TCC

HELP OUT: The ASTCC food drive began Nov. 2 and will still be running until Nov. 24.



YOU'VE WON (INSERT NAME): Come watch the fun! Come have fun! Catch the Dating Game on Nov. 10, 11:30 a.m. in the cafeteria. Contact Linda SanSoucie at 566-5123.

VETERANS DAY: Nov. 11. NO CLASSES! YAYY! WHISTLE! CHEER!

SOCCER: TCC vs. Green River at home. Playing Nov. 11 at 3 p.m. Have school spirit. Cheer our team on to victory!



OH NO! IT'S "The Three Amigos" will be playing at 12:30 p.m., November 18, in Bldg. 11a.

SENATE: There will be a Senate meeting on Nov. 10, 1987 at 12:30 p.m. in the Binns Room. Everyone is welcome! Thanks to all the guests for their participation. Contact Angela at 566-5118 for more information.

POK! POK! POK!: There will be Ping Pong Tournaments on two consecutive days. One on Nov. 16 and one on Nov. 17. Both are scheduled for 12:45 p.m. in Bldg. 11a. Be there!

SOCCER: TCC vs. Pierce at home. Playing Nov. 18 at 3 p.m.

VOLLEYBALL: TCC vs. Centralia at home. Playing Nov. 20 at 7:00.

OFF CAMPUS:

HYSTERIA: Def Leppard will be appearing in concert Tuesday, December 1st, at the Tacoma Dome (in the Round). The opening act is Tesla. The show begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$17.50 reserved and general admission. For further information, please call Roxanne Marentette at 244-4005.



Counselor's Corner: Help for dyslexics

By Bonnie Bennedson
Special Needs Counselor

Most people learn to read when they are in the first grade. Others may not learn to read until the third grade. Yet, many adults are not able to read. Some estimates are that nearly one of four persons does not read well enough to complete a job application or read a newspaper by the time they graduate from high school. These people are often considered illiterate.

Reading is a natural thing for most people to learn because it is a language activity. We learn to speak our native language long before we go to school. It doesn't matter what language we are around; we learn it. When as children we make the link between printed symbols and language, we learn to "say the words" by sounding them out or through meanings of the words we see. Some adults can't sound out words although they can see the letters or symbols very clearly. We often call such people dyslexic.

We learn letters and letter sequences by seeing them, by hearing the sounds, and by writing them down.

Writing it down is a way to check the spelling against your visual memory. We also learn to spell by matching sounds to symbols, and then blending the sounds together to form words. As we become familiar with a particular word, the motor movement involved in writing it becomes a smooth process that we repeat in "our own" handwriting. People who are dyslexic may have visual dyslexia (problems matching letters and words), auditory dyslexia (matching sounds to symbols), or dysgraphic dyslexia (problems recalling the motor movements needed to write sequential symbols).

Dyslexia is a lifelong condition that interferes with reading. It can't be "fixed", but people can learn to read even if they are dyslexic. For more information, contact me, Bonnie Bennedson, by making an appointment with me at the Counseling Department in Bldg. 7, or call me at 566-5094.

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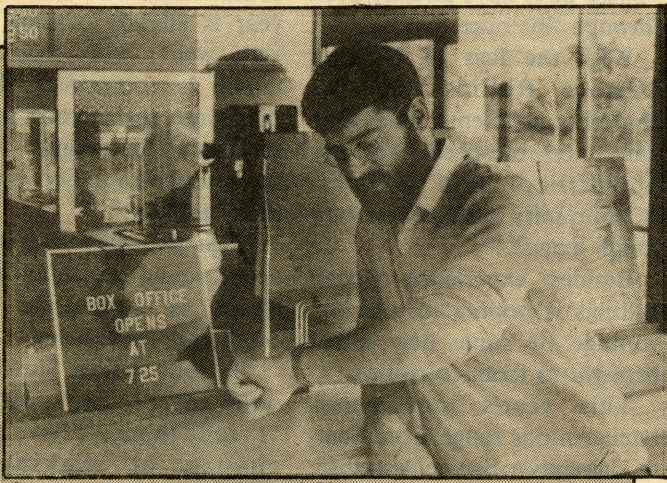
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Entertainment...

'Sicilian' proves bigger isn't better



Gordon Peterson—Sultan of Cinema

By Gordon Peterson
Film Critic

One really has to wonder about Micheal Cimino.

The Deer Hunter was only his second film and brought him an academy award for best direction. His third effort, the infamous *Heaven's Gate*, was a 42 million dollar

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disaster that singularly destroyed United Artists. And 1985's *Year of the Dragon* portrayed New York's Chinatown as simply a place for local residents to use each other for target practice.

With the exception of *The*

Deer Hunter, Cimino seems to be overwhelmed as to the appropriate method of dealing with a big budget. To be sure, his films are spectacular, often expending enormous amounts of effort to capture the locality in question. But the characters and story usually suffer, becoming lost in a hopeless quagmire of epic anticipation.

The Sicilian does not stray from this course.

Adapted from Mario Puzo's novel of the same name, Cimino's latest film attempts to deal with modern Sicily, portrayed here as the land of vendettas and Mafia, political corruption and crooked Catholic hierarchy. All it real-

ly comes up with is some wonderful photography that should be sold to the National Geographic.

The film's opening shows Guiliano trying to smuggle a coffin filled with grain to the local village, the purpose to feed the needy and, in the bargain, become a self-appointed symbol of freedom and justice. This is a relatively easy matter as he only has to shoot one police officer who has the bad manners of asking too many questions.

Once he has warmed up, Guiliano really goes to town. Literally. The spaghetti-eating Robin Hood releases all prisoners in the local jail, robs a troop train that absolutely overflows with *lire*, and then the bandit even has the gall to say "NO!" to the chief Mafioso, Don Marisa (John Acklund). Now that's the kind of stuff true courage is all about.

In Puzo's *Sicilian*, the hero and friend of the downpeasants, Salvatore Guiliano, befriends Michael Corleone, the exiled son and heir of *the Godfather*. In Cimino's version, Coreleone is

nowhere to be seen, leaving Guilano (Christopher Lambert) to rid Sicily of evil all by himself. Well, almost; he does amass a fair sized army eventually.

In all fairness, one can't help but like Guiliano. He means well and is almost excruciatingly handsome. However, Cimino takes his character and practically lifts the Sicilian to a seat in the Upper Kingdom. Almost every time we hear Guiliano referred to as "the Lord of the Mountains", we see the man standing high on a precipice overlooking his domain. Sweeping music blasts forth and, for "subtle symbolism", a huge bird is seen gliding majestically through the deep blue skies.

This scene is repeated over and over, time and time again, resulting in one of the most hilarious visions in recent memory.

Also overblown to the "nth" degree is Don Mariso. This guy is a typical, movieland Mafia leader. He grumbles. He glowers. He sits in shadows. And the populace falls in respect like plague vic-

tims whenever the Don's car goes by.

Acklund seems to be lost most of the time and gets no help from Cimino or the editor. Whenever an honest emotion seems to break through, we switch to another character that reminds one of a bad "reaction shot" on the local news. Awfully tough to follow Marlon Brando.

The real victim of this whole mess, however, is Christopher Lambert. All he really ever gets to do is stand in front of an admiring crowd of farmers and maybe shoot a traitor here and there. Cimino dotes on Lambert's good looks so much one expects to see a big "GQ" appear in the screen's corner. Living in the mountains and marauding villages seems to be very good for the complexion.

Quite simply, Michael Cimino had a very good opportunity to redeem himself and blew it. What could have been a contemporary Poncho Villa becomes an overbearing waste of time. What Cimino needs to do is sit back, relax, and learn what Francis Ford Coppola has come to understand: In the movies, bigger is rarely better.

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Sting mellows with age

By Ted Mills
Arts & Entertainment Editor

From the first note on Sting's new album, you can tell that it's nothing like the Police.

Perhaps the title, *...Nothing Like The Sun*, is telling us that the former chief of Police is, career and music-wise, getting to the end of the day, winding

Music

down after a hard day's jamming. It seems that this is true. *Sun* is a very mellow album—more so than his first solo album, *Dream of the Blue Turtles*, and definitely more so than anything he ever did with his former band-mates Andy Summers and Stewart Copeland.

A fair amount of the material is reminiscent of the jazz/pop fusion of *Blue Turtles*. This is particularly so with the opening song, "Lazurus Heart," a song about a nightmare he had, and features Andy Summers on guitar.

"Englishman in New York" is a tasty tune which is another of the *Blue Turtle*-ish selections here.

"History Will Teach Us Nothing," has the same message as "Walking in Your Footsteps," from *Synchronicity*. The message is that if we (the human race) keep going the way we are, we will get into more wars, destroying our

planet and ultimately not learning a thing from the mistakes or our fore-fathers. In the liner notes, Sting says that we still have the "robber baron scumbags" that we did in the past, "devoid of any admirable human qualities."

"They Dance Alone (Gueca Solo)" is about a Chilean dance which is performed publicly by the wives, daughters, and mothers of the "disappeared." The "disappeared" refers to those who are victims of torture and imprisonment because of their political beliefs all over the world, particularly those who were victims of the Chilean government.

The highlights of the album are "We'll be Together," the first single and the only real upbeat tune here, which sounds suspiciously like something that the British

band World Party would do. "Little Wing" is another of the best songs here. It's a reworking of a Jimi Hendrix tune, and though I've never heard the original, I'm sure this does it justice.

"Rock Steady," another *Blue Turtle*-ish song, is the story of Noah's Ark. "Sister Moon" resembles "Bourbon Street" from *Blue Turtles*, but mellower. Sting says that it is a song "for lunatics everywhere, for all those whose sanity is dependent on the phases of the moon."

It looks as though Sting has evolved, musically, almost totally away from his Police days. He is getting more and more towards jazz.

Although I couldn't listen to this every day, I would recommend this album for candlelight dinners and moonlit drives in the country.

What do you listen to?

The Challenge would like to know what your musical interests are. Please fill in the following items and return it to The Challenge in 14-13 or hand it to one of the editors or staff members that you see walking around campus. Deadline for music poll is Tuesday, November 17.

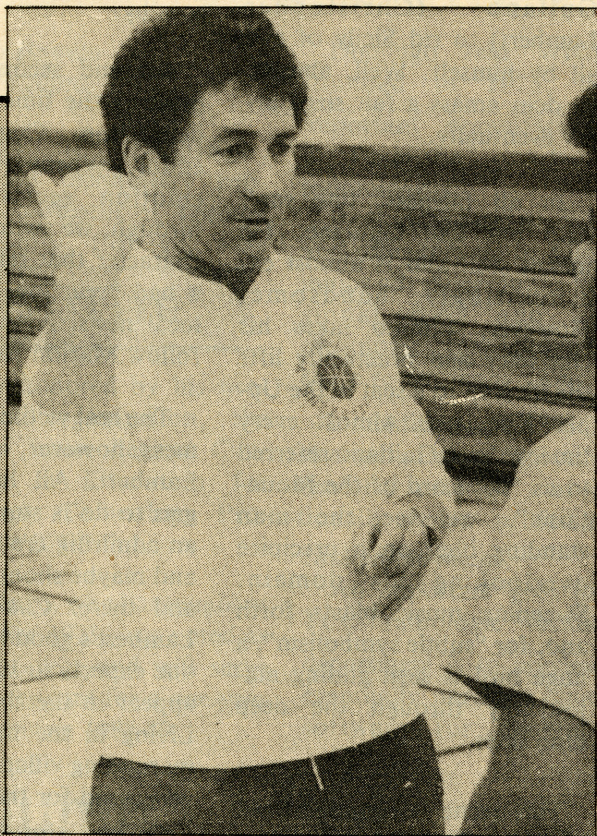
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Sports...

Basketball season almost under way

Experience is major factor

By Larkin Campbell
Sports Editor



Coach Jerry Shain explains a new concept

Photo by CarlJon Goodwin

When the night comes faster and the mornings get colder, it's time to turn our thoughts to the hard-wood floors that provide a home to the modern-day gladiators we call hoopsters.

Basketball is the name of this game which consists of hard workers and hustlers. Hard work will hopefully prevail as the men's and women's basketball teams hope to repeat the 1985-86 season when they were both crowned as champions.

With the official start of basketball being Oct. 15, the teams will practice for about 6 weeks before both teams open their seasons on Nov. 27th in Green River.

The men's Head Coach Ron Billings hopes to better his teams' 2nd place finish last year.

With many players returning, lack of experience will not effect teams as it would have last year. "We've got four starters back so experience is on our side," Billings said.

"These guys have already been through this once."

With the loss of big-man Lamont Rollins, due to eligibility problems, TCC may have to rely on speed. "I'm very optimistic," said Billings. "Community college is a very tough league."

Besides experience Coach Billings is hoping to take advantage of some new talent brought in from recruiting.

This year's incumbents' backgrounds range from Seattle University to Service Basketball. This year's team will also include some men that have returned to school after taking some time off.

"The potential is there," said Coach Billings. "I think once we get to where we can work as a cohesive unit we will have it because I know we have the ingredients."

Tune in next issue for player profiles and team schedules.

Turning to women's basketball, Head Coach Jerry Shain is trying to rebuild his team after a disappointing 1986-87 season.

"Last year was a tough year," said Shain. But the

coach noted that his team this year is already coming along very well. "This team as a whole is comprised of girls that were really good in high school," Shain said. "But I have noticed a major improvement already."

With five players from last years' squad returning, Coach Shain is optimistic about predicting this season.

"I don't know how good we're going to be," said Shain. "I really think we have a good chance at making the playoffs."

Even though Coach Shain believes his team can make the playoffs he commented that Green River looks tough again this year. "On paper it looks like Green River," said Shain. But as we all know the game isn't played on paper.

Both head coaches are optimistic about their teams' chances. But both are looking forward to a good year.

Coach Shain summed up his predictions by saying, "We won't know until they turn on the lights."

First year volleyball coach accepts challenge

By Dan Hansen
Features Editor

When Tracy Vigus became the new women's volleyball coach for Tacoma Community College this September, she faced several unique and difficult challenges.

According to Phyllis Templin, TCC athletic director, Coach Vigus started with only two players and had to quickly recruit the rest of the volleyball team.

In addition, Vigus had to begin with a group of relatively inexperienced volleyball players, according to Templin.

"Vigus's strength as a coach is her willingness to accept this new challenge with enthusiasm, even after having to start almost a month late with practice," Templin said.

Vigus, who holds a masters degree in exercise and sport sciences from the University of Arizona, came to TCC after teaching and coaching part-time at the University of Puget Sound. She also coached at Pacific Lutheran University and several youth centered sports organizations.

Although traditional inter-

collegiate athletic competition sometimes only stresses winning, Vigus believes that other values are equally important.

"Although winning is obviously important in college sports, it is not the only value," Vigus said. "I tell my players to play well. If my team makes their best effort and strives toward improvement, they deserve my praise and public recognition."

Competitive sports can teach us lessons in life. "Learning about oneself and how to cooperate with other players is a crucial skill which participation in college team sports can help foster," Vigus said.

This goal of "playing well" and putting forth one's best effort in athletics—or in life generally—is a meaningful goal beyond winning and losing, according to Vigus.

So the next time you ask coach Vigus how her volleyball team is doing, don't simply ask if the team won or lost.

Ask Coach Vigus: Did your team "play well"? You will probably get a more meaningful answer.



Photo by Joe Clarke

Head Coach Tracy Vigus stresses improvement.

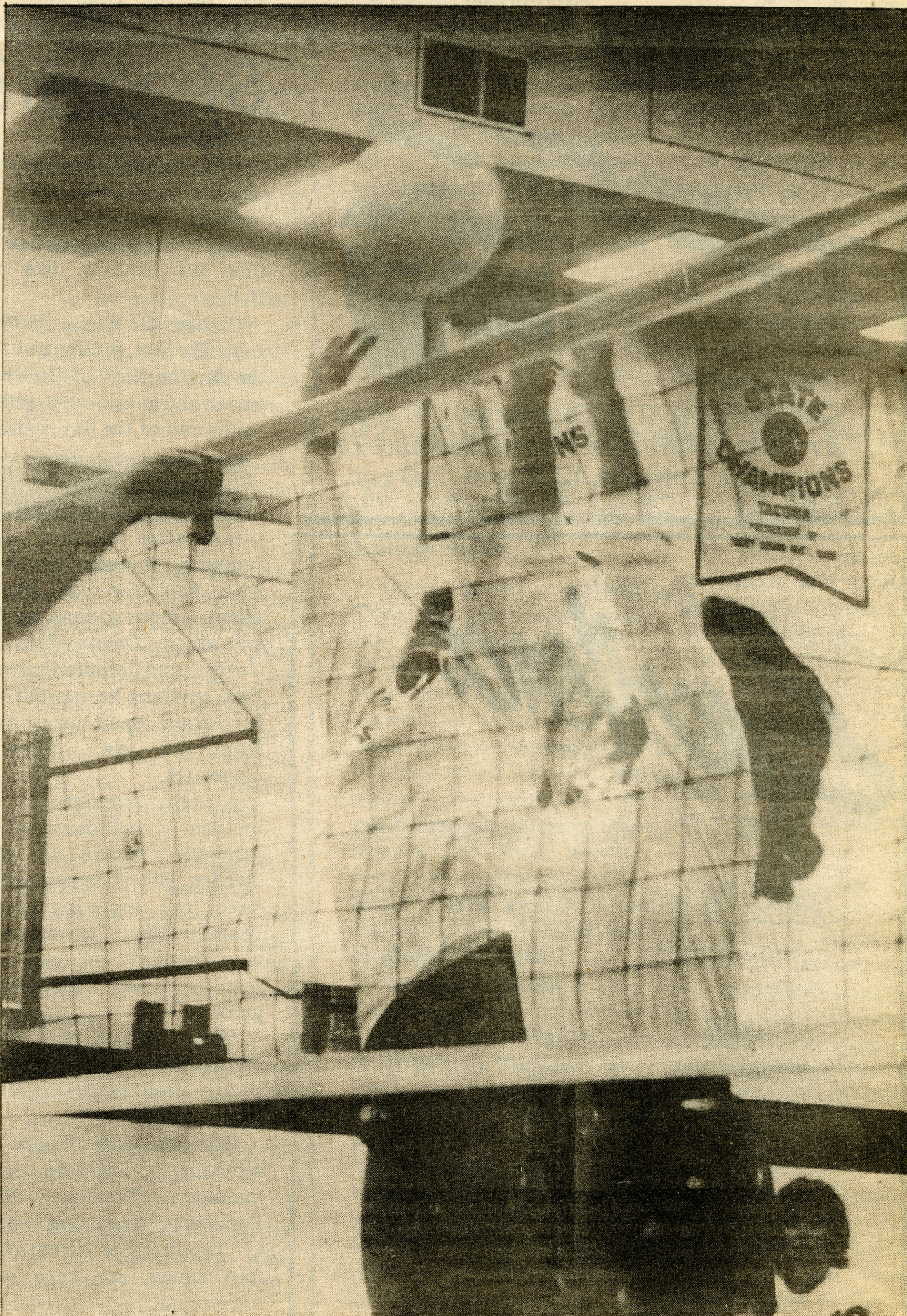


Photo by Joe Clarke

Two Tacoma ladies thwart an attempted spike.

Stand tall my fellow Bronco fans

What would you do if you suddenly found yourself surrounded by a pack of wild dogs just waiting for you to move so they could strike? What would I do? I don't know. But I do know this, it's not easy being a Denver Broncos fan living in Washington.

Being a Colorado native, I've grown accustomed to great football. And of course, I've been a Bronco fan since birth.

Now don't get me wrong, I think the Seahawks are one of the most average football teams in the league. When you put a conservative coach, a quarterback with a \$6 haircut along with a no-name offensive line, an overrated defensive line and an overpaid middle linebacker with a mushroom haircut together—what can you expect?

To be honest, the real reason I wrote this article was to make a few people angry at me. I don't know how many times I've heard how bad Denver is and how much of a baby John Elway is. Now let's think about

that. For starters, many people think John Elway is one of the greatest quarterbacks of all time. People besides me. I'm still waiting

Usually the games are pretty close except for an occasional blowout by either side. Right now all you Seahawk fans are saying, "Last year we killed the

Largent is the best. Kenny Easley could knock you to Portland if he wanted to. And there are many other Seahawks that are simply great football players.

Now let's talk 'bout dem Broncos. John Elway is without a doubt one of the best quarterbacks in the league. Admit it. It's been said that Elway could overthrow the Ayatollah from 100 yards away. Denver has one of the best young receiving corps in football and can boast about having two of the top five fastest guys in the league, Vance Johnson and Ricky Nattiel. Are you with me? And how about the old Orange Crush Defense? Karl Mecklenberg is a force on defense and is highly rated as an inside linebacker. Rulon Jones is simply a machine, a defensive end that leads the team in sacks year after year. Need I go on? This is a good football team my friends and whether you like it or not it's the truth.

Denver fans are just as loyal as you are if not more, having to sit in a cold outdoor stadium for hours on end. So if the fans are equal and so are the teams, where do we go now? We look forward to the end of the season when Seattle hosts Denver in early December.

And whoever wins can boast about being number one, at least for another year.

In conclusion I would like to tell a story of a overzealous Seahawk fan. It was my freshman year here at TCC, which seems oh, so long ago. I believe it was in the early 80's. I wore my John Elway Broncos jersey with pride, the day after the Broncos beat Seattle. As I left the cafeteria a short man grabbed my arm and whirled me around to face him. "You've got no respect for people in Seattle," he said. After repeated attempts to free my arm, I handed him an autographed picture of John Elway and headed for the hills.

Now you tell me, is this necessary? I think not. I truly believe us Bronco fans and you Seahawk buffs can live in peace and tranquility. I would just like to take this opportunity to invite you all over to my house to watch the next Bronco-Seahawk game. It's B.Y.O.B. and make sure to wear orange. Oh, and if you can't make it look me up because if the Broncos happen to lose, I will be handing out Orange Crush sodas to everyone. See ya there!

The following is an opinion

Larkin Campbell



for Kreig's name to be brought up when great Q's are being mentioned. But people still mock what they don't understand. And I feel most of the faithful Seahawk fans would be Bronco fans if they were only exposed to the great force sweeping the country called *Broncomania!*

Seahawk fans are a rare breed indeed. I must admit since leaving Denver I have never seen more faithful fans anywhere.

Any football fanatic will admit that the Seahawk fans and Denver fans are two of the most loyal fans of any sports teams around today.

Now where does that leave us? The Seahawks and their fans believe they are the better team, and me and my Colorado boys believe the better team goes by the name of Broncos.

Broncos in Seattle man!" Need I remind you of the teams' first meeting this year, where I believe the word pummeled comes into mind.

The Seahawks are a good football team I admit. I know I was a little hard on them earlier but that was just to get your attention. As a matter of fact some of the Seahawks are quickly becoming my favorite players. Brian Bosworth is obviously one of the finest linebackers in the game already. I say give him 3 full years and he will be regarded as one of the best ever. When Dave Kreig is on, he is one of the best. Steve

Russia plays host for American athletes

By Larkin Campbell
Sports Editor

This article is part II of a 2-part story. Please see last issue for part I

This past summer our two traveling Tacoma Athletes, Shane Colglazier and Scott Haines, were invited to Russia to participate in a goodwill track meet. Please see last issue for trip preparations.

Track

Once they had arrived in Russia, Haines and Colglazier had two full days to soak up Soviet land, before doing anything that had to do with sports. After a two-day stop in Moscow, they headed for Minsk where they would start preparing for the meet.

According to Colglazier the facility called Younest provided them with everything they needed. "For seven days we stayed at sort-of a Soviet YM-CA," Colglazier said. "It was a place where Soviet workers would spend their vacation time and relax."

This is where they ended up spending most of their time. This gave the athletes a chance to meet and spend some time with some Russian workers. Colglazier told a story about how the Russians loved to challenge the U.S. athletes in basketball. He said that once it got kind of rough and that wasn't fun. "It was too U.S.A. vs. U.S.S.R., and that wasn't what we came for," Colglazier

added. "We came to compete with, not against."

This group from America was the 2nd group in 10 years to stay at this facility in Minsk. According to Haines, "They are just as interested in us as we are in them."

Colglazier and Haines described how even the food was an adventure in itself. Colglazier said that they were served a lot of exotic soups and breads but at the beginning they were hard to get used to. "We almost starved to death in Moscow," Colglazier said. "We couldn't eat at the beginning but at the end we got hungry."

During the seven-day stay in Minsk, Haines and Colglazier had many opportunities to look at Russia from the inside out. One particular thing Haines noticed was the way the Russian people honored and admired their war heroes. He said that they refer to WWII as the great patriotic war, and that there are constant reminders of the war everywhere. "The war museums are jam-packed with information," Haines said. "It's obvious that they don't want it to happen again."

After spending a few days getting used to the Soviet way of life, it was time to get down to the serious business of the track meet. Or so they thought. As it turned out, the same week our athletes were in Russia was the week the Bylo games were being held in Minsk. The Bylo games are a

kind of Olympics consisting of athletes from the 15 different territories that make up Russia.

Since many of Russia's great athletes had to participate in the Bylo games, there weren't that many left to compete against the group from America. "We hit Minsk at a bad time," Colglazier said. "The Bylo games had all the best athletes."

Colglazier, a discus and shotput thrower, was disappointed to only be able to throw the discus in Russia.

Colglazier commented that it seemed like there was a big lack of organization on the trip. He said that the idea was

to have a mixed team with Soviets and Americans split down the middle against each other. That way you compete with and against the Russians at the same time. But in reality the U.S. had a lot more athletes than Russia and could fill many events that the Soviets had none for.

"It seemed real casual and they kept no official score," Colglazier said. "They weren't ready for us."

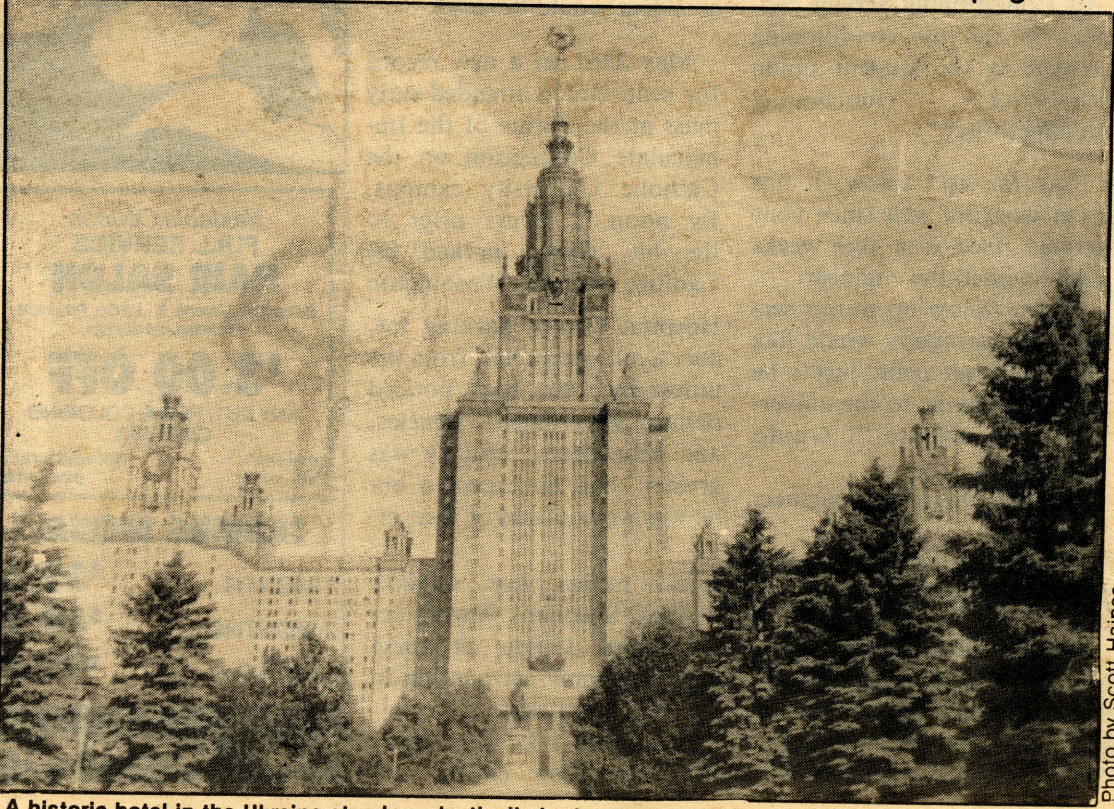
Haines felt the same way about the organization of the trip. "The track meet was really disorganized," Haines said. "There was a lack of communication between countries."

The lack of organization was summed up by Haines and Colglazier with one phrase. The phrase was "Hurry up and wait." They explained how sometimes they would hurry up to get someplace and then have to wait for long periods of time to move.

Haines, an 800-meter runner, was very impressed with the Russian tracksters. "They were superior. They are so dedicated because they live where they trained," Haines added. "They are world class."

Not to say that Colglazier and Haines didn't enjoy the trip. On the contrary. When

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A historic hotel in the Ukraine stands majestically in the Soviet Union

Photo by Scott Haines

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asked to sum up the trip the two had only nice things to say.

"I was amazed at how friendly and open they were. I was also surprised how much they knew about us, even the kids," Haines said. "Whereas all the younger people over here think they are all Comies."

"We got to spend most of our time with people," Colglazier said. He explained how his favorite time over there was when him, Liz Harris and another girl hung out in a Russian's room and com-

municated the best they could using a dictionary. "The sports thing was intended but it didn't turn out that way."

Colglazier told how during their last day in Russia they all got together for a group photo. At this time the Russian people gave them a sign with the word MIR (peace) on it. "When we left Minsk it was really emotional," Colglazier said. "We made friends and didn't really know it."

When asked what kind of impression they think they left on the Russian people Haines replied, "I think we left them with a good impression. I think we're more friendly than

they thought," Haines added, "They weren't as paranoid as anyone expected either."

"The trip was a big plus for me, and we need more trips like it because it gives you a more worldly view," Colglazier said. "I just hope on the return trip this summer, they don't have the frustrations we did."

Colglazier summed up his trip by saying he would like to return. "I would like to go back for sure," Colglazier concluded. "Now when I think of Russia, I think of friendliness."

Maybe someday we will all think that way.

Survival my friends, is the name of the game

The following is an opinion

By Lori Sowell
Staff Reporter

Bring out the coffee and heavy artillery—it's time to face another day. Surviving today's modern, stress-filled world can often feel like a crash course in guerrilla warfare. There are basic weapons needed to cope with the battle zone we call life: courage, perseverance, humor, and knowledge of yourself (caffeine in large doses is optional).

Courage is like a handgun kept in a hidden pocket where you can feel it's comforting weight. It can be drawn out and used when needed, but usually only appears when you are under great stress. Once seen, however, no one ever forgets that it's there. Courage will get you out of tight corners and through the heat of the battle.

Perseverance is basic battle option armor, heavily reinforced with stubbornness. With this double-thick, defeat-proof vest, none of life's setbacks can gun you down. A well placed shot can knock you off your feet, but with this protection you can always

recover. Without these elements, you are vulnerable to attack and defeat.

An important ingredient of war strategy is knowledge of yourself. When you understand your own physical, intellectual, and emotional limitations and strengths, coping with life's battle fatigue is far less draining. Knowing when to press an advantage or beat a hasty retreat in accordance to your abilities is an essential skill for every survivalist.

Last of all, a sense of humor is essential for combating slow traffic, overdue bills, upcoming finals, and other sneak attacks. The ability to laugh at yourself and situations helps keep you sane in this crazy, unpredictable world. Day to day living can be a comedy of errors and laughing relieves tension. Taking life too seriously leads to ulcers and migraines.

This is the basic ammunition needed to fight and win the war. The odds may seem overwhelming at times, but regular and skillful use of these tactics can beat the system. Basic training completed; man your battlestations!

\$8 million supplemental budget is to be considered for c. colleges

Olympia—An \$8 million supplemental budget request to the 1988 legislature will be considered by the State Board for Community College Education.

The request represents the second-year portion of funding which was sought by Governor Booth Gardner as part of his 1987-88 biennial budget request for the community college system but was not funded by the 1987 legislature.

The request includes \$2.5

million for improved programs to assess student skill levels and to provide literacy and basic skills instruction for those not prepared for college-level study.

"These funds would enable community colleges to provide more adequate staffing and teaching materials in this fastest-growing sector of community college enrollment," said Earl Hale, State Board executive director.

Also included in the supplemental request is \$4 million

for instructional support including up-to-date classroom and laboratory equipment, academic computing, libraries, and professional development to help faculty remain current in their fields.

Another \$1.5 million is to help improve the maintenance of aging community college facilities.

Guido Bonacelli, The Hit Man: A short story

By T.E. Bageant
Guest Writer

For two weeks Guido designed and built a remotely controlled motorized tripod. Attached to this device was a miniature TV camera, for aiming, and a battery pack. The rifle that fit this device was sighted for 100 yds.

May 17th. Guido knew his device would work if only he could gain access to the university student union building. He called the chief maintenance engineer at Catholic University.

"Hello sir, this is Capitol Air Conditioning Service calling. Is the air conditioning system in the student union building functioning satisfactorily?"

"As far as I know, it has been working well since your service fixed it a few weeks ago," replied the engineer.

"As a follow up to our service, our company would like to check it out again, just to be sure. No charge to the university, of course," Guido chimed.

"Be my guest," the engineer said.

"I'll send a serviceman over this afternoon."

Guido's rented service truck had the Capitol Air Conditioning Service logo as did his shirt. Carrying his heavy gear, Guido crawled through the

searing intake ducts until he reached the vent screen that faced the quadrangle and chapel. Here he reconstructed his tripod, rifle, and television site, securing the whole device to the duct work and aiming it towards the chapel. His final act, before leaving, was to load the rifle.

Once in the service truck, Guido drove 2 miles north on North Capitol Street. He should be well outside of the security net that followed the vice president. His remote aiming device and portable television worked flawlessly. In less than a week the vice president would be dead.

May 23rd set a new record for heat. Guido attended early mass at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on the Catholic University campus. By noon, 2 hours prior to the hit, Guido parked his Cadillac in the Washington

Hospital Center parking lot, only a mile and a half from the university. He had noticed police, government vehicles, and helicopters. Security was greater than he expected but he was well outside of their ef-

fective radius. Rex, Guido's German Shepherd, always accompanied Guido at these times and now sat panting in the right front seat.

"Less than two hours, Rex, and everything checks out

perfectly." Knowingly, the dog looked satisfied.

Moments to go. Guido stared into his small TV screen. Remotely, he scanned the area. He saw the Cardinal. But Vice President Brickle was on his left. Guido was confused then shocked. Pope John Paul II was standing to the right of Cardinal O'Flynn. The Pope, descendant of St. Peter, voice of Jesus Christ, Guido's only idol, was his target, not the Vice President. Guido

began to sweat, yet he felt like ice. If he failed to kill the Pope the Cardinal would surely have Guido killed. To insure his own survival he had to fire.

Guido took careful aim. He triggered the rifle. His TV picture jumped with the recoil from the shot. Instantly sirens and helicopters headed for the university.

Ten minutes later, Guido and Rex drove slowly to the parking attendant's booth and asked about all the commo-

The last of a
two part series.

tion. A news bulletin was blaring from the attendant's radio. "An assassin's bullet failed today during commencement exercises at Catholic University in Washington D.C. Both Pope John Paul II and Vice President Brickle have been safely taken from the scene. Cardinal O'Flynn, however, has been shot dead."

In a somber mood, Guido drove home with Rex. He whispered, "Forgive me Father for I have sinned."



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