Happy Holidays!

GRIBSKOV DOING WELL
By Mark Clemens and Ellie Dornan

Her days are considerably less active than they would have been if she were teaching this fall, but Margaret Grabskov, faculty member in journalism and education, still keeps busy reading, resting and waging a battle against cancer.

She lives in Seattle now with her son, Paul, having moved there in October to be closer to where she is being treated and to her daughter, Megan, who helps her make daily trips to the clinic. (Another daughter, Maren, is currently a student at Evergreen and another son, Jon, lives in San Diego.)

Grabskov has been undergoing a series of approximately 40 radiation treatments for cancer in her throat and mouth. Although each session leaves her mouth dry and uncomfortable, she says she is responding well.

"I'm not receiving chemotherapy," she said during a visit to her Queen Anne home earlier this week. "There's the radiation, and my doctor also is giving me immunotherapy, a relatively new monoclonal technique that involves stimulating the body's immune system so it reacts better to cancer."

"Coincidentally, an Evergreen science grad I know, Stan Gofinch, works in the Immunex Lab here that produces some of the substances used in immunotherapy."

When the radiation treatments are over in another week or so, Grabskov begins a period of recuperation to see just how well the treatments have worked.

"My doctor sees improvement," she says, "but until you go three or four years without any occurrence you're not considered cured and I think there's still doubt. For now I'm responding well to the treatment and the cancer has receded some."

When asked about retirement, Grabskov looks the interviewer in the eye and laughs. "If you make me rich right now, I'd leave," she says, and then adds, "but I'd come back to help whenever I was needed." Thank you, Yuki, and congratulations on being named Employee of the Month.

>>Our best wishes and heartfelt sympathy go out to Housing Manager Linda Hohman whose oldest daughter, Tanya Carpenter, was in a car accident last week. Although semi-conscious at last report, Tanya was responding well and showing signs of regaining consciousness. Persons interested in sending messages of support can contact Linda through the Conferences Office at ext. 6192.

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JOANNE JIROVEC WITH ELK SHE BAGGED IN 1975. Photo does not show famous black eye she received from the scope of her rifle as it kicked back upon firing.

GREENER DAYS GONE BY

As this is the last Newsletter of the year, we thought it would be fitting to take another look at where we've been. Here then, is Evergreen in Decembers gone by.

1983: A year ago the campus was once again the focus of national and regional attention after the Nov. 28 issue of "U.S. News and World Report." In a survey of college presidents, Evergreen was ranked as one of the top colleges in the nation and the best regional liberal arts college in the west and midwest.

1979: Five years ago this month the CPE approved Evergreen's plans for a master's degree program in public administration to begin the following fall. Former Assistant to the President Les Eldridge reported in a legislative memo that, "The Senate Higher Education Committee meets this week to discuss confirmation proceedings for gubernatorial appointments, including that of newest trustee, Herb Gelman." A special edition of the Newsletter announced that the 11-member accreditation team that had visited the campus two months earlier had granted Evergreen full reaccreditation, earning "the highest possible evaluation."

1974: Governor Daniel J. Evans' proposed operating budget for 1975-77 was discussed in a December 23 all-campus meeting. Thirty men and women met twice a month with faculty member Maxine Mims at the Tacoma Community Center as part of the embryonic Tacoma Program. Facilities Director Jerry Schillinger reported that concrete work on Phase II of the Laboratory Building "should be finished sometime in January" and that the 83,000 square-foot facility would be operational by fall of 1975. Excavation was also completed on the new $4.8 million dollar Communications Building. A new student service, organized to gather and disseminate politically-oriented information was established this month. Student Regen Unsoeld invited all interested Evergreeners to attend a noon meeting to lay the foundations for the Evergreen Political Information Center (EPIC), and the rest is history.

GRIBSKOV AT 1983 ACADEMIC FAIR with student Darlene Williams

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forms of writing, history and popular programs such as "Ways of Knowing," "Adult Life Explorations," "Clash of Cultures" and "Old Olympia" as well as carrying a ton of individual contracts and internships. What's she doing to keep herself occupied these days?

"I really haven't done much writing because the radiation treatment is debilitating and I haven't felt that good," she says. "I have spent a lot of time resting, though, and reading. I've read more novels than I've read in years; authors like Styron, Sarton, Steinbeck and Bellows, to name a few."

She is also on the Pritikin diet and exercise regime and goes walking often. After initially dealing with the seriousness of her sudden illness, Gribskov has begun to miss the college. "I was scheduled to teach in Tacoma this year, and I really regret not being able to take part in that program."

Gribskov mainly wants to pass along her thanks to all the Evergreeners who have called and written to wish her well. "I think this story in the Newsletter is a good idea," she says, "because people probably want to know how I'm doing. The kind of moral support I've received is very important to anyone."

Gribskov will be welcoming the new year with her family in Seattle, at 108 Garfield Street, Seattle, Washington 98109, and always enjoys hearing from Evergreeners.

BANGLES, BAUBLES AND BEADS will be on sale at the Holiday Bazaar tomorrow from noon-6 p.m. in the CAB Mall. Sponsored by Evergreen's Recreational Arts, the Bazaar will feature free entertainment and a dazzling array of crafts such as student Jim Casebolt's pitcher (left), Michael Max's blown-glass ornament (above) and Jack Ferrell's tile mural (below).

Don't Miss Your Chance to Say WELCOME ABOARD at an All-Campus Reception for New President JOE OLANDER 4-5 p.m. Tuesday, December 11 in the CAB Mall