

## Show Your College Pride!

Become a Member of the EvCC/EJC Alumni Association Board

We're looking for a few enthusiastic alumni, retirees and friends to join the newly formed Everett Community College/Everett Junior College Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Board members will play a key role in alumni relations, including planning alumni events, networking, and building community pride in the college. Members will serve as the Alumni Association's governing board.

"We want to reach out to the community and add more alumni, retirees and friends to the association. Thousands of former students live in the north Puget Sound area alone. There's great potential for reconnecting them with the college and with alumni who live throughout the country," said EvCC Alumni and Community Relations Director Sharla Stritzke.

Great ideas and suggestions for the board are also welcome.

"Staying in touch with the college after graduation is a great way to keep in touch with old friends and meet other community members who share your memories of Everett Community College and Everett Junior College," EvCC President David Beyer said. "I encourage everyone who cares about the college to get involved."

For an application or more information about the Alumni Association Board of Directors, call the EvCC/EJC Alumni Association at 425-388-9201 or e-mail [EvccAlum@everettcc.edu](mailto:EvccAlum@everettcc.edu).

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# ALUMNI NEWS

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### Join us!

The Everett Community College/Everett Junior College Alumni and Friends Association is open to everyone who attended EvCC or EJC, former College employees, and supporters. This is your opportunity to connect with old friends, attend Alumni events and find out what's happening at Everett Community College. Encourage your classmates to get involved!

For more information about the Association call 425-388-9201 or email [EvccAlum@everettcc.edu](mailto:EvccAlum@everettcc.edu)

### Share your memories

We want to hear from you! Share a memorable moment from your years at EvCC or EJC. Tell us about your favorite instructor, an important lesson you learned, or anything else that stands out about your College days. We'd also like to hear what's happened since you left the College.

Send memories, updates, and photos to [EvccAlum@everettcc.edu](mailto:EvccAlum@everettcc.edu) or via mail to EvCC/EJC Alumni Association, 2000 Tower St., Everett, WA 98201.

[www.everettcc.edu/alumni](http://www.everettcc.edu/alumni)

## Washington State Sen. Jean Berkey's EvCC Days Inspire Education Leadership



Sen. Jean Berkey

Washington State Sen. Jean Berkey, a state leader in education issues, says her experience at Everett Community College helped inspire her passion for higher education.

"Everett Community College has always been very important to me," said Jean, whose connection with the college stretches back 50 years.

Jean, who was re-elected as a State Senator for the 38th Legislative District in November, earned her associate's degree at Everett Community College and served as a member of the college's board of trustees.

Jean was nine years old when her father, Harold Burroughs, got a job at Everett Junior College, and moved the family to Everett. Her dad became chairman of the Social Sciences Department.

"My parents impressed upon me at an early age that education is

important," she said.

Jean became an Everett Junior College student in 1956, attending school for a quarter before getting a job with the phone company.

She returned to Everett Community College in 1971 to finish her associate's degree – an experience that contributed to her appreciation of life-long learning.

"I think you're a better student when you return to college later in life," she said. "I was 32 when I returned to school. It was something I wanted to study and do, rather than something that my parents were encouraging me to do."

After EvCC, she transferred to the University of Washington and earned her business degree, then worked in accounting, engineering and human resources.

In 1985, she became a member of the Everett Community College Board of Trustees. She was chairwoman in 1987 when EvCC's Cascade Hall was destroyed by arson, killing Everett firefighter Gary Parks.

She and her husband, Don, joined then-EvCC President Bob Drewel that morning and watched as flames consumed the building.

"You could see the orange glow in the sky for miles," she remembered. "To stand there and see the library and our new restaurant and culinary program just go up in flames was heartbreaking."

She played a crucial role in rebuilding, as the board worked closely with faculty, staff, and the community to build Gary Parks Memorial Student Union and the John Terry Library Media Center.

"The wonderful part was how the community responded," she said. "We have so many people in the community with Everett Community College connections, and many came to donate books, help with fundraising, or just support the college."

As Jean worked with the college as a board member, her interest in politics continued to grow.

She began volunteering for political campaigns, eventually managing more than a dozen, including Bob Drewel's successful race for county executive and her friend Pat Scott's multiple Washington State Legislature election wins.

In 2001, Scott died of lung cancer. Before her death, she asked Jean to take over her seat. Jean was appointed to Pat's seat in 2001, and won re-election to the Legislature in 2001 and 2003.

In 2004, she was appointed to the state senate to fill a seat vacated by newly elected county executive Aaron Reardon. She was re-elected in November and will serve for the next four years.

Jean, who will chair the Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee, will also serve as a member of the Senate's Higher

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## EvCC Opens Whitehorse Hall

### Get Free Tax Help Jan. 30 – April 15 at EvCC

Everett Community College's accounting department and AARP are teaming up to offer free tax preparation to middle- and low-income taxpayers, especially those age 60 and older.

Tax clinics will be offered Jan. 30 to April 15 on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4-8 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. at EvCC's Rainier Hall Room 104.

Taxpayers need to bring all tax-related information. For a complete list, visit [www.everettcc.edu](http://www.everettcc.edu).

For more information or to make an appointment, call Laura Little at 425-388-9565 or e-mail [little@everettcc.edu](mailto:little@everettcc.edu).

### 2007 BizArt Conference Jan. 26-27

Along with some practical business advice, presenters at the BizArt 2007 conference January 26-27 in Everett will deliver this message to artists: stop starving.

The conference will introduce artists and performers of all types to resources available in the community to help them earn a living from their inspiration and showmanship.

The conference is presented by Everett Community College, Edmonds Community College, UW Bothell and the North Central College, Illinois, Self Employment in the Arts program.

To register call Kathy Jenny at 425-388-9584, email [kjenny@everettcc.edu](mailto:kjenny@everettcc.edu) or go to <http://www.bizartinfo.com>.

The conference costs \$99 before Jan. 24, \$129 at the door.

Everett Community College is inviting alumni, retirees and friends to the grand opening of Whitehorse Hall, the college's new arts and sciences building.

The building, which opened to students on Jan. 3, brings EvCC's visual arts and physical sciences classes under one roof and offer students larger labs and art studios.

"This facility has been planned for seven years. To see it take shape open outstanding arts and sciences classrooms to our students is very exciting," said EvCC Vice President Michael Kerns. "Mortenson Construction and LMN Architects did a great job."

The college broke ground for the building in July 2005. The construction team finished the job in October 2006.

EvCC will celebrate the building's grand opening with a community dedication Jan. 26 with tours, interactive art and science displays and an official building opening. Tours will continue Jan. 27.

"Whitehorse Hall will help meet the increasing demand for classroom space and move the arts and sciences programs from buildings constructed in the 1950s to one ready for students to learn with the best equipment and technology," Kerns said. "I'm excited about this building not just because it's the best facility of its kind in the state, but because it gives our students and faculty what they need to excel."

Whitehorse Hall, named after the Cascade Mountain peak Whitehorse Mountain, is now the college's largest building.

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Education Committee. She said higher education remains one of her top priorities for the legislative session.

"I think it's important we have a college in north Snohomish County that also serves Island and Skagit counties. With the



Whitehorse Hall

It was built to replace Pilchuck, Glacier and Monte Cristo halls.

The building was designed with the help of art and science faculty, who helped customize the space for its specific purposes.

Science classrooms make up the core of the building, with art classrooms on the perimeter. Faculty from both disciplines hope that bringing together the two in the same building encourages students to try classes they might otherwise have missed.

"There are great opportunities for collaboration between the programs," said Jeanne Leader, EvCC Dean of Library, Arts, and Distance Learning. "The result is better than we could have imagined."

Leader also emphasized the importance of the spaces provided for students to gather in and study between classes.

"Art and science students spend long hours in the building both in labs and studios. It was important to us to design specific

cost of tuition, we need to look at serving local students who want to earn a bachelor's degree while living at home," she said.

Community colleges, such as EvCC, will also continue to play a key role in higher education, she said.

"Community colleges are

areas for their use throughout the day," she said.

Portland artist Fernanda D'Agostino created sculptures of bronze, basalt and concrete for outside Whitehorse Hall, together called "The Theory of Everything." The sculptures were acquired through a partnership with the Washington State Arts Commission's Art in Public Places program.

Whitehorse Hall is the first of three new academic buildings EvCC plans to add during the next seven years.

#### WHITEHORSE GRAND OPENING AND TOURS

**Friday, January, 26, 2007**

**11:00 am - 2:30 pm - Interactive art and science displays and building tours**

**1:00 p.m. - Dedication ceremony**

**Saturday, January, 27**

**11-2 - Open house with self-guided tours**

invaluable to their communities," said Jean, who helped break ground on EvCC's newest building, Whitehorse Hall. "To look back at where Everett Junior College was when my dad first came to teach her, and to see Everett Community College now with its new building and plans for the future is wonderful."

## EvCC Dedicates New Campus Clock Tower

EvCC President David Beyer thinks of graduate Joe Cooper when he hears the college's new clock tower chime.

"I look out my window and think of Joe saying, 'David, it's time to get something done,'" Beyer said with a smile. "Joe is one of the college's strongest advocates. EvCC is fortunate to be the recipient of his boundless energy and ideas."

Cooper, who graduated from Everett Junior College in 1946, donated the clock tower to honor Everett history and his father, Frank L. Cooper.

The clock, which chimes 25 different songs, is an exact replica of the original model that once stood in front of the Citizen's National Bank of Everett at 2927 Colby Avenue in downtown Everett. Frank Cooper was the bank's manager and cashier.

"The clock is dedicated as a reminder of early Snohomish county history," Cooper said. "It's hoped this will also be

a reminder to all those that attend the college in the future of the wonderful experience and opportunity they had on campus."

The clock is located between Olympus and Rainier Halls, near the flagpoles. It was dedicated Oct. 17 with a celebration attended by students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members.

"The clock tower blends together the look of our past and our future," Beyer said. "The clock tower will be a constant reminder to us of EvCC's place in Everett's history."

Cooper was inspired to donate the clock after seeing a small advertisement for replica clocks in the back of an Elks Club magazine.

The campus "will enjoy the sights and sounds of this clock tower for years to come," said EvCC ASB president Marty Ferguson.



Everett Junior College grad Joe Cooper (right) and his wife Marty celebrate with President David Beyer (left).

## Orwin "Doc" Hageman Creates Two Scholarship Endowments

Everett Community College supporter Orwin "Doc" Hageman has established two endowments to help generations of students earn their degrees at EvCC.

The Ruth and Orwin Hageman Scholarship Endowments will provide two annual \$2,500 scholarships to deserving students.

One scholarship will be awarded to an EvCC nursing student. The other scholarship will be awarded to any exceptional EvCC student. Preference for both scholarships will be given to graduates of Granite Falls High School, Doc's alma mater.

Doc's stepson, Bob, and stepdaughter, Carolyn, both attended Everett Junior College in the 1950s. Carolyn Reed

earned her nursing degree, and worked as a nurse until retiring from Deaconess Medical Center in Spokane.

Carolyn said her father "was so pleased to be able to establish the endowments."

Doc, who earned the nickname because he was responsible as a youth for giving his father his medication, established the endowments in honor of his late wife, Ruth.

"Mr. Hageman's generosity reflects his passion for helping others. The endowments will allow many students to fulfill their dreams of continuing their education," said Dottie Krzyzanoski, Vice President of College Advancement and Executive Director of the EvCC Foundation. "We are very



Orwin "Doc" Hageman

grateful for his support of Everett Community College students."

For more information about supporting Everett Community College scholarships or programs, call 425-388-9434.

### EvCC, Providence to Exchange Property

Everett Community College and Providence Everett Medical Center have reached a real estate agreement to exchange land in north Everett.

Providence will exchange the 17-acre College Plaza Shopping Center on North Broadway for EvCC's 9-acre Fitness and Sports Center complex, 1815 13th St.

The transaction will occur in phases and take about 10 years to fully complete. In the first phase, Providence will gain access to interim surface parking on the EvCC athletic field. EvCC will continue to use the gym for its athletic programs.

In the second phase of the exchange, to be completed sometime between January 2013 and January 2016, the final exchange of property will take place. At that time, Providence will acquire all remaining property on the Athletic Field complex and EvCC will acquire all remaining property at the College Plaza Shopping Center.

EvCC intends to use the 17 acres on Broadway for future college expansion. The agreement provides the college with a path to replace its 49-year-old sports complex with a modern athletic facility and space for additional student parking, reducing the college's impact on the surrounding neighborhood, EvCC Vice President of Administration Michael Kerns said.

In addition to the land exchange, the hospital will make a donation to the college to help build a replacement athletic facility.