

# Too many (or too few) people on campus

by Kevin Stauffer

The faculty-student ratio at HCC is too high, according to the State Board for Community Colleges.

In other words, there are too many teachers at Highline. Or too few students.

Dr. Robert McFarland, Dean of Instruction, stated that the college was informed of the situation sometime during the summer, after the '77 spring quarter.

A model college is used by the state board to determine the proper faculty-student ratio for the state's community colleges. According to Dr. McFarland, last year was the first time this school was found to be over the ratio established through the model.

There are solutions to this problem, some of which have already gone into effect. But if the problem is not solved,

Highline could be in for trouble, particularly in the way of future funding.

The problem could directly affect the amount of dollars given to HCC by the state legislature and the state board.

The state legislature is currently supplying the school with 72 per cent of the funds originally requested by the college. The money is provided by the legislature according to the state board and its model.

No penalty will be levied against the college this year, however, they are requesting that Highline conform to the model.

There are three basic ways HCC can attempt to solve this problem.

The two most obvious (but also the most difficult) of these solutions are to either increase the enrollment of stu-

dents or to decrease the number of instructors.

The last and most realistic solution to the problem lies in the paperwork which must be submitted to the state board. This involves making modifications in the way Highline reports classes; this is the route Dr. McFarland and the college are taking.

A class report consists of some basic information (such as the class instructor and the number of the room in which the class is held) and a series of informational codes.

One such code deals with class type (vocational, preparational or continuing education). Another set of rules, named the "Hegis Code," deals with the actual student-faculty ratio.

Dr. McFarland has said that in order to modify these reports, class loads must be altered. Low-enrollment clas-

ses have been and will be adjusted or dropped.

Individual departments are being encouraged to offer more high-popularity classes. In this way, HCC hopes to come closer to the state board model.

But this solution has its drawbacks. One of these concerns the practicality of the model faculty-student ratio. "Some of the ratios are a little unrealistic," commented Dr. McFarland.

An example of this is the model ratio for the Adult Basic Education program. The ABE program is designed for the adult with a lower than eighth grade education. The state model gives a ratio of 35-1 for such a class. Dr. McFarland feels that a ratio of 11-1 would be more appropriate.

"We're working on it now," said McFarland of the faculty-student ratio problem. "Quite a few adjustments have al-

ready been made. We're close to the model now. The only affect on students will be that a few low-enrollment classes may be dropped. Last year we were over the model; we won't know where we stand this year for quite sometime."

McFarland also stated that the total amount of instructional over-population on campus, according to the model, is 5 per cent.

One of the adjustments already made, along with the cancellation of certain classes, was the auditing of the average faculty load.

Last year the average hours per week worked by instructors at Highline was 14.9. This year the average hours per week is up to 15.3.

"A close look is also being taken at all the capacities, to see that they are realistic," continued McFarland, "classes are being asked to conform to the model."

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### ANPA Pacemaker award

## T-word wins best in nation

The Thunderword has been awarded the Pacemaker Award from the American Newspaper Publishers' Association as the best community college newspaper, less-than-weekly, in the United States.

The ANPA makes the award annually to the top community college and university papers in the country. It is the first time the Thunderword has received the honor.

The Thunderword qualified for the ANPA award on the basis of five marks of distinction from the Associated Col-

legiate Press. Three other community college less-than-weeklies also received five marks of distinction and competed for the Pacemaker with the Thunderword.

The ANPA is an association of some 12,000 daily newspapers across the country.

Editors for the Thunderword last year were Jerry Fritzmann, Spring Quarter; now a senior reporter with the staff; Greg Loback, Winter Quarter, now in the paste-up department of the Robinson newspaper chain; and Terry Sell, Fall Quarter 1976, cur-

rently executive editor of the Thunderword.

Fritzmann, Sell, and Betty Strehlau, HCC journalism instructor, were in New Orleans Oct. 27 to receive the award at the annual Associated Collegiate Press convention.

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Confusing language is the latest target of Thunderword thinker Terry M. Sell, as 'Checkin' it out rides on page 3.

HCC is located in Midway, Wash., but where is Midway? Senior reporter Jerry Fritzmann takes a look at the elusive community on page 7.

Women's volleyball and basketball mainstay Cheryl Taylor is back on the courts again this year guiding the girls to another first-place season. Sports editor Carole Calvin talks about the leading ladybird on page 13.

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Highline students get a rare view of the Oct. 11 solar eclipse. This box-viewer, put together by the HCC Science Department, had a small, foil-covered hole in the top. Pointed at the sun, the hole projected a shadow image of the eclipse on the bottom of the box.

## HCSU adds 5; Holte resigns

Student government at HCC added five members and lost one last week.

Wendy Holte, Highline College Student Union President, resigned effective Oct. 21 for personal economic reasons. Council member Terry M. Sell was named president pro-tempore until a new president could be chosen from the full council.

Five members were added following elections held Oct. 18 and 19.

Carole Calvin, David Armstrong, Mike Whitaker, Doris Dahlin and Philip "Nick" Nicholson have been elected to the HCSU Council of Representatives for the 1977-78 school year.

Only 109 people, or 1.3 per cent of the student body, voted in the election.

Calvin led the field of eight candidates with 72 votes, followed by Armstrong and Whitaker with 64 each. Dahlin received 54 and Nicholson got 42 tallies.

Missing in tries for spots were Nat Underwood with 41

votes, Mary Busch with 33 and Ernie Londino with 32.

Polling was conducted in the cafeteria, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6 to 7 p.m. both days. Two persons voted during the evening sessions, according to HCSU representative Layne Farmer.

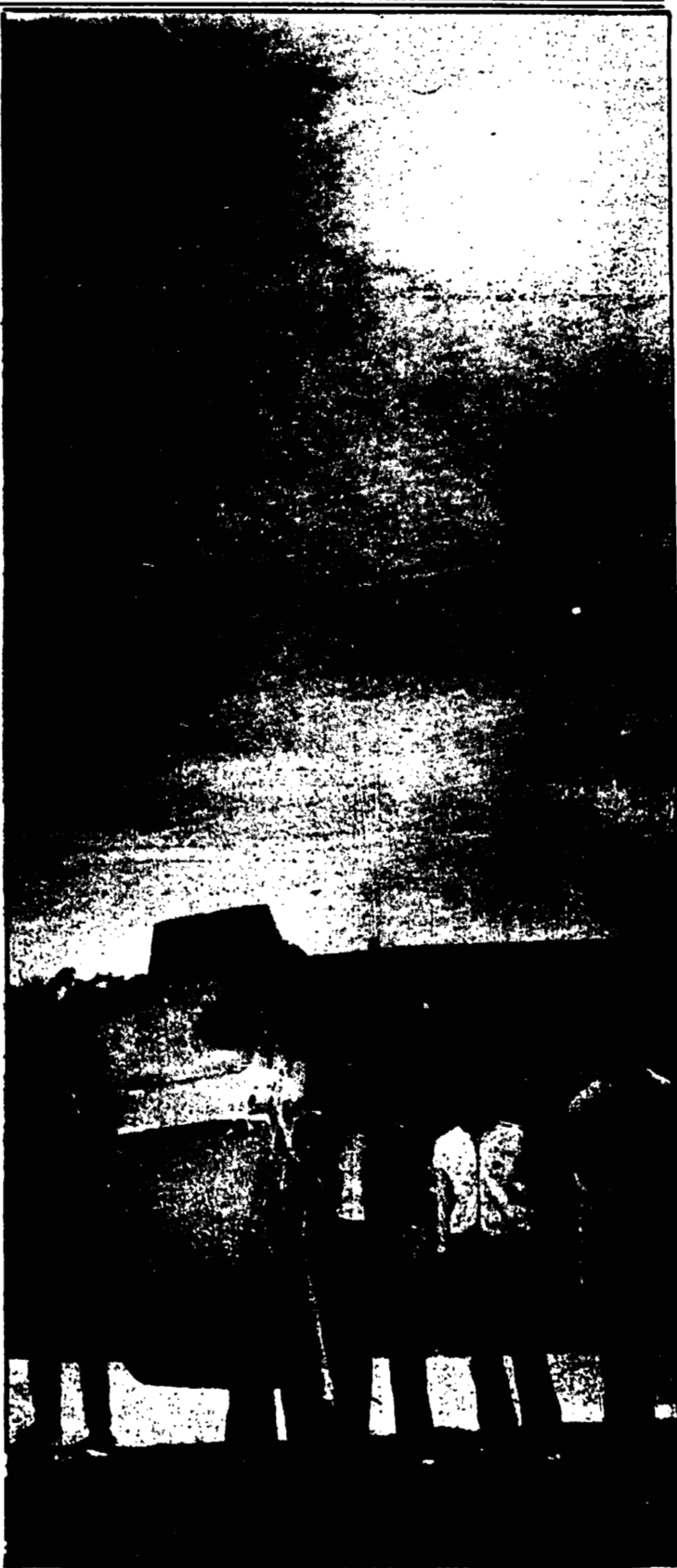
The council will choose a new president from within the membership, according to the HCSU Constitution, reports Sell.

The council will also decide on a procedure to replace Holte within the next few weeks.

In other HCSU business, Lloyd Forrest has been rehired as HCSU Programs Board Chairperson, and Eileen Goebel has been hired as Comptroller.

At the decision of the council, the positions of public relations director and business manager were not filled for this year.

"We felt the positions were redundant and unproductive," explained Sell.



## Royer promises strong, fair neighborhood slanted gov't

Charles Royer, candidate for Mayor of Seattle stated early on in his campaign the reason for his candidacy.

Royer echoed the feeling of 19th century American novelist who "read a bad novel, then quit his job to write because he thought he could do better."

Known to most King County residents for his seven year tenure as a news analyst on KING television, Royer will bring a sharp mind and a wide perspective to the office of Mayor of the state's largest city. A vote for Royer ensures Seattle four years of strong, fair city management.

The main assets needed by a Seattle mayor are a solid environmental and economic policy and an ability to capture the public support for these same policies.

Politicians in Seattle can easily be divided into two categories: downtown and neighborhood. Wes Uhlman has spent his eight years in office defining the downtown politician. Royer's opponent in the upcoming election, Paul Schell, shows many of the same Uhlman traits.

As a matter of fact, Schell did time under "Prince Wes" as director of the Department of Community Development, an agency dedicated to massive downtown improvements. Schell cites this management experience as an indicator of his administrative ability.

This experience certainly does qualify Schell for the mayoralty. But it also gives him a bad perspective on the needs of Seattle and environs. Schell is a big supporter of the Westlake Mall project.

For the uninitiated, The Westlake Mall project would eliminate the last remaining open space downtown in favor of a \$60 million commercial development. Under the present plan, the city would provide \$10 million through sale of municipal bonds.

The issue has been the focal point of the downtown versus the neighborhoods battle line that has permeated this year's mayoral race. Schell, the downtown bureaucrat, supports it. Royer, the neighborhood champion, opposes the plan.

Royer has been criticized for his anti-downtown stance. But as the candidate himself points out, downtown is already Seattle's strongest neighborhood. Further development would only take away from the city's ailing neighborhoods residential areas.

Critics claim that Royer is "just pretty face," alluding to mass exposure as a television commentator. This is a petty complaint. Royer should be judged as for his viewpoint and for his knowledge of the city's strengths and weaknesses.

If taken by this criteria, Charles Royer is definitely Seattle's best hope. His support of neighborhood rehabilitation will help the city regain those who moved to the suburbs when their neighborhood started to crumble.

A gleaming, showy downtown does much to help Seattle's image across the country. But the quality of neighborhood life cannot be allowed to suffer at the expense of a beautiful downtown.

For this and many other reasons, Charles Royer should be the next mayor of Seattle. Royer supports integration of schools, and is willing to stand behind the school board in their effort to desegregate.

Through his nightly television commentaries, Royer has proven himself knowledgeable about city issues. His strong showing in the primary indicates that he can mobilize public opinion.

Royer's policy statements have indicated the depth of knowledge that separates a good public servant from a bad one. His multi-page, unobfuscated pre policy statements promise a government based on public service. The possibility of this type of government should prompt every Seattle voter to mark Charles Royer on their Nov. 8 ballot.

## Student elections a necessary evil

The fact that 1.3 per cent of the student body voted in the recent Highline College Student Union elections should not be a detracting factor in any assessment of the event.

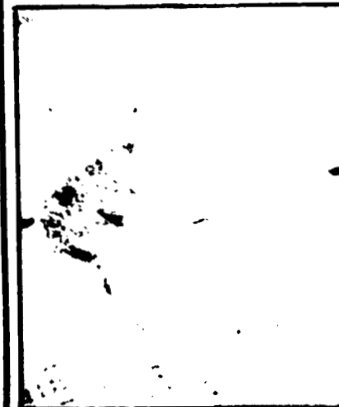
The percentage figures are somewhat misleading. Certainly all 8,000 students on campus do not file through the cafeteria, the only polling place for the election, in a day. Nor is it possible to notify all 8,000 students that an election is to even take place.

Regardless of the turnout, the election was a necessary and useful tool. Five new councilpersons were extracted from the process, out of eight candidates. The winners represent a fair cross-section of a particularly diverse student body, and hopefully should add a measure of stability to what has been a nebulous and inconsistent membership.

Some have contended that due to chronically low election turnouts on campuses across the U.S., student governments should be appointed by college administrations; we must disagree. We find it difficult to see how institutions in a democracy can foster that system while crushing it for their own functions.

Since that suggestion came from outside this campus, we have no qualms that majority rule will move out of Midway. However, we can only trust that this problem does not occur anywhere else.

## COMMENTARY



by Jerry Fritzmann

On Nov. 8 voters in this state will decide the fate of the two cent gasoline surcharge and the sales tax on food.

Little has been done towards reforming Washington's unfair, archaic tax structure. This year's relative glut of tax initiatives points to one conclusion: The populous is dissatisfied by the legislature's lethargy on this matter.

Out came two initiative campaigns bound to bend the system. One actually on the side of the people, the other serving a useful purpose for its instigator.

Ideally, the initiative measure guarantees any person a concrete way to change the law. But as we shall see, the systems lends itself well to abuse in the form of generating publicity for a politician.

The economic consequences of passage of both initiatives would guarantee (an at least temporary) reduction of state services. Local angle: Higher education suffers first and foremost when budgets shrink.

College and university trustees are appointed by the governor. Grateful for the patronage, the trustees are unwilling to protest cutbacks.

HCC's five-member Board of Trustees includes three Dixy Lee Ray appointees: Gerald Brunstrom, Dee Pederson and David Van

## Initiatives 345 and 348: system changes ahead

Hoose. This dixycrat majority does not strengthen the College's quest for more funding.

### 345 deserves passage

Initiative 345, which would remove the sales tax on food is a break for the average consumer. This despite crowing to the contrary.

Money lost to 345 would undoubtedly be made up through a one percent rise in the remaining sales tax. A recent survey made by the State Department of Revenue shows that a good part of the raise would fall on such as the business, utilities and tourists.

The department's study also claims that a family of four with an annual income of \$15,000 would save an average of \$118. This is including the one percent rise.

Can the average taxpayer resist such a windfall? Fortunately, probably not.

Opponents of 345 sigh the same old song: If business is faced with additional taxation, higher prices negate the effectiveness of the tax cut.

Industry will receive an additional tax break to ease the effect of a one percent increase. This reduction of impact will be furthered by legislative action to enact more sweeping reforms.

The legislature is under in-

creasing pressure to do something about the tax situation. It's likely that the lawmakers will take another serious look  
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## PTK sponsors 348 debate

Opponents and supporters of Initiative 348, the move to repeal the two per cent variable gas tax, will present their cases in a public forum in the Highline College Lecture Hall Tuesday, Nov. 1 at noon.

Speakers from the Washington Coalition for Sensible Transportation

and the Citizens Against 348 will debate the gas tax measure, passed by the state legislature during its most recent session.

All students, faculty and staff are invited and urged to attend the one-hour program, sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa.

## mailbox

Dear Thunderword staff:  
Congratulations! Again. How many years in a row for All-American has it been?  
Keep up the excellent work!

Lonny Kaneko,  
Humanities Division  
Chairman

Dear Editor:

I am grateful to the Highline College students, faculty members and classified staff who contributed blood in our last blood drive. I used some of that blood in my two operations this summer and fall.

Highline College's next

blood drive is November 1. I urge everyone to contribute during all our drives this year.

Thank you,  
Betty Strehlau,

Dear Editor:

After being given 167 pints of blood in 1971 for a serious illness, I find it difficult to imagine somebody refusing to donate their blood to the King County Blood Bank. The gift of life is much too precious not to be shared. I hope that all those who can donate, will take this opportunity to do so.

Sincerely,  
Steve McCarty



## COMMENTARY

## Can't wait until 1978



by Chris Campbell

Another tragic incident occurred last week, the kind that America seems to be witnessing more often than usual this year. Thursday night, Oct. 20, a charter plane carrying the highly popular Southern rock group, Lynyrd Skynyrd, ran

out of fuel and was forced to crash land in southern Mississippi. Lead singer Ronnie Van Zant, guitarist Steve Gaines and backing vocalist Cassie Gaines were killed in the crash and several other members of the band were injured seriously. This accident being sad enough alone, the situation isn't helped any by knowing that Ronnie, Steve and Cassie were the fifth, sixth and seventh well known performers to die this year.

The first one was none other than the King of Rock and Roll, Elvis Presley. The great comedian and actor Groucho Marx died only one week later. The third performer was Marc Bolan, lead guitarist and voc-

alist for the premier English glamour-rock group, T-Rex, who died in an auto accident in London in late September.

Of course, the fourth great performer to die was crooner and native Washingtonian Bing Crosby, who died in Spain two weeks ago.

1977 has blessed us with the death of several of our heroes.

It also has blessed we Washingtonians with the driest winter ever, forest fires in the Olympic Rain Forest in the middle of January, and warnings of electricity brown-outs and cut-backs.

It has blessed our friends back east with the coldest

winter yet, our cousins in Miami with snow and frost, our neighbors in California with severe water shortages; and we mustn't forget our good buddies in New York city, who received the divine gift of an electrical blackout, complete with rampant looting and vandalism.

1977 has definitely been the most tragic year for the entertainment world yet. It seems ironic that the year following the pomp, splendor and excitement of our nation's 200th birthday (you haven't forgotten that already have you?) would be so full of bad tidings.

The prospects for the remainder of this year being

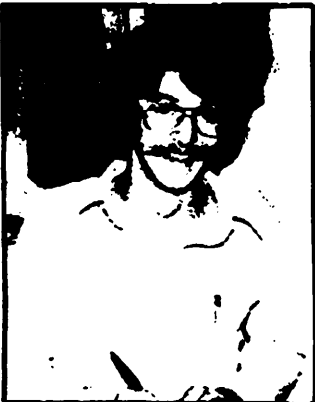
As for me, I've given up on 1977 already. I am tired of reading and hearing in the news about my heroes tragically dying and wondering who's going to be next. I hope 1978 is a lot better than this year has been.

Let's face it, it's been a lousy year, and the next one couldn't be much worse. endowed with better tidings seem grim, as the weather is already taking a questionable turn back east.

However, there is always hope.

Let us hope that 1977 doesn't get any worse than the crummy year it's been so far. Let's hope that the pendulum takes a swing back toward the good side.

## Checkin' it out rides again



## Eschewing Obfuscation by Terry Sell

Ah, Friday at last, the last day of the week. Well, it's not Friday as I'm writing this but it is as you're reading this so don't quibble. It's Monday while I'm writing this and I'm in the Thunderword office and you're in the cafeteria fighting your way through a still-breathing cup of coffee. And now it's Friday as you're reading this and you're having another round with the coffee as it climbs out of the cup and slinks across the table before you can put in the cream, and I'm in New Orleans.

Just a little day-to-day obfuscation there I wanted to clear up. Or a little unclarity I wanted to eschew. Or something like that.

You get the picture? As an editor and a writer, my business is to obfuscate as little as possible, and to encourage my writers to eschew it at all costs.

In other words, I am the Philobex for the blemishes in the newswriting of your life.

Sounds like a song title.

But over the rest of the world I have no control. And here unclarity runs rampant

over the population. My first example will be Yogi Berra, who said, "If people don't want to go the ballpark there's nothing that's gonna stop them."

The sports world abounds with unclarity and bad grammar. Football has almost become unbearable on television, what with Pete Gross and Howard Cosell (who needs no explanation) abusing the air waves. I tend to think of listening to them as penance for all the bad things I have done in life. I don't listen to them a lot.

But the use of nebulous language is not limited to Cosell and company. Foul verbiage infests even the ivy-less halls of Highline.

The Faculty Senate, (which is not to be confused with the Faculty House, where all the teachers live,) meets on the first Wednesday after the second Tuesday of the month.

By this writer's calculations, the only time that the second of the, no uh that's not going to work out. The only time...one more time.

The only thing I can figure out is that this bizarre definition of meeting time is to insure that the meeting is in the middle of the month and on a Wednesday.

As Jerry Fritzmann said upon reading this: "You're almost as confused as they are."

There are 1389 people on this campus who are "not identified" as to sex. This means there are 1389 conscientious objectors running around here. They could be Martians, and they could be from Atlantis. Rumor has it that they're all moving to Elliot Bay cause when it sinks into the Sound it won't matter to them.

One problem we have suffered due to obfuscation has been concerning the name of this paper. It appears that the office of Warren G. Magnuson, the most effective man in the United States Senate, is not as effective as the senator.

Some time ago, we began to receive a series of press releases from the senator's office, addressed to the Thunder Nord. Where they got the name Thunder Nord we may never know, but that mailing list has been passed around the country and now we get lots of things addressed to the Thunder Nord.

Also we get things for the Under Word, and we have received reports from reporters who have argued with faculty members that the name of the paper is the Thunder World. Or the Thunderbird, not to mention the occasional mailings for the Exeogitation and the Semestriel, which as far as I can tell were literature magazines published here during the Pre-Cambrian Age.

We have taken advantage of the Thunder Nord label, hence St. Thundernord, the Fighting Thundernord Association (of which all the staff are members), and thunderphrenia, which is very similar to Bongo Fury. Are we clear on that now?

The final unclarity I will hit upon is the location of Highline itself. In another part of this paper (it is presently unclear as to where the article will go), are the results of Jerry Fritzmann's self-inflicted torture in trying to pinpoint the location and existence of Midway, Wa.

We found, much to our chagrin, that Midway is not. This makes Highline a non-entity, and you should probably stop attending classes before you get caught in a time-warp or a boring lecture. I have heard they are very similar—both seem to last forever and the point of the event is very unclear.

Obfuscation is a very frustrating thing sometimes. Here in the Northwest we speak very pure, unaltered English. In the rest of the country we are regarded as verbal perverts, since people in many areas slur vowels and ignore many consonants in their speech.

Why all this mental midgetry, this oral abuse, this unclarity in our speech and actions? The common explanation is that we are all human. Of all things, this makes the most sense.

As you usher your coffee back into the cup, look into its murky depths, and note what you see. Dark, murky liquid. Obfuscation. Why are people unclear?

It's kind of like God. It's a mystery to us all. But without a little haziness on the horizon, life would probably be a little boring.

However, I think I could adjust.

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at the income tax if both initiatives pass.

A moral question is also involved here. Should the consumer have to pay a tax on a commodity that is needed for subsistence. Many families that don't have the money to buy much other than food are the ones that need the tax break. Initiative 348 gives them that break.

## 348 offers little gain

The largest beneficiary of Initiative 348, whether it passes or not, will be King County Assessor Harley Hoppe. Re-

moval of the two cent gasoline tax is the written purpose of 348.

Running as an independent for King County Executive, Hoppe is gaining maximum mileage from his pro-348 leadership position. The initiative also gives Hoppe another forum for his own campaign.

Other than as a publicity tool, 348 leaves little to recommend its passage. The increase was the first on gasoline in this state since 1967. This minor miracle in the days of rampaging inflation negates opponents claims that the tax is unfair and punitive.

Passage of 348 would cause the state to lose more than money. Governor Ray's office

maintains that some 20,000 man-years of private sector employment on road projects stands to be lost.

If this seems like a large job cut following a two cent a gallon tax decrease, consider this: most road projects receive federal matching funds. Eliminate the state and local shares of money lost to the tax removal, add the same amount of matching funds and the loss is doubled.

Long delays to projects such as I-90 or the West Seattle Freeway will drive costs sky-high. It doesn't take long for a \$30 million road to become a \$60 million mess.

Hoppe's forces cite the fact that Washington's gasoline tax is the highest in the nation. But

Washington, unlike many other states, does not charge a retail sales tax on gasoline, nor does it operate toll roads.

A variety of functions other than highway construction rely on the gasoline tax for revenue. The two cent tax repeal would force cutbacks (or higher fees) by the State Patrol, the state Ferry System and adjuncts to transit operations. Maintenance money for bike paths and all-terrain vehicle trails would also be reduced.

The money and jobs lost due to the removal of the two cent gasoline tax is a high price to pay for removing the average \$13 the average car owner pays in additional taxes each year. Initiative 348 is a self-

serving publicity organ for Harley Hoppe and should be recognized as such at the polls.

If the state is unable to come up with funds, the federal government cuts an equal amount. The resulting curtailment of long-needed highway improvements would be a disaster.

**T-WORD** The hours are long, but that's O.K., the pay is lousy.

## Changes ahead for advising program

by Vicki Whitney

An effective advising program for the community college adult student is the ultimate goal of a faculty-student committee meeting in the near future.

George Donovan, who organized the committee, feels the advising service is a very critical one. He said the students should have a convenient access to their advisors, and right now, this isn't always the case. Often an advisor's office hours and the student's time on campus don't coincide.

The beginning advising programs of four-year institutions of 20 years ago have gradually shaped into the present system at the community college.

Records once kept by advisors are now the responsibility of the student.

After completion of 30 credits, an advisor's approval of student scheduling is now no longer required for registration. The advisor's tie with the student was shortened after it was decided the student would have his goals set after two full quarters.

Mr. Donovan points out that this may be one of the short-

comings of the present system. Many students aren't confident with their plans after they've finished the magic number of 30 credits and still need more help planning their future courses.

The committee plans to examine the present system and organize better ways to advise the adult student.

Faculty from all areas and two students make up the committee.

From the P.E. department is Royal Wise; Social Studies, Don McLarney; Business, Mary Longstaff, and Student Services, Ed McClure.

Representing the Engineering and Technology Department is Ross King; Health Occupations, Irene Lewsley; and Behavioral Sciences.

Three areas have not yet chosen representatives: Humanities; Mathematics; and Fine and Performing Arts.

Mr. Donovan urges the student body to share ideas on improvements and problems of the current program with committee members. Student input will be greatly valued and appreciated.

## Religion comes to HCC

Religion has finally come into the open at Highline College. On Monday, Oct. 18, four men were on campus representing the Gideons International.

The men on campus were Ken Laurence, Joe Fouraker, Wally Cordel and Harold Nelson. All four are with the Valley Camp of Gideons International and cover the area from 152nd street S.W. to Pierce County, Puget Sound to Enumclaw and Renton.

The men stood outside the Student Center giving free copies of the New Testament to any student who would accept one.

They give Bibles to people at various colleges, jails and hotels. In Washington State they are not allowed to give Bibles to high school and grade school students, but are allowed to in some other states from the fifth grade on.

The Gideons International is a nondenominational group that is represented in approximately 130 countries.

These men speak at various church services about how the Bibles are provided and used, and "often bring people to the Lord."



Ken Laurence of the Gideons International presents a Bible to an HCC student while on campus on Monday, Oct. 18

Offerings and donations are accepted in order to cover the costs of printing. This is all volunteer work, but according to Ken Laurence, they do get paid well—...not financially, but in the joys of seeing people receive these Bibles and learn of the Lord."

## CC bucks stop if 345 goes

An estimated \$11.3 million will be subtracted from community college budgets in Washington if Initiative 345 passes next month, according to John C. Mundt, state community college director.

That would mean a budget cut for Highline of \$327,311 for the 1978-79 school year.

Mundt outlined the impact of the estimated revenue loss for the state's community colleges. Passage of the measure removing sales tax from all

food items in this state would result in:

—A no growth situation for community colleges. Current community college budgets include funds for 2,171 additional full time slots in vocational programs.

—Putting off normal replacement and repair programs for instructional equipment.

—Higher student-faculty ratios in classes.

—Difficulty in maintaining

off-campus programs.

—Initiation of very few new programs.

Most community college districts, according to Mundt, report that they would attempt to cut faculty and staff through natural attrition as much as possible.

Mundt urged in his report that the budget levels be maintained, since any reduction of services will adversely affect many minority and lower income students.

## 'Images' offered by Women's Programs

A series on the "Images of Women" is being offered by the Women's Resource Center at HCC on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 in the Lecture Hall.

Free to HCC students, the series will ask \$1 from non-students.

Women in the Media was the first subject of the five week program. Last Tuesday, Oct. 25, Colleen Patrick, a former Seattle television news reporter and current instructor at the University of Washington spoke on the portrayal of women in advertising and the news media, focusing on media myths versus women's real lives.

On Nov. 1 Making Our Own Image will be discussed by Marge Morton, speech and communication instructor at HCC.

The lecture will discuss thoughts on why and how one can change one's own image and examine aspects of inter-

personal communication especially non-verbal elements of voice, facial expression, body movement and posture.

Images of Women in Literature, led by Joan Fedor, HCC instructor and Honors Scholar Program director, will feature dramatic readings from poetry, plays, and novels on Nov. 8. Analysis and discussion will follow.

Ending the series, Women as Artists will be featured Nov. 15 and Images of Women in Film on Nov. 22.

Each program will be moderated by Betty Colasurdo, Women's Programs Director.

The Women's Resource Center is located in Building 9 on the second floor and is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Please contact the center if you would like your name on the Women's Program's mailing list at 878-3710 ext. 365.

## Gardeners wanted

Avid backyard gardeners are wanted by the King County Extension Service to voluntarily help fellow citizens with garden advice.

An intensive ten-week training course is provided for each volunteer, covering a wide range of horticultural subjects.

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### WASHINGTON COMMUNITY COLLEGES ANALYSIS OF FISCAL IMPACT OF INITIATIVE 345 ON DISTRICT ALLOCATIONS FOR 1978-79 (1)

DISTRICT/COLLEGE	1977-78 (2) General Fund Allocation	1978-79 (3) General Fund Allocation	Reduction Below 1977-78 Allocation
1 Peninsula	\$ 2,024,753	\$ 1,922,069	102,684
2 Grays Harbor	2,379,687	2,255,677	124,010
3 Olympic	4,874,669	4,598,797	275,872
4 Skagit Valley	3,511,825	3,316,619	195,206
5 Everett/Edmonds	9,049,327	8,544,060	606,267
6 Seattle	16,672,157	15,736,482	935,675
7 Shoreline	6,224,703	5,867,785	356,918
8 Bellevue	5,055,051	4,774,276	280,775
9 Highline	5,801,299	5,473,988	327,311
10 Green River	5,212,053	4,918,914	293,139
11 Ft. Steilacoom	4,742,575	4,482,545	260,030
12 Centralia/OTCC	5,518,584	5,220,421	298,163
13 Lower Columbia	3,410,101	3,220,437	189,664
14 Clark	5,321,564	5,021,214	300,350
15 Wenatchee Valley	2,847,200	2,694,339	152,861
16 Yakima Valley	4,140,420	3,908,929	231,491
17 Spokane	16,233,754	15,293,962	939,792
18 Big Bend	2,197,566	2,088,705	108,861
19 Columbia Basin	4,061,261	3,834,431	226,830
20 Walla Walla	3,714,550	3,508,272	206,278
21 Whatcom	1,423,736	1,354,500	69,236
22 Tacoma	4,668,146	4,408,267	259,879
SYSTEM TOTALS	\$119,084,981	\$112,444,689	\$6,640,292 (4)

(1) Reductions shown are based on preliminary data. Distribution among districts may vary.

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## Pederson, Lee fail poli-sci

by Lee Franta

Dee Pederson and Eleanor Lee visited HCC Wednesday Oct. 19, and brought out one point: campaignings not what it used to be.

Pederson, Democrat, and Lee, Republican, are running for the 33rd District State Senate seat, the seat Jack Cunningham vacated when he became U.S. Representative for the Seventh District.

During their stay on campus each speaker presented her stands on the issues, then fielded questions from the classes.

Though both candidates arrived at the same answers to student questions, each had a different approach in their stands on tax reform and oil ports, the two major issues discussed.

Mrs. Pedersen said that "tax reform is needed," and if one feels strongly enough about it, the move to repeal the sales tax on food, Initiative 345, should be voted for.

"This would probably raise the prices on food, because of the added book work involved in selling both taxed and un-



Eleanor Lee

taxed items concurrently," Pedersen said.

Mrs. Lee, while agreeing that tax reform was necessary labeled the sales tax cut: "A dangerous thing at this time."

"The drive to develop new taxing packages, on a grass roots level, would be lost," she said.

"Any tax proposals are going to have to be presented to the people in the form of a referendum. This referendum would contain the tax repeals.

"If taxes are repelled with no backup source of revenue then the state will be in serious financial straits," Mrs. Lee explained.

Mrs. Lee expressed relief that Puget Sound was closed to oil tankers, due to the danger of a tanker running aground on a shoal, while making passage to an oil port.

Pedersen expressed a different view on the subject.

"It was the state's responsibility, not the federal government. Even though the closure of Puget Sound to oil tankers was necessary," Mrs. Pedersen said of oil tankers on Puget Sound.

Both candidates gave their reasons for joining their respective parties.

"I joined the Republican Party because in 1972 when I decided to run, officials in both parties approached me to run on their tickets," Mrs. Lee said.

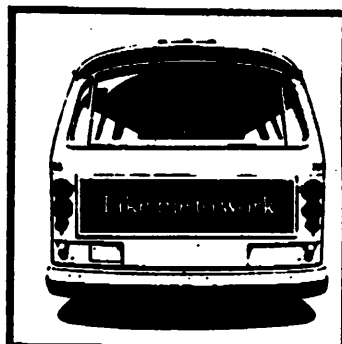
"I looked at the political situation, and at the time the Republican Party was the Party of action.

"I have one gripe about the



Dee Pederson

Republican Party," she continued. "They don't brag about



their achievements as well as the Democrats." The Shoreline Management Act was an example Lee gave.

"I was born and raised a Democrat in the FDR era. I saw what he was trying to do, and I feel that those goals and ideals are what the Democratic Party stands for. That's why I'm a Democrat," replied Mrs. Pederson.

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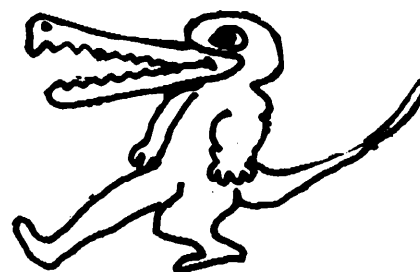
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## Midway between nowhere

# College located in twilight zone

by Jerry Fritzmann

"I go to Highline College. It's in Midway."

"Where's Midway?"

"It's up there. On the hill. You know, Pacific Highway South, somewhere between the airport and Federal Way."

"How many people live there?"

"Well, I don't know if anybody actually does live there."

This scene has been replayed countless times by hapless HCC students trying to explain the whereabouts of this esteemed institution. Many try, but none succeed.

The most absolute way to pinpoint Midway is to point a finger in the general direction of the campus and say "that way."

In his book "Washington Place Names" James W. Phillips offers this: "Midway: So named because it is halfway between Seattle and Tacoma on Highway 99."

The bad news for potential Midway civic pride activists is that Phillips' description is the definitive one. There are no city limits or municipal government because Midway isn't incorporated.

north of Kent-Des Moines Road as a pillow furniture outlet.

The community had grown considerably and required its own post office. In their infinite wisdom, the Postal Service renamed the area Midway. This move was made despite the protestations of the residents of the hamlet.

They felt that the name change would rob the community of its individuality. They turned out to be right.

Growing larger throughout the 40's and 50's, the public-minded on the hilltop tried to incorporate Midway. The effort turned out to be a struggle for territory. The foe: Des Moines.

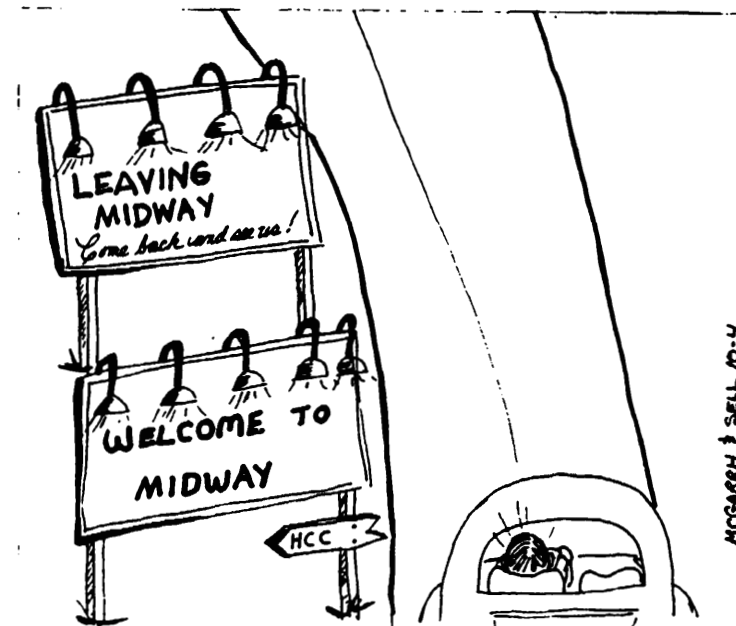
Des Moines won.

The Midway group filed incorporation papers Nov. 5, 1959. Des Moines did the same 16 days later. The disputed territory ran from S. 216th to the Kent-Des Moines Road and from Highway 99 to Military Road.

The Prosecuting Attorney's office took interest in the matter. After much mysterious maneuvering, the issue was decided in Des Moines' favor.



Is it or isn't it in Midway, Kent or Des Moines? businesses located in the twilight zone. The Furniture House is one of the many



Midway doesn't even qualify for community status anymore. It used to be at one time. There was a move for incorporation but it failed, relegating Midway to a name used by businesses along Pacific Highway South for a mile or so on either side of the Kent-Des Moines Road.

The intersection of Highway 99 and Kent-Des Moines Road is near and dear to the many HCC students waiting to get off the freeway at 7:55 weekday mornings.

In the fall of 1927 this now-mighty intersection was an obscure crossroads along the route between (surprise) Kent and Des Moines. A few families saw the possibilities of the place.

Dix Corner, it was called, for no apparent reason. "Timber, Tides, and Tales," Melanie Draper's history of Des Moines names Bill Moody as the pioneer Midway businessman. "The Halfway House" was his restaurant, cashing in on the Seattle to Tacoma trade when that trip was still a major undertaking.

Moody's establishment stands today a quarter-mile

The Des Moines annexation took about half of the Midway community. What remained was an undefined area extending south to S. 252nd between Military Road and '99.

The city of Kent jumped into the annexation derby in 1958, stretching its border all the way to 20th ave S. between S. 248th and S. 252nd. Kent attempted to annex all the way to Puget Sound, but the County's Annexation Review Board nixed Kent's bid for seaport status. Enough was enough the board said.

Frustrated by that rejection, Kent moved its efforts to the north. A 1961 move took in the remaining area east of I-5 between Kent-Des Moines Road and S. 248th.

The same north-south boundary was followed in Kent's next annexation in 1962. This time the western front was moved to a jagged edge on the west side of Highway 99.

This recapitulation of obscure historical detail leads us to the present. The zig-zag Kent boundary adds to the Midway confusion.

On the west side of the

highway between Kent-Des Moines Road and S.240th about half of the businesses are on Kent land, the remainder unincorporated. For instance, the Midway Tavern at the north end of the stretch is part of Kent. The recently razed lot next to it is unincorporated. This absurd division goes on all the way to S. 240th.

Midway today is reduced to a literal translation of the word. It's just an apt geographical designation. The only unincorporated areas left in the area are the aforementioned businesses, HCC and the residential area adjoining the north edge of the campus.

Perhaps the most sound way to describe Midway is that it is the area between Kent and Des Moines that is covered by services from both of those municipalities. This would include the boundaries of the area's fire, sewer and water districts along with police protection and mail service.

HCC is on the Des Moines sewer and water system, as is a large part of Kent's hilltop holdings. The Kent water system extends only as far as I-5, leaving the lately annexed portions of that city to the Des Moines hookup.

Logically, Midway would be in the Midway-Star Lake-Woodmont fire district. Is it? Of course not. That fire district used to extend along the highway to 208th but somewhere along the line boundary shrunk back to 252nd.

HCC is a part of Fire District 26, which covers the Des Moines area. This service switch makes a modicum of sense. The Des Moines (Fire District 26) station is two miles down 25th Avenue while the Fire District 30 (Midway, etc.) station closest to the campus is the Woodmont facility on 270th and 15th Avenue S.

Police protection for Midway is another jumble. The Des Moines, Kent and King County departments all have their own jurisdictions and they meet and intersect along the highway fronting the College.

Say you are involved in an accident on the highway between Kent-Des Moines Road

and S. 240th. Properly, the Kent police department has jurisdiction but a call to 911 could bring a response from Des Moines, the County or the State Patrol.

This coverage is reassuring so long as all these departments maintain an active interest in upholding the service at present levels. Let's hope that they don't all of a sudden decide that the area is one of the other's responsibility.

The most confused of the Midway area gets is concerning the limits of Kent, Des Moines and Seattle postal districts. This is fitting in a way. The first (and only) government service specifically for Midway was its Post Office.

The Midway Post Office still operates, though today it's part of the Kent system. The College is based in Kent, but the Blockhouse Restaurant across the road is part of Des Moines.

Before this gets too confusing, a few words of explanation are necessary. Mail can be addressed to Seattle, Kent, Des Moines or wherever, but

if the proper zip code is on it the letter will eventually end up in the right mailbox.

Technical quibbling is the basis of this section. The cities of Kent and Des Moines being incorporated municipalities have their own P.O.'s. There are also Seattle P.O.'s interspersed throughout south King County to keep the question cloudy.

A Midway business could list their address as Midway, Kent, Des Moines or Seattle and each would be appropriate. The only instance where anyone in this area could not identify themselves as being living in Seattle would be the folks who have a Kent North street designation.

The purpose of this article originally was to define Midway what it is, where it is and what its status is. After a full hour of research it became apparent that it would be impossible to answer any of these queries to a reasonable degree.

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## Campbell dives into HCC

by Dennis Van Ieperen

Spence Campbell, a part time diving instructor at HCC last year, now is a full time instructor in the Undersea Technician Program.

He replaces Peter Williams, who resigned at the end of last year.

Campbell works along with head instructor Maurice Talbot.

This year's program has 28 first-year students and 35 second-year students. Both classes do their diving at Redondo Beach, only a few miles from the college on Puget Sound.

The instructors show the students how to use various underwater instruments and how to perform diving procedures which will help them to land high wage jobs with numerous oil-drilling operations in the U.S.

Out of 28 graduates last year 26 were placed in jobs their first year out of HCC.

"I spent the last few years of my life in research diving and I felt it was time to apply my experience in the direction of the commercial field, while at the same time broadening my concepts in the specific area of oil field diving," comments Campbell on his reasons for coming to HCC.

Campbell now lives in Red-

mond, Wa. with his two sons Ron and Scott. Both boys go to Interlake High School, Ron is a junior and Scott a sophomore. Scott was ranked 16th in the nation as a wrestler in last year's Junior Olympics.

Campbell's favorite hobby is archery. He and his sons spend a lot of time together hunting with bow and arrow, their main targets being deer and elk.

Spence is also very much into his sons' high school sports. He enjoys watching them compete whenever he can.

Campbell became interested in diving while in the Air Force for four and one-half years. He later became a Commercial Deep Sea diver in Spokane, Wa. for the next four years. His experience doesn't stop them.

After two years at Everett CC, he became Director of Diving Physiology Research Lab for Virginia Mason Research Center in Seattle, for another four years.

Campbell's past teaching jobs have been at Bellevue Community College, where he was an instructor in the Technical Diving Program. He has also worked part time at Shoreline CC before coming to Highline last year.

When asked what enjoy-

ment he gets from his job he stated, "The satisfaction of exploring a new environment and seeing students become competent in this relatively new field."

While at Spokane in 1962, Campbell became involved in a fascinating event, a "Marathon Swim."

His goal was to swim from Orofino, Idaho to Astoria, Oregon faster than Lewis and Clark traveled the same distance in canoes. The connecting rivers on the 557-mile swim were the Clearwater, Snake, and the Columbia. Campbell swam an average of 10.8 hours a day and covered an average of 26.8 miles a day. The tides had a lot to do with the number of hours he swam each day.

He completed the Marathon in an amazing 27 days, five days less than his counterparts, Lewis and Clark. Spence was to receive \$1,500 for his accomplishment, but all the money never materialized as the company went bankrupt.

Now back to the year 1977, Spence feels being a diving instructor is a very unique position to have. I asked Campbell why he chose this profession, he blurted out, "The same reason men climb mountains, intrigue and challenge".



Spence Campbell, "Marathon Man," has become full time instructor in the Undersea Technician program. staff photo by Scott Schaefer

## Opinions mixed on winter weather

by Gary Lindberg

Opinions on this years weather range from mild and very wet to a continuation of the present weather pattern. However, it is not expected to be as dry as last years abnormal winter.

A spokesman for the University of Washington stated, "The tendency of the weather will remain as it is, with a dryer than normal winter."

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definition of Midway, I am free to draw my own boundary. I propose the following definition: Midway shall be that area of Pacific Highway South that receives services from at least three different municipalities and/or service districts.

This would bring in stretch of highway from 216th to 240th. The community also needs a new name. If anyone wants to know the halfway point between Seattle and Tacoma, have the state put a little marker on I-5 that at the appropriate spot.

For Midway, how about "Schizophreniaville." Fitting for a community that can't decide where it's at. And it is also quite an accomplishment: A multiple-referenced community that doesn't even exist.

Next: Zenith, fact or fiction.

"Expect November through January to be mild and very rainy with plenty of mountain snow," is the opinion of the Old Farmer's Almanac.

The National Weather Bureau does not issue local weather forecasts beyond 30 days. However, they stated, "November usually sets a pat-

Dr. Gilman of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration stated, "Winters

generally vary quite irregularly from year to year."

Another way of what the outlook might be is to see how thick squirrel coats are. The rule is the thicker the colder. Also, the severity and length might be told by how many nuts they store.

The Farmer's Almanac says that November's average temperature will be 50.5 degrees,

five degrees above normal and we will have nine inches of precipitation, three inches above normal.

December, according to the Farmer's Almanac, will be up three and one-half to 44 degrees. Precipitation will be up to eight inches, two inches above the average for the month.

Seven inches of precipita-

tion will fall in January, one inch above normal, according to the Farmer's Almanac. The average temperature will be 39 degrees, one degree above normal.

Incidentally, the Farmer's Almanac states that December 23 through 26 will have heavy rain on the coast and heavy snow in the mountains.

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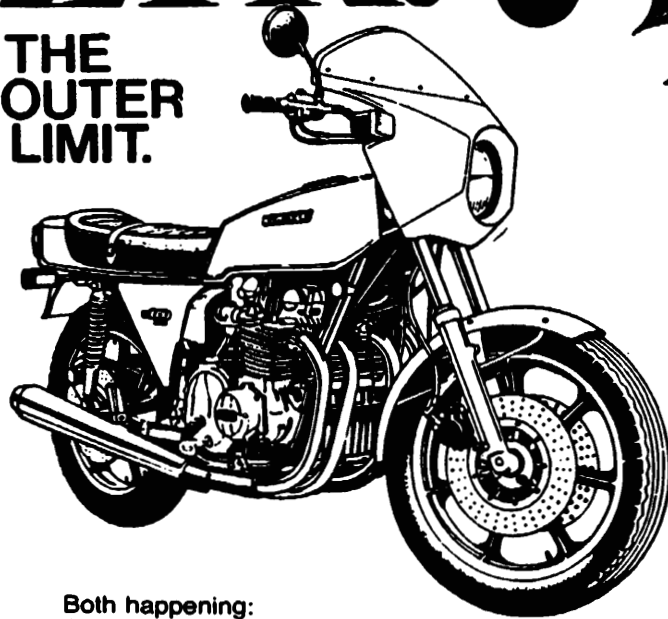
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## Crane departs library nest

A familiar landmark left the campus on Oct. 21 as its "buddy" came to disassemble it and carry away the 20 erector-like components. Yes, the seven-story crane has moved to a new construction site and away from the new library.

Six months ago the Morrow Crane Company brought in the in-pieces crane, including the cab, the boom, the counterweight assembly, the counterweights and the motors.

Since then the Absher Construction Co. has been building the new six-story library around the crane, which has lifted wallboard, insulation, studs, steel, concrete and other supplies. Actually, there was no further need for the crane after Oct. 10 but the crane crews were tied up in a major job in Denver.

The "buddy" crane came in Friday Oct. 21 (the construction company had stopped

paying rent on it Oct. 10). The removal crane had to be long enough to reach over the top of the new building and to the top of the crane and down six stories inside the building. Cranes of these sizes are not made in the United States; they come from Western Germany.

George Tweney, "clerk of the works" for Highline College, said the crane removers were working against the ap-

proaching Friday storm. The last piece of the original crane was removed just as the storm hit its peak.

He said they had to shut down the crane only six days during the six months for weather; two of those days were for fog (they couldn't see the ground).

The greater King County area has seen many cranes of various sizes in the current construction boom. Tweney said the Rainier Bank Tower in downtown Seattle required a crane with a telescoping ability. It pulled itself up story-by-story. Ours was the maximum height crane for this size of building.

Tweney said: "The use of the crane cut immeasurably the length of construction time."

Tweney said he pondered what the use of cranes could have done in building the pyramids, the Wall of China, and Roman and Chinese road construction. He marveled anew over those miracles of construction depending on masses of laborers.

Students must feel that hard hat laborers on this tallest building on the campus are a part of the campus family. But the memory of the multi-story German crane will linger on.

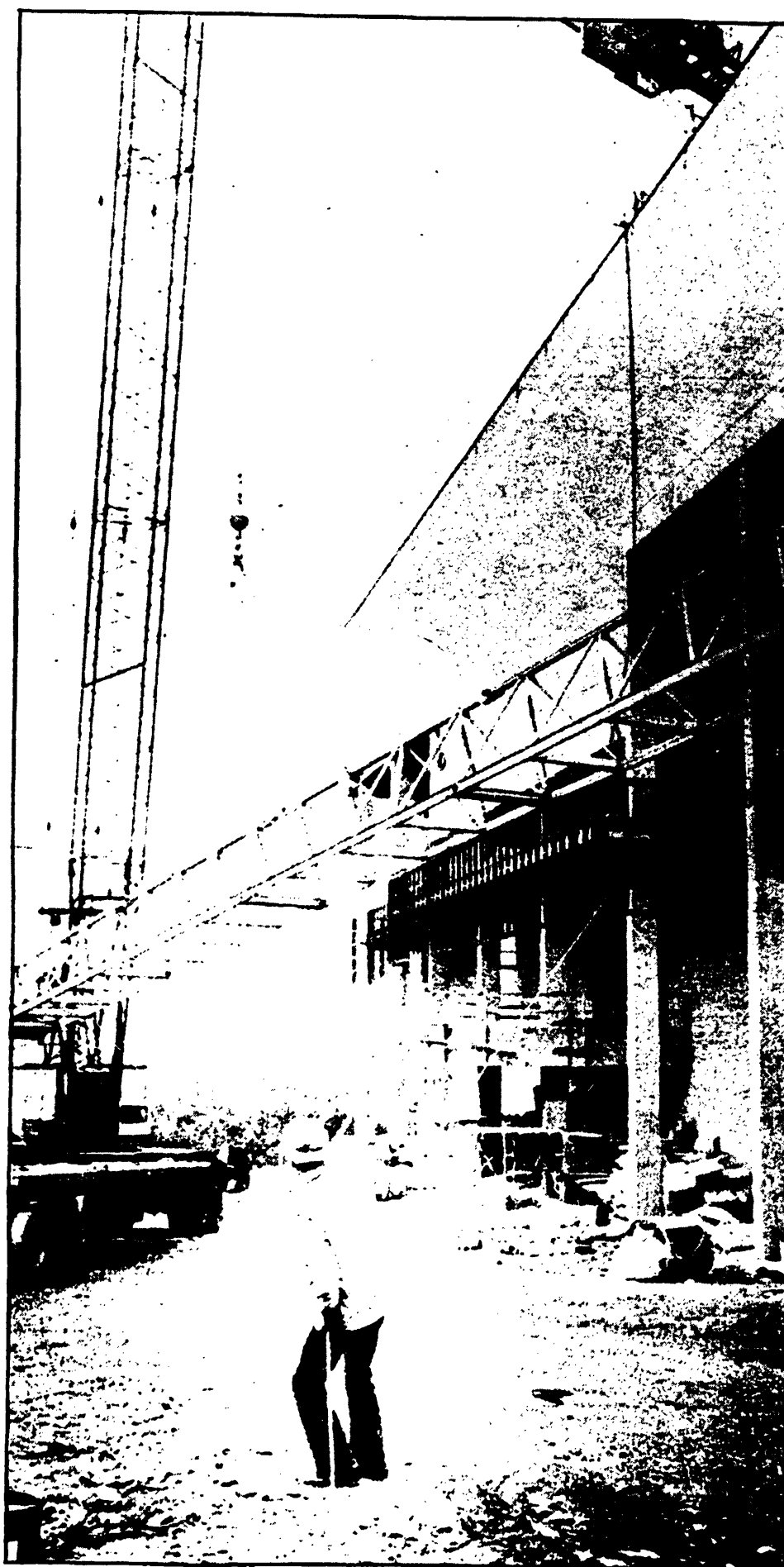


The hook of the crane boom came down first while workers controlled the landing position from the roof and on ground.



Framed by a near leafless tree, scaffolders connect the second crane's hook to the boom to ready for the lowering operation.

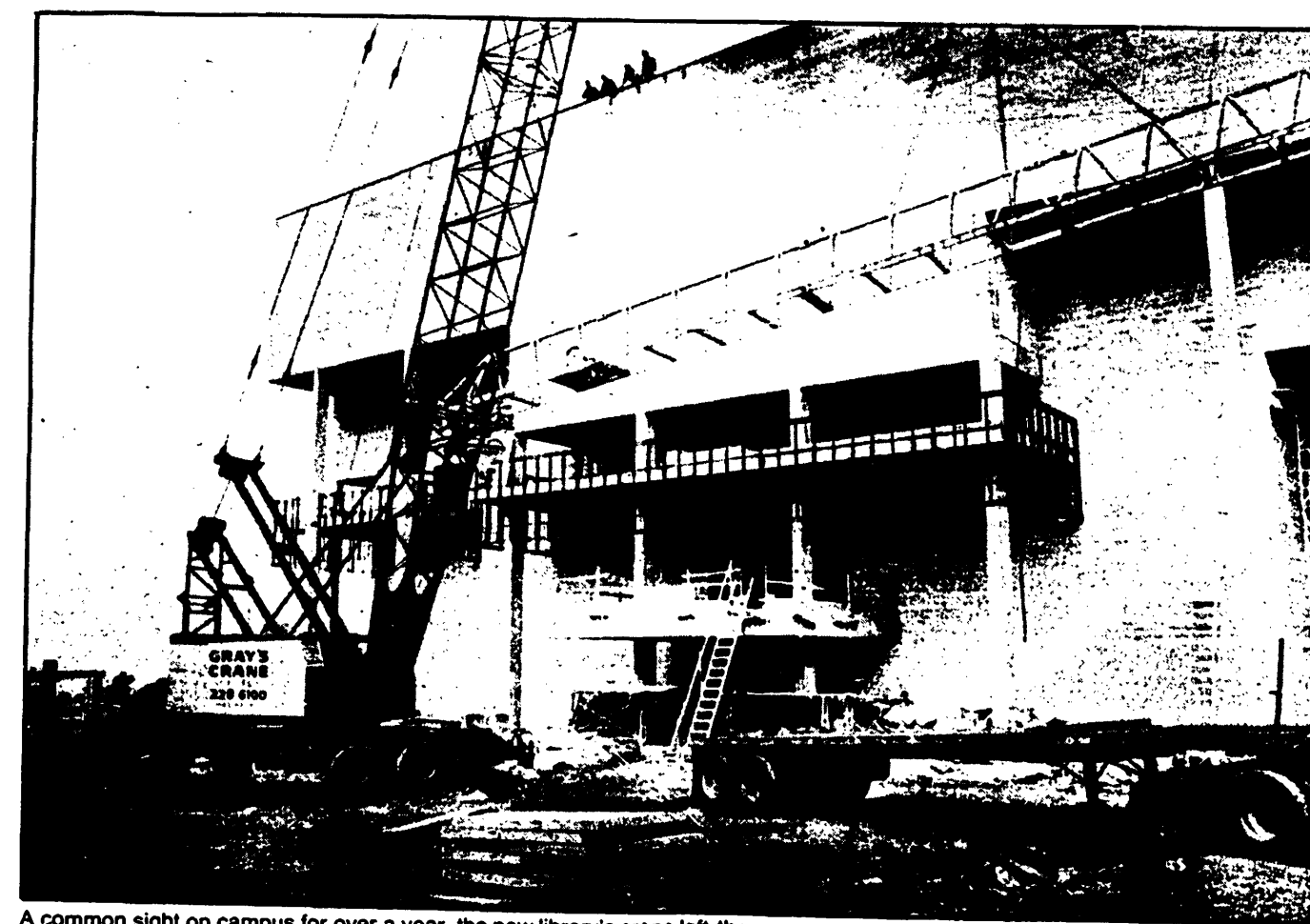
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The large boom of the six story crane was lowered by a seven story crane while workers controlled where the boom landed with cables.



Construction workers edge out toward the end of the boom, six stories off the ground. These two workers connected the second crane to the library crane's boom.



A common sight on campus for over a year, the new library's crane left the campus recently, as a seven-story buddy crane lowered the boom first.



## Four more projects

# Campus facelift continues

by D. M. Brown

Four campus renovations costing \$226,500 will begin in May.

Projects planned are renovations to the East parking lot, a covered walkway at the entrance at 240th South, changes to the present visitor parking, the graphics system for the campus, and four new mercury vapor lights to illuminate the road from 20th Ave. South will be installed. Completion date for these projects is September 1978.

East lot renovations are needed because of the number of campus activities that will be in the remodeled building housing student services, says Jack Chapman of campus security.

There will be a new route to and from this lot. The existing road will be one-way and north bound. The south bound road will be built along the west side of the lot. The entrance will be from the east road at 240th South while the exit will be next to the entrance, but on the west side.

The East lot may be changed to angle parking to create more spaces. Forty to 60 of these spaces, located behind the old library will be used for visitors' parking.

The visitors parking lot at South 240th, will become a pick up and delivery area. The current parking spaces will be converted into a one-way loop road. There will be no parking here.

Chapman hopes this will help to alleviate many of the problems caused by students entering, leaving, and cruising for spots at the same time.

Estimated costs for this project is just under \$100,000.

The covered walkway will extend from the road to the admissions building.

The flag pole will go, until a better location is decided upon.

"This will open up the college so more and people will be able to see it," said Chapman.

According to Chapman, many students walk up the road to and from Holly Hills. Early winter nightfall makes this secluded area hazardous to the pedestrian.

One light will be placed at the entrance of 20th South, the second will be at the halfway point, the third at the top of the road, and the last will be at the pedestrian gate at the east end.

Landscape architects contracted for the job are Jongejan-Gerrard and Associates, of Bellevue.

This project is estimated at \$103,500.

The graphics system is a series of entrance, building identification, directory and regulatory signs designed to help people unfamiliar with the campus find their way around more easily. This project will cost \$10,000.

Four new mercury vapor lights will be installed from 20th Ave S. to the North lot. This will cost \$13,000.

## Library work on schedule

by Sharon Winkel

The new library building currently under construction on campus is expected to open on schedule at the end of January, 1978.

Work on the six level structure is progressing well, according to George Tweney,

college representative for construction projects.

Absher Construction Company of Puyallup, general contractor for the project, is expected to complete the structure without exceeding the \$3.5 million architectural estimate. However they will exceed their original bid of \$3,430,882.

The ground floor of the library will provide library and general services, including the mail room and repair shop for campus equipment.

Students will enter on the

second (plaza) floor, where reference books, current magazines, newspapers and quick information may be found. The circulation desk will also be located on this floor.

A book detection system will be installed protecting the books from theft. A buzzer will go off and the turnstile will close if a book is not checked out.

The third, fourth and fifth floors will include reading rooms. The fourth floor will also display students' art as well as borrowed exhibits.

The top level will include an audio visual room, T.V. studio with color equipment and a graphics room.

Some concern has been expressed over the lack of windows in the library. The building has been planned this way to decrease the incoming sound (such as the roar of the jets). The view of Puget Sound may be seen from the balconies.

The new library, like the old library, will be a community oriented facility, serving the general public as well as the students.

## Rehabilitation program opens

A new specialty, Rehabilitation Assistant in the Childhood Education program will be offered next quarter at HCC.

Students in the two-year degree program will take a core unit of basic courses plus a block of courses specializing in a particular area. Options include developmental disability, physical impairment and visual impairment.

The program focuses on mobility training which is vital in helping handicapped persons to be independent in their own homes and in the community.

For further information, contact Renna Pierce, Program Director at Highline Community College, 878-3710, ext. 319.

## Council for Postsecondary Education to meet here

Various topics of interest to Highline students will be under discussion when the Council for Post Secondary Education meets in the Gold Room, Tuesday, Nov. 1, and Wednesday, Nov. 2.

Both meetings will start at 9 a.m.

The council will discuss a doctorate in nursing program at the University of Washington and a nursing supply-demand report.

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# arts & entertainment

## MOR, MOR, MOR: how do you like it?

by Kevin Stauffer

In the Oct. 14 issue of the Thunderword, the arts and entertainment section contained an article penned by myself concerning in part the term "MOR". What I unfortunately neglected to do at that time was define MOR. Ssssooooo...

The initials MOR stand for "Middle Of the Road."

If the term is being referred to in terms of music (as it is here), the initials might stand for Moronic, Overdone Rock, Or Musically Offending Regurgitation.

Not all music that is soft or "easy listening" music can be termed MOR. Not all music that comes across to the public

as "rock" (sic) can escape the all-embracing MOR tag.

As you may have guessed by now, middle of the road music is not the greatest thing to subject your ears to. Or is it?

I have already informed you in the previous issue that it is wonderful to study to. Since you really don't have to think about it to digest it, you can easily concentrate on the work at hand.

The only danger to this are the sleep-inducing qualities of MOR music. Even the most diligent listener can be reduced to a somnambulist zombie by a simple dose of MOR.

At this point in time, I feel no urgent need or desire to point a finger and accuse this group

or that group of putting out MOR music. Some groups can be MOR one moment and musically magnificent the next, which tends to complicate things in this area.

Should MOR be banned as being mentally degenerative? Probably not. Small doses are probably not harmful. Just avoid prolonged subjections to AM radio.

The full effects of middle of the road music will not be known until sometime in the future, when laboratory rats will be subjected to massive doses of the bland music. When the results are finally released, you'll read them here first.

Just give science time.

## Sculpture is hands-on art that pays off

by Jackie Spinks

Modern sculpture is becoming one of the most exciting trends (featuring the \$20,000 library plaza sculpture and the new sculpture lab) at Highline Community College.

"Sculpture is a hands-on art," Jonsson mused. "Getting your hands dirty is an integral part of the process. I feel that of all the arts, there is more gratification in sculpting than other since you master ideas."

As an example of the importance of sculpture the library plaza sculpture will be the main focal point of the entire college into perpetuity. A \$20,000 investment is being made on the purchase. Four prominent local artists, Larry Beck, Highline's Ted Jonsson, Robert Maki and Charles Smith have submitted scale models. These models are on view in the library from these four, the winner will be chosen and announced at the Nov. 4

meeting of the Washington State Arts Commission.

The process of selection has been lengthy, because according to state law one-half of one per cent of the projected cost of any new public building construction is set aside for the purchase of new art works.

Keep that in mind sculpture students!

Thirty artists submitted ideas for the sculpture to be placed in the new library plaza, adjacent to the already existing Health Occupations and Service Occupations buildings.

Jonsson said the space and equipment in the new sculpture lab will be facsimile of the best studio.

Two class sections of sculpture are offered this fall.

Persons interested in studying sculpture should contact Jonsson or Chuck Miles by calling 878-3710, ext. 282.

The library sculpture has

occupied the concerns of faculty members and local artists for many months and now a new aspect of sculpture has entered Highline in the form of a modern sculpture lab for use by students in the art program.

Linda Spoerl, Humanities instructor at Highline and jury chairman for the selection of the plaza sculpture says the sculpture "will play an important part in the student and cultural life of our campus. We were very lucky, indeed to attract such high caliber contestants, and were fortunate in having more fine ideas than we had money."

Ted Jonsson, art instructor and nationally recognized sculptor says, "Sculpture students have a chance to produce credible work in less time than with other areas in art. If you have good ideas you can become a credible sculptor relatively soon."

One of the most interesting aspects of the sculpture program at Highline is that those who participate in the program will not only learn the skills needed to produce high quality, professional work, but they will also be given the necessary information to market their sculpture pieces.

## ISA elects top members

Herbert Ip, Lap Chio, Nicola Von Lutterotti and Angela Fafia have been elected to the International Student Association board for 1977-78.

Elections were held Wednesday Oct. 19 at the 12:00 meeting of the ISA.

The ISA is planning a picnic and boat cruise in Nov.



## Sam serenades

Singin' Sam Agins, a balladeer in the true western tradition, performed a "Concert of Authentic Western Ballads" before a sparse crowd in the Lecture Hall at HCC on Oct. 12. Agins, from Arizona, has traveled all over the country collecting obscure folk material and music.

## Puppets perform

Jean Enticknap's Basic Puppetry class performed the first in a series of puppet shows last Thursday, Oct. 20, for the children from the HCC Child Care Center.

The show consisted of three short children's tales enacted by shadow puppets accompanied by sound effects and songs.

Shadow puppets are puppets cut out of cardboard as silhouettes. Controlled by

sticks, they are pressed up against a white muslin screen, and are backlit.

The puppets may have translucent eyes made out of colored paper. The viewer can see the silhouettes of the puppets moving about on the front of the screen.

There are several shadow puppets on display in the Theatre Lab (Bldg. 4).

The Thunderword will keep you informed of future shows.

## the local scene

Renowned and slightly bizarre flutist Paul Horn headlines a show at the Paramount Northwest Thursday, Nov. 10 at 8 p.m.

Also included in the multimedia event will be demonstrations by Tai Chi master Al Chung-Liang Huang, films and slides of killer whales, the Taj Mahal and the great pyramid of Cheops in Egypt.

Horn has a best-selling album out, "Inside," consisting of flute solos recorded inside the Taj Mahal. His latest work is "Inside the Great Pyramid," no explanation needed.

Horn has played with such memorables as Ravi Shankar, Miles Davis, Donovan and Joni Mitchell.

Tickets for the show will be \$5, \$6, and \$7, reserved seating only.

Madness will abound when the New Commander Cody Band invades the Paramount Northwest on Friday, Nov. 5 at 8 p.m.

Also on the bill will be the David Bromberg Band, sort of a folk orchestra according to the flak releases.

And while extolling the virtues of Cody and Bromberg,

they forgot to say how much it will cost to get in and where to get tickets. Oh, well.

The Twins Sisters will lay down some bluegrass string vibes at the Poncho Theatre Nov. 6 at 7 p.m. Prize-winning fiddlers Barbara Lamb and Vivian Williams headline the show.

Tickets are on sale now for the performance of the Soviet Georgian Dancers with the Tbilisi Polyphonic Choir at the Opera House, Tuesday, Nov. 15 and Wednesday, Nov. 16, both nights at 8 p.m.

"One of the most extraordinary attractions in the world," according to the Washington Post, the choir and dancers have performed to rave reviews all over the country.

Tickets are available at the Bon Marche ticket office and the usual suburban outlets.

To arrange a speaker for your group or grote cluster call 625-2138, but speak softly.

The third annual Nikon-Nutshell Photo Contest is underway. All students and faculty members are eligible to compete.

There is no contest theme. Photos can be taken anywhere, using any type of special effect or camera.

There is also no limit on the number of entries you may submit. All non-winning entries will be returned if you include a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

First prize will be \$1,500 worth of Nikon photographic equipment. Second prize will be \$1,000 worth of Nikon equipment. Third prize will be \$500 in Nikon equipment.

Contest deadline is Jan. 28, 1978. Mail your entries to: Nikon-Nutshell Photo Contest, P.O. Box 15004, Knoxville, Tenn., 37902.

Running until Nov. 20 is the Seattle Repertory Theatre's production of "The Royal Family," a comedy about the off-stage life of theater people.

"Family," was first staged in 1927 in New York, where it became the hit comedy of the year.

The play was written by George S. Kaufman and Edna Ferber, the second in a series of six collaborations between the two, including "Dinner at Eight," and "Stage Door."

Tickets to the Seattle Repertory Theater are available at a special student price in the Student Activities Office which is located at the north end of the Student Lounge on the second floor of the Cafeteria.

"An Evening of Jazz and Blues" will be performed by Seattle singers and musicians Bea Smith and Melody Jones Oct. 28 at 8 p.m. at Freeway Hall, 3815 5th Ave. NE.

Dancing will follow the performance, sponsored by the fun kids at Radical Women, and refreshments will be served throughout the evening.

Childcare and transportation are available by phoning Radical Women at 632-1815.

Jazz will fill your ears at the Opera House when the Newport Jazz Festival All Stars perform on Sunday, Nov. 6 at 8 p.m. Seven jazz greats including Seattle's own Joe Venuti will perform pieces from several eras of jazz.

Tickets for the concert can be had at the Bon Marche, Shoreline Music, Lamont's in Burien, Campus Music, Kaspers in Auburn, Bell, Book and Candle in Bellevue and Band Wagon Music at Crossroads.



# International title won by harriers



Richard McCann running at the Fort Casey Invitational. NEWS Photo

by Allan Latham

The Highline cross country team did something two weeks ago that they haven't done in over two years, they finished second in the Western Washington State College Invitational.

From their stumbling start, the T-birds regained their form to outdistance Simon Fraser University the team that they placed second to the week prior, taking the team title in the junior men's division of the British Columbia Championship Cross Country Invitational.

The harriers head now into the segment of their schedule, with the Thunderbird Invitational on Oct. 29, starting at 3 p.m. and then the Conference Championships at Seward Park in Seattle, Nov. 11.

In the Western Washington meet the T-birds were less-

then-healthy as three of the runners sat the meet out and other battele with the flu. Still with all the problems that beset the Birds, they were only edged by Simon Fraser 49-53.

The harriers returned to form last weekend up at the British Columbia Championships as they gathered eight of the top 10 places.

Mark Anderson became the B.C. Championships junior champ as he beat Rob Loneragon from Simon Fraser, the pre-race favorite. Loneragon had beaten Anderson in the two previous times that they had met.

"Mark (Anderson) did a real fine job beating the man that had beat him two weeks running," harrier mentor Bob Maplestone said, "the whole team did an outstanding effort."

After Loneragon's second place finish, the Highline har-

riers were the next four runners to cross the finish line.

Bob Walls the number two Highline runner placed third, Scott Conley grabbed fourth, Tom Smith was fifth, and freshmen Ray Prentice took sixth. The Highline string was broken and then Greg Kangas and Bret Hardte took eighth and ninth respectively to finish out the HCC top finishers. Richard McCann came in 12th and Randy Gerhrts took 21st.

The Birds now are looking forward to their own invitational meet that will be held tomorrow at Tyee Golf Course at 3 p.m. Attending the meet with the Highline harriers are Everett CC, Skagit Valley CC, Green River CC, and Mt. Hood College from Oregon.

The local boys as can be expected are the favorites to run away with the individual and teams titles on their home turf.

## X-C team wins again!

## Harriers heading to top

by Allan Latham

Last year the Highline harriers surprised everyone but themselves as they ran their way into a third place ranking in the nation. They also finished first in the Northwest edging Spokane for the honor.

This year the harriers are running well again. But are they running well enough to repeat last year's outstanding results?

Coach Bob Maplestone seems to think so.

"We are running much faster then last season," Maplestone said. "Last year we had four runners break the course record at the Fort Casey Invitational in near perfect conditions. This year, with the course very muddy, Mark Anderson and Bob Walls broke the old course record."

One of the ways to interpret a good cross country team is to look at the spread of the

times of the runners. The closer the spread the better the team is.

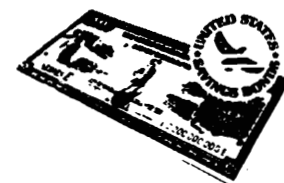
"We had a good effort at the British Columbia Championships," Maplestone said, "we had eight men in the top 10 positions and the time spread was only 46 seconds between Anderson's first place finish and Bret Hardtle's ninth."

Also the point spread in the final team standings is an indicator of how the team is doing. This year the point spread has been getting bigger and bigger as the meets roll by.

15 points is the lowest total that a cross country team can accumulate and the harriers are expected to get no more than that this weekend at their own invitational.

Comparing this year's results to last season's third place ranking in the nation, it would seem that the harriers

are going to surprise some people again when the national rankings come out. It should be a repeat performance.



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## Beal cracks wrists off court and on

by Keith Savisky

Ben Beale, HCC student, traveled to Petaluma, Calif. to participate in the national and world wrist wrestling championships held on Oct. 1.

Beale, who works at wrist wrestling only part time, made it through two rounds and then was defeated in the third which halted him from advancing. The tournament was a single elimination process.

"I have to depend on my quickness more than my strength," Beale comments. His strategy proved to be useful on his first opponent. In the second round, by luck of the draw, Beale easily advanced to the third round on a bye.

After losing to a Hawaiian champion, Beale's second defeat in competition, he found the sport to be more than just arm strength.

"I was totally exhausted after going at it for almost a minute," states Beale. Both men slightly injured their wrist in the contest.

By the luck of the draw Beale felt he finished somewhere among the top 15 in his class, middle weight.

It was during the Jerry Lewis Telethon, held in Seattle, when Beale was first recognized by wrist wrestling teams. He finished second, losing to a man rated fifth in the world.

Beale said, "I like the sport and feel I can improve with the help of full time wrist wrestlers to show me some useful tactics."

Beale is considering joining a wrist wrestling team, but is currently playing basketball for HCC. A team in Olympia has been in contact with Beale and are willing to help him improve as a wrist wrestler.

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## Unbeaten T-birds in first

by Nick Semeona

The Highline women's volleyball team stands alone on top of the league with an undefeated record.

With wins over Green River, Lower Columbia and Ft. Steilacoom, the T-birds have extended their league record to 6-0.

Highline also played a practice match with Western Washington State University's junior varsity team.

The T-birds began the second half of league action on Wed. Oct. 26 with Tacoma (results were unavailable at press time). Tonight at 7 p.m. Highline will host Centralia in the pavilion. Highline students are admitted free with their activity cards.

### Green River

Last week Oct. 19, the T-birds beat Green River CC at Highline. The T-Birds won the first three games in winning the match.

In the first game, Green River started off with a one point lead. After a service exchange the T-birds reeled off nine straight points. Green River then answered with three points and turned over the ball. The game ended when the T-birds served six consecutive points and won 15-4.

Highline started the second game by jumping out to an early lead. Green River bat-

tled back to tie it at five all.

Then the Gators slowly pulled away. It appeared, leading 14-8, that Green River was assured of winning the game. However, five times in a row the Gators served the ball either into the net or out of bounds.

The Gator's errors allowed Highline to fight back. The T-birds tied the score 14-14 when Kelly Mannion served an ace.

Green River then upped the score in their favor 15-14. The T-birds got the serve back and tied the score 15-all when Green River failed to recover a blocked shot. Carole Calvin and Cheryl Taylor combined to make the play.

Highline went on to score two points and won the game 17-15.

In the final game Green River sprang out to a 2-0 advantage but Highline pulled up and slowly away, winning it 15-6.

### Western Washington

The Ladybirds travelled to Bellingham on Oct. 17, for a practice match with the Western Washington State University junior varsity team. The T-birds triumphed 15-12, 15-8, 9-15, 15-13.

Although Highline's spiking was not as consistent as usual the T-birds serving was strong. Coach Eileen Broomell

cited Calvin, Shelly Chester and Bev Rockwell for excellent serving.

Calvin missed only one of 11 serves, in addition to blocking and spiking well. Chester hit six consecutive points during one of the games.

The coach also noted that Lynette Brown played flawless ball against the junior Vikings.

### Lower Columbia

Lower Columbia CC hosted the T-birds in Longview on Oct. 14. The Red Devils were gracious hosts as Highline came home on top, winning the match 15-8, 5-15, 15-4, 15-7.

The T-birds played excellent all-round ball hitting 90 per cent of their serves and 86 per of their spikes. Beth Strayer was credited with excellent spiking. Brown again played flawless ball including three successful sets for spikes.

### Ft. Steilacoom

The T-birds avenged last year's only loss to Ft. Steilacoom by whipping the Raiders 15-8, 15-9, 15-6.

Highline displayed an awesome offensive attack, zinging in 20 spikes against only seven misses.

Fantastic serving also was a highlight of the match with the T-birds hitting a blistering 93 per cent, missing only six out of 82 chances.



T-bird spiker Cheryl Taylor punches one over from a set by Lynette Brown for a score against Green River. State champions last season, the Thunderbirds are undefeated this season in league play.

Coach Broomell cited Eleanor Broggi for her outstanding dinking which kept Ft. Steilacoom guessing.

Dinking occurs when the ball is tapped over the head of the opponents to avoid a block on an attempted spike.

## Cheryl Taylor leads ladybirds

by Carole Calvin

For the second year in a row Highline's Cheryl Taylor has become a leader on the volleyball court.

Cheryl is one of HCC's top athletes. As a starter on both the varsity volleyball and basketball teams here at Highline last year, she earned several honors. Now in her second year at Highline Cheryl has already proven herself to be one reason for the ladybird's success.

A 1976 graduate of Rainier Beach high school, Cheryl competed for three years on both the volleyball and basketball teams. She was chosen captain and most valuable player on the volleyball team.

In volleyball at HCC Cheryl helped the team to capture the state title in 1976. They placed third in the Northwest championships held in Pasco last winter, and Cheryl played extremely well in that tournament.

This season Cheryl has helped to build a strong team, which has remained undefeated through the first half of the season.

"If you look at the team playing, we'd be lost without the new players. We only had four returning players this season, so we really did need the new players," she said.

Basketball is Cheryl's only other sport played on the HCC campus. Last year she led the team in rebounding and had the highest scoring game - 38 points.

This year Cheryl is again hoping for a productive season. One of the taller women on the basketball squad, she feels Highline will have to work hard for a winning record.

Cheryl also tried two other sports for the first time last year and came up with another state championship and a league title.

Participating on the Duwamish Dollies soccer team, Cheryl found the goalie position to her liking. With many shut-outs credited to her goaltending, Cheryl intends to play soccer again this year. In her "rookie" season she helped the team to a state title, and next spring in a tougher division, she hopes to do as well.

Slow-pitch softball was another sport Cheryl tried for the first time this past summer. Playing centerfield on the Huling Brothers team Cheryl did extremely well up to bat. She smashed three home runs and two grand slams during the season which helped her team battle to the league title.

Enrolling at Highline was a big step for Cheryl. She had not decided to play volleyball, but was interested in HCC's airline program. She ended up

turning out for volleyball a week late, but Coach Broomell was very encouraged with the potential Cheryl showed.

Volleyball helped keep Cheryl in school as she decided not to go into the airline program after all. She was undecided as to her major, and wasn't sure if she wanted to continue schooling. Because she was doing so well in volleyball, and with the team was tops in the league, Coach Broomell convinced Cheryl to continue at Highline.

After four quarters, Cheryl is narrowing down her choices for completing school. Her planned major is athletic training or maybe coaching. These programs are offered at Western and the U.W., but Cheryl hasn't made the final decision.

Volleyball will probably be the only sport Cheryl will compete in at college. Most schools have overlapping seasons, preventing athletes from competing in both volleyball and basketball.

Cheryl feels women athletes are improving every year

and that "the skill coming out of high school today is way ahead of what college kids graduated with." She is not a real women's libber, but feels that men and women athletes should have a fair chance. "Women's sports are now starting to get a place along with men."

## New softball field by spring

A new softball field next to the Pavilion is being constructed by the Absher Construction Co., general contractor for the library.

The project is costing HCC \$2,410. The price includes a backstop and a refinished infield. The field will be ready by spring classes to use.

Future improvements include a fence around the outfield and a regrading of the outfield. Such improvements can not be made at this time due to the lack of money.



Ladybird strongwoman, Cheryl Taylor (53), beats an opponent at the net for a score during a recent match. Taylor is a two-year starter in volleyball and lettered in basketball last season for the ladybirds. No doubt she will again this season.

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# Eichenberger takes great leap forward

by Hal Benner

Whatever happens to athletes who succumb to injury and never seem to perform at their potential level? Does one quit, never to discover their true ability, to give up in the face of adversity?

If one were Paul Eichenberger, one would suck it up, take that one step backward, and work harder to gain a giant leap forward.

Eichenberger, a 1977 graduate of HCC and former cross country and track runner, is now competing with the cross country team at the University of Washington.

"We had great teams at Fighline, and I had lots of fun," said the personable blonde, "but due to my injuries last year, I don't feel I contributed as much as I was capable of."

"Really, if I had not gotten hurt and had the kind of a year I'm capable of, I think I could have gotten a scholarship from the 'U.' Since injuries are part of the game, it is something I accept. It's not something I lose any sleep over."

Eichenberger is the type of person who plans ahead, as he did for his education.

"At HCC, I took the general transfer program to work towards a BA degree in geology. Now, I'm finally attending a four year school."

"When I graduate, I hope to continue on towards a Master's degree. It all depends on how my running goes."

The Northwest is a beautiful and challenging area for cross country runners. The scenery had a lot of bearing on Eichenberger's selection of institutions of higher learning.

"Since I've lived here all my life, I kind of got used to the weather. Actually, I really would like to make my permanent home here."

"I got a scholarship offer from Oral Roberts University, located in Tulsa, Oklahoma."

"They were interested in Bruce Greene, who is at the University of Oregon, and myself. So, we took a little visit."

And what was the result of this trek?

"We were both dismayed. There we were, in the middle of nowhere, surrounded by the flattest, most barren, land on earth. It was kind of depressing. The sight made me homesick."

"Portland University, among others showed an interest in me."

"You'll find most schools in the area of community colleges are interested in lots of kids. They send scouts to all the meets, and send letters around."

"Just about every runner who has done something gets a few letters, telling about this school and that program. Everybody I know got a few."

Many people who continue running do so with the hopes of securing a scholarship. This is one of Eichenberger's goals.

"There is a chance I'll get some financial assistance if I finish the season as one of the top five runners on the team. Possibly, I could get a full ride. But it will take a lot of hard work."

Despite his injuries, other Northwest schools saw his true ability and were in-

terested in the hard-working runner.

"I could have gone to Western Washington University, Central Washington University, or a couple of Oregon schools. They are close to home. I'm not anxious to leave the Northwest."

"However, the 'U' has a fine geology program, and the curriculum is much better. Obviously, a geologist would rather hire someone with a degree from a major program than a minor program."

Eichenberger was familiar with the program before he arrived, and has fit in well with the system.

"Basically, I knew most of the guys before I came here. They told me about the running program and how it was building."

"They (Eichenberger's teammates) also told me the workouts were, ah, challenging. If scheduling workouts were left to me, I'd probably just assign 12 miles of roadwork. That amounts to a lot of empty miles."

"Here, coach (Dixon) Farmer stresses a lot of hill and interval work. With these varied workouts, you really know you've been through a practice."

"Last Friday, for example, was a day before an open weekend. Therefore, we were faced with a tough workout. You have to do these sort of things to be successful. The little things do add up, if you pardon the cliché."

Eichenberger feels his present team is blessed with fine talent and, if the first three meets of the season are any indication, the "U" may be on their way.

"The Ft. Casey Invitational was probably our finest meet. We went against Central and Eastern, the University of British Columbia, Club Northwest, and HCC, among others. So, anybody who is anybody in the state was there."

"Well, our top seven runners all finished in the top 15. By our performance, I think we are doing something right."

"The competition on our team is much tougher than HCC. As you advance from high school to community college, only the cream of the crop move up. The same thing happens when you go to a major college."

"Also, four year schools have a larger area to recruit from the whole country, and sometimes beyond."

Differences exist in racing philosophies, between community colleges and four year schools.

"Our season is shorter. We have less meets. But that doesn't mean we try harder to win those meets. We try to peak at a certain time of the season; the Pac-8 and national meets."

"What we do is stress competitive running as we approach the end of the season. When we face someone like Oregon or W.S.U., all that is expected of us is to do our best. You can never be ashamed if you did what you could."

"At the community college level, if you did the best you could, that was fine, but if you won, that was great. You still wanted to win the Northwest meet, but because of our ta-

lent, we were expected to win everything."

"Here, the talent is packed tighter, and by putting out too much for a regular meet, you might get injured or something like that. It is a matter of priorities."

Unlike many runners who sort of "fall into" running, Eichenberger was his own inspiration.

"Nobody really pushed me into running."

"I liked all sports when I was little. I tried out for football and basketball in junior high school, and played little league baseball."

"When I got to high school, I tried track. It was fun and something I was pretty good at. I guess I took the sport I excelled at and worked at it."

Usually every successful athlete has an inspirational figure. Eichenberger is no exception.

"Jerry Joyce, my high school coach, was a great inspiration. He was a good sprinter when he ran track."

"Being a sprinter, he didn't teach me alot about running, but he taught me many other things."

"He taught me about competition and how to relax and prepare myself to run."

"I guess the best thing he did for me was being my friend. He sort of was my personal

coach."

"He started teaching at Sehome High School when I started there. When I graduated, he moved on to Puyallup High School. We still keep in touch."

Attending a community college after high school has been beneficial to many. Eichenberger is a prime example.

"Community college was tougher than high school. High school cross country courses are only two miles, and it is hard for anyone to jump from two to six miles, which is the distance I now run."

"Since community college cross country courses are four miles, the stopover is a stepping stone to major college competition."

"I feel it is best to attend a community college before going to a four year school. When I graduated from high school, I didn't feel any more mature than when I went in. I needed some sense of independence, but I didn't feel I could hack all the responsibilities of major college life. And I'm glad I did it this way."

Because he is a runner, great amounts of time must be spent running. But probably no more than was spent at HCC.

"We really don't put much more time into running. The quality of runners, as I said

before, is better. The workouts are a bit harder."

"Most of the guys on the team run twice a day. I get up at 4:00 in the morning and run. On weekdays, I do my workout, and if we don't have a weekend meet, I'll run at 10:00 as well. On Sunday, I'll take a nice, leisurely 14 mile run."

"This isn't something I want to do all the time, but if you want to improve, you have to make sacrifices."

Eichenberger lives adjacent to the University of Washington campus. Keeping up rent, hitting the books and running at the "U" entail more pressure than can be faced at HCC.

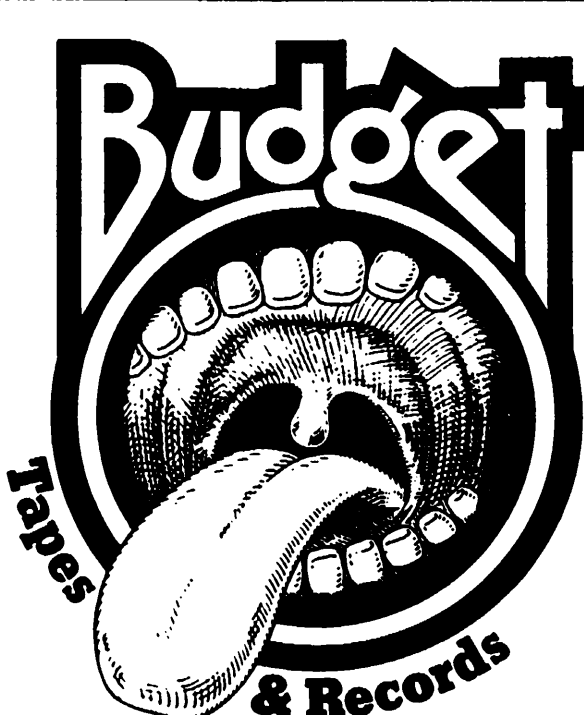
"There is definitely more pressure. Most of it is caused by academics."

"In the transfer program at HCC, you aren't faced with a major. General subjects are easier than the specialized classes I have to take for my geology major."

"Right now, I'm taking chemistry, math, and physics."

"As far as running pressures go, there aren't any new ones. Oh, the workouts are harder, and there are always pressures in workouts, but that pressure will always be there. They should exist. They gauge your improvement."


Instead of stepping back, Paul Eichenberger is bounding forward.



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## Bouncin' around the sound



### Maybe he's crazy

by Allan Latham

The scene is in Portland, Maine sometime in late January, 1973. There are four fresh inches of snow on the ground and the temperature is hovering near the 0 mark. It is 1:30 a.m. and the lady whom I had been spending an amorous evening with looked up at me and said:

"Are you mad?"

"No," I said continuing to don my cold weather apparel, "I just feel a little guilty."

"Well, I think you're crazy," she said as I bolted out the door embarking up the road on an early morning six-mile run.

Now it is three years later and a friend of mine after hearing that I sprained my ankle during a run stated:

"Maybe that will stop you from running for awhile."

Two hours and 12 yards of elastic wrap later after I had completed a three and a half mile run the same friend commented:

"I think you're crazy."

And that is the way it has been going for the last eight years. Everyone telling me I'm crazy.

It all started in a small school in New Jersey. St. Bernard's School for Boys was fertilization of my addiction to running. The school had a philosophy of forced athletics, which I guess was necessary due to its small enrollment. So when the springtime rolled around I had the choices of playing baseball or running track. I chose to run.

After countless number of miles and three years of boring interval workouts I ended up finishing fifth in the New Jersey Prep B State

Championships in the 440 with a semi-respectable time of 49.2.

After that small amount of glory I was off to the Army for a two year induction, where the conditions for being a long distance runner are not the best. The Army always seemed to have 20 hours worth of work for me to do every day, or at least it seemed like it.

Throughout all of this there was one period of time that I managed to find the hours needed to log the miles in order to get back into a resemblance of shape again.

During this time I won a 10-mile road race in Colorado Springs and was the only person in the history of the 1st of the 61st Infantry, of the Fourth Infantry Division to run the annual PT(Physical Training) Test mile in less than five minutes. I ran a slow 4:58, in combat boots and four laps over a track that I swear was a third of a mile long.

For the most part though my fellow grunts thought I was crazy. Getting up early in the morning to go out for a 10 or 15 mile run in the freezing cold of the Colorado winter was insanity to most, so I logged many hundreds of miles alone in the mountains.

At one point I had all the company that I ever wanted. My fellow soldiers, after watching Dave Wottle's inspiring come-from-behind victory in the 1972 Olympic run and Frank Shorter's win in the marathon, streaked to the roads to emulate what they had seen on the television. All the excitement lasted about a week and then I was running alone again.

Since being discharged from the service I have been running off and on between injuries that have plagued me over the last three years.

This year alone I have handed over \$600 to various doctors to cure my many runner related injuries and I am presently seeing a doctor twice a week to realign my body after the punishment it gets from running all week long. But I still keep running.

Looking at my financial worries the other day I tallied up my income over the last six months and discovered that I had made about \$1,600. Then looking around my apartment at all the running equipment that I had laying around I tallied up the cost of it and found that I had spent over \$300 on running equipment, which left me with a minute amount to live on. I have more pairs of running shoes than I have of all others combined.

Everybody still ask me why?

I am entering the Seattle Marathon later next month with the hope to fulfill a seven year old dream. Finishing a marathon.

The marathon is a road race that covers 26 miles and 385 yards and is probably one of the toughest races for a runner to compete in. The

original marathoner died upon completing his run.

In my two previous attempts at the distance I failed to finish. In the first, I as most runners described it "hit the wall" at the 19 mile point of the Boston Marathon. Lack of proper training destroyed me at the famous Newton Hills.

In the second appearance at the Boston race I dropped out after only 12 miles with a bad cramp in my left leg.

This year I hope to finish in Seattle but I have some doubts about that too. I have been hampered by a rotated pelvis for the last two months and my training dropped way below what is needed to be competitive in the marathon. Still I will run.

People will ask me why?

When I run on the roads to and from work in Burien I am constantly bothered by motorists. Many go out of the way to give off the impression that they are going to run me down on the side of the road. They all have a smile on their faces thinking that this entire ordeal is funny while I calculate which way I am going to go. People still ask me why I do it.

I have lost count of the number of beer cans and bottles that have been hurled at me along with obscene comments about where I can take my running to. Still, I keep running.

People ask me all the time why I still persist and keep running and I tell them that I am addicted to it. After all these years I think my life would be a little bit empty now without it. But they don't understand.

They don't understand how somebody can be addicted to spending hours and hours a week running on roads getting hassled by cars and people, spraining ankles and coming down with all sorts of various runner's problems, and enjoying it.

They can't understand how somebody could go out and train for months to race 26 miles and all the time knowing they haven't a chance to win the race.

They can't understand how somebody when faced with the choice of eating well for the next two weeks or getting a new pair of racing flats will end up fasting for a week and running in the new shoes.

How can anybody enjoy all of this and more.

It's easy.

When people tell me I'm crazy, I just think when they are recovering from their second heart attack at 60, I will be trying to break the record for the oldest competitor in the 52nd running of the Seattle Marathon, and it will be my 44th Seattle Marathon.

Maybe somewhere in between then and now I will win one of those marathons and take care of my other dream.

## Intramurals begin

by Steve McCarty

Once again it is time for intramurals to get underway, and Dale Bolinger, along with his two assistants, Ken Brooks, a sophomore here at Highline from Tyee High School, and Lisa Gibbs, a freshman from Auburn High School, are concentrating on getting the program off to a good start, beginning with basketball.

Intramural basketball has always been popular at Highline in the past. However, student interest has been disappointingly low, so it is taking longer than expected to get enough teams together.

Bolinger was hoping to have enough players to have full-court play, but due to the low number of sign-ups he is probably going to run a three-on-three, half-court tournament.

The biggest factor for the low turnout, says Bolinger, is that basketball has always been played during Winter Quarter. But it is taking place in the Fall quarter this year because of an early availability of the gym.

A one hour time-slot, at 2 p.m., opened up, so Bolinger

decided to go ahead and start the program early.

Intramural basketball is open to both men and women, as are all intramural programs.

Another activity, but in the planning stages at this point, is volleyball. Sometime during the last two weeks of the Winter Quarter, Bolinger would like to have some type of volleyball tournament.

One particular activity Bolinger is really enthusiastic about having for late Winter Quarter, if enough student interest is expressed, is bowling. He thinks it would be a fun activity, and if it is successful would be repeated in the spring.

Only one sport seems definite for Spring Quarter, softball. Bolinger says that with the development of the new playing field, softball would be an excellent addition to the intramural program.

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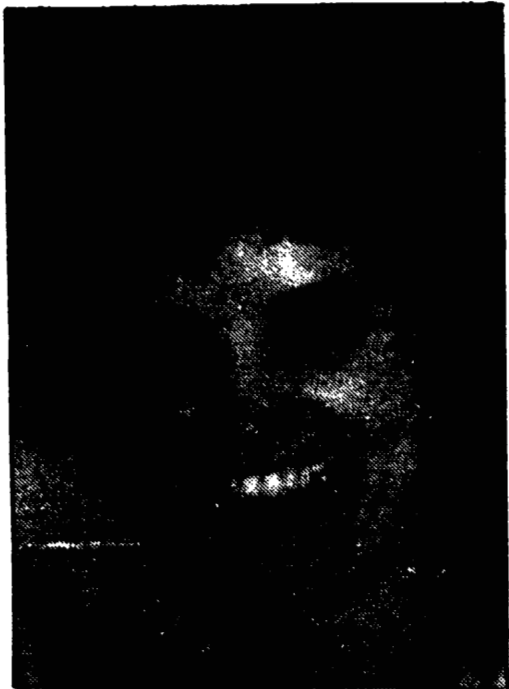


The 1977-78 Highline College swim team in regalia at the HCC pool. Pictured in an undetermined order are Kathy Ingalsbe, Tammi Wood, Teresa Hackett, Milt Crafton, Carolyn Parker, Laurie Lehn, Tim Mahaffie, Nettie Lawry, Bunny Clark, Joyce Gourman, Dave Bacon, Rick Whisler, Penny Rempler, Cate Esho, Ryan Tillman, Tim McConaughy, Patty Nerein, Sherry Stewart, Bruce Robinson and Mary Lerner.

staff photo by Barry Fenton



# HCSU Council adds five in fall election



Doris Dahlin



Michael L. Whitaker



Nick Nicholson



Carole Calvin



Dave Armstrong

## How much power in press?

The power of the press was exhibited (perhaps?) during the recent Highline College Student Union elections. Out of eight candidates on the ballot, five were pictured in the Thunderword election special run last issue. Interestingly, those were the five candidates, pictured here, that were elected. Three candidates, Mike Whitaker, Carole Calvin and Doris Dahlin, were endorsed by the Thunderword. All three were voted in. The paper has a circulation of 2,500. Only 109 ballots were cast, however. This brings some questions to mind: how many people on campus actually read the paper? Of those that read the last issue, how many perused the election special? At any rate, this time, we'll give ourselves the benefit of the doubt. The power of the press triumphs again!

## classifieds

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**Parking Lot Attendant #420**. Parking and picking up cars. Must be 20 yrs. old. Bumen area. \$2.50/hr.

**Yard Work #410**. Yard upkeep and some maintenance in beautiful residential park. Des Moines area. \$4.00/hr.

**Billing and Accounts Payable #414**. Small casual office needs some one to work unsupervised. Will train. May have to do some phone answering, but only as a backup. Should have some typing skills. Arrange 5-6 hrs. a day. Salary - \$3.50/hr. Sea Tac Airport.

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