Piper finds Soviets share desire for peace

by Anne McAllister

"It's all fun," said Piper, "right up to your Thirties! At the conclusion of the seminar, we held a basket selling in the student union. We sold a lot of items, including some handmade items, and we managed to raise a fair amount of money. We're also planning to hold a benefit concert in the near future to raise funds for the students.""}

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Gowns, hoods and graduation go way back

by Janice Schumchenbach

Whoever enters in what ye pierce: Approximation in our eyes...

On June 12 the heavens will be the gleaming scene of Highline Community College. The gleaming students will form a forest of green in their caps, gowns and hoods. Honor dees will be distinguished by the gold, hood colors, and colors that dates from the Middle Ages.

Academic regalia is the finery worn by a graduate of a college or university. The gown and hoods tell the type of degree held by each graduating member.

The gown for the bachelor's degree has pointed sleeves with an arm, and is worn at night. The hood is worn during the day with two tassels. The master's gown has broad sleeves with the neck cut low and an arm cut away in the front. It can be worn open on the chest. According to folklore, the master's gown was originally worn open to show the person could now afford to be an academic and enter the society. The master's hood is a long neck and a tailing tassel hanging from it.

The doctoral gown has hood-shaped sleeves with three bobs of velvet across the sleeves, it may be worn open or closed. The doctor's gown is four foot long with five inch sleeves.

The colors of coat on the hood represent the school colors of the alma mater. The academic major is indicated by the color or color on the hood. The color for arts, letters and humanities is white; fine arts, brown, dividing line; music, purple; education, light blue; journalism, crimson, etc.

Students will pay more for balanced budget

Budget cuts may take at least one year to help the college balance the 1993/94 school budget. By increasing parking fees, com student fees and not charging parking and attendance fees, the administration plans to cut $27,000 from the HCC student budget and balance the college's 1993/94 school budget.

Before considering a parking fee increase, the administration sent a letter to campus President expressing support for the proposal. Administration said President Ewart Eichmann said the letter was submitted to the Board of Trustees.

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Commencement to honor grads

by Jan Immeng

Astrid Hanna of Pompa and Caramunaco, Ecuador, and Richard Statz will be the commencement speakers at the Highline College commencement ceremony. The commentary will be delivered at 8 p.m. on Thursday, June 12, at 8 p.m. for over 200 good times.

The Mistress of Ceremonies will be Suzanne Fischer. Richard Statz will be the welcoming speech.

The Highline College Women's Trio-Madison Sample, Rebecca Goyan and Jennifer Enos-will perform the ceremony address entitled "Now, the Future," followed by the students, and then the faculty and staff will present the degrees. Presentation of diplomas and awards will follow. Faculty Senate Chair, President A. Ewart Eichmann and Trustees will be on the podium. President A. Ewart Eichmann, presenters, faculty, staff members, students and Dr. Dore Arney, retired member of the History Department, will give the congratulatory speech. Reception for all will be held in HCC immediately following the ceremony. No tickets are required.

Summer telecourses to be offered

Three new telecourses are being offered during summer quarter courses, 1993. Thay will be: "Foreign Language," "Health and Fitness," and "Summer Telecourses." The courses are being offered in a psychology of the deaf school in the University of Washington.

An exciting program of study will be offered this summer on the University of Washington. Students will be able to explore the natural habitat of the Alaskan, British Columbian, and North American Indian. The program will include classes in the Alaska, British Columbia, and North American Indian cultures. The program will be offered on a weekly basis. The course will be offered on a weekly basis. The course will be offered from July 1 to 5.

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Successful Saturday classes to continue

HCC's newly introduced Saturday classes are a success.

A primary goal in planning the weekend classes was to attract a new group of students to the school. The target group includes people who work full time during the week and have the time to attend classes on the weekends. The classes are being offered on a weekly basis. The course will be offered from July 1 to 5.

HCC is planning to continue the weekend classes this summer and in the fall. The classes will be held on Saturday mornings. The classes will be held on Saturday mornings. The classes will be held on Saturday mornings.
Women's Center says thanks, all

by Julie Farnham

The annual Women's Center luncheon was held at the University Center March 26 and was well attended. A delicious lunch was provided and a bouquet of flowers was given to each guest as they left.

The luncheon was sponsored by the Women's Center, which is a part of the University of California, and was held to raise money for the center.

The luncheon featured a keynote speech by Dr. Jane Addams, who spoke on the importance of women's rights and the need for continued support for the Women's Center.

After the speech, there was a panel discussion on various topics related to women's rights, including reproductive rights, equal pay, and domestic violence. The panel was moderated by Dr. Addams and included experts in the field.

The luncheon was well attended, with over 200 people in attendance. The Women's Center would like to thank all who came to support the cause.

**Graduation**

by Jan Imming

Many of the 800 to 8000 seniors eligible for graduation this year will choose to attend a commencement ceremony. Here are some reasons why they should:

- Because you have completed your coursework requirements, achieving a personal goal, and want to honor that achievement.
- Because the national sentiment toward degree programs is still strong.
- Because you may now be a member of a community of fellow students and instructors.
- Because it is a tradition.

See you there.

Editors' note: Jan Imming is a Journalism "O1 student.

Street violence, growing attitude

by Robert Antonelli

A few evenings ago, I witnessed a fight between two people that could have ended in death. At the crowded bus stop in downtown Berkeley, two men bloodied each other and were后果 of boring me most about the inci-

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Top HCC students recognized and honored

HCC's Pi Sigma receives honors

Highline Community College's Pi Sigma chapter of Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) won three national honors at the honor society's 56th national convention held this year in Philadelphia.

Pi Sigma won the "Use of Honors Theme" and the "Chapter of Excellence" awards.

The award was established to honor Dr. Maganitis Mosel for 50 years of dedicated service as executive secretary. The organization has grown from a small chapter to a national fraternity.

Salmon bake really hit the spot

By Robert Antonelli

On May 21, the American Indian Student Association (AISA) returned to HCC with their salmon bake and cultural exchange. Students and faculty members began to line up at 11:30 as the noon event. A salmon bake prepared in the traditional native American manner and performed by drummers was a hit.

This is the fifth year the AISA, an organization promoting awareness of Native American history and culture, has brought their program to HCC. Once again, the event was a big hit with an hour 200 pounds of high quality salmon was served and consumed.

Ed Morris will teach the new Math 102 Introduction to Beginning Algebra, to be introduced in the summer quarter.

A department coordinator Hendricks said Math 102 is for people with no algebra background, a move designed to allow beginning Algebra to move later and cover more material.

"Not as much time will be spent going over the basics because those who need to review will have taken them," Hendricks said.

Math 102 can also be renamed Math 100. The content of the course will remain the same.

Another significant change is the implementation of Math 102, a prerequisite for Math 102 Function Theory, starting next quarter. Function Theory will come before Trigonometry. Hendricks said it allows a better way to introduce trigonometry.

"Under the old system we teach trig once, teach function theory, and then teach trig. This allows us to get it right the first time," Hendricks said.

Starting winter quarter, Math 102 Trigonometry will be revised. The new Math 02 will cover trigonometry with technical applications.

"Math 102 will especially benefit those people taking two-year empirical measuring degrees," Hendricks said.

The class will not have analytic geometry (i.e., hyperbolas, parabolas, ellipses), but instead focus on engineering applications of trigonometry, such as vectors.

Math 103 will be renamed Math 116 Precalculus I. Math 102 will be renamed Math 115 Precalculus II. This is the present system used by Green River Community College. Hendricks said.

If both Math 115 and 116 are taken, the UW will grant five credits for their Math 105 and five uncounted credits. If only one of the classes is taken, the UW will not grant credit for either of them. "These are advantages and disadvantages to this system," Hendricks said.

Math 105 College Algebra, currently a three-credit course, will be expanded to five credits to cover the material more thoroughly.

Ron Zingman, a full-time instructor at HCC, said there is a lot of material that Math 105 covers and not enough time to cover it. "Basically, we're trying to teach a five-credit class in three hours. It's easier for the students to get through it."
Adams part of HCC's tourism celebration

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each region promote itself, and efforts to bring journalists from other states and countries to Washington so they can experience the area’s possibilities firsthand and report to their viewers, favorably, on their return home.

Wilkinson herself was an admirer for Washington at the event—she wore the official uniform made by Unibay for Washington pavement guides at Expo ’76. The sweater and gray, cotton pants “reflect the comfortable but elegant style of Washingtonians,” she said.

In response to questions from the audience concerning the effects of tourism on Washington, Wilkinson said that a positive aspect is inevitable, and another is that it’s actually a very clean industry.

Adams, who arrived later than the HCC audience had expected, but on time in accordance with his schedule, was asked by Officer Robert L. Regan about the official proclamation from Governor Booth Gardner.

Governor Gardner said that tourism was very important and that the Department of Tourism had a comprehensive program. Adams said that he was very pleased with the governor’s announcement and that it was an important step in promoting tourism in Washington.

U.W. physics professor responds to Star Wards rhetoric

Dr. Paul Boynton, a professor of physics and astronomy at the University of Washington, spoke on “The Consequences of a Strategic Defense Initiative on the Course of War” at the Astronomical League Conference.

Boynton is a leader among more than 250 scientists on the University of Washington campus who have signed petitions refusing to work on SDI projects. He explained that SDI prohibits any experimental work against missiles. He debated SDI research contacts.

“We have no SDI defense because we have had a ten year treaty with SDI since 1972,” Boynton said. He explained that SDI prohibits any experimental work against missiles. As a result, there is no defense against them. He added that this is a desirable but not feasible to have a defense against ballistic missiles. President Reagan and Secretary of Defense Weinberger want a 100 percent program. He said that most others recognize this fact.

Adams apparently enjoyed himself more than he expected. He stayed at HCC a half-hour longer than was scheduled. He talked the club dinner at the luncheon was too heartbreaking,” program coordinator Edwards said.

Fall classes will get an early start

Fall quarter, 1980, will open early with a series of classes designed to prepare students for the work they will encounter in their chosen professions.

The classes will carry one to two credits and will run until two weeks. Subjects to be offered are in science, learning skills, note taking, memory skills and time management. Nutritional and respiratory therapy are also proposed.

Fall classes have been offered at Tacoma Community College in recent years, and have met with success. Information on class offerings will be included in the Fall quarter catalogue.

Totem poles created for HCC

Carrie Wilkinson and model of Washington’s Expo site on “King County Tourist Day.”

Jim Ploegman painting a totem pole

In highline’s 25th anniversary year, 20,000 totem poles stand as symbols of the creativity of faculty and students. One near the Art Centre was carved, dedicated in 1977, the other was erected just five years ago on the east side of the registration building. The guiding spirit behind both totem poles is Jim Ploegman, former wood carving teacher and current maintenance mechanic. He was hired full time at the college paid only the installment of the pole. The value of the pole has been estimated at $500 per foot by Ploegman.

The second totem pole stands at the bottom with a grizzly bear holding a fish. The third, the middle shows a grizzly bear changing into a human form, the top is a Thunder bird, created by Ploegman, with a 22 foot wingspan.
Poltergeist II: The ghouls are back!

by Julie Anne Reed

Poltergeist II: The Other Side is a sequel to 1982's Poltergeist, directed by Tobe Hooper and written by Stephen Harley. The film stars Kenneth Welsh, Carol Anne, Heather O'Rourke, and John Heard. It follows the story of a family whose home is affected by the presence of malevolent spirits.

The plot picks up where the 1982 film left off, with the family moving into a new home. However, the ghosts continue to haunt them, leading to a series of supernatural events.

Suddenly, the ominous figure of an elderly priest begins to harass Carol Anne. She seems to have a hypnotic hold over her, and even though she tries to resist, she seems to have no control over her actions.

The family continues to experience strange occurrences, leading to the conclusion that they are being tormented by malevolent spirits. The only way to stop them is to face the ghosts head-on and put an end to their reign of terror.

In the end, Carol Anne is able to defeat the ghosts forever, and the family is left to enjoy their new home in peace.

Top Gun: loaded with banks

by Don Schindler and Steve Jorgensen

Since the movie's opening, the Top Gun soundtrack has been released on one album. The album features songs performed by popular artists such as Eagles, Journey, and Van Halen.

The album contains fourteen songs, including the title track and "Take Me Home, Country Roads" by John Denver. The album was released on March 30, 1986.

Jean Auel creates masterpiece

by Suzanne Bernhardt

Jean Auel is the author of the Earth's Children series, which includes The Clan of the Cave Bear and The Valley of Horses. The series is set in prehistoric Europe and follows the lives of a Neanderthal family.

In The Clan of the Cave Bear, the main character is Ayla, a Neanderthal girl who is raised by a clan of Cro-Magnon people. She learns to speak and understand their language, and she is eventually accepted into the clan.

As Ayla grows older, she becomes more involved in the affairs of the clan, and she eventually becomes the leader of the group. She is a strong and independent woman who is not afraid of any challenge.

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Photo by Robert Antonelli
Expo go, the multicultiral event of the yeart, if not the decade, is something everyone should experience. The atmosphere is warm and welcoming, with no line-ups at any of the exhibits. In fact, there are a few things you won't let you plan on. 

First of all, let's talk about, if you plan on spending more than one day at Expo, you'll need to cross the border unless you've made hotel reservations. Be sure to plan on arrival.

The role of exchange at Expo, is $1.35 Canadian for every $1.00. Even the pavilions think you're generous, as the average price of a hamburger is $4.50, and they don't even seem to charge you for the food burger. If you plan on purchasing souvenirs, you can also plan on spending a lot of money. 

The theme of this year's Expo is "Transportation Through Communication." I would like to communicate some things about the transportation to the fair. It is a new system which has a few huits in it. It was not too warm when I arrived, but the cool air was true to the season. I didn't have to look for an umbrella, as there was one available in every pavilion. 

Once I'm in, I can't prepare you for the enthusiasm. All the top pavilions have on the average a 15-minute wait. But, patience pays off, as the best places have the longest lines. If you are going to spend more than a week at Expo, the best thing to do is make a plan of attack. 

There are at least 60 pavilions from over 150 countries in the world at Expo. Spread across the fair, there are only a few of them that you can't see from the main entrance. In regards to the plan of attack, stay away from the East Gate entrance, as it is where all the tours unload. It is always spread out over a three-week span. 

The best pavilion is the General Motors Spinning Wheels, besides all the interesting new cars they have on display, they also have a absolutely incredible westor show with the latest technology in holograms. You will believe its real.

Another pavilion that receives top ranking, in my opinion, was China. They are unaccompanied by the latest in technology, but they are most impressed with theircock crows, which had impressive details. I was also impressed with their jade carving. 

All the rides at the fair, except the roller coasters, are a letdown. They go by much too quickly, and are generally not worth the three dollar charge. On the other hand, the scariest machine, the roller coaster, was a dulling experience, as it contains two 90-degree turns and two consecutive turns making for a fantastic ride. 

I feel a special note must be made about the seating accommodations in most of the rides. You don't get a seat on credit, no, it is always a line-up for the rides. This is not a bad amount of seat actually, because people have been known to spend a whole day in one pavilion.

Overall, the pavilions had the best pavilions, but of course they did have the home run advantage. They specialize in showing movies about their own provinces. The best pavilion are: The China Dome, Future's The Participation laser movie, Discovery, etc. 

The film was very well done and was quite enjoyable, if you don't drown in all the sickly sweet. hometown propaganda they pour you at.

The world of the future is too cheap to purchase actual chairs, so we must make do with our own. 

The average cost of a ticket is $2.50.

The lead actor in Lyric Theatre's Grease immersed in craft

By Robert Ancelin

"One must take risks," said professional actor Greg Younger. "That's what makes it real, and that's why they pay us what we do."

Younger was chosen as professional actor/left-hander for the Lyric Theatre's summer production of Grease. Younger will also play the lead role of Danny Zuko.

"I'm going to put a twirly edge on my characterization of Danny. I'm going to allow him to have a little side to come out," Younger said. "Because he's a greaser, he's not a stereotypical reading instigator, he's not a stereotypical person."

The actor will carry this earthier approach to the role, including his singing, and dancing. Younger said that the role would come. "I'm really going to be working with the people here," Younger said. "I'm going to be looking for the best things to do and see that are not very well known. One of these is to check out special events that you don't see very often."

"Younger was seen the Yugos-" Younger said. "One of the best things I've seen was the Viking lawn dance group perform in one of the plazas, so I will keep an eye on it."

"I'm going to try to see the Cultural Center," Younger said. "I'm going to be at the center of the fair "which is taken over by a lot of culture each week."

"I had a wonderful time seeing an old English pub with my warm beer bottle. It was amazing to see the old English style instruments being played."
by Jeff Hensley

Sunny days and warmer weather indicate the start of another hydroplane season. Most Northwest residents are already familiar with unlimited hydroplane racing—in the roller-unlimited hydroplane put on display on the map of professional sports. Though the Unlimiteds achieve the highest popularity, there are lesser-known hydroplanes which run from spring through early fall throughout the Northwest.

Limited hydroplanes have become increasingly popular through the media. What may turn into regular viewers into regular fans is the realism that competitive, dock-to-dock racing still exists.

The term limited means that the boxes are divided into classes, each with specified hull and engine rules. Consequently, all boats in a single class use similar engines, specifications are never certain which boat will cross the finish line first. Unlimiteds, with their varied sizes and types of engines, tend to string out into parades with one boat leading and the others lining up behind. With limited hydroplanes, one or more positioning boats take place in almost every heat.

Two big events this year are the Nationals and a race in the heat of Expo 76. The nationals race holds the prestige for limiteds as the Gold Cup does for their larger counterparts. The Nationals competition includes a number of the best boats from around the country, and is held on yearly by potential boat clubs.

Hensley's boat strolled at a turn, then left the water. The boat hooked when it landed. One man was in the boat, and the next I was six feet under water. 'What won me more was being run down by the other boats.'

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"I have my sights on the national championships," Hensley said. "I'm ready to go." Hensley pilots his hydroplane, Li'l Lightnin'.

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Kurt Louden/North Creek Graphics.

Limited hydroplanes add excitement to sport

by Robert Arenstett

When asked what you did over summer vacation, will you answer "Raced unlimited hydroplanes?" Jeff Hensley will. The in-school plans to spend his leisure time this summer in the cockpit of his newly refurbished, 15 foot hydroplane.

Hensley says that piloting a hydroplane is highly exhilarating "Imagine driving your car at top speed down an old country road... You feel every bump," he said. "It's really exciting out there on the water."

Hensley began his career in June 1985, when he bought his hydroplane two weeks after his high school commencement. "I'd watch the local races for years, and had this feeling that hydro racing was something I had to do," he said.

"My parents were not exactly for my racing, because of the dangers, but they've given me a lot of moral support. The sport is less dangerous than you might believe. Last season there were 420 accidents, and only four fatalities."

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"I have my sights on the national championships," Hensley said. "I'm ready to go." Hensley pilots his hydroplane, Li'l Lightnin'.

Kurt Louden/North Creek Graphics.

Limited hydroplanes add excitement to sport...
T-Bird women complete successful first season

by Robert Antonelli

The HCC women's softball team completed their first season with a May 16 double-header victory over Olympic Community College. These wins followed the May 14 double-shutout of Grey's Harbor Community College, 7-0, 11-0, which cinched the T-Birds into the Northern Division as a force to be reckoned with.

"You have to establish yourself your first year," assistant coach Kelly Beymer said. "There isn't a team in the league we haven't really beat." In spite of early losses, personnel changes and injuries, the T-Birds ended the season with an overall record of 15 wins, 11 losses. "I'm really pleased with them," head coach Kevin Johnson said. "They did more than people expected from a first year team. Going into The Towerows would be a fitting tribute to their hard work.

The T-Birds missed the playoffs by only two games. "The weather kept us from excelling as far as we could have," said Johnson. Four league and three non-league contests were called due to rain. Johnson and his squad had a great season overall. "When it was raining," Johnson said, "we were in the gym working on communication between the players. These girls proved valuable. Through them, the T-Birds developed more offensive, better defense in the league. We communicated very well. We managed a few hiccups, but we didn't commit one mental error all season," said Johnson. "There was consistantly a lot of good fielding out there.

This report between team mem-
bers and coaches yielded four double plays during the May 14 shutout of Grey's Harbor. At the May 16 contest, the T-Birds barred most of the Olympic players from reaching first base. "We have a lot of speed out there," said Beymer. "Each of them is a strong team player.

Consistent pitching by Heather Lancaster and Kristy Lyons, in conjunction with the catchers, prevented their opposition from scoring for 23 straight innings this season. This season's only loss came in their final contest, against Olympic. Lancaster completed her 24 game sea- son with a .188 earned run aver-
age, which places her as one of the top three pitchers in the league. Lyons shut out both Grey's Harbor and Shoreline.

The team earned their characteristic of quick responses into their offense: they gained a reputation for squeezing in quick steals when necessary. They learned to pin down their runners and to leave them stranded when no one was on base. The T-Birds ended the season with a .188 earned run average, which places them as one of the top three pitchers in the league. Lyons shut out both Grey's Harbor and Shoreline.

Although suspender attendance was spotty, the T-Birds had a core of regulars—several members of the team's basketball team and a few other fans. A fan who identified himself as Carl said: "I've come to as many games as I could get to. They are an exciting team to watch, and they need support." We're trying to do more with the players," added fan Brian Mandle. "We always have a good time.

Beymer said, it's great having these guys out here, cheering us on."

New basketball players chosen

by Steve Reeser

The outstanding men's basketball players have signed letters of intent to play at Highline in the upcoming season. Head coach Fred Harrison said the team has signed three players to help carry on the basketball tradition of outstanding women's basketball at Highline.

The team carried their character. The waterfront is our home," said Helm. "We're friends with most of the players. We've given a lot of support." Coach Johnson said. "We were waiting for more players to sign up."

The HCC player, Bonnie Hopfner, retires another Olympic player at first base.

Photo by Lay Anaya

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They showed attendance will increase in the first season, when more people learn about the quality of the team.

Coach Johnson said. "We were an unknown quantity this year; a lot of folks weren't aware of our presence. A lot of people showed up expecting Lady's SlowPitch and they were totally surprised when they saw the speed of our game—its much faster than what they've seen before.

Three awards were presented at the end of the season. Stacey Peat was voted Most Valuable Player of the season. Kristy Lyons earned Most inspirational, and Roxanne Nelson received the Coach's Award.

Most of the team plans to return for the '87 season, and both Johnson and Beymer agree that the T-Birds will be, "contenders for the championships in '87.'"
Students and parents will miss Silverman

by Ami Bersov

Robert McFarland, Dean of Instruction, introduced Charlotte Silverman at the May 8 Board of Trustees meeting by reading aloud a student's letter of praise and gratitude: "I will miss Parent Education. I will miss the Pediatric Program. I have grown. My daughter has grown. We are happier, more confident, more integrated people than we would have been without the programs," the student wrote.

Then McFarland said he heard that Silverman, coordinator/Instruction of Parent Education, is retiring.

"This has been a very rewarding position for me," Silverman said.

Silverman began teaching child development classes at HCC in 1967. "I got my MA in child development before I had my baby," she said. "And when I had this little child in my hands, I didn't know what to do." Silverman said she recognized the need for these classes.

She became coordinator of the Parent Education program when it began in 1980. "At that time, HCC had only four preschools. Now it has more than 30," Silverman said. "I'm sorry to see them go, but the need for parent education..." she said. Silverman is considering taking some classes and teaching them. She likes children to be "camera-orientated" and at home. "I've occasioned to do a workshop in the atmosphere of HCC," she said. "I like to have them do "We are going to college," she said.

Silverman is the only classified staff member who has been at HCC since it opened. "I have my MA in child development," she said. "If I ever did leave, I'd have to go to graduate school."}

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Strehlau bids HCC final adieu

by Anna McAllister

Betty Strehlau, Thunderword's first editor, is making her final departure after over twenty years of service to Higher Community College.

Strehlau was teaching at the University of Washington when in 1966 she met Allen, then President of HCC, and asked her to come out and start a journalism program.

Strehlau accepted her offer and began working at HCC in 1967. One year after the college officially opened, Allen asked her to be the editor of the school newspaper. Strehlau, a newspaper editor at the time, was able to start a campus newspaper.

Her first staff was small. "There were only two editors," Strehlau said. "I asked them to come through my line, and they went with me..."

"They were the people who I'd known," Strehlau said. "I said, 'I'm going to honor them and put them on staff.'"

The Parent Education program offers development of the child's psyche, social skills, and discipline..."

"I have been very, very proud of Parent Education," Strehlau said. "The college has been very supportive."

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Cafeteria's Gundersen cashes in

By Robert Antone,

At 20 years experience in the HCC cafeteria, Jenny Gundersen has decided to throw in the spatsula and retire. "My husband retired last year," Gundersen said. "Now we're going to hitch up our trailer and go on a tour of the states."

Gundersen began her career at HCC in March of 1966, as an evening, part-time dish washer. "I've worked behind the counter, and on the line. But the line has been my favorite position. I think it's the job in the place."

Gundersen loves her job at the bench because she likes to work with the public. "I'm in my six years on the job. I've seen thousands of students come through my line, and they like my favorite part of the job," she said.

"The students have been awful good to me, and no matter where I go around town, I see people I know. I can't show my face, but I remember their faces."

Gundersen remembers when several students got together and made her Queen for a day. "They let me down here working, and suddenly this student who I was busting at the time said, 'I'm going to be Queen.'"

Gundersen also said that over 30 years, the college has been "fluctuating with the students." "I have had students come up to me and put their own Queen on my head. They also gave me a certificate, saying 'I'm the Queen.'"

"I'm the Queen," Gundersen said. "I'm the Queen."
OFF THE WALL Classifieds

Red scientists disappear strangely

by Gene Jones

Those Russian scientists... why do they keep disappearing?

Six years ago, the noted Russian scientist Vladimir Brotsky lay in his cozy bed during the wee hours of a chilly December night. Dreaming his studies would be recognized and used to facilitate the socialization of the global community.

Brotsky awoke, suddenly, to find a large apparition in a pair of red pajamas standing at the side of his bed, remarkably resembling a portrait hanging in his kitchen of the great Russian patriarch Joseph Stalin.

Astonished at this, he asked the apparition what he was doing in the bedroom, and what he was doing dressed in red pajamas. The apparition replied that it was none of his business and asked that Brotsky move over so that he could get some sleep. When Brotsky protested, the apparition stuck his thumbs in his pockets and bellowed, "You're a turnip, Mr. Brotsky! I've come to see that your work is recognized, so put on your slippers and follow me."

The apparition made a terrible ruckus, jumping out the window, crashing into trash cans and terrorizing an old alley cat that had laid down for its evening nap.

Brotsky could hardly believe the events which were taking place, but desperate as he was for recognition, he followed the allusive apparition.

Nobody has seen Brotsky since. But the town's police department frequently receives complaints from residents that an old alley cat is running around in a pair of red pajamas and mysteriously claiming that Vladimir Brotsky is a bonehead.

Another Russian scientist was reported missing four years ago from a remote Ukrainian town. From some makeshift blueprints written on the back of a martini mat, Vladimir Poppoff eagerly set out four years ago to build the world's first molecular reduction ray gun.

With the completed invention, Poppoff found that he was capable of shrinking an average farm pig to the size of a holiday-stuffed, Sunday newspaper. Tragically, however, during one of his experiments with the gun, Poppoff sneezed and accidentally bumped into the gun, spinning it around and reducing himself to the size of a turnip.

The most terrifying element of the whole fiasco happened when the Poppoff family's pet gilamonster mistook the miniature Poppoff for a rubber duckie and ran off behind the couch, thinking it was a bonehead.

The government disputes accusations that they are torturing scientists, casting them into asylums, forcing them to take mind-altering drugs and coercing them to recant. However, to the educated, the real answer is obvious.
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