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HCC to Marlboro Man . . .

"These buildings aren't big enough for the both of us!"

Tom Christian
News Editor

It's a good thing the Marlboro man is an outdoorsman.

The Boeing Co. is in the process of eliminating smoking from its facilities. Some of the airlines now have completely smoke-free flights. Swedish Hospital won't even hire a smoker, let alone allow its halls to fill with tobacco fumes.

And, less than four months before the effective date of a law prohibiting smoking inside any state buildings, Highline Community College has jumped on the bandwagon, establishing a policy restricting the use of tobacco products from all classrooms, offices, college automobiles and indoor gathering spots.

The change was first considered after the Health and Safety Committee received several complaints about cigarette smoke and stale air. "...It was our duty to protect people from second-hand smoke," said Committee Chairman Bob Rigdon.

The Board of Trustees adopted the new policy on Sept. 8, 1988, after receiving input from the Health and Safety Committee, Administrative Cabinet, Instruction Council, Washington

Public Employees Association and Highline College Student Union (HCSU). The latter organization proposed a designated indoor smoking zone for bad weather, an idea which was rejected.

The designated smoking zone would have been implausible because ventilators connect all indoor smoking areas to other areas, according to Rigdon. "If you smoke in one room, it fills all the rooms in the building. These are old buildings, and as a result they have poor ventilation," said Rigdon.

Another reason that an area wasn't designated for smoking is the upcoming law which will restrict smoking in all state buildings. "We thought it would be best to implement it now, so that it doesn't come as a surprise," said Operations and Facilities Manager Robin Fritchman.

Some smokers have expressed concern that when bad weather prohibits smoking outdoors, they are being offered no alternative except to fight the cravings. "If we don't smoke, we're going to be restless and irritable in classes," commented sophomore Michael Morelock. Look at it this way, if you weren't allowed to eat all day, what would you be like the next day in school?"

There hasn't been any organized protest about the policy, however. "I haven't had a single complaint," said Ed Command, College Vice President.

HCSU adviser Bruce Mackintosh reports being questioned by one student, who wondered where

to smoke during bad weather. Food Service Manager Delores Jaber said there had been three or four instances of students smoking in the cafeteria's old smoking area prior to posting "no smoking" signs. In each case the stu-

dent politely cooperated. "They were very receptive. I think people are indoctrinated to the policy now," said Jaber.

Consideration was given to establishing a no-smoking policy everywhere on campus, indoors and outdoors. This policy was rejected because second-hand smoke is only a real problem indoors, according to Command. "You have a right to smoke, not to force others to smoke. If a guy's sitting on the football field or on the lawn smoking, it doesn't bother me. It's a health issue," said Command.

Difficulties with enforcement are another strike against a completely smoke-free campus, according to Command. "If we adopted that policy we would have to stop people from smoking in their cars," he said.

The policy doesn't contain any provision for penalizing stubborn smokers. While campus employees are subject to disciplinary action for noncompliance with campus regulations, it is left completely in the air what will happen to students who continue to smoke indoors. Command said he doesn't expect any problems, but will solve them promptly and efficiently.

"We'll just shoot them," joked Command.



A few Highline students take a cigarette break -- outside

Students ask for indoor smoking lounge

Maggie Smith
Staff Writer

On Sept. 8, 1988, Highline adopted an indoor clean air act which does not allow students or faculty to smoke in any building on campus.

Neighboring Community Colleges, including Shoreline, North Seattle, and Green River all have one or more indoor designated smoking areas. Highline's Board of Trustees, which adopted the new policy, apparently is the first in the area to accord with the new law against smoking inside state buildings. The law will take effect on Jan. 1, 1989.

In a Thunderword poll on campus last week, 50 students were polled at random. Sixteen smokers and 34 nonsmokers responded.

"Do you feel that it would be unreasonable for the smoking students to ask for one designated smoking area?" The poll was unanimous. All 50 agreed that it would not be unreasonable. Opinions from some of the students surveyed were as follows:

Traci Jacobson, smoker: "I feel that it is unconstitutional and it relates heavily with segregation. It sure isn't separate but equal." Sara Green, nonsmoker: "Non-Smokers yell about their rights. Smokers need their rights."

Sharon Walker, nonsmoker: "I feel that there should be one indoor designated area like the student lounge for smokers." Glen Tillotson, nonsmoker: "It doesn't bother me either way."

Kristin Phelan, smoker: "It's persecution." Heidi Henson, smoker: "You

can't legislate morality. Wasn't that high school where we had to sneak off and smoke?"

A spokesperson from President Shirley Gordon's office reports that new ashtrays were put around campus. Of the 53 found, 14 were filled with garbage, a potential fire hazard if a cigarette was not properly extinguished. In addition, the area was littered with cigarette butts.

According to Washington State Department of Revenue, the state receives \$.42 per pack of cigarette sales. Twenty-five percent or approximately \$.11 goes to improve water quality. The other seventy-five percent or approximately \$.31 goes into the state's general fund. This fund pays for teacher salaries and other school expenditures. The smoker who inhales one carton per week will

pay \$163 into the general fund this year, yet he or she is forbidden to consume this product in state buildings.

The RJ Reynolds Co. claims that second-hand smoke is not the serious danger it is popularly perceived as. According to their recent survey results, a nonsmoker would have to sit in a typical New York restaurant for 17.5 consecutive days (420 hours) to be exposed to the amount of smoke found in one cigarette.

An opinion by Richard Pondlick sums up some smokers' thinking. "I am a drug addict. The U.S. government supports my habit. The State of Washington receives money from my habit for their projects. I feel that it would be reasonable to have at least an awning."

The new smoking policy reads as follows: *It shall be the policy of Highline Community College, consistent with its efforts to promote wellness, fitness, and a campus environment conducive to work, study, and activities for staff, students, and the public to maintain a smoke/tobacco free indoor campus environment. Use of tobacco products is permitted on campus outside of the buildings. Receptacles for smoking materials are provided and all are urged to use them to maintain litter free campus grounds.*

The college recognizes the rights of those who choose to use tobacco and as such does not prohibit the use of tobacco products; it does, however, restrict the use of these materials to areas outside college facilities and vehicles.

News



Vickie Ropp lectures on leadership.

Photo by Tony Lieggi

Mercury spill delays Chemistry classes

A mercury spill in Highline's chemistry lab sometime this past summer resulted in the closure of Bldg. 14 and the cancellation of all classes in that building for the first week of school.

The spill was first discovered by Carolyn Brooks, science instructional technician, on Sept. 19. Brooks observed a fine spray of droplets on one of the benches in the lab and, as she began to clean up the spill, noticed more mercury on and around the bench. At this point, she reported it to Jack Chapman, head of campus security.

After conferring with Chapman and officials from the Department of Labor and Industry who had been called in, Dr. Ed Command, Highline's vice-president, made the decision to close the building until the mercury was completely cleaned up. Carolyn Brooks explained that the vapors produced by the mercury posed enough of a threat to people to justify the

building's closure.

Robert Bartlett of Pacific Testing Laboratories said that mercury is a cumulative poison which initially may cause chest pains, headaches and cough, progressing to shaking of the hands, insomnia and even personality changes if enough is absorbed. Too much mercury in a person's body can be fatal.

Although the exact time and cause of the incident are still unknown, it is believed that the mercury came from two barometers which used to hang on opposite sides of the lab. Brooks discovered that both barometers were broken and mercury was missing after the installation of new hoods in the lab.

The barometers were removed from the lab and the mercury cleaned up that week by Crosby & Overton Inc., a company which specializes in hazardous material management. After the clean up, which cost the school \$2,100, the lab was reopened.

Those that can do, teach? Speech instructor orates in Colloquy

By Bev Ott
Staff Writer

"A leader needs to have a compelling vision," said Vickie Ropp in the second of the Honors Colloquy Lecture Series emphasizing leadership.

The series, entitled "The Character and Climate of Leadership: New Frontiers and Old Frontiers," is part of the Phi Theta Kappa Honors Program.

Vickie Ropp is a speech instructor at Highline Community college with a PHD in Organizational Communication.

A part-time instructor for three-and-a-half years, she moved to Southern California, then back to work full time at Highline.

Besides having a vision, she stressed that people have to be able to articulate that vision and

be result-oriented. She used Martin Luther King, Gandhi, Kennedy, and Caesar Chavez as examples of people with vision. She pointed out people of this stature and importance have to have social courage and willingness to die for that dream if necessary.

The handouts during the lecture pointed out the values leaders should have: good listener, tough, honest under pressure, and the situational approach to managing people. With questions and handouts, Ropp enabled the audience to see what kind of leaders they would make and what qualifications we look for in our leaders.

Ropp made it clear that it is important to know the kind of leaders we want to represent us. The presentation on October 26th will feature Democratic and Republican candidates for U.S. senator from Washington State.

Some of the other leadership topics in October will be: "RX=Leadership," Dr. Shirley Gordon, President of HCC; "Einstein, The Man and His Science," Dr. Henry Lubatti, Professor of Physics, University of Washington; and "Come Fly Me," Andrea Riniker, Director, Aviation Division, Port of Seattle. There will also be five more lectures in November.

Phi Theta Kappa Honors Program is open to anyone who has a GPA of 3.5 and is carrying 12 credits now. Membership will be open from October 10th through 31st. The next meeting is scheduled on October 30th in 10-104. Anyone interested should contact Dr. Joan Fedor, Highline's Honor Program coordinator and Phi Sigma Chapter adviser in building 5, Ext. 433.

The lectures, held at noon Wednesdays in Bldg. 7, are open to the public and also to those registering for Honors 101.

T-Birds watch USA re-discover space

Steve McIure
Staff Writer

"T-minus 10...9...8...Students and staff at Highline Community College monitors quietly wondered about the fate of the five crew members. ...7...6...5..." Workers stopped what they were doing at the Boeing plant in Kent hoping their hard work had paid off, "...4...3...2...1...0." A giant ball of flame appeared under the space shuttle Discovery as it pulled away from Earth. "Lift-off. Liftoff. Americans return to space as Discovery clears the tower," announced the voice of launch control spokesman Hugh Harris.

With the launch of the shuttle Discovery Thursday, September 29, the United States ended a 32-month space-age drought. It was the first shuttle to make it into orbit since the shuttle Challenger exploded shortly after liftoff, killing all seven crew members. As the Discovery

rumbled off into space, the memory of the Challenger debacle crept into the minds of people across the country.

Receptionist Ronda O'Brien and Counselor Lance Gibson were among approximately 40 people who watched the two televisions in the Student Services building as the shuttle was launched. "It was kind of creepy watching it this morning," commented O'Brien, remarking on the importance of their successful launch.

Many people watching began to cheer while others kept their excitement to a less visible level. Gibson recalls feeling both "excited and relieved to see them get safely off the ground." For Gibson, the memory of the Challenger is still with him. He was in the same spot, doing the same thing.

The response from the people around him, however, was much different. He remembers people being so shocked to speak while others simply broke down and cried over the impact. It was "a

very sobering experience," according to Gibson.

Laurel Parker's memories are similar. She recalls feelings of disbelief and of "wanting to break down and cry," when the Challenger exploded.

Leslie Boyd echoed some of Parker's feelings and said at this latest launch, "I kept wondering if it was going to blow up too. It made me feel uneasy."

For some the memory was too vivid. Laura Weisenback "didn't watch it purposefully, because I was scared to." In her eyes the Challenger accident was the result of "trying to do too much too fast."

Frances Warfel sees NASA slowing down as a step ahead in the long run, as they "finally settled down and looked at every facet of the launch." NASA made roughly 400 major and minor alterations prior to the Discovery launch.

The Discovery landed safely at Edwards Air Force Base Monday, completing all of its major goals including the launch of a 4,900 pound satellite into orbit.

Lightning Words

The Highline Environmental Club will meet in Building 19, room 105, on Friday, October 14, at 6 p.m.

Just in time for mid-terms...The Counseling Center is offering free Test-Wisdom Workshops. Part I: noon to 12:50 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, October 10 through October 26. Part II: noon to 12:50 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays, October 31 through November 16. Sign up in the Counseling Center, Bldg. 6.

The H.C.C. swimming pool is open to all students, staff and faculty at no charge. Times to swim are 12:00 to 1:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, and 11:00 to 2:00 p.m. on Friday.

The National Collegiate Automobile Association, a non-profit organization, is sponsoring a free auto insurance service designed especially for college students. By calling 641-6169, students can obtain the lowest possible premium available from over 15 different insurance companies, saving both time and money.

Campus Crusade For Christ: Thursdays, 12:10-1 p.m., Bldg. 4, room 104. For more information call Dwayne Smithgall at 874-5371.

Data Processing Management Association (DPMA). Student Chapter had its first meeting on September 29. Steve Klain, President of the Puget Sound Chapter, was the guest speaker. Klain talked about the benefits of DPMA membership, particularly staying current with the marketplace and networking with area businesses. The DPMA will hold its second meeting on October 20.

Classified Ads

For Sale:

IBM Selectric II, self-correcting typewriter and table. In perfect shape. Black, dual-pitch, 4 balls, extra black and correcting tapes, recently cleaned. Very sturdy black typing table. \$450. See Patricia Haggerty in Counseling Center or call ext. 353.

Help Wanted:

In need of pre-school gymnastics instructor. Training provided. Cali Gymnastics Unlimited @ 839-2438.

News

Highline parking lot goes without a lot

James Rude
Staff Writer

"When it rains I'd rather skip school all together," states Freshman Kim Lang, referring to her daily hikes from the Midway theater to her classes at Highline Community College.

Trekking through gray wet and waiting for rare parking spaces seems to have become a prerequisite for all HCC classes. The present number of 2,920 spaces, including the 1,200 at Midway, isn't enough to accommodate all HCC students, faculty and staff.

It's a familiar story to campus Police Chief Jack Chapman. Chapman, who has been at HCC for 17 1/2 years, says "There has always been a parking problem."

The lack of parking space is particularly severe during the first couple weeks of fall quarter. Chapman cites registration and buying books as the main reasons because even evening and part-time students are on campus during peak class hours between 9-11 a.m. Chapman explained that once the quarter gets underway, the problem will be less acute, though not completely solved.

Over the years, in an effort to try to meet the parking demand, the Security Department has added spaces. In 1980, 70 spaces were added to the north lot. In 1985, an additional 112 spaces were added to the south lot.

This summer a study was done to see if repainting the lines at a slant rather than horizontally in the north lot would yield more

spaces. The conclusion was negative. Looking ahead, Chapman said that the college is considering adding a possible 100 spaces to the south lot within the next five years.

Teachers share the parking dilemma. "Teachers scream worse than students," Chapman said.

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"There just isn't enough staff parking in the east lot," complained drama teacher Christy Taylor. Taylor noted that the main problem is students and visitors parking in the staff parking spots. Students parking in staff parking spots is a traffic offense at HCC, with a \$5 penalty.

The revenues generated from all parking violations go to security fees and lot improvements. Chapman said ticket income brings in approximately \$10,000 annually. Additionally Chapman stated that officers write an average of 50 or 60 tickets weekly with most of the violations being for no permits.

Ed Command, the Vice-President of HCC, agrees there is a parking problem. He doesn't see an immediate solution. However, he does see improvements in the future. According to Command the first choice HCC is looking into is to expand the lower south lot. Another alternative is a parking garage which would be lo-

cated in the upper south lot, with possible revenue being generated by charging students more to park in this covered parking. Command noted, "A parking garage is not out of the question."

It would cost about \$10,000 per space to install a car garage.

Command went on to explain that the parking improvement funds come out of the securities budget which is split into two sources of revenue. The first of these sources is from sales of permits and tickets. This funds' projected revenue for 1988-89 is \$116,100. From this fund the college must pay for security which runs around the clock seven days a week. This involves the salaries of four full-time security guards (each making \$22,022, plus benefits) and two part-time security guards (each making \$12,964 down from \$13,186 last year). What's left goes towards a reserved fund which can be used for lot expansion or maintenance. The second source of money for the Security Department is from state funds. This year Securities received approximately \$100,000 which can only be used to pay for securities administration which includes the Campus Police Chief and his assistant, a sergeant, a secretary and an office assistant. These state funds cannot, however, pay for parking improvements.

Command explained that due to inflation state funds were not adequate to cover administration costs so the college was forced to dip into the permit reserve fund to make up for this deficit.

Unlike many students who despise parking at the Midway thea-

ter, Command feels fortunate that we are able to utilize the lot. "We'd be panic stricken if the Midway theater closed," stated Command.

The Midway theater makes up slightly more than 40 percent of the total spaces available to the college. HCC rents the theater for \$1,500 per quarter. Chapman is pleased with this rental agreement, noting that he was able to bring the cost down from \$4,500 per quarter by allowing the Midway Swap Meet to park in HCC's east lot on weekends.

Chapman wasn't so lucky in negotiating with other lots on Pacific Highway. According to Chapman, the north lot of Skip-pers, which HCC is interested in was impossible to fix at the owner's present asking price of \$3,000 a month. Further, the lot between Kentucky Fried Chicken and the Midway Mart

We'd be panic stricken if the Midway theater closed" -- Ed Command

Grocery and Deli was unattainable because the owner wouldn't rent and his selling price was in the millions.

When asked what students can do to ease their parking prob-

lems, Bruce Mackintosh, the Student Activities Coordinator, cited car pooling and the utilization of Metro Buses when possible. Unfortunately, Mackintosh also noted that past attempts to curb the parking problem have failed.

According to Phil Swanburg, the Dean of Students, most of the possible parking solutions have fallen short of their goals because of the diversity of the students' class and work schedules.

At one time a shuttle bus was used to transport students to class, but often the bus was late for class because of student traffic congestion. This, combined with insurance problems, brought an end to the program.

Looking on the bright side, Swanburg noted, "The Midway lot is actually closer to campus than the lower North lot. The Dean confirmed that the parking problem has been around for years and that some students have gone so far as to search for carpool partners through classified advertisements in the newspaper.

If students wish to register complaints, they can do so in the Student Activities Center. However, due to the complexity of the problem, even a slew of complaints may not affect a change.

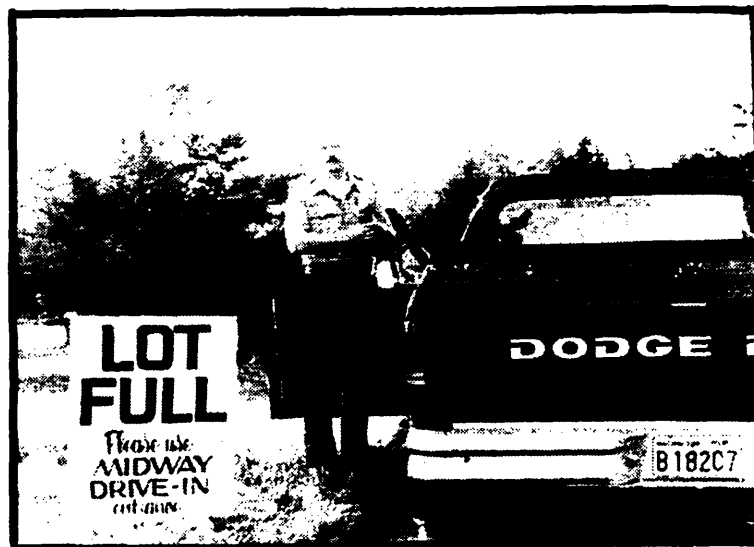


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A security officer checks his watch as time runs out on Students who need parking spaces.

College closes on crowds Cargol and Command comment

Tom Christian
News Editor

If you got all the classes you wanted this fall, consider yourself fortunate.

While enrollment is actually down from last year's total, it was up by 658 students on September 12. That means a lot of students were unable to receive the schedules they want or any schedules at all. "I would say we turned away in excess of 1,000," estimated Registrar Booker Watt.

Highline College Vice President Ed Command explained the rush at the registration office with

a trickle down theory. "People heard that Western and the University of Washington had closed," he said.

The result, added Command, is that "we have students extremely happy to take their second or third choices."

It is doubtful whether it will be any easier for students in Winter and Spring quarters. Each Community College is allocated a certain number of Full Time Equivalencies (FTE's) for state funding. The college has to pay a fine attendance goes over 1.5 percent above or below the allocated figure. Highline was allotted the equivalent of 4537 full-time students for this fall, but reported

4813.7 FTE's, well over the limit. HCC was also over the limit last year, which means that the school will probably have to offer less classes this Winter and Spring, or be penalized with a fine, according to Dean of Instruction Owen Cargol.

"We'll do the best we can to offer as many classes in as wide a variety of classes as possible." Given the enrollment pressure, I'm not optimistic that we'll be able to serve all the students who want to attend Highline Community College," said Cargol.

The State Board of Community College Education reports that Washington's community colleges ranks 45th nationally in per-

student expenditures. The board has requested a \$712.2 million dollar budget for 1989-91, including \$29.5 million for enrollment increases.

If the 1989 Legislature accepts the Board's request, Highline will be allocated 4764 FTE's, an increase of 5%. Cargol isn't too optimistic, however. "I'm not convinced that we'll get that amount," he said.

Cargol fears that the legislature will give priority to four-year schools in the new budget, and community colleges will come up short. "The lion's share of allocations will go to the University of Washington and Washington State University. We're lower on the

food chain, so to speak," said Cargol.

Cargol's concern is backed by recent history. The 1987-89 budget gave the UW and WSU respective increases of 15.1 and 12.1 percent over 1985-87, while Community Colleges received a comparatively thin raise of 7.3 percent.

Meanwhile, Cargol is shrugging his shoulders when frustrated students come in with questions about classes. "They want to know if we're going to offer more classes so that they can fulfill their requirements. The answer is, we can't," he said.

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Your vote counts!

Many Americans with the right to vote will not vote on Election Day. Maybe our country will have to turn to Switzerland's way of fining those who don't vote if citizen participation continues to decline.

On Nov. 8, 1988, there will be a significant opportunity for people from all economic walks of life to have an equal say in our government and future.

Don't waste your voting rights. In the 1986 election, voting turnout was about 38%, a fraction of the adult population. This was the lowest turnout since the wartime election of 1942.

Low voter turnout allows special interest groups to manipulate the election outcome. The group's purpose and aims may not benefit you or the community.

From Sept. 30th to Oct 2nd students will gather for a major voter Participation Conference in Washington, D.C., to do registrations and get-out-the-vote drives. This group in February 1984 helped register more than half a million new voters at 750 campuses. They helped reverse a 12-year decline in voter participation among 18- to 24-year olds.

Voting is a privilege. Your vote tells elected officials that you support them and have confidence that they will represent your interest. The more people who take part in voting the stronger our local, state and federal government will represent all Americans.

By voting, you as an individual can express your desire and decisions for good government.

You have the opportunity to be heard and to create and pass laws to benefit others' lives, as well as your own.

To make changes you need to Register and Vote.

In order to vote a citizen must first be registered 30 days before the election. Oct. 8th is the last day to register.

You can register Friday right here at HCC in the Student Activity Office Bldg. 19, room 207, with Darlene White or Carolyn Johnson, and on Saturday at your local King County libraries. The closest libraries in this area are Valley View, 17850 Military Rd. S., Seattle, 242-6044; Federal Way, 848 S. 320th Federal Way, 839-0257; or Burien, 14700 6th S.W. Seattle, 243-3490.

Let your voice be heard. Make your vote count. Send a clear message. Register and vote.

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Today's challenge: Multiculturalism

Mary Odem
Guest Columnist



As I pondered a topic for this editorial I spent much time asking myself what would be of interest to the reader. What topic could I write about which hasn't been discussed to death? I came up empty. So I rephrased the question and asked myself: What do I feel strongly about and want to share with others? This time I came up with a list of topics such as: comparable worth, the resurgence of racism on college campuses, multiculturalism, finding ways to defray school cost and successfully completing the first year.

Upon review of my list I decided to go with what I feel is a

THAT WAS THEN - THIS IS NOW

Mary Lou Holland
Guest Columnist



Several decades ago the few problems college students had to worry about were finding a date for the weekend dance and getting passing grades. The 30's have presented a "That was then -- this is now" scenario.

The impact of the lifestyle of the 80's has so changed the rules that not only do students have to worry about finding an open class and financing the cost of their education, they have to cope with all the lifestyle problems that become huge roadblocks on the path to a college degree and sometimes their own lives in general.

Let me give you some examples of what I call lifestyle problems of the 80's which directly or indirectly affect health and academic success.

DRUG ABUSE -- cocaine, marijuana and others: The addiction rate is rapid, especially the cheaper version of cocaine "crack." The cost of drugs, the increased crime to pay for the abuse, the destruction of the control of the individual, the effect on family members, and the cost of treatment is extremely high, not only to the individual but to society in general. It's difficult to succeed academically when one has been "high," "stoned" or "mellowed out" all weekend.

ALCOHOL: Drinking to the point of loss of control and judgement can lead to driving while intoxicated, family and friend arguments with physical abuse, careless sexual activity (even date rape) and long-term physical and mental health deficits.

very basic premise. I think if I put it in religious terms I might say, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." Or, if I view it in constitutional terms, I would say, "All men people are created equal."

So what did I select as my topic? Multiculturalism. The concept of multiculturalism is a very basic one.

Respecting, acknowledging and valuing individual differences. John Leppo and Mary Ann Lustgraal provide more in-depth definition.

Multiculturalism does not simply mean other races and nationalities but virtually every conceivable human grouping. Indeed, each person is of many cultures simultaneously. The human tendency to be relatively unconscious of other cultures is dysfunctional in our society. It is clear that much hostility is created by ignorance of other

cultures and the failure to recognize their existence. (Adopted 1987 Association of College Unions International).

Indeed America has and is changing. The diversity which exists here presents us with the opportunity to enrich our lives if we accept those around us. To reap the benefits of a multicultural society one must first acknowledge that differences exist and not judge those differences, then seek ways to become more aware of others.

You'll probably find that your ability to communicate with varieties of people will be impacted

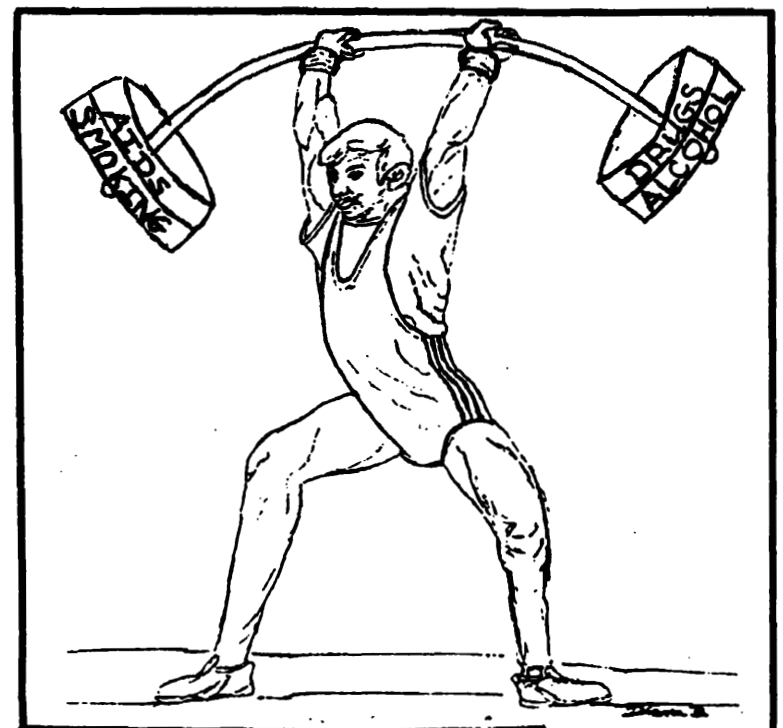
and finally be open to viewing things from a new and/or different perspective.

We can live together and benefit from others if as individuals we are willing to incorporate a multicultural perspective.

misinformation and prejudice. Colleges have had to develop policies and curriculum content to counteract the negative aspects of this "new plague" by presenting factual and scientific information. State legislators have had to find monies to fund education programs not only for adults but for K through 12. It's sad to witness a loss of innocence at the elementary level.

Date rape, unplanned pregnancy, sexually transmitted disease, sexual harassment; they all have a tendency to ruin your day. These potential problems aren't exactly part of one's registration schedule either.

So the next time you think that what one does off campus and outside of class is nobody's business, and that people have the right to choose their own potentially destructive lifestyle activity, think again. We're all in this together and the price may be more than you can afford or are willing to pay. The road to academic success may indeed be paved with lifestyle hazards.



Editorials

EVERYBODY TALKS ABOUT THE WEATHER, BUT NOBODY DOES ANYTHING ABOUT IT.

Brian Hosey
Guest Columnist



Anyone who hasn't heard about the greenhouse effect has probably been living in a hole. (An ozone hole?) Everybody is talking about global warming, ice caps melting, and carbon dioxide (CO₂). But who is doing anything about it? And why should I be concerned about it anyway? It's out of my hands, right? Maybe not. Let's talk a little bit about what global warming can do (besides raise sea level), what causes it to happen (besides CO₂), and what can be done about it.

An increase in the temperature of the earth's atmosphere can cause an increase in temperature in the earth's oceans. This, in turn, can cause a change in atmospheric circulation and rainfall distribution. Acres of fertile land, like the midwestern U.S., would experience a process known as desertification. Other areas in the world would see severe flooding. Agricultural practices will have to be drastically altered to adjust. Increasing the ocean's tempera-

ture can also increase the severity of hurricanes. And a higher air temperature will also cause the oceans to rise because of polar ice cap and glacial melting. (Estimates show a rise of sea level anywhere from one to 80 feet by the year 2025. Do you own scuba gear?)

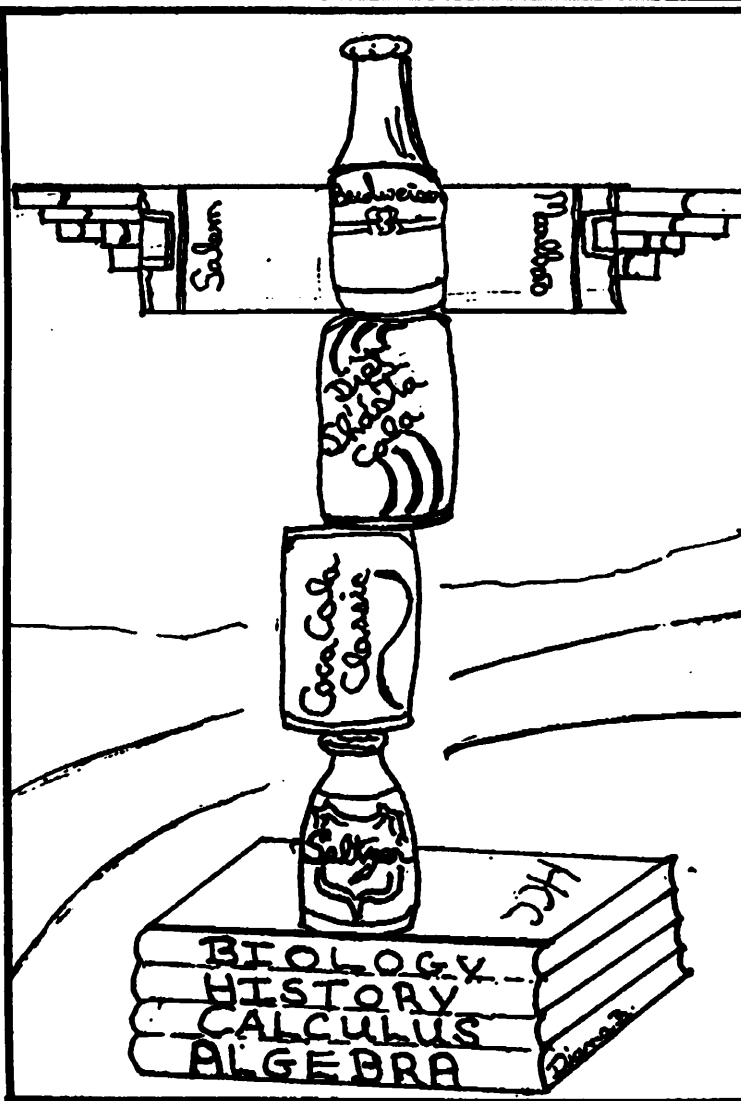
CO₂ from the burning of fossil fuels (coal, oil, and natural gas) and slash burning is indeed increasing the greenhouse effect. But did you know that methane (CH₄), nitrous oxide (N₂O), chlorofluorocarbons (CFC's), and even ozone (O₃) in the lower atmosphere can accelerate the greenhouse effect? Well, they can. All of these gases, when released into our atmosphere, trap heat which is generated at the earth's surface and causes the global temperature to rise.

So how can this greenhouse effect be stopped? Several changes will need to be made to correct our past mistakes. Deforestation will have to be synthesized into reforestation. Maybe if we planted two trees for every one we cut down things would start to change for the better. Energy conservation and alternatives to fossil fuels for energy produc-

tion are needed, too. If we all could personally use less energy, then less would have to be produced. And sources of energy other than coal, oil and natural gas would not only drastically reduce CO₂ emissions but would greatly lessen the effects of other forms of air pollution and acid rain. We also need to change some agricultural patterns, especially with fertilization compounds and techniques. (Many fertilizers release N₂O).

Maybe you can see some ways that you can help buffer the greenhouse effect in your personal life and actions. You can help stop deforestation of the rain forests by not supporting retailers who buy their products there. You can help conserve energy in your household. And you can vote responsibly and set an environmentally conscious example for your friends, family, and everyday acquaintances. The fate of the planet is in your hands. Do something about it.

This series of articles on environmental topics is designed to make H.C.C. students and staff more aware of environmental changes which will directly affect their lives in the not so distant future.



Letters to the Editor:

Dear Editor:

Recycling, a nice word, but an even nicer practice. As a student at Highline Community College, I see very little recycling being done on our bountiful campus. An example of this lack could be seen most recently during the heat wave we experienced. Trash cans were heaped to the top with aluminum cans, soda bottles and paper.

This is a terrible waste. There is no conceivable reason why these materials cannot be recycled and turned back into valuable resources. It takes a large amount of wood to make a small amount of paper; soon our forests are going to be stripped bare. Even though the forests will eventually recuperate and may yield more wood, there is no reason to bring our resources down to critical levels. We should recycle more!

The solution is a recycling center here on campus run entirely by students. Proceeds could be used for anything the school may want or need. Not only would the students benefit from the proceeds, but the college would benefit also. Trash cans would not be overflowing with recyclable materials any longer. The materials would be in a recycling center, helping to give our resources, our economy and our campus a boost.

Debra Kearney

Dear Debra:

There is a new Environmental Club on campus which does recycling. The club is student organized, so if you are interested in joining it could be a beginning answer to the problem we see on campus. Contact Brian Hosey, Bldg. 15, room 1, Ext. 294.

Diana Baumgart
Editorial Editor

"THANK YOU FOR NOT SMOKING" seems to be the foremost theme on campus. As of fall quarter smoking in any of the buildings has been banned. This leaves the uncovered outside the only place to smoke. At first glance the decision to create a smoke-free campus may make you feel like applauding, but I feel this decision needs to be examined.

America is the land of the free, with equal rights for everyone filtering through the air waves from every media; so why is it that suddenly anyone that smokes must be eliminated from any public place?

I agree that if you do not smoke, being around a smoke-filled environment is irritating and uncomfortable. I also agree that breathing second-hand smoke is considered harmful and should be taken into account, but completely denying the rights of the smoking population is as wrong as ignoring the rights of those who do not smoke.

I believe the decision to turn Highline Community College into a smoke-free campus is understandable, but it is not a fair or just decision. One building or room on campus should be made available for those adults who have chosen to continue to smoke, that is out of the cold and rain. Then the rights of all have been preserved.

Thank you
Rosemary Hellene

WOMENS' PROGRAMS BEGINS FALL QUARTER WITH NEW STAFF

Stefanie Novacek
Guest Columnist



At the same time Womens' Programs is assisting women in returning to college this fall by offering support groups, counseling, and information, it has also been helping its three new staff members make their transition to the Highline campus. Margie Alden, Bette McAr, Stefanie Novacek have all recently joined the staff at Womens' Programs, located in Bldg. 21-A.

To many of you, Margie Alden, one of the two new Program Assistants, may seem familiar. She first came to Highline Community College as a student in 1969. After eventually earning a degree in social work, she returned to Highline where she worked in Registration for nine years. Margie's involvement with Womens' Programs began last winter when she volunteered. Now, as one of the program assistants, Margie helps set up and evaluate programs and publicizes activities in the community. Also, beginning winter quarter, Margie will be organizing a series of "dinner discussions" to be held at the Federal Way Center. This should interest those of you who have

requested more Womens' Program events during the evening and at the other branch campuses.

Anyone interested in finding a job or writing a resume should plan on making an appointment to see Bette McAr, the new Womens' Programs Job Search Specialist. Previously with the Utah Employment Service for 16 years, Bette can confidently advise students on the mechanics of finding a job or making a career change. Every two weeks, Bette will be conducting a "Job Hunter's Orientation" on Thursday from 10:00 to 12:00. The first orientation is scheduled for Oct. 6th.

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This workshop will cover such subjects as job preparation, interviewing techniques and networking. Bette also is available for individual appointments for job hunters with specific concerns. Though she absolutely will not write your resume, she will explain how to write a resume or critique one already written. If

you are a woman interested in learning more about non-traditional careers or apprenticeships in the trades, you might want to contact Stefanie Novacek. As the other new program assistant, Stefanie plans such events as the quarterly "Brown Bag" series and the annual Career Fair and Trades Fair. She also serves as a resource person for information on higher paying careers for women and opportunities in the trades. A recent graduate of the University of Puget Sound, Stefanie also has interned with the City of Tacoma Women's Rights Division.

All of the new staff members, along with the returning staff of Womens' Programs, are anticipating an exciting year. Stop by Bldg. 21-A to pick up a flyer listing our fall quarter activities or simply to introduce yourself! Womens' Programs provides academic advising, counseling, employment readiness, referrals to resources and support for those facing hurdles in their education or job search.

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Focus



Jeff Mitchell and Wayne Brazel of Secoma Glass install windows on the balcony of Bldg. 8, the Student Center.

HCC Receives

Sally Gregory
Focus Editor

While most students enjoyed relaxing during the summer months, the HCC campus spent its vacation undergoing a much-needed face lift. Although the incomplete operation may present an inconvenience to some, reconstructive surgery will soon be over. Construction should be complete by the end of October or the beginning of November, said Robin Fritchman, director of facilities and operation.

The bustling construction activity which started this summer will leave students and faculty with a much improved campus, Fritchman said, adding that "99.2 percent of the people have said it has been worth the inconvenience. The students and faculty have been extremely understanding."

Total price tag for the beautification of the campus is slightly over \$2 million dollars and is divided into roughly four different construction activities, Fritchman said.

Renovation of Bldg. 8, the Student Center, and the addition of new entrance doors to Bldg. 6, the Student Services Building, is one of the four projects costing approximately a half million dollars, Fritchman said.

Mechanical work, which includes a new ventilation system for the Pavilion, also cost half a million, as did roofing and painting, Fritchman said. The new windows and draperies throughout the campus carried a price tag of \$527,000. The remainder of the money was spent on painting trim and handrails and refinishing signs.

Perhaps the area most obviously undergoing great change on campus is Bldg. 8, the Student Center. "We did major handicap renovation," Fritchman said. An entire stairway was taken out of this building to upgrade the entrance to the upper level for handicapped students because "it was too difficult for wheelchairs to get to the upper levels," he said.

The new entrance provides a ramp with a resting spot which is accessible from the outside of the building. A new loading dock is part of this new entrance and will give vending trucks easy access to the cafeteria.

The cement wall which was installed as part of this structure is decorative as well as functional. Engraving on the wall bears the name of "Highline Community College," and benches have been set in the wall where students can relax outside.

The upper level of the building will see the most changes. A brand new stage with removable steps has been put in the main portion of the building. A new floor of acrylic impregnated oak has also been laid throughout the upper level.



Students exit from the new entrance doors on Bldg. 6, the Student Services Building.

"It's the most important social building on campus and it hasn't been changed in 25 years."

-- Fritchman on the remodeling of Bldg. 8.

The four different activity rooms upstairs are still undergoing construction as well. One new room will be a T V lounge where students can watch MTV. "This is where we erode their minds," Fritchman said with a grin. The game room is also being worked on, as well as a room which will house student offices and another room for student government.

A new balcony on the upper level is also undergoing finishing touches. It will have tables and chairs where students can sit and eat or just enjoy the view. "I think this is going to be the most picturesque spot on campus," Fritchman said, pointing to the blue waters of Puget Sound.

Focus

a Two Million Dollar Face Lift

Fritchman said students deserve to have a building with additions like this. "Our enrollment has gone up and student activities have increased," he said. "It's the most important social building on campus and it hasn't been changed in 25 years."

Church-Suzuki designed the plans for Bldg. 8 and Western Ventures is doing the construction. Denny Morris, supervisor on the site, said the project "took a lot of planning by the architect and hard work by the construction company."

"The biggest obstacle we had to overcome was the steps," Morris said. Removing the steps presented a danger because part of the steps held up the existing floor, and chunks of the ceiling fell during removal.

Morris and his crew had to work quickly this summer so the cafeteria could open again before school started in the fall. "We had to be out of the kitchen area by the ninth (of September) and we got out by the eighth," Morris said, adding it took a lot of team work to meet the tight deadline. He credited Fritchman for helping to make the project flow smoothly.

Morris and his crew also installed the new entrance doors to Bldg. 6, which is now covered and will provide students a safe, dry and well-lit place to wait for rides. "We'll be able to put students out here and they won't be in the cold," Fritchman said.

New ventilation systems for the Pavilion and the building which houses the pool were part of the major mechanical work. The science lab also will benefit from better ventilation with the installation of new fume hoods.

The new ventilation system in the Pavilion is a diffusing system which has two ducts that go up the ceiling to pull hot air off the roof and distribute it evenly throughout the room, Fritchman said. The old system blew out air so hard that it sometimes affected the play of tennis balls, he said.

The new exhaust system being installed in the building which contains the pool will better ventilate chlorine fumes.

Installation of new exhaust fume hoods is also under way in the chemistry laboratory. "We didn't get some of our mechanical equipment for the exhaust hoods as early as we liked," Fritchman said. He added that completion should occur within a few weeks so classes can begin using the new hoods. The new state-of-the-art hoods will be replacing deteriorating fume hoods that had existed in the lab for years. The old hoods did not adequately ventilate chemicals from the room.

Roofing and painting also brought major changes to buildings on campus. Fritchman said that 40,000 square feet of roofing was done to Bldgs. 3, 8, 12 and 16. A material called hyplon was used in the roofing of these buildings — the same material that is used in making survival rafts, he said. Hyplon is a sensible material to use in a wet climate, he added.

Bldgs. 23 and 26 were completely repainted this summer. The library was repainted last summer.

The installation of brand new double-paned windows throughout all the buildings on the campus is a change students and faculty are noticing right away, Fritchman said. The double-pane windows replace the single-pane windows which did not adequately block out airplane noise. Fritchman said that many people are already commenting on the reduction of airplane noise in the rooms.

The panes in the windows are made of quarter-inch glass and are almost three-quarters of an inch apart from each other, Fritchman said. This not only reduces the noise but also better insulates the room. The new draperies have a vinyl backing and help to soften noise inside the room.

A project of this size requires a lot of help and input from many people, Fritchman said. Vice President Ed Command kept everyone in focus on the project, he said. "Ed Command was the guiding light in this."

He also credits John Watkins, director of purchasing, for handling money matters. Dean of Students Phil Swanberg, Student Activities Coordinator Bruce Mackintosh, Student Activities Assistant Denny Steussy, and Office Assistants Carolyn Johnson and Darlene White provided much advice on architectural design, he said.



Signs like this will soon disappear as the construction on Bldg. 8 concludes.

Photos by
Tony Lieggi

**"This is where we erode their minds."
-- Fritchman on the addition of a new
TV lounge where students can watch MTV.**



Students will soon gain access to a vastly changed Student Center.

Arts and Entertainment

Highline students dance on Coke

Jeffery K. Cosman
Staff Writer

Dance, dance, dance! Tonight the students of Highline Community College can help support the Special Olympics by dancing the night away at Kent Commons.

The dance is sponsored by Coca-Cola USA and is put on by the HCC Events Board. A \$5 ticket will get you in to enjoy music and refreshments.

The idea is to present the atmosphere of a big city night club. Above the floor hangs a 200 square foot video screen which will show music videos of bands like Run DMC, Whitney Houston, and

Genesis. The infamous Max Headroom will also put in appearances throughout the night. The screen is accompanied by a panoramic array of lighting equipment.

Club Coca-Cola is currently touring over 700 campuses throughout the country and anticipates more than 500,000 students to participate. In addition to stopping at campuses, the club will pass through US military bases, conventions and amusement parks. The highlight of the tour will be a three week stop over in Daytona Beach, Florida, over spring break.

1988 marks the 20th birthday of the Special Olympics, a year-round sports training and competition program for Olympic-style events

for the mentally handicapped. The Special Olympics provide an opportunity for the development of physical fitness and the sharing of triumph and joy amongst the competitors and their family and friends. Overall, the Special Olympics allow the competitors to develop a positive self-image.

Over one million mentally retarded children and adults participate in the Special Olympics program. Participants come from 20,000 US communities representing 97 percent of the counties in the US and more than 70 countries. Anyone eight years of age or older who has been diagnosed as having mental retardation is eligible to compete in the Special Olympics.

The Special Olympic competitions are divided into three categories: summer (including aquatics, bowling, and gymnastics); winter (including alpine skiing, figure skating and floor hockey); and demonstration sports (canoeing, cycling and tennis).

In order for the Olympian to be able to participate in these sports, there must be year-round training. Coaches and officials are put in instruction schools and each sport has its own training programs to improve the overall fitness and competence for each sport.

The Special Olympics are unique in that they accommodate athletes at all levels of athletic ability by assigning them to divisions based

upon their previous performances. In this way, it is possible for each athlete to strive for the gold.

The Special Olympics would be nowhere without the 600,000 volunteers who direct the program nationwide. Volunteers include students, members of civic and fraternal groups, amateur and professional athletes, sports officials, coaches, teachers, parents and retired persons. The program has been endorsed by heads of state worldwide, including President Reagan and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

Club Coca-Cola Dance
Kent Commons
525 4th Ave N, Kent
9 pm

Foreign films - more than just sex and sex

Ron Kunst
Staff Writer

I'm hooked—on foreign films! That was my reaction after viewing the first of five films being shown by HCC's Cinema Club this quarter. And the price was right too—only \$1.

Now, I'm not a regular moviegoer and know practically nothing about foreign films, except that they have subtitles. My friend Safar (he's chairman and founder of the club) has been after me for more than a year to come to a foreign film on campus: "Ron—you must come to see these films! There are many foreign films, and these are among the best. These films are classics!"

I wasn't sure what these films would have to offer, but decided to find out. So I went over to the Artist and Lecture Center (Bldg.



7), paid my \$1, and settled down to watch "Two English Girls" directed by Francois Truffaut, a famous French director. Truffaut was also a film critic and teacher. Steven Spielberg studied with him. As I sat there waiting for the film to start, I was surprised to see so few people in the audience—only five.

The one-sentence summary on the yellow flyer titled "European Cinema," which I had picked up in the cafeteria, gave me a clue as to

what the film would be about: "beauty and sadness when two sisters fall in love with the same young man." Hmm—an interesting topic. The film opened with a narrator speaking rapid French, and, as I had expected, there were subtitles. However, reading them wasn't tedious and the film moved along. As it turned out, the film had an interesting plot, beautiful scenery, and a surprising ending.

Safar led the short discussion which followed the film. I found this interesting as it helped me to understand some of the subtle points of the film. Safar pointed out that film—cinema—is an artistic medium which the director uses to express his ideas. The director uses many elements (story, camera shots, scenery, color, lighting) to create an image and leave a message in the viewer's mind. The message from "Two English Girls" was that two cultures, one French and the other English, view love differently. The French view love as daring and romantic; the English see it as restrictive with religious overtones. The entire experience left me wanting to see the other films the Cinema Club will be showing this quarter.

Cine Club's next film "The Green Room," also directed by Truffaut, will be shown on Tuesday, Oct. 11. Cine Club's flyer summarizes the

film this way: it "portrays a WW I vet who believes the dead only survive in the memory of the living and so dedicates his life to mourning them."

Cine Club Schedule - Fall '88	
"The Green Room"	Oct. 11
"The Innocent"	Oct. 18
"Pickpocket"	Nov. 1
"Une Femme Douce"	Nov. 8

All films will be shown on Tuesdays at noon and 7 pm in the Artist and Lecture Center (Bldg. 7).
Highline's Cinema Club gives students, faculty, and the general public the opportunity to view and discuss several European films this quarter at a bargain price. Don't miss this opportunity! For more information contact Dennis Steussy in the Student Activities Office, Bldg. 19-207.

Drop anchor at Dockside

Kalisa Jenne
Guest Columnist

Dockside Fish and Chips is a small, old-fashioned fish bar in the midst of downtown Kirkland. This place packs them in; and, in my friends and my cases, rolls them out.

The place is nothing fancy; six or eight tables, the menu is on the reader board on the wall. But, when it comes to fish and chips, it just doesn't get any better than this, folks.

Owned and operated by Nick Matheow, Dockside boasts a loyal following of regulars. The menu consists of several fresh fish and seafood plates with fries, a salad and a variety of domestic and imported beers. The portions are more than generous and the atmosphere is congenial.

The most popular selection here is, of course, your basic fish and chips. For \$4.95 you get three pieces of the best battered dipped fish you can buy (sorry, Ivar) and a pile of fresh-cut fries. The fries come complete with potato skins intact

and plenty of catsup and tartar sauce. I'm not sure what Nick puts in the fish batter, but from your first bite you'll be addicted.

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Another crowd pleaser is the the Captain's Plate for \$7.95. This platter can easily fill two people, unless they are total gluttons. It includes an assortment of fish, prawns, clam strips, oysters and fries. Everything here is crisp and golden and ready to dive into the tartar sauce and into your mouth.

My personal favorite is the Greek salad. At \$6.95 it may seem a little steep, but it's big enough to split with a friend and still have some left over. The Greek salad is a platter of tomatoes, cucumbers, and Greek olives smothered in feta cheese and a vinaigrette dressing. Split this and an order of fish and chips with a friend, then call it a day.

For those of you on a cholesterol reducing diet, there is poached fish and chips. I've never been tempted to try this one myself, but if you're on a diet and have extraordinary willpower you might give it a go. At \$6.95, it is a little more expensive, but you get fish poached in what I hear is a tasty sauce and the obligatory fries.

Since Dockside opened its doors seven years ago, it has become a popular Eastside haunt. Business booms in the summer, occasionally causing small traffic jams on Lake Street. Now that things have quieted down some, take a drive and check it out.

Dockside Fish And Chips
124 Lake Street South
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Arts and Entertainment

Musician hits 'Big Time' with film release

Tiffiney Stuck
Staff Writer

If you're looking for something out of the ordinary, Tom Waits's "Big Time" is the film to see. It's not just another concert film, it's not going to give you just a story, and it's not going to show you the audience. Instead Waits will masterfully integrate vaudeville style skits, lounge performer humor, as well as his own musical talents into each song.

Waits combines a variety of musical influences such as blues, jazz, rock, and even some subtle Japanese undertones, through the diverse use of such instruments as the drums, bongos, saxophone, accordion and sitar (a Hindu string instrument).

At one point Waits humorously advises the audience to strangle their "little bad days" before they grow into bad years.

The film is also a forum for Waits's philosophical insight. At one point, Waits humorously advises the audience to strangle their "little bad days" before they grow into bad years.

"Big Time," filmed during Waits's 1987 concerts at the Warfield in San Francisco and the Wilmett Theater in Los Angeles, was directed by Chris Blum who is a well known director for TV spots such as Levi Strauss, which he has supervised over the past 17 years.

Blum, a good friend of Waits and collaborator on "Big Time," put a lot of time into preparing for the actual filming in California. He had many in-depth discussions with Waits. He also joined the tour on its stops in New York, Chicago, and Cincinnati in order to visualize how it would best be put together.

The visual effects for "9th and Hennepin" weren't filmed during the concerts because the fire marshalls would not allow Waits to appear underneath a flaming umbrella on stage.



Waits began his career of writing and performing while he was still a Los Angeles teenager living in a car and working as a doorman at a local night spot. He eventually worked his way up, releasing his first album "Closing Time," all about people in the barrooms and

back alleys of American underlife. Waits is now with Island Records.

It's been said that Waits is trying to "bring music and theater back together." He certainly does an excellent job of accomplishing this throughout "Big Time."

Big Time
Metro Cinemas
NE 45th & Roosevelt Way
633-0055

El-Rayo-X gets 'Very Greasy'

Kallen Jenne
A & E Editor

A few months back, a friend of mine kept saying "Well... very, very greasy..." and I had no freaking idea what the hell he was talking about. So one day, being well... very, very drunk I said, "What the hell are you saying?! Are you out of your freaking skull?!!" So he said, "Listen, man, I don't need any of your shit -- sit, listen, be greasy..."

He played an album. This well... very, very strange album. This album sounded like a white guy who never quite learned how to talk emulating reggae. Knowing,



Very Greasy
David Lindley & El-Rayo-X
Elektra Records #60768-1

of course, that all white people were destined to fail at making decent reggae music I immediately proceeded to get more intoxicated.

I must say that I genuinely enjoyed that album, and I had my

sights set on being miserable. You see, this album is contagious. Contagiously cheerful, that is.

Now you might remember a song called "Mercury Blues" from a few years back. That is one side of El-Rayo-X, and this is another. This reggae-oriented side is, in a word, uppity. You cannot help but tap your feet or even (...say it ain't so...) dance to the music.

People who never had any desire to have fun might be busy being up, when they would otherwise be having a depressingly bad time. I have a strong suspicion that even George Bush would have fun, despite what his aides might have you believe, if someone turned on El-Rayo-X's "Very Greasy."

So you ask "Why should I buy this album if it's going to make me happy?" The reason should be quite obvious from the back of the cover - it is produced by Linda Rondstadt. As if that isn't reason enough, song titles like "Papa Was a Rollin' Stone," "Texas Tango," and "Talkin' to the Wino Too" should give you the impression that this album is worth owning.

But wait, that's not all you get. You will also receive one of the most depressingly jubilant songs recorded, "Do You Wanna Dance?" And they even throw in some very interesting sounds on a track called "Tiki Torches at Twilight," in which Lindley asks us to "get normal at the luau."

But, I digress. Back to the aforementioned "Well... very, very greasy..." The second side contains a song called "Werewolves of London." Intermixed between a talent-laden guitar line and expertly applied lyrics like "Little old lady got mutilated late last night -- werewolves again," there is a bit of there about Jack Nicholson, polyester suits, ethnic drinks and hair being -- "Well... very, very greasy..."

So, if you value your depression as I do, don't buy this album. I made that fateful mistake and I can't refrain from giving myself happiness treatments.

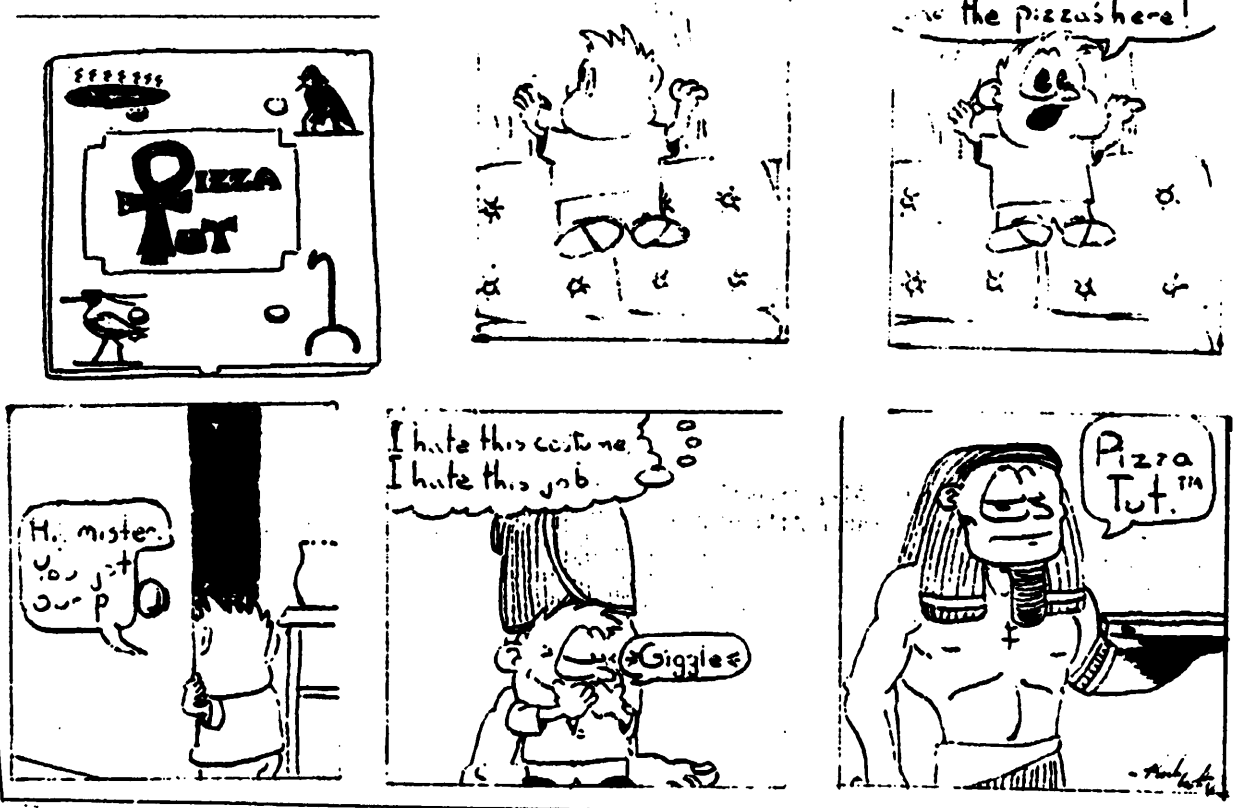
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Sports

Spikers look to repeat championship Season.

Michael Morelock
Staff Writer

According to John Littleman, the best-kept secret at Highline Community College is our women's volleyball team. "We have the number one volleyball program in the conference, yet the student body rarely hears about it until our season is over," he claims.

"By then, it's too late to see these girls in action!"

The Thunderbird volleyball program has been number one in the conference four of the last five years, and they're looking to repeat this year. The squad of nine women has only two returning players, which makes the job that much tougher; but coach Littleman says the team is up to it.

"This team is getting very disciplined, and has good ball control, so we have a good chance."

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The Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges extends throughout Washington and into Oregon. Highline's toughest rival in the conference is Spokane Community College. Along with having a fine coaching staff and lots of returning players, their recruiting job is made easier because Spokane's is the only community college in

the area. Coach Littleman must compete with 15 other schools in the Puget Sound area to get his talented players.

In the past, Highline squads have consistently beaten Spokane. This year in a pre-season tourney on Highline's home court, however, Highline came in third behind Spokane. Skagit Valley Community College, the team Highline beat in last year's conference championship match, came in second.

In the regular season, the team has split games with Green River

Community College, beaten Everett, and won against Edmonds by default, giving the Thunderbird's a 3-1 record. Last season they were 10-2 in the regular season and went on to win first in the championship tourney with

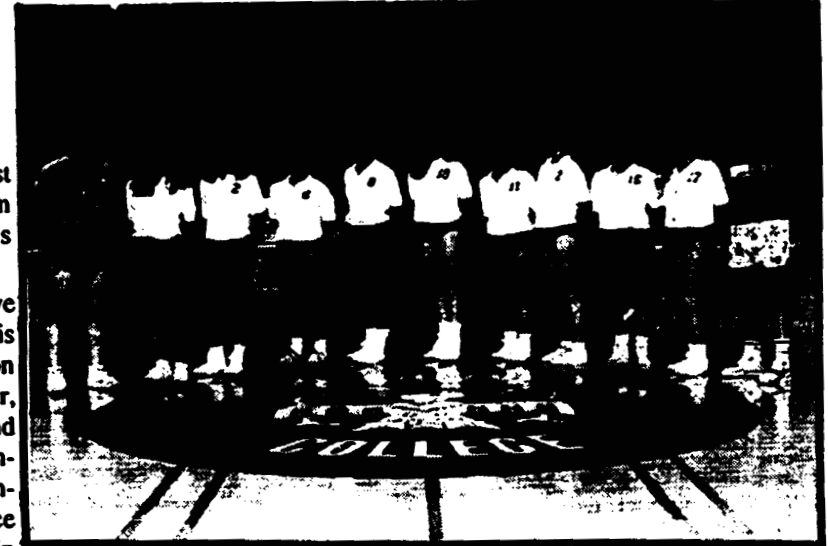


Photo by Ray David

The 1988 womens Volleyball team is looking forward .

a 5-1 showing.

The home season started early, and ends soon this year. If you are going to catch the best-kept secret on campus, you'd better hurry!

Women's Volleyball Schedule

Fri. 10/7 5:00 pm tourney *
Sat. 10/8 8:00 am tourney *
Wed. 10/12 7:00 pm Bellevue *
Fri. 10/14 7:00 pm Olympic *
Mon. 10/17 7:00 pm at Skagit
Wed. 10/19 7:00 pm Everett *

Bad breaks cost soccer victory

Jeffery K. Cosman
Staff Writer

The Highline men's soccer team is filled with optimism, starting fresh with a new team and coach.

Highline starts its second year of soccer with new 27-year-old coach Don Carmel.

Highline started the season by playing Edmonds Community College to a 0-0 tie, losing to Skagit Valley 2-1, and most recently played Pierce College Saturday October 1, and lost 0-1. So far for the season no wins, two losses, and one tie.

This year the team is younger and inexperienced. Of the 22 players on this year's squad only two represent game experience. Sophomores Chris Berge and Shawn Christensen, feel optimistic about the upcoming season.

"I think we're going to do well even though we're on a slow start. We have to get used to playing with each other," Chris Berge said.



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Billy hangs his head after a 0-0 tie with Edmonds .

Christensen also feels confident in himself.

"I feel like I'm in more control this year. I think I got caught up in the excitement," Christensen said.

Because the team is young, Carmel has yet to settle with a starting rotation. The players don't know who will start until the game begins, and even then

that guarantees nothing for the next game.

"I decide who starts by who busts their butt off in practice. You win your games at practice," Coach Carmel said.

Because Highline walked away with the Conference Championship last year, a number of teams will be coming after them for revenge. Last season they upset Bellevue, Pierce and Tacoma

colleges. Skagit Valley will be tough because Highline has yet to defeat them but always gives them a good fight. Carmel feels this will put more competition in the schedule.

Like Christensen, Carmel also is optimistic about this year's season. He feels that if he can get the players to feel more confidence in themselves, they have the capability of repeating last year's season. But the confidence has to come first.

"Each player has something they need to work on, either it be passing, dribbling or kicking the ball accurately," Carmel said.



Photo by Tony Leggett

Head soccer coach Don Carmel hopes to improve on his 0-2-1 start.

Carmel feels once his players master the basics the confidence will follow. He adds, some of these players have the capability of playing on some good four-year colleges.

Carmel also believes a big factor in winning games is to have spectators, vocal spectators.

"The guys need to play for the fans, they can't play for themselves, whether it be faculty, students, friends or family. And the best part is, there is no admission," Carmel said.

This year's schedule is the same as last year. Highline soccer plays North Conference teams which include Edmonds, Skagit Valley, Bellevue and Shoreline twice. They also play Pierce, Lower Columbia, South Puget Sound, Green River, Spokane and Tacoma community colleges once.

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Sports

T-Bird Runners smokeleague rivals

Steve McClure
Staff Writer

Highline Thunderbird runners captured seven of the top 10 places last Saturday at the Clackamas Invitational in Clackamas, Oregon.

Brett Goller led a pack of birds, crossing the line first with a time of 26 minutes 47 seconds. Chris Helm and Lauren Hawkins finished the five-mile course 30 seconds later with times of 27 minutes 16 seconds and 27 minutes 17 seconds respectively. Mark Leonard finished fifth with an unofficial time of 27 minutes and 22 seconds while Tony DeAugustine, Nick Burger and Terry Cushman filled in the next three places in 27.50, 27.55 and 28.0 minutes respectively.

The course itself was fairly flat, according to Coach Ben Welch, with one gradual hill after the three mile mark. The terrain

was the least of his worries, however, as the temperatures climbed into the 80's and hit the runners in the face as they concluded their three hour drive.

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Welch was pleased overall with his team's performance, pointing out the top runners stayed in a pack from the start of the race; he also commented on the results of Chris Helm and Mark Leonard, both of whom made large steps up. Highline won the team trophy, finishing 70 points ahead of second-place Bellevue Community College.

The going wasn't so easy at the Emerald City Invitational, September 18, as the T-Birds found themselves running against teams from Washington State, Oregon, Washington, Pacific Lutheran university's and others from the Northwest. Highline was the only community college invited to this year's top cross country event in the Northwest.

Lauren Hawkins was the top finisher, crossing the line in 26 minutes 06 seconds. Fellow T-Birds Ed Glass, Chris Helm, Spike English, Rod Meeker and Carl Buena finished back in the pack.

Welch was "pretty happy" with his teams effort but he also pointed out that there are "some things we are going to change." Welch had told his runners to start out slow and then work their way up, but he "would have liked to see them go out a little quicker," Welch stated.

Earlier in September the team



Photo by Tony Lieggi

The 1988 cross country team (not pictured is Brett Goller).

"I would like to see them go out a little quicker."

traveled to Portland, Oregon, to participate in the Pier Park Invitational and came out of it with a fourth place finish in the team standings. Brett Goller was the top Highline finisher, placing 16th with a time of 24 minutes 34 seconds. Lauren Hawkins finished 23rd, 19 seconds behind

Goller. Rod Meeker and Chris Helm came in 27th and 28th with times of 24.54 and 25.06 respectively.

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Skagit Valley
at Mt. Vernon



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Runners for cross country team tune up for some stiff competition in the Emerald City invitational.

Runners believe in new head coach

Gary D. Peterson
Sports Editor

What do you do if you have a degree in jewelry and metal-smithing? If you're Ben Welch, you become the new head coach for Highline's cross country team.

Coach Welch, an Alaskan native, graduated from high school in Wasilla, Alaska, as state cross country champion and returned to the lower 48 to attend Highline's cross-state rival Spokane Community College.

In 1981-82 he ran cross country for Spokane Community College, finishing as runnerup in his freshman year and winning it all in his sophomore year.

Welch received his AA degree from Spokane and decided to attend the University of Kansas where he received his fine arts degree in jewelry and metal-smithing. Due to foot injuries at Kansas, Welch abandoned competitive running completely to ensure his health.

"I was really starting to go crazy without being able to run even for fun. The head coach at Kansas needed an assistant coach. So I thought, if I can't run even for fun then I might as well coach cross country to satisfy my needs of not totally withdrawing myself from the sport of running," Ben Welch said.

Welch was an assistant at Kansas for one year when he was itching to get away from the flat mid-western life.

"Coaching at Division I level there was more politics than I cared for. The money is better than coaching at the junior college level but with less headaches," Coach Welch said.

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Every coach has his or her own way of teaching and motivating their athletes to perform under any adversity or obstacle in any sport and Coach Welch is no exception.

"I think cross country is one of the toughest sports to teach because of the amount of running involved.

The athlete has to be more dedicated to run farther and not to push hard. I don't like to see anyone quit and having a good attitude is an advantage in any sport," Coach Welch said.

Coach Welch on teaching and motivating his athletes

"If I can keep my athletes in school and attend class that's a victory in itself, because without academics there is no athletics at the competitive level. Some I pat on the back, others on the butt.

"I think incentives are an integral part of coaching. I will do pushups to encourage better times or distance from any of my athletes. Just last week nine runners improved times and distance so I did 90 pushups. I see pain on their faces; then the incentive is to meet my demands to see the pain on my face," Coach Welch said.

The official start for Highline's cross country team was August 27, but, with Mike White's departure a void of having to hire a new head coach and fast.

"Our first practice was disorientated and it wasn't until September 10. They (runners) didn't know who I was and I didn't know they were either. It was just a matter of time before it kicked in of us communicating to each other. All I knew was Highline had an outstanding cross country program, and I was eager to start," Welch said.

With Coach Welch's background, he should be able to take the 'precious metal' of our cross-country team and turn it into a 24k masterpiece.

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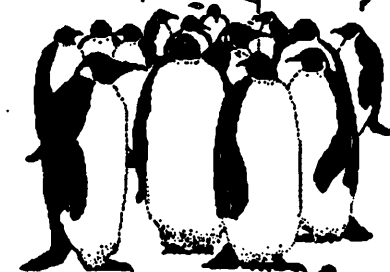
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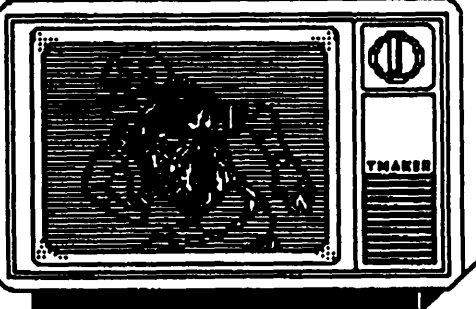
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