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Davidson Dodd warns American leaders: "Stop standing in Jello"

Rob Abloff
Staff Writer

"A leader without a moral position is not standing on solid ground but in Jello." So says Davidson Dodd, HCC political science instructor who will be lecturing Nov. 2 at the Artists-Lecture Center, Bldg. 7.

His topic concerns the 'Choosing of a President: Does Character Count?' It is being presented as part of the Honors Colloquy series being held every Wednesday at noon and will be open to the public.

Dodd, who has been teaching at HCC for more than 18 years and supervising the Legal Assistance Program since 1979, admits he is not the world's greatest lecturer. "If I have any forte as a teacher it is to generate discussion. If asked a point-blank question I will more than likely give a straightforward answer. I feel I am here to assist students in learning to grow and examine their beliefs."

Dodd has a masters degree from the University of Southern California in international relations and will be discussing mainly how the character issue relates to foreign policy. "Why the character question is so important to foreign policy is because that is an area where the president has so much power. And our check on foreign policy is always after the fact." He agrees it is up to the Congress to declare war and the president must get the money from Congress to wage war, but in recent years the president has found ways around that. The problem as Dodd sees it is that our American presidential leadership has had an amoral attitude regarding foreign policy since World War II. He attributes this attitude to two things: our perception that communism poses a threat to our national security and that because of this threat we must act on and react to the amoral and immoral actions of the Soviet Union. In other words, to save ourselves we must stoop to their level of behavior.

This, says Dodd, leads to a Machiavellian concept of leadership. In his book "The Prince" Machiavelli tells the prince there are times when the ends justify the means and that in order to be effective a leader must hold himself to a different moral standard than that of the ordinary citizen. Dodd says "This is a concept I find unacceptable. I've never understood what that different standard of morality might be. If I, as a leader, am fighting communism by killing women and children, if I have the CIA assassinate somebody or I attempt to assassinate someone by bombing, I should have to ask myself 'what are the consequences of this conduct for my own moral position? I think, for the most part our leaders don't do this. They tend to gloss it over with a campaign misinformation and then go through a process of denial to see themselves as good guys.'

Dodd says he has no problem with American leaders who sincerely believe the communists pose to us a mortal threat and that we



Davidson Dodd will lecture Nov. 2nd. Photo by Gene Jones

must sometimes commit immoral acts to insure our survival. He says, "as long as they state their position clearly and not camouflaged, and they can honestly say they have weighed the moral consequences of any action they might take. From there you can agree or disagree with their position, but at the least you would know what their position was."

There will be time after Dodd's lecture for questions.

Last Week the Honors Colloquy featured Andrea Riniker, director of the Port of Seattle's aviation division, with a speech entitled "Come fly with me."

This Wednesday, Slade Gorton and Mike Lowry are scheduled to debate in the HCC lecture center. As of press time, Honors Program Advisor Joan Fedor was unsure whether the senatorial candidates would make it. "We're still waiting to hear from them," said Fedor.

Former security guard holds protest against HCC

Tiffney Stuck
Staff Writer

Al Brown is engaged in a peaceful protest against the administration of Highline Community College. Brown, who worked as a security officer for three years and four months, has been standing on the corner of 240th and Pacific Highway South handing students a letter announcing his grievances against his former employer.

Brown's dispute is in response to being denied Labor and Industry (L&I) benefits while still at HCC for what he feels is a job-related injury to his feet. It is also in response to unemployment benefits which were denied him after he resigned. Brown stated in his letter: "When I could not get treatment for my feet..." because of being denied L&I benefits, "I handed in my letter of resignation..." He then went on to say, "...they (HCC) will not even allow me unemployment benefits..."

According to sources at the Auburn Department of Unemployment, the employer is not the one who decides to award unemployment benefits. To be eligible for these benefits, the employee must either have been fired or given an

ultimatum of being fired or resigning. Neither of these applied in Brown's case.

When Highline received the unemployment paperwork the college challenged the claim, not only because Brown voluntarily resigned but also because, according to Ed Command, HCC vice president, "We (HCC) challenge all unemployment claims, unless we had fired the person outright." He went on to say, "We feel it is part of our responsibility to make sure no one gets benefits they're not entitled to."

A hearing was arranged to decide whether Brown qualified for unemployment benefits; the judge found he did not.

Brown said a review of the hearing is presently being conducted. He feels he was "denied fair representation" at the first hearing. Brown went on to say he wanted to subpoena a number of people, but the judge concluded that too many people would miss work.

Brown's claim to L&I was also denied on the basis that it was "not the result of an industry injury accident." According to Bob Bleek, an L&I field services manager, an industry injury accident is a "sudden traumatic accident that can be identified by a specific time,

place, and event." Since Brown's condition is one which occurred over a period of time, it would not fall into the definition, as given by L&I.

Brown began having problems with his feet while employed at HCC. Eventually he was experiencing such pain that he went to see a podiatrist, Dr. Jeffrey J. Trantalis.

After examining Brown's feet, Trantalis accessed the problem as Plantar Fantisiis, the inflammation of the plantar fascia ligament. This is caused by the ligament becoming stretched, strained or in some cases torn. According to Dr. Trantalis this is an "overuse problem which doesn't stem from a specific traumatic episode. It develops over a period of time."

Once Trantalis concluded the injury was work related, he gave Brown a Report of Accident form to fill out. This is the form an employee fills out when filing a workers' compensation claim with the Department of Labor and Industries.

Trantalis filled out the doctor's portion of the form and sent it to L&I, stating that he "did feel it was a work related accident." L&I then forwarded the claim to the college. When Highline received the claim the college challenged it because,

"We did not feel the injury was related to work," Command said.

Jack Chapman, campus security chief, first became aware of Brown's foot problem when Brown documented it in a security officer log. According to Chapman, Brown "never filled out an accident claim at the college" before he resigned his position at HCC on April 29, 1988.

Bleek stated that it doesn't matter whether the employer agrees that it is a valid claim or not. In either case L&I looks at the information given by the employee, the employer, and the doctor. They then make a decision to grant or deny the employee's benefits.

Brown is currently in the process of appealing the denial of L&I benefits. According to Bleek everyone has the right to appeal. If Brown is successful in overturning the original decision, Highline can then appeal the new one.

Both Chapman and Command say the conflict with Brown started in the Spring of 1987. They both agree that it was because he was unhappy with his work schedule.

Brown claims it started when a report on a male prowler, filled out by another security officer, was sent up to Command for review. Brown filed a second report, at a later date, on the same male

prowler. Brown asked Chapman why the second report wasn't also sent to Command for review. Brown thinks Chapman felt he was "questioning his authority."

Chapman states that he sometimes felt Brown questioned his authority. Chapman pointed out that the number of Brown's absences from work almost doubled in a period of five months. Brown attributed the absences to his iritis, which he states is "a serious eye condition demanding emergency attention when it flares up."

According to Jodi Reid, an apprentice optician, iritis is an "inflammation of the iris caused by trauma," and would demand emergency attention only "if a blunt object" came in contact with the eye.

Reid gave the example of having a pin poking the eye as something demanding emergency attention. She also stated that if there was a recurring problem, the patient would be given an ointment or drop formula prescription. Brown's claim that "the college administration denied me L&I and unemployment benefits..." has been shown not to be true; however Brown is planning to continue his protest in addition to working at the swap meet and caring for his children.

News

Back to school -- returning students aren't Rodney Dangerfields



Photo by Anthony Lieggi

Veteran student Ron Kunst baffles an instructor during a class discussion.

Shannon Smith
Staff Writer

There was a time when the average college student was a cherub-faced 18-year-old fresh out of high school. No longer.

Highline Community College, as well as most colleges and universities around the country, has shown substantial increases in older students returning to formal education after long absences.

The median age of students attending HCC during spring quarter of 1988 was 28.4. From a total student population of 8000, nearly one fourth were in the 30-to-39 age group.

What is compelling them to return?

The trend can be attributed to a changing society, one which promotes a stronger need and desire for upper level education.

Women are entering the work force in record proportions. Many are single parents requiring improved job skills to support their families. Nancy Allen, program assistant for the Womens' Center on Highline's campus, says the

majority of women who use her services are in a transitional phase in their lives.

"Single women are suddenly finding themselves in a need to feed their families," she says.

Lynde Baron, a freshman on campus, wanted to return to college for eight years. Caring for two small children and working part time, she feels fortunate to be pursuing her degree in nursing. "Although it seems impossible at times to find time to study while balancing family responsibilities, I know it will be worth the sacrifice," she said.

Career advancement is a major factor in increased enrollment. Many companies such as Boeing and Weyerhaeuser offer incentives for those eager to take the plunge into college life in order to advance their careers. These companies reimburse up to 80% of tuition if classes are related to the employee's job.

John MacElroy, night student, thinks Boeing used good management sense with this program. "It enables enthusiastic employees a chance to enhance skills while

Stocks, assistant manager of the tax department explains the program is mutually beneficial.

"Weyerhaeuser's tuition reimbursement policy encourages all employees to continue their education. This opportunity both increases the employees short-term and long-term value to the company but also provides the employees a method of increasing job satisfaction," he says.

There are those returning students who do not worry about job promotions or obtaining a degree. They are here simply to explore a new interest or gain knowledge about a familiar one. Nancy Olsen, a 51-year-old retired homemaker, enjoys the experience of a new challenge.

"I'm studying only the subjects that interest me, I'm making learning my new hobby."

These returning older students say that along with age comes wisdom. What they forget to mention is the added responsibilities that are also a part of growing older. Finding the time and energy to juggle everything from mid-terms to the P.T.A. meeting, which

Ron Kunst, a former junior high teacher, has attended Highline for years. He offered some advice for the returning student. "You must be willing to take advantage of the programs on campus that are available. You have to seek them out; they won't find you."

There are several programs on the Highline campus that are designed to help ease students back

into college, including financial aid and study programs.

can make even the most conscientious student weary.

"I can remember reading Plato while sitting at stoplights on the way to my son's soccer game," commented Doug Jones, night student.

With more demand on limited time these students adapt to studying any time, any place.

Melting pot pours on HCC

Sally Gregory
Senior Writer

HCC's Multi-Cultural Center has been in existence for 15 years now, and although its activities are numerous and diverse, the overall purpose is a simple one. "We try to provide supplementary services for students of color," said Mary Odem, director of Multi-Cultural Student Services.

The Multi-Cultural Center serves Blacks, Hispanics, Asian-Americans and American Indians, which are the groups the state identifies as ethnic minorities. Economically disadvantaged white students may receive assistance from the Center as well.

Perhaps it is in the social area that most students around campus will see the Multi-Cultural Center in action since the Center is advisor to ethnic service groups. "We have gone with those students who have shown the most interest in club activity," explained Odem, adding

that some groups show more interest than others.

The Black Student Union and MECHA, a club for Hispanic students are two active clubs. A club for American Indians also exists on campus, and although Asian-Americans have yet to organize a club, the opportunity is there for them to start a club anytime they wish, Odem said.

Students who use the Center will also benefit from advice on academic and personal matters. Answers may be sought on such questions as child care programs, financial aid or time management, Odem said.

Odem, who has been director since last fall, said there is a definite need for such a multi-cultural service. "You have to experience racism to know what it feels like," she said. "You feel like you're in the spotlight."

The Multi-Cultural Center helps to remove barriers for ethnic students, Odem said. "We attempt to create an environment that is comfortable to students."

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Join the Highline College Events Board



Applications for the following chairperson positions for 1988-1989 are available in the Student Activities Office, Building 19, Room 207.

Campus Programs/Films,
Performing Arts,
Lectures,
Literature and Fine Arts
Recreation

Pay: \$4.00 to \$4.25 hour for 12 or 19 hours per week for Fall, Winter and Spring Quarters, 1988-89.

Lightning Bolts

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

The Data Processing Management Association (DPMA) will be holding its third meeting on Thursday, November 17, at noon

in Bldg. 21, Room 106. Meetings are open to any student who is carrying a minimum of 10 credit hours in a computer-related program.

Give 'till it hurts! The All-Campus Blood Drive will be taking place on Oct. 24 and 25 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., and from 1:15 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the plaza near Bldg. 8.

Free Halloween Face Painting

October 31, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., H.C.C. Bookstore.

Free Brown Bag Series: Members of the League of Women Voters will be leading a discussion on state, county, and local ballot issues in the November 8 election.

Halloween Videos -- Bldg. 7 Tuesday 10/25 -- The Lost Boys 9:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, 6:30 p.m.; Friday 10/28 -- Creepshow 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

Crimes & Times

10-7-88 222nd block of Pacific Hwy. S. armed robbery and stabbing.	10-12-88 218th Block of 31st. S. Kidnapping mother had two year old daughter taken from her residence in S. Bend by grandfather.
10-7-88 228th Block of 30th S. Assault - hands and fists.	10-13-88 222nd Pacific Hwy. S. Rainier Mart Fraud.
10-7-88 234th Block of 16th Place S. Forced burglary.	10-14-88 23021 Pacific Hwy. S. Motor Vehicle theft.
10-8-88 233rd Block of 20th S. Assault -- hands and fist.	10-15-88 216th block of 27th S. Armed robbery of motel tenant.
10-6-88 242nd block of 13th S. suspicious person.	10-16-88 228th Block of 30th S. Assault -- Stabbing.
10-7-88 230th Block of 25th S. Illegal discharge of firearm.	10-10-88 800 S. Block on 226th attempted rape.

Compiled by Maggie Simons

News

Come rain or shine, grounds crew cleans up in time

Gary Peterson
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"We have one of the best looking campuses for community colleges in the state," said Stan Shaw. Of course Shaw has a bias because he is the supervisor of building and grounds crew maintenance.

The grounds crew consists of three full-time and occasionally two part-time employees. David Klemestud, William Smith and Jerry Gefferey are the full-time employees. The budget allows for four full-timers.

"I have been here for five years and we have never had four full-timers on campus. When we hire part-time help we usually spend

more time training than working," Klemestud said.

Grounds crew duties are more than mowing lawns and raking leaves. They do construction on the grounds, such as the work being done in front of the cafeteria and draining sewers on campus.

Of the 80 acres surrounding Highline campus (campus consists of everything to 20th Avenue South) which is owned by the Department of Natural Resources 40-50 acres is developed. Before the campus gets too big they must purchase a riding lawn mower to eliminate noise and the work force.

There are usually two or more mowing the lawn.

"We reached an agreement with the Dean of Instruction of doing

various jobs on campus, and we usually wait until Thursday afternoon or all day Friday to get them done. Even if it's raining on Thursday or Friday we still have to mow the lawn because we can't let it go two weeks without mowing; it doesn't look presentable," Klemestud said.

"Even with our schedule we still get instructors coming out and saying, 'Can you do something else?'" Shaw said.

Shaw emphasized that the ground crew cares not only about the campus but also the people who attend college here.

With the new windows installed over the summer to eliminate jet noise, noise from mowing the lawn should also be eliminated.



Photo by Gary D. Peterson

Don McLaughlin helps out with the grounds crew.

Highline's new AIDS policy

Highline Community College places a high priority on the health, safety, and welfare of its students, faculty, and staff. In order to prevent the spread of serious communicable diseases, especially Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) and AIDS Related Complex (ARC) caused by human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), it is important that everyone understands the nature of AIDS by having an opportunity to share current, complete, and accurate information on the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of this deadly virus. This information will be

based on acknowledged scientific and ethical foundations.

Extensive medical research indicates that AIDS is not transmitted casually but requires intimate sexual contact, exposure to contaminated needles, body fluids, blood, or blood products. Therefore, in the distribution of educational information or in the discussion of AIDS, the College will actively seek to provide, on a regular basis, timely information handled in such a way as to show sensitivity and responsibility in order to dispel fear and prejudice.

The rights, privileges, and confidentiality of individuals with confirmed exposure to the AIDS virus shall be based on applicable state and federal regulations and laws and College policy which guarantees freedom from discrimination and harassment.

Campus-wide education and information will be under the direction of a representative College committee chaired by the Dean of Students. The committee will recommend, evaluate, and procure educational material and will interact with the College community by way of various councils, Senate, com-

Highline adopts new AIDS Policy protecting victims

Jay Irwin
Senior Writer

A policy on Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) is being put into effect this year at Highline Community College. The policy will mainly deal with two aspects of the disease — confidentiality of the victims and the education of the public.

Those people who have AIDS will be protected in that they cannot be discriminated against or harassed because of the disease. This is possible not only because it is unlawful to discriminate against anyone because they have AIDS but because those who have AIDS cannot be forced to disclose that they have the disease.

According to the laws of the State of Washington, "No person may disclose or be compelled to disclose the identity of any person who has investigated, considered, or requested a test or treatment for a sexually transmitted disease..."

Secondly, the policy directs the college to hold informational

seminars which will dispel some of the myths about AIDS: AIDS can be transmitted through casual contact; AIDS is primarily a homosexual disease; AIDS can be contracted by donating blood.

According to the policy, "Extensive medical research indicates that AIDS is not transmitted casually but requires intimate sexual contact, exposure to needles, body fluids, blood or blood products."

The Highline policy was brought about because of the state law concerning AIDS, as well as the fact that the State Board of Community Colleges is encouraging all state institutions to educate the public.

"...This is one of the major issues facing us today, and hopefully we can inform people and stop the spread of this disease," said Stan Swanburg, Dean of Students.

Along with Swanburg, Irene Lewsley, chair for health and P.E. Division, and Mary Lou Holland, coordinator of Health Services, also were on the committee which wrote the policy. For further information on the policy, contact Swanburg, Ext. 351; Lewsley, Ext. 474; or Holland, Ext. 258.

Colleges to measure AIDS rates Highline not participating

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Mary Lou Holland, A.R.N.P., the nurse on Highline Community College's campus, says The American College Health Association (ACHA) will be conducting a year-long national study to measure the number of students with HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) the cause behind AIDS and ARC (AIDS-Related Complex) on college campuses across the United States.

HCC is not taking part in this study which will consist of blood drawn randomly from students who have taken other tests on various college campuses. The test involves taking a small sample of the student's blood left over from other routine clinical tests, putting it in a small tub, and sending it to the study.

As stated in *Action*, the American Health Association's News Letter (May/June 1988), "All identifying information will be removed from the samples before they are sent to an independent laboratory for testing."

There will be about 20 colleges participating in the study. The testing will start this spring and will end next fall.

Holland, president-elect for the Pacific Coast College Health

Association, feels very strongly about students' rights and keeping the identity of students who may be HIV positive unknown. She said that she knew of no one on the HCC campus with HIV; even if she did she would not divulge names.

Holland wants students to know she can order an outside laboratory to do an AIDS antibody test on anyone upon request in "strict confidentiality."

She stressed that the "AIDS virus is rather hard to get; it's a very fragile virus." She also said the AIDS virus is transmitted by certain high-risk behavior, regardless of sexual orientation.

The medical profession now understands that the HIV is the cause behind AIDS and ARC and strongly feels that people should be more aware of the HIV virus and not so focused on AIDS. According to *Action*, the reason behind this is that HIV can lead to ARC which can lead to AIDS or to other illnesses, resulting in death.

The Surgeon General sent a pamphlet throughout the country which stresses, "No matter what you have heard, the AIDS virus is hard to get and is easily avoided."

You won't get AIDS through everyday contact; you won't get AIDS from mosquito bites; you won't get AIDS from saliva, sweat, tears, urine or bowel movements; you

won't get AIDS from a kiss; you won't get AIDS from clothing, the telephone or from a toilet seat. The pamphlet says, "You won't just catch AIDS like a cold or flu because the virus is a different type."

You can't tell a person has AIDS just by looking at him. Thus, the pamphlet encourages people to make wise decisions whenever there's an exchange of blood, semen or vaginal fluids which can spread the virus and place a person at risk.

What makes this virus more difficult to deal with than other viruses? It's so deadly. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services stated that, "As of June 6, 1988, 64,506 U.S. AIDS cases had been reported, with 36,255 known deaths." According to the Public Health Service 1.0-1.5 million Americans are infected with HIV. "Many, even if they now seem perfectly healthy, may eventually develop AIDS or serious AIDS-related illnesses."

The Public Health Services reports "By the end of 1992, 365,000 cumulative AIDS cases will have occurred in the U.S. and 263,000 Americans will have died of the disease."

The Toll-Free National AIDS Hotline (1-800-342-AIDS) operates 24 hours a day.

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Pitch it in !

In nature all is in balance. Waste produced by one organism is linked in the food chain and becomes a food source for others. Man consumes vast amounts

We are all familiar with the contents of our garbage cans...Or are we? When driving down the highways one can see enough trash to fill countless cans with truck loads of trash. In the State of Washington 29.2 million tons of waste per year is the result of commercial and individual sources. That is 46 pounds per person per day.

Imagine storing 46 pounds of waste per person per day in your backyard. The problem faced by us today is alarming, but who really cares anyway? The State Highway Department will pick up that trash along the highway. We are providing job opportunities. How often have you traveled by only to see the recycling bags full to the brim hung on the roadside post? Then seen more bags piled beside it and fresh scattered trash littering the area a few hours after the clean-up efforts?

Perhaps the individual piles of trash a person produces doesn't compare with that from the sewage treatment plants, with industrial and hazardous wastes, agricultural and mining waste and especially hospital waste. Think about that crunched old car left to rust away in the empty lot. Or that cigarette butt you flipped out the car window. Or candy wrapper you tossed on the ground. What about that state law that says every car must have a trash bag? Who uses them? Are you using them?

We as consumers can make our feelings known; discounts make a difference. When recycleable products come on the market buy them, encourage others to buy them too. Let manufacturers know you are willing to buy products made from recycled materials. Don't throw products into the trash when they still have a useful life "just because it's last years model." Support recycling projects and centers as much as possible. Most important let your voice be heard in state and local government. Political choices can be made that make a difference.

Politicians want to please the citizens, especially in an election year. Encourage them to pass good laws in support of resource recovery programs, tax credits for those who do successfully recycle, direct subsidies, regulations and price support. Support programs that make it clear to the individual, family or community the nation wide benefits that can or will affect us if we consolidate our efforts to organize and follow through in a variety of recycle efforts that can make a difference here in Washington or in Washington, D.C..

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Take a byte of knowledge

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Guest Columnist



Submitted for your approval, one computer enthusiast, searching for a way to share some knowledge and to help as many people with the mysterious world of computers.

His background consists of eight years in the computer field, having had seven titles at Green River Community College from Lab Aid for Apple, IBM, System 36 and Engineering Computers to Corvus Network Technician, Student Instructor and Tutor.

This first column is geared toward those of you who either have not taken any computer classes at all or those of you who feel you really do not need to take a computer class. Well, providing that the world still continues to exist for the rest of this century and into the next, I would like to take this time to encourage all of you to take at least two computer oriented classes while you are here at Highline - classes such as 'Survey of Computers' and some other software or hardware based class. Why? Every business either uses or interacts with

computers in some way, and it would be a great benefit to you to have a feel for computers and to know how software and hardware mesh together.

I also advocate the learning of as many machines and brands of software as possible, the reason being that limited or no knowledge will hinder your being hired at some point. Too many people eventually find themselves in a rut of limited knowledge with computers, and when the time comes for career change or job change, what happens? You don't know the equipment at all or you have to train long extra hours to learn the new system.

The more you know about computers and how to use them or at least more so than others in your work place, the more you will become a valued, appreciated and important person, thus aiding in possible promotions and some extra self esteem.

For those of you who are seriously interested in the computer industry, there are more than 25 companies located in the Bellevue to Redmond/Kirkland and Tacoma areas, ranging from computer games and accounting systems to micro/mini computer peripheral design/manufactures and networking. Here are the top six, respectively: Nintendo, Microsoft,

Boeing Computer Services, Weyerhaeuser Info Systems, Aldus Corp and Microrim Inc.

Snohomish County is thinking of developing a high-tech industrial city to be located just north of Edmonds. An estimated 24,000 residents and scores of businesses and industries are potentially to be located in the new city called Highland Bay. Already interested in establishing a division there are Honeywell Corp, Sanken U.S.A., a computer disk manufacturer, a new Boeing 747/767 plant, and Bucher Aerospace of Switzerland. The openings and potential for those of you who know computers, engineering and those of you who are business majors could virtually be endless.

Current events: Boeing Employees' Computing Society Fair, Oct. 23, 10am to 5pm at Boeing plant #2, 7755 E. Marginal Way S. Admission and parking are free.

Your journey into the future with computers has just begun, so make use of whatever advanced technology is available. And remember: 'Seek not to always know all the answers, but to know where to find them.'

End of Transmission.

Next issue: Buying the right machine for you.

Who's in charge here?

Mary Lou Holland
Guest Columnist



Are you in charge of your life or are you your own worst enemy? Very few of

us are so singular in purpose that we do only perfect things in our life. We are generally multi-dimensional; that is, we are son/daughter, student, parent, friend, etc. We are just normal human beings who daily go about our business and try to muddle through life the best we can. But is there more to life? You bet! Life is not a dress rehearsal. If we make a big mistake we can't always do the scene again. Life is "show time," "the real thing." Now that we have established some reality, the next question may well be, what then do I need to do while I'm on this spaceship earth to be healthy, productive and live happily ever after? Maybe someday I can have a good job, a nice big house, a Porsche, self-respect, friends, a spouse, family and a big brown dog. Well, just in case you haven't given a serious thought to any of this in the past few days, let me give you some things to consider.

If you should "let the bed bugs bite," or "die before you wake," would you feel that it's all been worthwhile? Choose "A" or "B".....

A. GOOD NEWS - 'You just won the \$6 million lottery.

BAD NEWS - Your health is very poor; you will spend your last days on earth hooked up to an oxygen tank with an incurable disease.

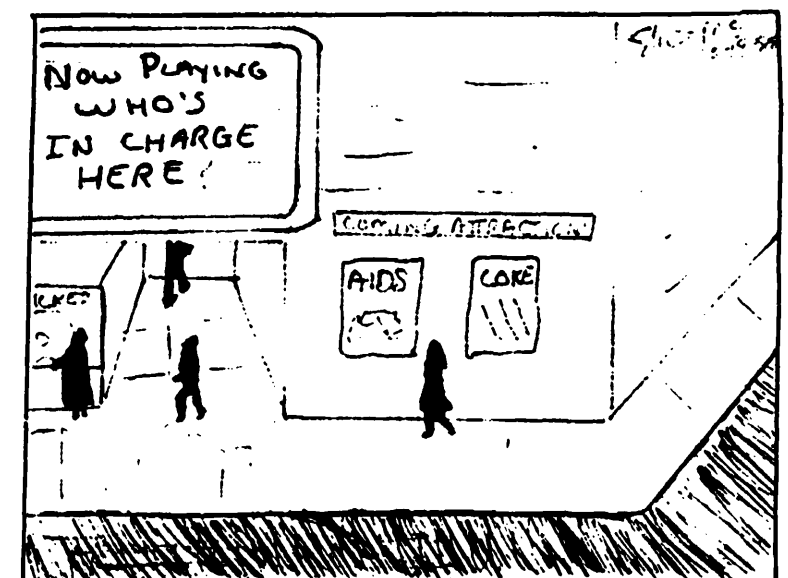
B. GOOD NEWS - You are in good health, can eat lots of things without gaining a pound, have energy, good looks, friends, and can pay next quarter's tuition and rent.

BAD NEWS - You didn't win the lottery.

Would you pick "A" or "B"? But then things are grey, blue, pink or rose. Sometimes the way you think affects the way you feel and vice versa. Sometimes the things you choose to do affect the way you feel and think. Now we're getting closer to seeing who or what might prevent us from attaining our best

scenario. Contrary to some opinions, each day that slips by does not make you younger. You can be the smartest person in your neighborhood but if you get blotto whenever you party you'll pay someday. If you eat only the things that are from fast food factories and become a couch potato the rest of the time the same thing will happen. If you think you can continue to use illegal drugs and keep the usage under your own control you are mistaken. Len Bias thought he was under control and, although he was an excellent student, he's now very dead.

Life is full of choices; wisdom is making the correct ones more often, so that someday you'll know that it has all been worthwhile as you slowly drift into.....Who's in charge here



Editorials

You can't see the forest for the trees

Brian Hosey
Guest Columnist



Deforestation. It means destruction of our forests, and it's happening at an alarming rate.

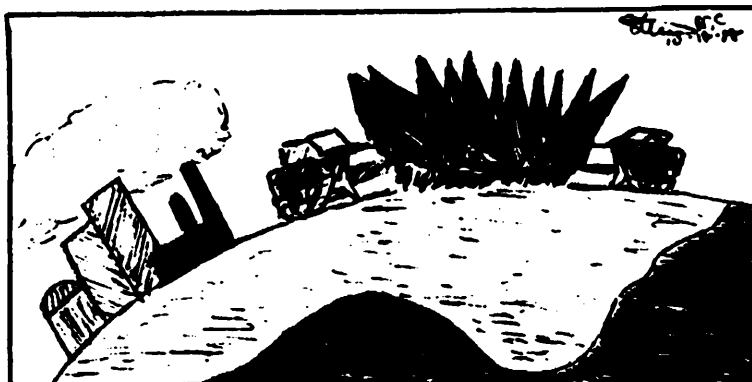
Many people have heard of the current situation of rain forest destruction but don't realize that deforestation goes far beyond the boundaries of Indonesia and Brazil. Societies all over the globe are destroying our trees for profit. All of this activity will have a profound impact on our lives.

Slash and burn agriculture is one of the single largest reasons for deforestation. Many developing countries will give the title of a piece of land to anyone who will clear it of timber. This type of program was set up so that the lower class people could relocate from the overpopulated cities to a self sustaining farm life. This is a good idea, but it doesn't work.

Most of these people are shipped off to the edge of the rain forests and are instructed to cut the foliage down and then burn it to clear land for farming. The soils in these areas will not sustain agricultural needs for more than a few years, and these people can't afford fertilizers. So once the nutrients in the soil are depleted, they move on to slash and burn more forests. After the "farmers" move on, the cattle ranchers come in. The soil will support grazing grass for another few years. So the cowpokes hang around until the soil is completely stripped of its nutrients and then they move on (slashing and burning new grazing land many times as they go). Loggers also contribute to deforestation. How many of us have driven over the passes lately and seen bare hillsides? For every piece of paper, every 2 x 4, and every chunk of firewood we use, trees must be harvested. Proper reforestation practices would certainly lessen our impact, but it's not always done. And did you know that good old Smokey the Bear (the U.S. Forest Service) has been piloting a

squadron of "helitorches" for the past decade? These helicopters with nozzles mounted under them fly around and spray napalm on some of our forest lands. I bet the little bunnies just love that.

Deforestation can cause many localized and global problems. The removal of foliage will leave fertile lands exposed to erosion. Landslides can occur and rivers and reservoirs can become choked with sediment, and the water cycle is disrupted, too. Trees transpire water that rises up into the atmosphere to form clouds. If there are no trees, not as many clouds will form, and the region will become much drier (desertification). This has happened recently in the Sahel region of Africa. Once fertile land bordered the desert areas, but with deforestation the desert has taken over. This is also happening in the Himalayas. Every year 120,000 acres of forest are cut mostly to be sold as firewood to mountaineers and tourists. If this practice continues at its current rate, it is estimated that the Himalayas will be bald in 25 years.



What would happen to South America if the rain forest disappeared? Bad news folks; they are disappearing. At the rate of about 50 acres per minute. All of this ends up as bad news to the locals, but do I care? It's easy for me to deny these problems as long as they don't affect me. But they will. If current global rates of deforestation continue, about one million species of plants and animals will become extinct by the year 2000. (Most of these extinctions will take place in the rain forests.) Might one of these organisms hold the key to a cure for cancer or AIDS? We may never know. Slash and burn

agriculture releases up to 10 times the normal amount of N_2O (a greenhouse gas, remember?) from these areas. This increase in N_2O will affect the global climate. It will also help to rid this planet of some of its stratospheric ozone, which just keeps you from getting a good tan anyway, right, right... The destruction of the rain forests will also greatly decrease our agricultural plant diversity. (Many new seed stocks come from the newly discovered plants in the rain forests.) All of this adds up to problems. Problems that are going to be hard to deal with. It may not be too late to change our wasteful and often ignorant habits. If we start now.

Changing values of our times

Judy Bixenman
Senior Writer

Watching the recent television coverage of the Olympics and the presidential election debates between Bush and Dukakis, there seemed to be a strange similarity between the two. From real patriotism to flag-waving hypocrisy, from true heroism to the philosophy that anything goes as long as you don't get caught (and it's okay to lie about it if you do), the questions loom bigger than the answers.

As our dreams and hopes and pride soared watching Jackie Joyner Kersey and many others perform the seemingly impossible, we allowed ourselves to "believe" again, if only for a little while. But then we got our senses smacked down hard when we saw a source of national pride like Canada's Ben Johnson come tumbling down; athletes disqualified who shouldn't have been; perfect scores given to so many that a "perfect 10" seemed to lose its perfection.

It all reminds one of things like Watergate and the Iran Contra affair, where destroying tapes or shredding papers in order to keep the "ignorant" public from finding out what really goes on in their government is okay. It's just that getting caught isn't!

What are the issues, really? What is that gnawing feeling in the pit of the stomach that won't go away? Is it the kid who waited for Santa on Christmas Eve, had heroes he really believed in, and was still in awe of the President of the United States? Is that why we

sense a gnawing feeling when we think, "Why should I vote? They're all a bunch of crooks anyway."

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Have we raced ahead so fast we inadvertently left a few things behind that we may need after all? Like values, responsibility and ethics? Suddenly, while rushing from our sportscar into our gym, we trip over someone huddled on the curb and look straight into the eyes of homelessness. Oil spills have happened here, in our Sound. Polluted ground, water and air, acid rain, oil drills and scalped forests are now closer than the TV News. There are hungry people, some mentally or physically ill, and people dying of AIDS, wandering our streets.

A new report, just out, says that one out of every twelve Seattle area children are going to bed hungry at least part of the time. That's not Bangladesh or Ethiopia, folks, it's Seattle, King County, Washington!

We think we can no longer trust our heroes -- be they athletes or politicians. For the athletes, it's either: "All the athletes do it; it was dumb to get caught," or "They were terrible to have done that; they deserve punishment." There

goes that gnawing again! It's saying "What would you do if you were in their shoes? You've trained all your life for this and given it all you have, but your competition is stronger because of drugs, and besides, the coach told you to and the doctor says it's fine."

Would you have invaded Grenada, bombed Libya, or sent our troops into the Persian Gulf?

For two and a half years I have been slowly trying to recover from the effects of a drug-related crime, of which I was the victim. It has cost me my health, my business, a great deal of physical and emotional pain, and far more. But no, I do not carry a gun, and I most certainly do not want my assailant to be given the death penalty.

I've had a different view of it than I'd ever had before, and it's a lot different looking up from the bottom than looking down from the top.

Why? Because he is also a victim. Of addiction, and maybe of the "system," too. I've had a different view of it than I'd ever had before, and it's a lot different looking up from the bottom than looking down from the top. I can now see how vital it is to have social programs which raise people up, instead of crushing their spirits. If people are treated like scum, they're apt to become scum, because they don't know what dignity and respect are. If they're good and heroic sometimes, be-

cause that's who we are. So lest this sound all negative and heavy, it is only to make the point that all is not perfect, and in some areas it's pretty bad. But we can do something about it. Sticking our heads in the sand, tearing down, blaming or throwing rocks at our heroes just doesn't cut it. Whether we like it or not, "they" represent us, and we elect them to do so, either by our vote or by the absence of it.

If you cared enough to read this far, you care enough to make a difference. If this has irritated you, provoked you, or made you think, good! Do something about it! Whether you think the status quo is the way it should stay, or you think things need changing, make a stand.

Here's mine:

1. The issue of ethics and honesty. This is vital to me personally, and I feel that Bush cannot be separated from the Reagan Administration, which seems not even to mind when its members

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are dishonest. I cannot accept that a vice president who was closely involved in repeated meetings regarding Iran Contra didn't know what they were talking about.

2. I have come to think Dukakis is solid and dependable, has strong management capabilities, and is not likely to become ruffled and push the button that could get us all killed. I also think he's more concerned about the environment and taking care of problems like drugs, hunger, homelessness, and medical care, not just talking about them. And experts who've followed his career say he adheres to high ethical standards. Also that he appoints highly qualified people, not on a political basis.

3. I believe it is time for a change. The pendulum has swung too far. We must see that our children have food, homes, medical care and a better life than gangs and drug dealers can offer them. We must care for the elderly, the homeless, the people who are dying of Aids. We must clean up and protect our environment. We must know that our government is not acting behind our backs to do things we disapprove of (with our tax money). We can't keep living on credit (the climbing deficit), or our economic system will collapse like a house of cards.

There, I've made my stand public. I respect your right to agree or disagree, but I challenge you to take some action, too. Call the candidates' offices and see what you can do to affect the outcome of the election. Call a volunteer agency, a food bank, a conservation group, and see what you can do to help. At the very least, make up your mind, go to the polls, and VOTE. Try it, you'll like it!

Editorials

Sharing Experiences Daycare enrollment limited

Stefanie Novacek
Guest Columnist



Think of the "average" college student as portrayed by the media.

She is extremely young, usually in her late teens or early 20's, and excited about becoming independent of Mom and Dad. She usually does not have to worry about balancing the demands of being a student with the responsibilities of being a wife and mother.

If you were a woman returning to school after 10, 20 or 30 years and did not fit this media image of the "average" student, you might feel self-conscious. When you looked around the cafeteria at lunch time and saw only 18- or 19-year-olds, you would probably feel out of place. You might be tempted to go from class to the library and then straight home without ever lingering on campus because you believed you did not belong.

Actually, this typical college student of the television commercials is a minority here on the Highline campus, with thirty being the average age of students. For older women returning to school, however, statistics alone do not provide enough support as they try to adjust to their new role as students. For this reason, Women's Programs has begun offering Cafeteria 101, a new

support group for the older returning woman student.

Meeting every Thursday at noon in the cafeteria (just look for the sign), Cafeteria 101 allows women who are returning to school later in life a chance to meet each other and to share common concern. The group gathers informally over lunch, and new faces are always welcome.

Maryann Lobeil, herself a woman who returned to school and graduated from Highline, and Kathy Diamond, a member of the Women's Programs staff, facilitate these weekly meetings.

In this supportive atmosphere, women can discuss both the anxieties and the successes they have encountered in returning to school. Often, a woman's return to school requires an adjustment not only on her part but on the part of her entire family. Her husband may be concerned that his wife's new schedule may interfere with the running of the household. Her children may complain about calling home sick from elementary school and discovering that Mom is not home. Other women are struggling to adjust to school at the same time they and their children are trying to adjust to the impact of a divorce.

In Cafeteria 101, women can express their frustration, guilt, insecurity and excitement about returning to school. As they share their experiences and discoveries, women can begin to expand their ideas of what a college student can be and to realize that they do belong on campus.

Molly Winkler
Staff writers



My sons Timmy and Tommy and I are considered poor by national

standards, but I want a better life for us. College will eventually give us that better life. However, where to put Timmy and Tommy while I go to school is a major problem. There are times I have missed school either because I can find no one to watch them or I don't have the money to pay someone to watch them. Many women who can't afford daycare have relatives who watch their children. Daycare provides learning along with social and emotional growth, but a decent daycare costs around \$1,500 per quarter

I'd like to bring Timmy and Tommy to school me rather than miss class.

for two children. I'd like to bring Timmy and Tommy to school with me rather than miss class, but they are too young to sit quietly for three plus hours. Low income provides few choices. One choice offered to me was to drop out of fall quarter until I got the daycare situation straightened out. I decided to stay in school, and Timmy and Tommy will be

watched by Jane Doe down the street.

Highline Community College has a developmental learning program on campus for registered students. The costs for the program is \$1.65 an hour for children under 10 and \$1.45 an hour for children over 10. Cost is also decided on a sliding scale basis. I would love to have my kids in daycare here and learn as I am learning. The daycare is full now. Joyce Riley, coordinator of the Student Child Care Develop-

ment Center, would like to see the facility enlarged. More space means more families who would receive help. Joyce would also like to see the development of an infant/toddler program. As of this writing only children over three-years old can enter the program. There are 77 children in the program now with five more on the waiting list. One of them is me. There are numerous others interested in the daycare as far ahead as 1989, not to mention all the children under three who can't get in.

Two subsidies are available at Highline for financial help. One you can use only if you live in Seattle. The other subsidy is from the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) which means being on public assistance. There are various

scholarships you can try for in hopes of a bit more money. Government will also provide funds for low-income families, but their funds are limited. According to an article in a 1987 MS magazine, the United States is the only Western industrialized society that believes it is the sole responsibility of women to bear and rear children. In Europe the responsibility falls to everyone. Good inexpensive child care is available to everyone there. Take France, for instance. Ninety-five percent of children from three to six are enrolled in free public preschools.

We as taxpayers need to support funding for government and state to provide daycare for parents who cannot afford it. We also need programs which are set up in the public school systems to provide free preschool for three-to six-year olds and after school care for older "latchkey children."

Tommy turns three next quarter and will be old enough to get into the daycare at Highline with Timmy, if there is room. In the meantime they will be at Jane's down the street. I hope the United States catches up with other countries and provides daycare for the growing number of children and their parents who need it.

Tunnel Vision

Jay Irwin
Senior Writers



Deep dark tunnels underneath the earth. Walking through them one never knows

what horrible creature could be waiting around the next corner.

Sounds like the beginning of a horror movie, eh? Actually, that's kind of what we have at Highline Community College.

Okay, there aren't any monsters waiting to grab unsuspecting freshman. But the tunnels are there.

They were first installed around 1975 to contain the hot water pipes.

When the school was built, the pipes were buried underground. This caused the pipes to deteriorate too quickly, so when they replaced the pipes they built the tunnel system to contain the pipes.

So, that's the straight scoop on the tunnels. But imagine what they could have been used for.

How about labs for the archeology and plumbing classes? Of course, since the tunnels are so low they would make perfect low-cost housing for short students. Just think, you could take a short cut to classes and you finally

wouldn't have to wear your sunglasses inbetween classes. Then there's the benefit of no longer trying to scream over the roar of the low-flying airplanes.

We cannot, however, ignore the drawbacks: you'll get your clothes dirty, you'll come out of the tunnels looking like the Hunchback of Notre Dame and, of course, you'll find no glamour in emerging from a manhole every day before class.

Furthermore, HCC does not encourage the use of these tunnels; in fact, the administration frowns on such activities. So don't go out and jump down a manhole. But if you do, look out for HCC's version of Freddie Kruger.



Coalition meets needs

Akemi Matsumoto
Guest Columnist



1988 will be looked back on as a marker year for presidential politics. The Democratic Party primaries started with a field of eight and narrowed to two by the time the national convention met to choose its candidate. What is remarkable is that one of those top two was a Black man. At the beginning of the primaries, even I was skeptical of the chances of a racial minority.

"The United States just isn't ready—we are still too racist," I protested at a small house meeting of Asian Americans looking for community support for the Jackson candidacy. "Then don't participate in continuing that racism by making that assumption," was the response. I joined with my family and my community and began working for the candidate that best reflected my hopes and aspirations for America.

I became a Jackson delegate at the county and state conventions and observed first hand the uniqueness of the Rainbow Coalition. The Rainbow Coalition began with the 1984 election. It included mainly racial minority and labor groups. Since then the Rainbow Coalition has continued its work and expanded



Rev. Jesse Jackson

to represent the needs of farmers, senior citizens, the homeless, the working poor, sexual minorities and youth. The Rainbow Coalition was present here in Washington at the Democratic Party conventions. It was wonderful to find the common

bonds and beliefs of these many diverse groups.

The government should respond to the needs of many, not the elite few.

A cliché, but one that is often repeated because it is not the reality of our political system. The Rainbow Coalition pulls together the little people who have not had much impact or voice. It trained us in the rules and procedures of the political system. It gave us hope by the strength of our numbers. Most of all it said to us that the system was not impossible to change.

The candidacy of Jesse Jackson and the Rainbow Coalition are two separate phenomena. The Rainbow Coalition supports Jesse Jackson's candidacy because he best represents their political agenda, but the Rainbow Coalition goes beyond the presidential race. It seeks to make a place and a strong voice for the disenfranchised American citizen.

The Rainbow Coalition is now a permanent player in American politics. That is the real change for which the 1988 election will be remembered. By the way, remember to do your part and vote!

Focus

Ethnic groups increase cultural awareness



Photo by Anthony Lleggi
BSU Vice-President Steve Patterson and Dione Bell discuss ideas for upcoming events.

BSU stages big comeback

Sally Gregory
Focus Editor

He may have lost the Democratic presidential nomination, but echoes of the timbering voice of Jesse Jackson still reverberated throughout the second-floor conference room in Bldg. 6 this October.

As Black Student Union officers gathered to explain some of the goals of their club, a voice of quiet conviction spoke. "We want a rainbow," said BSU Vice-President Steve Patterson.

The words came easily to Patterson as he went on to explain what the Black Student Union is all about. "We realize there are a lot of differences between the cultures," he said. "We want to help recognize the differences and appreciate the commonalities."

BSU is currently the most active ethnic service group on campus, but it hasn't always been that way. The club was dormant on campus until last spring when Patterson together with BSU President Meeko Caldwell and others rejuvenated student interest in BSU.

Patterson, who went to Franklin High School in Seattle, said he felt uncomfortable when he first arrived at Highline. "The few blacks that I did see, no one would talk to me," he said. "We needed to come together as a community."

Approximately 30 people attended the first meeting Oct. 5th, and the club should gain about 15-20 new members, Patterson said. This quarter the club is planning a bake sale.

February is Black History Month and naturally one of the busiest times for the club. Currently, the club is working on establishing a theme and planning events for February. The club plans on inviting a paid speaker to the campus who will orate not

only to people on campus but the public as well.

Some students may also attend off-campus events, such as the Black College Fair which will be held at Seattle Central Community College on Oct. 23rd. Students will have an opportunity to speak to representatives from historically black colleges such as the well-known Atlanta institutions of Morehouse and Spelman.

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-- Rodney Graviett

Reasons for joining BSU varied from student to student. "I feel that we all need to unite and be together—that includes all races to me," said BSU member Rodney Graviett. "It'll make school a lot easier," he added.

"I just wanted to get to know more people," said quiet, soft-spoken BSU Secretary Angelia Davis. Davis is the chairperson on the committee responsible for this quarter's bake sale.

Sharon Jones, who serves as the BSU representative to the student senate, said, "I've always been interested in trying to get black people to help others and to help themselves."

Patterson said he wanted to start the club so he could help erase some of the negative stereotypes some people have of black people, like the images of blacks as pimps or drug pushers.

"I like black youths to see us working together," Patterson said. "We want to set examples of other ways to have fun without using drugs."

BSU member Sean Levias agreed with Patterson. "We're black people trying to make something of ourselves."

Patterson also encouraged people of other cultures to attend BSU meetings. "I think sometimes our name frightens people," he said. People of other cultures, such as whites, may have questions about black people they keep locked inside because they are afraid to ask, he said.

"A lot of things are just perceived (about blacks) and they're not true . . . then it becomes a myth," Patterson said. He flashes a grin when he talks about the myth that "all blacks like chicken." Patterson said he thought all people liked chicken.

"Our meetings are not only for black people but other cultures," Patterson said. "If we work together, we can work to understand each other."

Guest speaker inspires Highline MECHA members

Ron Kunst
Staff Writer

"I would like to become familiar with other Hispanic people at Highline," said Fernando Serano, a third-quarter Hispanic student at Highline Community College. "We need to have a group for Hispanic students on campus," added Ariel Mitchell-Velasco, a second-quarter student.

These were some of the comments made by a small group of Hispanic students who met on Oct. 12th with Mary Odem, HCC's director of Multi-Cultural Student Services. The meeting was called to discuss the needs of these students at Highline and to listen to a guest speaker. During the discussion, Odem suggested that a network of Hispanic students be created on campus to help each other and to share common cultural ties.

Guest speaker Jesus Sanchez, who works under King County Executive Tim Hill supervising 10 departments, is one of the founders of MECHA (Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlán), the national organization concerned with the rights, responsibilities and education of Hispanic students.

Sanchez spoke briefly about his student activism in the late 1960s at Shoreline Community College when he was part of a group occupying the office of the student newspaper. At issue was the refusal of the newspaper's editorial staff to apologize for an Hispanic racial cartoon that had been printed

Although progress has been made, "There still is an undercurrent of racism in areas of our society," Sanchez said. One of the reasons he became involved in public administration was to "open the doors in government for all races" and to erase the

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-- Jesus Sanchez

notion that minorities aren't competent to manage.

Sanchez also spoke of the need in our society for leaders and role models. Although a leader now, at one time he was a shy person. "I was the guy who sat at the back of the classroom and was first out the door when the bell rang," he said.

His participation in events at Shoreline seemed to crystallize his desire to lead. "You might have to push yourself to go to a leadership conference," he told the group. "But if you're interested in leadership, take a task—lead. Force yourself to be in that position."

Sanchez concluded his talk by saying, "Be careful how much time you put into issues. Don't compromise your own education, which is most important."

The next meeting of Hispanic students will be in early November. Odem will decide on the date, time and activity. She is looking for volunteers to help her make bilingual signs. For more information, contact the Multicultural Student Services Office, 878-3710, ext. 296.



Photo by Anthony Lleggi
Guest speaker Jesus Sanchez encourages MECHA members to get involved in leadership activities.

Arts and Entertainment

Seattle Art Museum gets 'In Pursuit of the Dragon' exhibit

Bev Ott
Staff Writer

Take time out for a visual and awe-inspiring experience. Visit the exhibit, "In Pursuit of the Dragon: Traditions and Transitions in Ming Ceramics," at the Seattle Art Museum.

The beautiful grounds and helpful museum staff can help you to while away an afternoon and make you feel culturally enriched.

Seattle is one of seven cities in which the exhibit will be shown. The other museums include Yale University, Los Angeles County Museum of Art and Honolulu Academy of Arts.

This is the Year of the Dragon in the Eastern cyclical calendar, an appropriate time to display "In Pursuit of the Dragon." A symbol for royalty and also associated with water, rain and bountiful crops, 40-50 percent of the 90 pieces in the exhibit have the dragon motif. There are nine basic components of the dragon: the head of a camel, the horns of a deer, the eyes of a rabbit, the ears of a cow, the neck of a snake, the belly of a frog, the scales of a carp, the claws of a hawk and the paws of a tiger. The styles of the dragon evolved during the 14th, 15th, 16th, and 17th centuries.

The first thing you see as you enter the exhibit is a large blue and white guan jar from the Ming Dynasty (1426-35). According to Associate Curator Michael Knight, this is the most impressive and beautiful piece in the whole collection. "It is marvelous with the grandest tail... really!" he said.

The cobalt blue dragon with his impressive tail which winds all the way around the jar shows up dramatically against the milk white porcelain. The emperor's mark can be seen on the upper neck of the jar. The under-glaze blue started in the 14th century although

the kilns were in production in the 10th Century. Most of the pieces were made in the Jingdezen kilns.

The pieces were made either for the imperial court or for export. The yellow ware was made just for the emperors because only the emperors could use the color yellow. Japan was a large market for their export, and the influence for foreign trade can be seen in some of the pieces.

Large heaps of broken jars have been found next to the kilns where the not-so-perfect jars were destroyed. Even jars with the smallest pin holes were immediately broken. Each piece was of the finest quality because the man in charge of the kilns was in danger of losing his life if it wasn't perfect. Thousands of pieces were fired at one time, so this was quite a feat.

"They are the ultimate, the best, plus time has made them worth so much," said Knight. All the pieces are in large plastic cubes guarded by roving security guards throughout the exhibit. The museum personnel wouldn't disclose the estimated worth of the pieces for security reasons.

Pieces from the Ming period have been found in Japan and as far away as Egypt, Holland and England. The Saxon lords especially liked them, according to Knight. There are also pieces with Arabic writings on the undersides, clearly made-to-order pieces for the Near East. Holland's Delft ware comes from the Chinese influence.

"Some of the pieces seemed very strange to the Chinese, and they were still able to produce them," Knight remarked. The largest plates on display weigh up to 70 pounds, and merchants used them for ballast in their ships, compared to the smaller plates used by the Chinese which weigh about ten pounds.

The colors range from the blue and white to green, white, cinnamon red and yellow. There are



Photo provided by the Seattle Art Museum

This beautiful dragon design porcelain piece was fired in the imperial kilns of the Xuande period (1426-35) of the Ming Dynasty. It is one of many such items being displayed at the Seattle Art Museum as part of their "In Pursuit of the Dragon" exhibit now showing.

monochromes, dragons, lotus, chrysanthemums, peaches, and figures depicting 15th century life. Make a point to see this exhibit before it leaves Nov. 6th. Thursdays admission is free.

In Pursuit of the Dragon:
Seattle Art Museum
625-8901

'Talk is Cheap' sounds like a million bucks

Kallen Jenne
A & E Editor

At first listen, you may find Keith Richards's vocals on "Talk Is Cheap" to be nearly unbearable. This problem passes by the third song or so. In fact, you may find his vocals a fitting match for his guitar (I think he sounds like a thrashed David Bowie).

The Rolling Stones have had a serious quality control problem over the past decade; however, the new Keith Richards album has no such flaw.

This album sounds uncannily similar to the early '70s Rolling Stones. The guitar is reminiscent of "Exile On Main Street," so reminiscent that some of these songs could have almost been lifted from that album.

The obvious high points of the album are "Take It So Hard," "Make No Mistake," "You Don't Move Me" and "It Means A Lot." I found myself transfixed by these



Talk Is Cheap
Keith Richards
Virgin Records #790973-1

songs not only for their guitar attack but for their vocal power.

The songs that really surprised me, however, were the soul songs. "Rockawhile," "Make No Mistake" and "Locked Away." These songs sound like they could have been Aretha Franklin songs.

Of all the members of the Rolling Stones who have released solo albums, this is the strongest. It lays waste to Jagger's "Primitive Cool." Things that would have never occurred to Jagger, like the

'50s rockabilly influenced "I Could Have Stood You Up," are ever present on this album. For the first time we see the real creator of the Stones' sound out on his own.

In light of the other solo albums by '60s and '70s rock stars that have come out this year (Jimmy Page, Robert Plant, Steve Winwood), it would be easy to overlook this album. If you do, it would be a large oversight on your part.

This album may go down in history as one of the better solo albums by a '60s personality after the fall of rhythm and roll rock.

If your idea of blues guitar is Robert Cray, you are either going to be amazed or disgusted by Tinsley Ellis. Tinsley Ellis is a 30-year-old Floridan who has been voted as one of the greatest modern white American blues guitarists by the well-respected English magazine Juke Blues.



Georgia Blue
Tinsley Ellis
Alligator Records #AL4765

All of this, of course, means very little. Tinsley's new album, "Georgia Blues," is a fitting solo premiere on the Chicago-based Alligator Records label.

This album shows a wide diversification in sound. Undoubtedly the hottest spot on the album is "Texas Stomp," which is Ellis's tribute to Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown and T-Bone Walker. Ellis shows a worthy mixture between rhythm and searing solo work.

The album is not -- repeat is NOT -- a simple lead-guitar workout. The album is primarily a mix of excellent writing abilities tempered with tight guitar work.

Songs like the seemingly Latino-blues based "Crime of Passion" and "Lucky Lou" really turn what might be just another blues send-up into a solid effort. In fact, these two songs sound like Ellis has taken a page out of Carlos Santana's book of guitar and added his own individual flair.

Furthermore, songs like the funky "Look-Ka-Py-Py" show that Ellis is not an egotistical man. He allows other members of his band to spotlight their own talents on this album, and the album is that much better for it.

The heir-apparent to the great white blues tradition has arisen. If you want to hear real modern blues instead of just watered down pop, this is the album.

Arts and Entertainment

Documentary exposes 'Coverup'

Maggie Simons
Staff Writer

Day after day, week after week, month after month the media shoved the Iran Contra Affair down our throats. Be prepared to swallow again.

It's back, bigger and better than before in "Cover Up: Behind the Iran-Contra Affair" which opened at Seattle's Seven Gables Theater last Friday. The film is produced by filmmakers Barbara Trent, Gary Meyer, and David Kasper. Elizabeth Montgomery, of the T.V. series "Bewitched," does a superb job of narrating this film.

"Cover Up" had a three-month deadline with a \$40,000 budget. Nine months and \$100,000 later, including \$35,000 charged to VISA, this documentary has hit it big.

"Cover Up" is a 74-minute movie which is a must see for anyone who has followed the Iran-Contra Affair, whether for three days or three months.

You will see footage of a C-4 bomb detonating in La Penca,

Nicaragua, at an Eden Pastora press conference that was later linked to the CIA assassination attempt on this ex-Sandinista, ex-Contra leader. One of the eight people killed in the 1984 bombing was an American female journalist. Another American journalist brought a lawsuit against the U.S. government for \$20 million for the injuries he received in this bombing. The suit was later thrown out of court.

You will watch Oliver North confess to the shredding and burning of government documents. Was this done for security or to cover up illegal activities? Is he really this nation's hero when he says "We wanted to cover up a covert operation?" Is there more of a coverup than we think when Oliver North was not required to answer questions that "went beyond the scope of the (Senate) committee's investigation?" Who is North protecting when he says "The worst enemies (of democracy) are here in this country?"

You will be presented documented proof that there were arms being traded to Iran as far back as



Photo by Kallen Jay Jenne
George Bush, presidential candidate, stars in and created "Coverup: Behind the Iran-Contra Affair"

1981. Is drug trafficking a daily routine of the CIA? Is the CIA's

objective to eliminate any person or country who is non-supportive of a CIA world view? These ques-

tions and more are answered in this film.

Barbara Honegar, a former campaign aide for Reagan/Bush and later White House policy analyst

convincingly implies that the Reagan/Bush camp has been aligned with Iran since before the 1980 election. Honegar claims the only conceivable reason for this interaction was the Reagan view that it was better to deal with the Iranians than to take a chance that the Soviets might establish a beach head operation in the Persian Gulf nation.

Should the allegations against George Bush, being a main force behind the alleged delay and release of the Iranian Hostage Crisis, be cleared up before this November's election?

One of the questions this movie doesn't ask (or answer) is why Elizabeth Montgomery can't just twinkle her nose and turn all the liars into toads. The lines at the theaters are long now, but you can expect them to get longer as the American people's curiosity is aroused.

Coverup: Behind the Iran-Contra Affair
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El Charro es muy bien

Kalisa Jenne
Guest Columnist

It has been said that some of the finest things in life are free. This is especially true when spoken of the chips and salsa at El Charro restaurant.

This small Mexican eatery serves the complimentary chips and salsa with a slight twist the chips are right out of the oven and the salsa is fresh, robust, and mouth-watering.

El Charro is owned and operated by the Garcia family. Since opening their first location in 1981, the

Garcias have been serving the south end with some of the area's finest Mexican food and hospitality.

The Pacific Highway location has recently been remodelled to accommodate more diners, and not a moment too soon. The El Charro name has become legion among Mexican food connoisseurs and weekend crowds have been bustling.

The menu consists of a wide range of Mexican dishes, some of which I have only found at El Charro. Their specialty, however, is their sauces. Whether it is their salsa, their burrito sauce, or the sauce

with the Arroz con Pollo, it is delicious.

After consuming a basket or two of tortilla chips, you may want to try the Nachos Deluxe or the Chicken Taquitos.

The Nachos Deluxe are especially good. They come with all the regular nacho fixings, sour cream, and guacamole, plus you can ladle on more of that terrific salsa at your table. A Chicken Taquito is chicken rolled in flour tortillas and fried, and served with guacamole and sour cream. Both of these appetizers are under \$5 and are big enough to be a meal in themselves, so be kind and share.

If you have a large appetite, try the Super Burrito for dinner. At \$5.50, this is a real deal. Beef, rice, and cheese are wrapped inside a large flour tortilla, then topped with tomatoes, lettuce, sour cream, guacamole, and a warm burrito sauce.

Another El Charro specialty is the Carnitas de Res. This is a plate of sirloin beef or chicken strips, prepared fajita style, with sauteed green pepper and onion. It is served on a platter with beans and rice for \$7.25. The best way to enjoy this is with a side order of flour tortillas, fresh and steaming from the kitchen.

If you have a smaller appetite, try the Taco Salad Deluxe. Beef, beans, and cheese are topped with lettuce, tomato, guacamole, and sour cream for \$4.50. You may also like one of their combination plates, which feature an assortment of tostadas, chalupas, tamales, and other Mexican staples.

Beyond the food, El Charro offers quick and friendly service with a pleasant atmosphere. Muy bien!

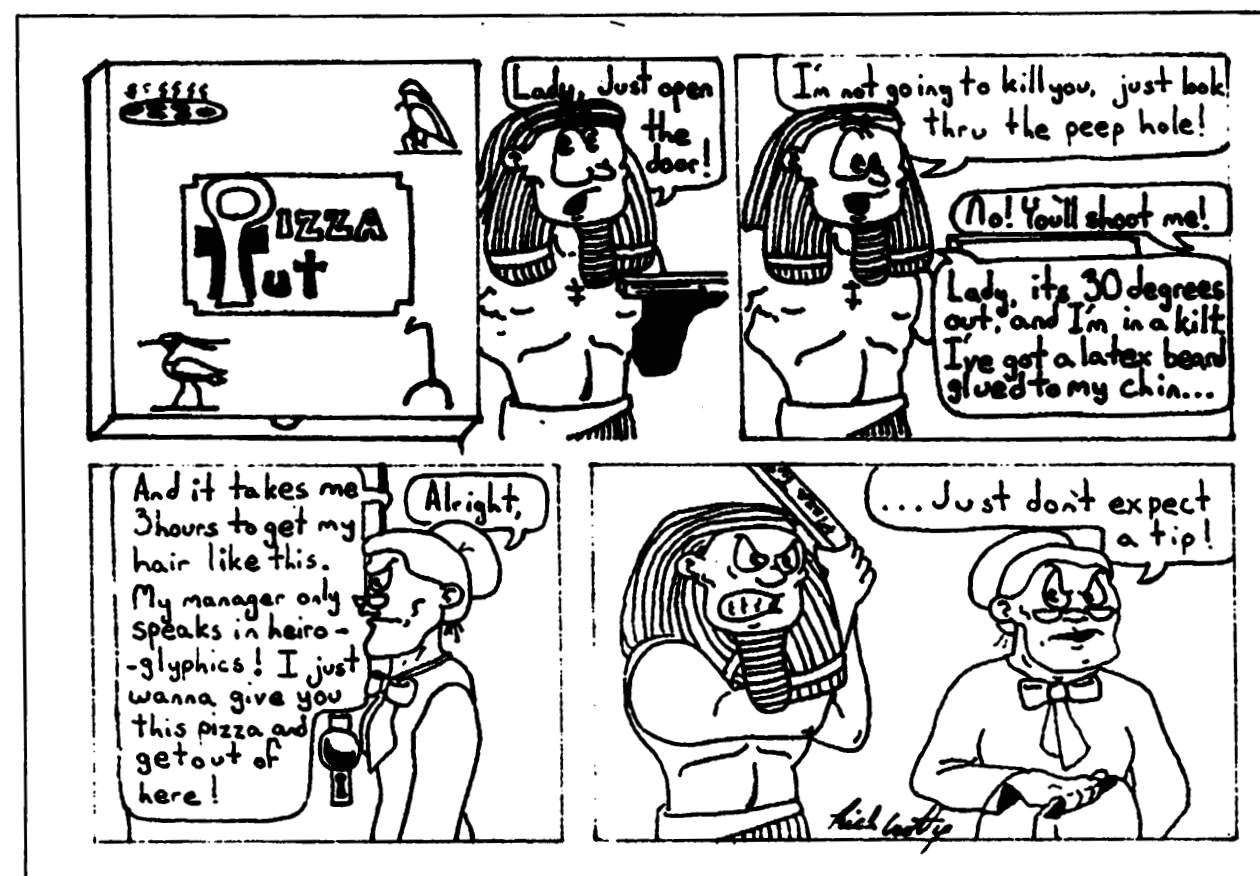
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Sports

T-Birds spiked out of first

Michael Morelock
Staff Writer

The Highline Community College Crossover Volleyball Tournament was held here on campus on Oct. 7th and 8th.

Eight teams competed over the two-day marathon competition, and the Highline Thunderbird squad came out on top.

The road to the top was not an easy one. The spikers started out by squeaking past Skagit Valley in three games: 15-9, 10-15, 15-11.

Next they lost to Lane in a hard-fought battle: 8-15, 15-7, 12-15.

After that disappointment though, the Highline squad really turned up the heat, defeating Big Bend (15-9, 15-4) smashing Pierce (15-6, 15-4) passing Umpqua (18-6, 15-7) and Clark (15-7, 15-12) on the way to the finals.

The final game was a rematch between Highline and Skagit Valley, the team that beat Highline in three games at the beginning of the tourney. By this time, however, Highline's strength and momentum began to show in earnest, and the Thunderbirds triumphed 15-7, 15-6.

When the smoke had cleared, Highline was the tournament champion, with Skagit Valley in second and Clark third.

Since that tourney, Highline has defeated Bellevue Community College on Oct. 12th, 15-10, 15-2, 15-2. On Oct. 14th, the spikers edged past Olympic 15-10, 15-3, 13-15 and 15-11.

This put Highline in a tie with Skagit Valley for first place in league play going into Monday's game on Skagit Valley's home court. The game was for sole possession of first place and being undefeated in league play. This was a night for revenge for Skagit Valley as they won 15-7, 15-7 and 15-2. Season standings are Skagit

Valley first at 6 wins, 0 losses, Highline second with 5 wins, 1 loss.

Late Scores:

Highline spikers upped their record to 6-1 with a three game sweep of Everett; 15-3, 15-9 and 15-5. Men's soccer team played Shoreline to a 1-1 tie.

Women's Volleyball

Oct 21	7 pm	@ Mt Hood
Oct 22	8 am	@ Mt Hood
Oct 26	7 pm	@ Edmonds
Oct 29	7 pm	@ Shoreline
Nov 2	8 pm	@ Bellevue

Men's Soccer

Oct 22	1 pm	@ Green River
Oct 26	3 pm	@ Edmonds
Oct 29	1 pm	Spokane (Home)
Nov 2	3 pm	@ Skagit Valley

Men's Cross Country

Oct 22	12 pm	Highline Invitational
Oct 29	TBA	@ Spokane
Nov 3	3:30 pm	Regional†

† denotes Fort Dent Park in Tukwila

Soccer team scores 4-1 win

Gary D. Peterson
Sports Editor

A pumped Highline soccer team defeated a weak South Puget Sound squad on Oct. 15, four goals to one.

Now that the soccer team has tasted a victory, they may be hungrier for the main dish.

The Highline men's soccer team continues to play aggressive soccer.

With nine games remaining Coach Don Carmel stressed team unity.

"We are not playing to our potential as a unit in game situations; we do fantastic in practice. We just fall apart in games."

The players seem to want to do it all on their own of winning the games. You can do that in some sports, but in soccer its unlikely to be a one-man show, unless you are a gifted athlete.

On Oct. 5 Highline lost to Everett 2-1; Oct. 8 Highline tied Lower Columbia 2-2; Oct. 12 Highline lost to Bellevue 4-1.

Current standings for Highline soccer: 1 win, 4 losses and 2 ties.

Winning one game would do wonders for the soccer team's attitude and should have the desire to give 100 per cent game in and game out.

"I don't know what it is, whether the players don't like me or my decisions of pulling a player out of a game. Whatever the reason, we need to start playing as whole unit and forget about our feelings individually," Carmel said.

Winning and losing is all part of sports, and winning that first game after losing many will make winning seem more dramatic.

Public barred from weight room

Sara Green
Staff Writer

What do Bellevue, Edmonds and Shoreline Community Colleges all have in common - but not Highline? The three north-end schools have opened their weight rooms to the public. Highline has not.

Don McConaughy, athletic director and track coach at HCC, explained why Highline chose to keep the door to the weight room open only to students. Reasons include cost, general wear on the equipment and liability.

McConaughy feels the facility should be used exclusively by students because the funds were set up for them, not for the public.

"We don't want our students to be second class. They should have first choice at the weight room," says McConaughy.

A store room, converted in 1980 to a weight room, is also open to HCC faculty and staff. The room is used for instructional classes 8 am to noon Monday, Wednesday and Friday and 8 am to 1 pm Tuesday and Thursday, so it is free for use from those times until 3 pm

other bench equipment. It can be estimated that as many as 100 students pass through daily Monday to Thursday.

McConaughy also mentions the liability factor. Since the college is not allowed to carry its own insurance, the state, which is self-insured, assumes responsibility for accidents on campus. Depending on the fault of the accident, the school can be held liable to pay the state back the claim in question out of its already tight budget.

Bellevue, Edmonds and Shoreline Community Colleges opened their weight rooms to the public this fall. All charge a small fee ranging from \$20 to \$52.80 a quarter to cover additional costs. The schools with the smaller fees require no supervision. The possibility of unattended injury or vandalism and the liability issue still remain.

Dwight Nyquist, athletic director at SCC, says of the liability factor, "We worry about it. It is a concern we are always alert to. We don't want anyone hurt, but you simply cannot remove every risky activity. Life is risky itself." There already is a supervisor adjacent to the room to monitor activities; but SCC is considering removing the loose weights which are more likely to cause injury even during supervised sessions.

McConaughy feels that public equipment use belongs in the public health clubs with whom we should not be in competition.

"We spend less money on the (weight room) facility, and more people use it than any other facility on campus," he says.



Photo by Anthony Lieggi

Marge Command instructs Kim M. Lintner the correct way to operate the leg press machine.

Funds for the weight room come from student activities and instructional and athletic funds, all designed for student use. Public use results in drawing upon those resources for extra supervision, equipment repair and replacement, and custodial costs.

each day and from noon to 3 pm on Friday.

Equipment includes: a Universal and Pro-Gym, similar basic Nautilus machines made by different companies; free weights; bicycles; knee, thigh and total hip machines; bench presses; and various



Photo by Anthony Lieggi

Tracy D. Larsen enjoys the workout at Highline's weight room which only students and staff have access to. Administrators say safety and money are the main concerns of keeping the weight room closed to the public.

Sports

Man falls from plane: lives to tell about it

Marty Pierce
Staff Writer

"I was standing on the outside of an airplane at 8,700 feet. 'What am I doing up here?' I thought. But there was no turning back. I had to jump. The instructor shouted, 'Ready! ... Set! ... Go!'"

For some, just getting on a plane may be a bit much to ask, let alone jumping out of one at 8,700 feet.

More and more people, however, are getting over their fears of the sport and taking the plunge into the world of skydiving. "The public has a built in fear about jumping out of a plane," said Mark Scott, chief instructor at the Snohomish Parachute Center. "Basically, that fear is totally unreasonable."

Scott pointed out that in the 26 years the center was located in Issaquah, and the 33 years students have been jumping at Snohomish, there has never been a student fatality. Of the five experienced jumpers who died in that time, Scott attributes one to suicide, two

to heart attacks and the others to human error in preparing their equipment.

"Statistics just don't bear out that fear," says Scott. "More people die doing other activities."

Scott, however, would be the first to agree that when you're jumping out of an airplane there are risks involved.

So what is it that makes people do it? Moreover, what makes them come back and do it again? Last Wednesday, for reasons I'm still not sure of myself, I made my first jump—a tandem with Scott—and learned the answer to that question. Quite simply, it is one of the most exciting, breathtaking things you will ever do.

"Tandem jumping is the safest way to get a student up with someone experienced," Scott said, "and it's much more fun because you free fall."

Scott holds the world record for tandem jumping, a relatively new jumping method, with 2,313 jumps. He has made more than 3,700 jumps total. During tandem jumping the student is strapped with the

instructor to one parachute, steps out of the plane at 8,000 plus feet, free falls for 35 seconds, then opens the chute. The student is trained on basic steering maneuvers on the way down to the designated target.

If the thought of that scares you, it scared me too. The fear really began to set in as Scott and I approached the plane, a Cessna 182. I knew I could not back out. As the altitude in the small plane rose, my stomach dropped. Three-thousand feet... "Oh God, why am I doing this?" Five-thousand feet... "I'll be fine. Relax. This will be great. What am I worried about?" Eight-thousand feet... The adrenaline is pumping, rationality is slipping. "I'm going to screw up and kill us both!" Eight-thousand seven hundred feet... Our equipment checked and triple checked. The door opens. Scott yells, "Let's skydive!!!"

Just as we had rehearsed it on the ground, Scott and I stepped on a platform outside the plane and got in position for our jump. Stepping out of the plane and making that last step was, for me, by far the



Photo by Bruce Bergman

Marty Pierce and instructor Mark Scott tumble backwards over a mile above Snohomish.

most terrifying and most difficult part of the whole operation.

Scott had told me on the ground not to push off from the plane. "Just release your hands," he'd said. However, at this point I was having a hard time thinking about what I was supposed to do, thinking rather of where I was and how far away the ground was. Still, I told myself I would not push off.

I pushed off. That caused Scott and me to begin our long journey, tumbling head over heels, down. We began arching our backs (which was one thing that I did manage to remember from my ground instruction) and we went into our normal fall position.

At that moment fear left my body. My mind became clear again and the awe of where I was took over. Even though I was falling at up to 300 feet per second it felt like I was floating. Objects on the ground weren't getting any larger. I looked out on the horizon and saw Mt. Rainier, Mt. St. Helens, the Seattle skyline in the distance and the green plush countryside surrounding Snohomish. The world seemed so organized and neatly laid out from up there, and I felt so separated from it all.

We practiced turns as we had done on the ground and then, all

too soon, the ripcord was pulled and we were jolted upward to a slower more serene rate of fall. The total silence struck me... it was so peaceful! I could have spent the whole day up there.

As we practiced turns and spins it felt like we were lighter than air. The buildings, cars and people on the ground were becoming their normal size as we neared the ground and the target. I realized our trek would soon come to an end. I wished it would last much longer.

Our feet finally hit the ground (in the center of our target) about five minutes after we left the plane. The feeling at this point was like none before. The adrenaline was still pumping. "Congratulations!" Scott extended his hand. Even though I had been guided through the whole operation step by step I felt a great sense of accomplishment. I had jumped out of an airplane and made it safely to the ground, feeling better than when I left it.

Still pondering my motives for my first jump, there is no question about what will take me back up. It's an almost superhuman feeling and cannot be duplicated. How you might react to your first jump may vary, but I guarantee you'll never forget it.



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Two skydivers at the Snohomish Parachute Center pack their chutes in preparation for future jumps. Proper preparation is essential for a safe and successful trip to the ground.

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Cross country sweeps Skagit Invite

Steve McClure
Staff Writer

Cross country runners from Highline Community College captured the top four places at the Skagit Valley meet last Saturday,

enabling them to take home the team trophy by 27 points. Tim Vandervlugt led a flock of T-Birds crossing the line, maneuvering the five mile course in 28:20. Tim Conner, Steve Wyant and Spike English made off the next three places finishing at 28:38, 28:41, and 28:43 respectively.

According to Coach Ben Welch, Vandervlugt made his break away from the pack at the one-half-mile mark and the other runners spent the rest of the race trying to catch up.

English provided the suspense for the race with his spurt of speed at the end of the race. English was in fifth place until he caught Green

River Community College runner who held fourth place with 100 yards to go. They battled back and forth until English finally pulled away with 20 yards left in the race.

Welch was pleased overall with the effort with his team. "We had four guys up there like I wanted," Welch said. He added that he didn't run his top eight guys, but he felt that the ones who did run "competed very well. This gives them a chance to run and not have to worry about others."

On Oct. 5, the T-Birds flew past nationally ranked Northern Idaho Junior College to capture the community college trophy at the

25th Casey Invitational on Whidbey Island.


Lauren Hawkins and Brett Goller led a group of T-Bird runners, covering the six mile course in 32:06 and 32:07. Rod Meeker crossed 40 seconds later, in 32:47.

Welch felt that "Lauren had a good race he ran aggressive all the way." He added that the closeness of the race "lets Brett know he can't relax, and gives Lauren a better idea of what he can do."

He also mentioned fine performances by Tony DeAugustine, Tim Conner and Tony Cushman.

With only two meets left Highline runners are clearly the team to beat.

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