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Gorton, Lowry supporters debate in Colloquy

Tom Hunley
News Editor

The lecture center at Highline Community College was almost the site of the Oct. 26 debate between Congressman Mike Lowry and former Senator Slade Gorton, the candidates in the heated race for U.S. Senator.

"They kept saying, "we haven't decided yet; we haven't decided yet. When they finally decided, it wasn't us," commented Honors Program Advisor Joan Fedor after the candidates opted to debate in Spokane rather than at HCC.

The candidates were represented at HCC by surrogates. Representative Lorraine Hine voiced the Lowry message, and Cassi Phillips played Gorton's advocate.

Fedor, the organizer behind the lecture series, was disappointed that the candidates didn't appear at HCC. "...Absolutely, we all were (disappointed)," she said.

Phi Theta Kappa member Kalisa Jenne said she wished Lowry and Gorton could have been there to state their cases. "The representatives were okay, but I didn't feel that they had that great of a grasp on the issues. It would have been a lot better coming from the candidates," said Jenne.

Kate Kitchell, another Phi Theta Kappa member, thought directly questioning the candidates would have been a good opportunity to find out about the issues.

"I think the question and answer time would have been more representative of how they felt (if Lowry and Gorton had been present)," said Kitchell.

Phillips and Hine each gave a speech, followed by a short question and answer session with the audience.

Phillips, a Bellevue native who worked as an intern on the Gorton Senatorial staff while studying law at the University of Washington, went to the podium first. She said her first impression of Gorton was that "He was a pretty low-key guy.... not pompous compared to a lot of people in the Senate. "

Phillips stressed that Gorton is a stronger negotiator than Lowry, citing that Senator Gorton had formed a coalition with Democrats Norm Dicks and Don Bonker in the Mcneil Island project. Lowry, according to Phillips, is "too extreme" to be a good negotiator. "No matter how strongly we feel about the positions a legislator takes, at some point effectiveness becomes the issue. Slade Gorton has been effective in the past and will be again," she said.

> "Kennedy is a moderate compared to Lowry" -- Cassie Phillips

Phillips also compared the 100% rating the American Democrats in Action gave Lowry to their 85% rating of Massachusetts Senator Ted Kennedy. "Kennedy is a moderate compared to Lowry," said Phillips.

Hine said she first worked with Lowry when he was on the staff of the state senate's Ways and Means committee, and she was on the King County council. Lowry, she said, had been the most tight-fisted person around as far as spending. "I'm kind of amused at the later day portrayal of Lowry as a liberal who thinks money grows on trees, because I remember those days," she said.

Hine suggested that Lowry was more firm on the issues than Gorton. "I would much rather have a man who makes his views clear and works hard instead of accepting something expedient," she said. "Even people who dislike Mike respect him for not being willy nilly about the issues."

Hine listed the environment, health coverage for seniors, education, and the war on drugs as Lowry's top priorities.

"The elderly are just frightened to death about the costs of nursing homes if it comes to that," she said.

Lowry also opposed the 30 percent cuts in financial aid for college students that were implemented during the Reagan years. "Mike fought that very hard," she commented.

In reference to a Gorton ad that used a nine year old article from a college newspaper to claim that

> "I am so bloody sick of negative ads on television that I could vomit" -- Lorraine Hine

Lowry supports legalization of marijuana, Hines said "I am so bloody sick and tired of negative ads on tv, that I could vomit."

She stated that Lowry is very concerned about the drug problem, but opposed recent legislation because it allowed police to conduct searches without warrants in some cases. "Mike knows that in our zest to solve problems, we have to be careful about stepping on toes."

On Wednesday, Nov. 2, HCC political science instructor Davidson Dodd discussed: "Choosing a president; does character count?"

The next leg of the series will be a speech by Speight Jenkins, the General Director of the Seattle Opera Company. Jenkins speech is entitled "How to make an opera company work." The lecture is scheduled for Nov. 9, 12:00 noon, in Bldg. 7.

You mean Highline's not an obedience school?
Photo by Anthony Lieggi

Women's Programs Bags ballot issues

Ron Kunst
Staff Writer

"Election '88 - What Are the Issues?" That was the title of the Oct. 25th Brown Bag Series sponsored by Women's Programs at Highline Community College. Nancy Pearson and Marion Calhoun from the League of Women Voters were the featured speakers. Both women talked about issues which will be on the Nov. 8th ballot including Initiative 97 and Alternative Measure 97B, Initiative 518, and House Joint Resolution 4231.

One of the issues voters will face is a thorny one. They will have to decide between two similar programs for cleaning up toxic wastes in Washington state: Initiative Measure 97 or the current law, Alternative Measure 97B. Both measures will raise money for cleanup by placing a tax on hazardous substances. But the similarity seems to end there.

Pearson spoke in favor of Initiative 97, saying that "it is a most important measure for hazardous waste cleanup" in our state. According to Pearson, Initiative 97 makes polluters more liable for cleanup, and prevention standards are better than they are under 97B.

Literature from Pearson shows that Initiative 97 is supported by the League of Women Voters and by labor and environmental groups, while 97B has received contributions from oil companies including ARCO, Mobil and Chevron; from banks including Rainier and SeaFirst; and from large companies including Boeing, Weyerhaeuser and PACCAR. The statement for Initiative 97 in the 1988 Voters & Candidates Pamphlet uses such sentences as:

* "Nearly every week brings news of new toxic catastrophies."
* "For years irresponsible polluters fought hard to avoid a tough law."
* "Now you have your chance to send a strong message to polluters: You want a tough law, with tough fines and no deals."

The Voters Pamphlet says the following about Alternative Measure 97B: "The law is tough on toxics, a "win" for the environment, fair to taxpayers- - and provides money to help the average person dispose of household and farm chemicals safely."

The editorial staffs of both the Seattle P-I and the Seattle Times have endorsed Alternative Measure 97B. On Monday, Oct 31, the editorial staff of the Seattle P-I said, "In our opinion 97B is the most realistic of the two measures in terms of achieving positive results and avoiding costly and time-consuming lawsuits."

On election day, voters must follow two steps in order to vote on this toxic waste issue:

Step 1) Vote for either 97 or 97B OR against both;

Step 2) If you selected the "either" option in step 1, you now choose between 97 or 97B.

Marion Calhoun spoke briefly about the history of the League of Women Voters and its function. "We don't support candidates or political parties, but we are political," she said. "Our big role is to educate the voters on ballot issues."

Calhoun spoke in favor of Initiative 518 which would raise the minimum wage from the present $2.30 per hour to $3.85 on Jan. 1, 1989, and to $4.25 per hour on Jan. 1, 1990.

Calhoun also spoke in favor of House Joint Resolution 4231. The Official Ballot Title in the Voters Pamphlet states it this way: "Shall references in the State Constitution to 'idiots, insane, dumb, and defective youth' be removed and new language be added?"

There will be two more programs in the Brown Bag Series this quarter. On Nov. 8 Linda Baker, Journalism Coordinator at HCC, will speak on the topic "What if Women Ran the World?" On Nov. 15, Mary Lou Holland, Coordinator of Health Services at HCC will speak on "A Doctor's Advice: It's OK to Ask Questions."

News

Campus turns into a bloodbath; *Vampire not under suspicion*

Before the cookies, coffee, and juice... Photo by Kallen Jenne

Jeffery K. Cosman
Staff Writer

"I'm going to suck your blood," said Dracula. The offer sounded tempting, especially one week before Halloween, but many red-blooded Highline Community College students opted for a cleaner method of donating blood.

According to Carol Bianchi, staff member at the Puget Sound Blood Center, the blood drive here at HCC on Oct.24, was successful. Bianchi anticipated that 50 pints would be drawn but was pleased to receive 56.

The program, which has four main centers and five mobils, needs a minimum of 500 pints each day to meet the needs of the eight-county area, including King County. Blood drives, according to brochures, are scheduled on a daily basis throughout the area at businesses, churches, schools, organizations, and from donors who are called in on an individual basis. Blood drives are scheduled two to three months ahead of time.

An example of why that much blood is needed comes from a report from Oct. 24. In one week, all the hospitals in the eight-county area ordered 3,410 pints of blood. Eight hundred seventeen were used for open heart surgeries and 293 pints were used for burns, trauma and accidents. Four hundred eighty-nine pints were necessary for people with bleeding disorders and 975 pints were used for other services not specified.

Anyone who is 18 years old and who weighs at least 110 pounds is eligible to give blood. First, donors fill out paperwork concerning their health. Phlebotomists needs to know if the donor has had hepatitis, is pregnant, what vaccinations he has had, if he is on any types of medication, and if he has had AIDS. Any one of these examples may cancel or cause a delay in the giving of blood.

Afterwards, they take a small amount of blood from the donor's finger to determine what blood type he has and to make sure that at least 41% of the blood has red blood cells. This only takes a couple of minutes.

Finally, the person lies down and does the honorable thing. When the painless needle is taken out, he continues to lie on the bed with arm stretched upward, till they, the phlebotimists, make sure he is okay. Finally, the awaited cookies,coffee and juice.

You can give blood every two months. Everyone who donates 100 pints receives a cup with their name on it and how many times they gave.

It is important that a minimum of 500 pints be given each day. On holidays, there's a tendency not to give and the blood center's supply drops. The center has a program titled "Circle Three and You." Donors are asked to give on three different holidays: Presidents Day (February), Memorial Day (May), Independence Day (July), Labor Day (September), Thanksgiving (November) and Christmas/New Year (December/January). Remember, you can only give every two months.

The next blood drive is scheduled for the 25th and 26th of January. Dracula, if you're around, remember that it's better to give than receive.

Are there any vampires in that truck? Photo by Kallen Jenne

London trip offered

Cynthia O'Heren
Staff Writer

How does a "big mac" go with tea-time? Pretty well according to Steve Schultz who went to London last spring on the annual "Study in London" program offered here through Highline Community College.

American Institute For Foreign Study (AIFS) is a program which gives students the "wonderful opportunity to earn credits and very easy travel around London once you are there," says Margaret Brown a psychology teacher at HCC. A total of 15 credits count toward their degrees and can be transferred to their four year degrees. Five credit class on British Life and Culture along with 10 elective credits are required.

Brown taught Introduction to Psychology and Developmental Life Span while in London last spring. She stresses that if students are planning a trip to London, this is the least expensive way to travel and get an education at the same time. AIFS has campuses all over the world, but as of now HCC only offers students the London program. London is one of the major cities in the world and, as Brown says, "It's like looking at all the areas I have read about in books."

The cost to students is $3,485 which includes plane fare and lodging, according to the information sheet. In reality, with the cost of passports, fees for enrollment procedures, baggage insurance, damage deposit, personal traveling around London and necessities, it will cost students approximately "$5,000 to $6,000 depending on your wants and needs," says student Steve Schultz.

"It was a lot of fun. I'm glad I went," says Schultz, "the weather is a lot like Seattle." He also stresses that when students are in London they need to study and not fall behind in school work. Students in the London study program build a very strong "buddy" system shared throughout the stay. As Schultz says,"It's like one big family. You get involved with what is going on in everyone's life when you're there."

The AIFS program provides and arranges students with housing, some meals, counseling, and social events along with classroom activities. Students will be living and studying in the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea, which is located in the center of London.

It's important for students to talk with their student advisors on the classes to take winter quarter so they won't interfere with the London Program.

There is a video tape on the London Program available through your on-campus coordinator. If you have any questions or want any more information on study in London please feel free to contact Charles Miles (Ext. 436), Margaret Brown (Ext. 419) or the Dean of Students (Ext. 351).

Crime times

Crimes occurring in the general area of H.C.C. campus between 10-18 to 10-26.

10-18 Assault, hands and fists, 226th and 28th
10-18 Forced Burglary 220th and 11th.
10-19 Homicide and vehicle missing, reported to Des Moines Police Department by King County Police Department.
10-20 Indecent liberties 235th and 17th.
10-21 Motor Vehicle Theft 234th and 16th.
10-22 Suspicious persons 228th and Pacific Highway S.
10-22 Reckless Endangerment, juveniles shooting pellet gun 12th and 229th.
10-22 Missing Person, three year old boy missing for two hours from 228th and 28th located at relatives.
10-23 Assault, hands and fists 218th and 29th.
10-23 Property found: BB Gun and coat on H.C.C. campus.
10-23 Reckless Endangerment 228th and 20th.
10-23 Mischief: "Eat shit and die" written in soap on living room window 224th and 8th.
10-23 Burglary attempt 226th and 28th.
10-25 Simple Assault 243rd and 28th.
10-25 Theft: two jet skis 13th and 232nd.
10-26 Motor Vehicle Theft, Kent Des Moines Road.
10-26 Suspicious persons 220th and 5th.

Lightning Bolts

H.C.C. Choral Concert: "*From Bach to Pop*" 12 noon today in Bldg. 7; directed by Gordon Voiles.

Donate recyclables to the **Highline Environmental Club** at the Burien Recycling Center (16043 1st Ave. S. Burien) or drop them off at a pick-up post on campus. For information, call 878-3710, ext. 294, between 9 and 10 a.m. on Thursdays.

Data Processing Management Association (DPMA): the next student chapter meeting will be held Thursday, Nov. 10, at 6:00 p.m. in Bldg. 21, Rm. 106. Disks can be purchased at a discount from DPMA in Bldg. 21, Rm. 111 or from the 5th floor library computer lab - members receive special discounts off sale price.

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

Cine Club Film: "*Une Femme Douce*" 12 noon and 7 p.m., Bldg. 7; admission is $1.00.

Roses are red, violets are blue, Jan. 15 is the deadline for the winter issue of **Arcturus**, turn in your poetry and prose too!

Oops! The restaurant review in our 10/24 issue should have read "El Charro esta' bueno" instead of "Charro es muy bien." No hablamos espanol.

The **Thunderword** is now accepting cartoons for an upcoming comic page.
Bring all submissions to Bldg. 10 Rm. 105.

News

Closeup: Should car insurance be mandatory?

Michael Morelock
Staff Writer

Imagine yourself driving your shiny new car. You've dreamed about owning a car like this for years and now it's all yours and you're in love.

Now imagine you see me coming out of nowhere! It's too late! Dear God, your new car!

You pull yourself from the wreck which used to be your dream and show me your driver's license and insurance information. I've shown you my driver's licence, but I have no automotive insurance. What's more, you find out I'm broke.

This type of situation is causing a grass roots effort to get Washington State to join 40 other states in passing a mandatory automotive insurance law. Last year there were at least 15 bills introduced into the Washington State legislature. But insurance companies lobbied against them, killing all 15.

Jeannette Greenfield is a representative of Mothers Against Drunk Drivers, the only lobby group in Olympia which actively supports mandatory automotive insurance.

"Although it's not our main focus, we support it," she says, "because of the obvious and serious need for it. I have a case file on my desk now where a mother is on welfare because of an uninsured motorist. Her son hitched a ride one day and the car in which he was riding rolled, throwing both her son and the driver from the car. The driver had lost his insurance coverage and her son ended up in the hospital."

According to an informal Thunderword poll, 36 percent of HCC students are currently driving uninsured, and 45 percent have driven uninsured in the past.

In a case such as this, mandatory auto insurance would not have stopped the accident from happening. If, on the other hand, the other driver would have had insurance, the cost to the victim would have been greatly decreased.

"A great many, if not the majority of the driving public, is uninsured— as much as 60% of the drivers on the road," she claims. "Mandatory insurance would put the risk and cost of insurance on the bad drivers who are typically the people who don't get insurance."

Greenfield went on to explain that insurance companies don't want mandatory insurance, because it would force them to pay for the damage done by the higher risk drivers who aren't insured now. Also, it would add to the amount of paperwork they must already do.

Foster Cronyn, a lobbyist employed by the insurance companies, disagrees.

"The administrative costs would be higher," he allows, "but not only for us. The state would be swamped with red tape, and they are eight months behind even now in getting people's licenses suspended because of lack of funds in the budget."

The insurance companies also have a radically different opinion of how many uninsured drivers are out on the road driving.

"In areas of extreme unemployment, people cannot afford rent, much less auto insurance, and in those areas the ratio may be near 40%," Cronyn says. "But the state-wide statistic is probably 10-15 percent. These drivers are usually considered to be high-risk drivers, not because they don't have insurance, but because they can't get insurance now. If the insurance companies are forced to insure them, the average cost of insuring drivers will go up. This translates into higher premiums."

Half of the uninsured drivers and 80 percent of the insured drivers polled favored mandatory automobile insurance

An informal Thunderword poll shows that 36 percent of HCC students questioned are crrently driving uninsured. When asked if they had driven uninsured in the past, 45% said that they had.

Of those insured now, 80% favored the idea of mandatory automobile insurance, and of those who were still uninsured, 50% said that they favored the idea of making it mandatory.

Marianne Gillis, another representative of the insurance companies, adds "the states that have mandatory insurance laws agree, in effect, that the law doesn't work. In Oregon, for instance, they've had the law for six years or so; and it's not only mandatory that you have auto insurance but you must also have uninsured motorist coverage. What the law says is that even though we have mandatory insurance, we know that it's not going to work!"

Who does support the idea of mandatory insurance? Who proposed the 15 bills in Congress?

"It's basically a knee-jerk reaction," Gillis explains, "of those who have been victims recently. They get hit by an uninsured motorist, and they call their representatives and complain to them."

Highline students get shot in arm

Tom Hunley
News Editor

Have you had all of your shots? Check one. Yes___ No___ I might have...I can't remember...I just don't know___.

If you fell into one of the latter categories, you should have been in the HCC cafeteria on Nov. 2 or Nov. 3. The Public Health Department was giving free vaccinations for Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Diptheria, and Tetanus from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

"It's not heart transplants or liver transplants that save the most people, it's refrigeration, nutrition and immunization," said HCC's Health Service Coordinator Mary Lou Holland.

Holland went before a state legislative committee, testifying that students should have to provide immunization records before registering for colleges. The law did not go into effect.

The Health Services Department is offering shots of a different kind: flu vaccinations. Five dollars is all it takes to be immunized against three of the worst common flu viruses, A/Taiwan, A/Sichnan and B/Victoria.

The holiday season, coincidentally, is also the flu season. You party and you puke. "We expect the big strain to come right after Christmas," said Holland.

The flu vaccine is for preventive purposes, and is not a sufficient treatment for someone who already has the virus, according to medical assistant Sandi Hall. "We don't recommend that they take the vaccine after they get the flu. We tell them it's too late," said Hall.

Some people's idea of a shot is bourbon. Other people use their needles to inject illegal drugs. To raise awareness about the drug problem, the Health Department participated in the National Collegiate Alcohol and Substance Abuse Week Aug. 17-21.

"We're not living under a rock in Health Services about alcohol. We know it's a big problem in colleges. Drinking is seen as kind of a rite of passage," said Holland. "We're finding we have more problems with alcohol than ever."

Ingrid Nelson, a Highline student and licensed practical nurse who works in the Health Center, spent the week giving out literature about alcohol and other drugs. Nelson, who formerly worked at the Detox division of the King County Public Health Department, has seen her share of lives damaged by drugs. "Patients would get sweats, chills, high blood pressure, bad cases of diarrhea that you've never seen before, a lot of real side effects," said Nelson.

Nelson was happy to share her knowledge about drugs with anyone within hearing range. "You can go from an influential job, family, to desolation in six months," she said.

No one needs to fear coming to the Health Center for help with a problem with alcohol or other drugs, according to Nelson. "It's extremely confidential," she said.

Ingrid Nelson gives Phillip Feliciano a shot. Photo by Anthony Lieggi

Ames goes for the roses

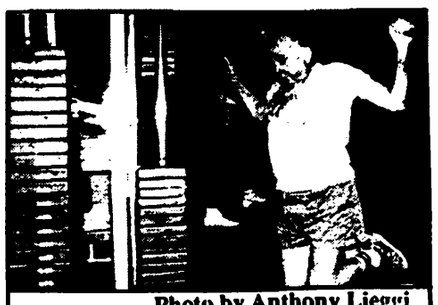

Photo by Anthony Lieggi
Wink Ames works out during his 9:00 class.

Shannon Smith
Staff Writer

You may have noticed him pumping iron in the weight room at Highline Community College during physical education.

You may think pumping iron at 72 years of age is an impressive hobby. For Wink Ames, a student at HCC, this is just one hobby he not only enjoys but also excels in.

In June, Ames received the highest award given by the American Rose Society for his fragrant miniature rose, Sweet Pickens. The competition, a yearly event held at Sea Tac Mall, is sponsored by the Seattle Rose Society.

Ames was awarded a gold certificate for the first place pink miniature rose. He had entered the competitions 12 times previously and is thrilled to have been recognized. "This is the one you work for. It's the ultimate for rose growers," he said.

He has been raising roses for 20 years and currently has 125 large bloom bushes and 135 miniature bloom bushes in his back yard garden in Arbor Heights.

With this size of garden, the work load is substantial. Ames is the first to point out winning the award was a team effort and it would not have been possible without his helper and wife Colleen. "She does most of the daily care on the miniatures. We raise the roses together and make a good team."

Although he thrives on entering rose competions, it is not the main reason he finds the hobby interesting. It is the way others react to his roses which is most often surprising. "I'll bring roses for the bartender when I go to a lounge when men, some of them rough looking macho types, will begin asking questions on the care of roses. You would never think they would have an interest. Other times men have begged me for a rose to take home for their wives when they've stayed too late. They hope this will keep them out of trouble."

Ames has been somewhat of a legend in his neighborhood for his generosity in sharing his roses. He delivers roses to neighbors on a daily schedule, only taking Sunday off. They have become accustomed to this routine and look forward to his visits and beautiful roses. "If I miss a day, boy I'll hear about it," he said.

Ames retired from his job as a credit manager for Star Machinery seven years ago. He began taking classes at Highline five years ago, and is currently enrolled in weight training and body conditioning. "I take P.E. classes to keep flexible and keep off the fat. I also enjoy playing any sport that is competitive. Basketball and tennis are two sports I've been able to play at Highline.

This competitive spirit is advantageous not only to Ames but to those around him as well. As a student in the body conditioning class, he continually strives to keep in step with younger students. "It's amazing; he keeps up with the others and works just as hard. It inspires you to try harder watching him," said Cyndi O'Heren, member of the class.

He may not always show it but keeping up is a challenge for Ames. "The toughest part is trying to manage heavier weights as the class improves. I'm not as limber as these kids."

Whether he is competing in rose competitions or a favorite sport, he always finds competition rewarding. "To win is great, but just having a chance to compete is the fun of it."

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Campaign ads:

Flush the crap!

You're in one of the bathrooms in the Highline Community College library, reading the graffiti: "Bush is a redneck." "I eat libral (sic) meat." These are pretty tame slogans for a bathroom wall. But, compared to some other campaign rantings this year, you consider these well thought out, intelligent arguments.

The Democrats kicked off the negative campaign at their convention, calling Bush "a man who was born on third base and thinks he hit a triple," and chanting,"Where was George?"

When Bush discusses more important issues than the flag salute, he says what the people want to hear, regardless of what the truth might be. In the most memorable slogan of the campaign, he said "Read my lips: no new taxes."

Read our lips: B.S.

The Bush campaign aired a number of vicious televised campaign ads. One ad states that Dukakis let 268 first-degree murderers out on work release. The actual number was four, and the program was started by Dukakis' Republican predecessor. Those facts didn't stop Illinois Republicans from proclaiming that "murderers, rapists, and child molesters in Massachusetts vote for Michael Dukakis."

The Democrats responded in kind, claiming that by using Negro Michael Horton in the pamphlets, the Republicans were being racist.

Another Bush advertisement showed Dukakis looking ridiculous in a military tank. The ad threatened: "Dukakis as commander-in-chief is a risk Americans can't afford."

In reality, defense specialists from both parties agree. This presidential campaign will not have much bearing on defense.

The result of all this is that if Bush wins on Nov. 8, it will be because people fear Dukakis, not because they like Bush. If Dukakis wins, it will be because the people distrust Bush, not because they have faith in Dukakis. A president elected on those terms will not be very effective in convincing Congress to support his programs. When you're the president, you can't scapegoat anyone.

As oft-quoted Harry Truman said,"The buck stops here."

You flush the toilet, go to the sink, and wash your hands of the whole dirty mess, wishing that Nov. 8 could be that simple.

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Your opinion, your choice

Cassie Phillips
Guest Columnist

I support Slade Gorton for the United States Senate. Slade has been a trusted and effective voice for the state of Washington for 28 years. In the U.S. Senate, his fellow Senators respected him for his integrity and knew him as a hard working Senator who put the interests of his constituents first. Slade worked closely and effectively with the other members of the Washington Congressional Delegation—both Democrats and Republicans—to accomplish what was best for our state.

Mike Lowry's record is the opposite of Slade's. He is not effective in passing legislation and he cannot work effectively with the rest of the state's delegation. Lowry has voted over 200 times things the majority of the delegation—and Washington's voters—support, like Seattle's Metro Bus Tunnel and the Everett homeport.

I support Slade not just for his ability to get things done in the Senate, but also for his positions on the issues. For years, Slade has backed tough measures to fight drugs. Slade supported the 1986 and 1988 Anti-Drug Bills from the start, while Lowry opposed them, until his recent flip-flop.

On foreign policy, Slade supports the policies that have led to peace, a new respect throughout the world, and a treaty removing nuclear missiles from Europe. Lowry, in contrast, called America the forign policy outlaw of the world.

On issues closer to home, Slade has proposed real, workable solutions to our problems. He supports tax credits and vouchers for day care and preschool. He wants to forge partnerships to help the homeless. To help Senior Citizens, Slade supported the Retirement Equity Act and improvements to the Older Americans Act. He worked to extend SSI payments to payments to disabled workers.

Each year in the Senate Slade fought the Administration's drastic cuts in education, and each year he supported increased funds for education. Slade supports a College Saving Bond program—like an IRA for education—to help pay for college expenses.

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One of the things I admire most about Slade is his record on the environment. He was responsible for permanently closing Puget Sound to oil supertankers. He was deeply involved in legislation to protect the Columbia Gorge and Mount St. Helens, the Washington Wilderness Act, amendments to the Endangered Species Act, and the Nuclear Waste Policy Act. Slade brought together all the parties to pass environmental protection, rather than just talk about it.

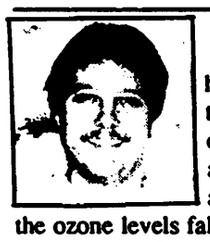
On all of these important issues, we need a Senator who has sensible solutions to our problems and who has a record of real accomplishments. We need someone who will build upon the achievements of the past eight years, rather than tear them down.

We need a Senator who has demonstrated his integrity and effectiveness over many years in public service. Slade Gorton is that candidate, and I urge you to support him.

Honors Colloquy speaker Karen Marchioro, Washington State Democratic Chairman, was offered equal space for her support of Mike Lowry. She advised us she was unable to make our early deadline.

Chicken little was right, the sky is falling

Brian Hosey
Guest Columnist



Most of us have heard of the hole in the ozone layer above Antarctica, where the ozone levels fall every year.

But ozone depletion isn't just a problem penguins have to worry about. The destruction of stratospheric ozone (ozone that is found six to 10 miles up in the atmosphere) can affect us all.

Ozone is a molecule made up of three oxygen atoms bound together. This molecule is very efficient at screening out ultraviolet light from the sun. This potentially harmful type of light causes an estimated 200,000 to 600,000 skin cancers per year in the U.S. alone. In excess it can stunt plant growth too. Luckily the ozone layer screens out 99% of the sun's ultra-violet light, thus protecting life on earth.

But man in his infinite wisdom has created a sinister group of chemicals to destroy ozone. These chemicals are called Chlorofluorocarbons, or CFC's. If the rellease of CFC's into the atmosphere continues, the earth's ozone shield could be destroyed.

There are three basic types of CFC's which are in widespread use today. The most widely used one is called CFC-12. CFC-12 is used in refrigerators and air conditioning units as a coolant. Over time this coolant leaks from the units and is released into the atmosphere.

CFC-11 is the second most widely used Chlorofluorocarbon and is used as a blowing agent in the production of foam products. It is released when products like foam cushions, cups and insulating panels are manufactured. The other commonly used CFC is used as an all-purpose cleaner in the production of circuit boards. (CFC-113 is very effective at removing soldering residue).

In the 1970's the U.S. banned the use of CFC-11 in aerosol cans as a propellent but currently allows the use of CFC's in other products. Progress is being made though. A new global treaty called the Montreal Protocol has been etablished to cut the use of all CFC's by 50% by the year 2000. This is a step in the right direction, but many environmentalists argue that a cut back of at least 85% is needed.

Oh, I almost forgot Secretary of the Interior Don Hodel's Ray Ban treaty. He thinks we should just ignore ozone depletion and all buy a good pair of sunglasses and hat. (Maybe we should send him to summer camp in Antarctica).

So why don't we just ban CFC use and find a substitute chemical like we did with aerosol cans? It's not that simple. New chemicals have to go through extensive toxicology tests before they can be put to use. Some of these tests can take up to a decade. But alternate chemicals are being explored. HCFC-12 may someday replace CFC-12. It has a hydrogen atom thrown in which causes the molecule to fall apart in the lower atmosphere. HCFC-123 may replace CFC-11 in the future, too, for similar reasons. And someday BIOACT EC-7 could be substituted for CFC-113. But none of these replacements will work as well as the CFC's they could replace, and many will require expensive modifications to current CFC-utilizing machinery and components.

What's our other alternative? Wearing sunglasses? I don't think so. But until we find substitutes for CFC's we need to conserve the products using them or find alternate products to satisfy our needs.

Editorials

Purchasing the right choice

Bryan Smith
Guest Columnist

As soon as people and friends find out that I have been working with computers for some years now, I am immediately bombarded with questions. Now I don't mind them; as a matter of fact, I welcome the questions.

Question #1. "I need to buy a computer; which system do you think is the best?" As to what system you should buy, it greatly depends on your needs. I will try to give you a basic outline to follow in choosing a system for yourself, so that you spend as little money as possible while getting the equipment and quality you need.

First of all, you need to sit down and evaluate what your needs for a computer are now. Then think about what you might need in the future. (A) What are the reasons you think you need a computer? Pick out as many reasons why, such as programming, word processing, data basing, statistics or graphic design. (B) What systems are you familiar with? (C) What software are you familiar with? (D) Is the system and the software easy to use? If you have never worked on a computer before, skip questions B, C and D. Next check the field in which you are studying and see where and how computers are used.

To actually determine which is the best system can be dificult in some ways, easy in other. You will have to go to several stores and tell the sales rep what it is you are interested in and what your needs are.

Question #2. I am looking at buying a JCN 1000 SE. Should I buy it now or wait for a price drop? With the trade restrictions and the computer chip manufacturers taking advantage of the restrictions by saying, "Oh, yes there is a shortage," just to bring prices back up, I would venture to say that waiting is not a great choice. If you know that there is a sale coming up in two months, start looking now. You don't have to buy immediately, but you can look and find out when there will be package sales.

Question #3. I really like the JCN 1000 SE, but JCN just announced that in five months they will release the 2000 ss/2 model. They say it will revolutionize the business world. Should I wait? First of all, not all claims made by computer companies are as great as they proclaim they will be, although sometimes they are. You will have to weigh the abilities of the machine in which you are currently interested and what the possibilities of the new machine are. Then determine if you can wait. The other solution is to lease the current model until the new machine comes out and you can see if the new model is what you really wanted. If not, purchase the machine you leasd.

Question #4. Once I buy a computer, what kind of support will I be able to find?
There is support from the store where you purchased your machine. There are user groups all over the Puget Sound area. User groups are centered around either a certain computer or software. They are great places to meet other people who have the same interests as you, and they can be great sources of help.

Question #5. Will buying a computer really benefit me? I don't know. This is a question you need to think about. In most cases, I would say "Yes, computers will benefit you in many areas of you life, now and in the future."

Question #6. I have this computer. It has all this software that came with it and built-in software. My problem is that I can't get this one section to work.

Nintyseven percent of the time the instructions are in one of the manuals somewhere. If not, call the store from which you purchased the computer and ask them. If you have software that you received without documentation, contact a user group for your machine and ask around.

Question #7. The computers which you can order through the mail are less expensive.
Would I be better off buying my system that way? Personally, I wouldn't purchase anything by mail, but I know a few people who are happy with the systems they purchased that way. With mail order you do have 30 days from the time you receive the product to return it for a full refund; this is a federal law which protects you the customer. Getting service for your machine is where you run into problems with mail order.

In Part II of this report next issue I will give you a list of the best stores and systems for the least amount of money.

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Editor:

Earlier this year I made an investment decision and decided to attend Highline Community College and continue my education. I made the investment even though my opportunity cost was high. I am forced to commute quite some distance, and I also am trying to juggle a full-time high stress job. I don't expect any special treatment; jut the normal service one would expect from any educational institution. What have I paid for? Classroom time and the ability to learn. Perhaps, then, you may understand how upset I am at the prospect of having been robbed of one hour of class (which I paid for) because the "school" needed the room to market Highline to high school seniors. Something is wrong here. It seems to me that Highline should spend a little more time satisfying the needs of its present occupants, and worry about future students on its own time. I applied at Highline because of a "word-of-mouth " reference. It was favorable, but I'm not so sure mine will be.

Nate H. Scholz - student

What do you do all day anyway ?

Mary Lou Holland
Guest Columnist

As I arrive in Health Services at the start of the day, there are usually several students already waiting to see me, or I should say for me to see them. They are the ones who feel too sick to go to their 8'clock classes or their 9 o'clock class. Monday mornings are usually the busiest times, with Firday mornings a close second.

Since morning hours are for drop-ins, I see students as well as faculty and staff for fevers, colds, sinus problems, ear aches, skin rashes, cuts, burns and the general "flu-like" thing that caused such a miserable weekend for what seems to be one fourth of HCC'S population. Now that we're into the wet and rainy season, early morning falls are more common. These falls result in hand and knee abrasions caused by slick soled shoes doing a good imitation of ice skates on wet leaves and sidewalks. Not everyone realizes that HCC is built on a downhill slope.

As the morning continues things really start to move. There's the person who almost fainted on the walkway and had to be transported to Health Services via stretcher; the cut finger tip from graphic arts/interior design/print shop; the worried student who was afraid his blood pressure was too high; the child from the Child Care Center with sandbox material in the eye; the student (mother of a 3 year Old) who wanted to know how to have her child's hearing tested because of her concern over the child's unusual response to normal conversation tone; the pregnant student who had the world's worst cold but was afraid to take even a non-aspirin product because she was warned against taking any medicine that may adversely affect her unborn child; the student in P.E. class who caught a tennis serve with his right eye socket; the student who put her hand in her jacket pocket and was stung by a hitch-hiking wasp; the young man who slam-dunked his forehead into the cement overhang of a stairwell while reading and walking; the red irritated eyes of the swim-for-fitness student, the student with unusual leg lumps that are documented in dermatology texts but something a health provider sees only once in three to four years; the happy young woman with a negative pregnancy test followed in 15 minutes by the happy young woman with a positive pregnancy test; the person dying of strep throat whose throat culture was positive not for strep but for a virus. Could it be noon already!! Time to close the office for an hour and try to return all those phone calls that have been stacking up during the morning, go to the bathroom, and get a bit of lunch. As I walk through the cafeteria I am stopped and asked to give advice, opinions, answers and even cures to people who were going to come to Health Services but never made it because they were too busy or were in class. Isn't it neat that they caught me to ask just a quick question like, "How can I tell if I have cancer?" Hopefully I can give them an answer in whispered confidental tones before we get to the cashier.

• The afternoon is for scheduled appointments, usually anything that takes more than 20 minutes. Most physical and gynecological exams are done at this time. Right now, we have appointments scheduled three weeks in advance. Afternoons are also spent doing hearing and vision screening for students referred by the Developmental Studies department. Many hearing deficits, I'm happy to say, are caused by earwax that collects and hardens in the ear canal. It is more common than you would think. This wax can usually be removed by irrigating it, using only warm water. Sometimes the wax is so hard and thick that I wish I had a miniature pick ax. One student's hearing was miraculously restored after a small cotton plug of undeterminable age was removed from one ear canal.

And then talk. I talk to students who are worried about their health affecting their grades and vice versa. I talk as a guest speaker in several classes, at the Women's Program events, at employee professional development day, and with faculty. Sometimes I talk to students over the phone after Health Services is closed for the day. I talk to students in the walkway, or in the parking lot, or in the library stairwell, or the bookstore. Although I talk a lot, I also listen. Often listening is the best service I can give to someone who needs a friendly ear.

After 3 p.m. there are committee meetings to attend or professional and community organizational work to do. I believe --- quite strongly -- that I should actively participate in my professional organizations as well as to contribute to the community in which I live. I don't think I could ever just "put in my hours" and go home. Workaholic maybe, but I take time to play, too. Of course I don't do everything by myself. I have some very capable work study students and a wonderful program assistant to help me. They take part in some of the wellness projects such as immunizations, the newsletter, etc.

There are a few things, however, of which I am certain. That is, I like the people I work with and I like what I do. And I am NEVER, EVER bored with my HCC job.

Editorials

Make it count: all workers are affected

Stefanie Novacek
Guest Columnist

The women who fought for our right to vote earlier this Century would not be proud to see many of us scouring the newspaper or voters pamphlet the night before the election to find out about ballot issues. Worse yet, they would be appalled to realize how many of us do not even bother to vote. Called the suffragettes because they wanted women to have suffrage, or the vote, these women literally suffered to give us this right. They endured hunger strikes, ridicule, beatings and imprisonment all because they believed women deserved a direct voice in their government.

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With another election quickly approaching, we owe it to the memory of these courageous women to take advantage of our hard earned right to vote. More importantly, however, our situation as working women, concerned men, parents, and anyone interested in economic and social justice demands that we speak out and vote on issues directly affecting us and our children. In this election, specific issues on the local and state ballots should be of particular concern to working women and their families.

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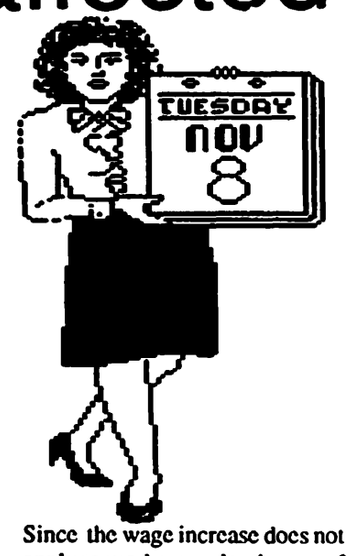
Right here in King County, an amendment to the county charter is being proposed that would give many part-time county employees the same benefits and rights as regular full-time employees. Currently, part-time employees are not included in the county's Career Service System although in many cases there is no inherent difference between the work performed by full-time and part-time employees. Over the years, part-time employees have become an important part of the county's work force. Consequently, people are often doing the same work, but only the full-time employee receives benefits.

You may be asking yourself why you should care about this amendment if you are not a King County employee. According to the U. S. Department of Labor (1988), almost two-thirds of all part-time workers are women. Part-time workers contribute substantially to our economy but usually go unrewarded when it comes to receiving benefits for themselves or their children. Many of the staff and faculty here at Highline are in the same position of being regular part-time employees who receive no benefits. Although this amendment to the county charter would not affect our status, it would send an important message that part-time employees are vital to organizations and need to be rewarded accordingly.

On the state level, Initiative 518 proposes raising the state minimum wage from its current level of $2.30 an hour to $3.85 an hour effective on Jan. 1, 1989, and ultimately to $4.25 an hour effective Jan. 1, 1990, for workers over the age of 18. Although the federal minimum wage is $3.35 an hour, such federal regulations do not apply to Washington State businesses that conduct all their business within the state. Supporters of Initiative 518, also known as the Campaign for a Livable Income, report that some 46,500 people in Washington work for $2.30 an hour or less. A worker earning $4.47 an hour is existing right at the poverty level and the campaign estimates that over 200,000 workers in Washington earn less than this wage. The people working for these wages are not just teenagers; two-thirds are adults struggling to support themselves and their families. The state, minimum wage has not increased since 1976 and today is worth $1.22 an hour in 1976 dollars.

Nationally, we know that women represent 63% of all individuals 16 years or older with poverty level incomes. Because women are concentrated in low-paying, service-oriented jobs, raising the state minimum wage provides one opportunity to improve the living standard of at least some women and children.



Since the wage increase does not apply to workers under the age of 18, it will not mean fewer jobs for teenagers as some have argued. Also, when individuals are paid above a mere subsistence wage, they can afford to contribute to the economy as consumers.

The situation of part-time employees and low-wage earning workers are only two of the many issues to be decided in this election. It is important, however, that we view these issues not as boring, political arguments but from the perspective of the lives of the women, the children, and all the workers they will impact.

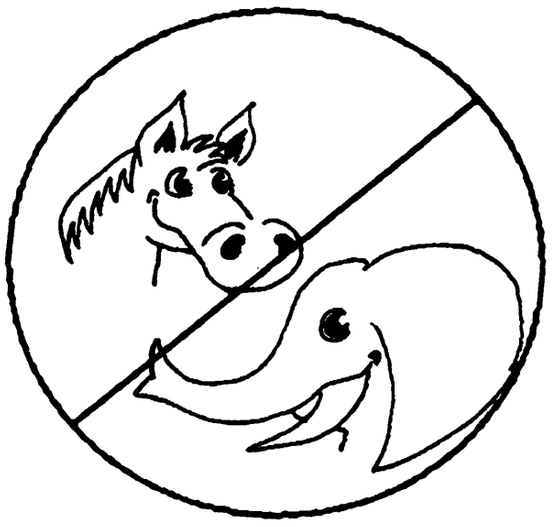
No vote isn't a choice

Rob Abloff
Staff writer

"Don't vote. It only encourages them." Fifteen years ago, that was a slogan seen on bumper stickers across the country. The performance of both major parties in a seemingly useless and immoral war, followed by the Republican Watergate scandal left millions of Americans feeling that not only could our leaders not lead, they could not be trusted. Since no viable party candidate existed it seemed to many that the best way to exercise their civic duty was to abstain from voting. The bumper stickers were a way to let people know that it was not out of apathy or ignorance that you weren't voting. It was out of genuine dissatisfaction with both major parties -- a feeling of exclusion and alienation from the political process. The bumper stickers are pretty much gone but I'm not so sure about the sentiment.

Voter participation is likely to be down again this Nov. 8, particularly among young people. The media's political analysts will more than likely round up the usual suspects. They'll talk about the lack of education in civics and wring their hands about the dreaded apathy. In many cases, of course, they are probably right. Disinterest and ignorance, by the way, seem to me to be terrific reasons not to vote. If one does not know or does not care, how can going into a voting booth and making a stab in the dark add anything to the political process?

But I digress here. I have, as it were, another political fish to fry. About a year ago it became apparent that despite George Bush's likely involvement in the Iran-Contra scandal and other shady dealings involving gun-runners and drug smugglers, the Republican party was going to let old George be its nominee for the Presidency. Good, I thought. This will spare me from sorting through the rag-tag bunch the Democrats are submitting for approval. It really didn't matter. George Bush was a truly unacceptable candidate. It wasn't so much he was a liar and a crook. Liars and crooks running the White House this country can survive; it has done it for years. No, what bothered me more was the way George Bush, the political moderate, seemed more than willing to kiss up to any and every conservative and right-wing fundamentalist faction that came along: anti-abortion, pro-death penalty, pro-censorship, anti-civil liberties, anti-affirmative action, pro-school prayer, anti-evolution theory.... The right had simply to name its price and Georgie was a convert. Not just a convert but a full fledged zealot. George Bush seemed a new sort of beast that the American political lanscape had heretofore not seen: The Crooked Wimp.

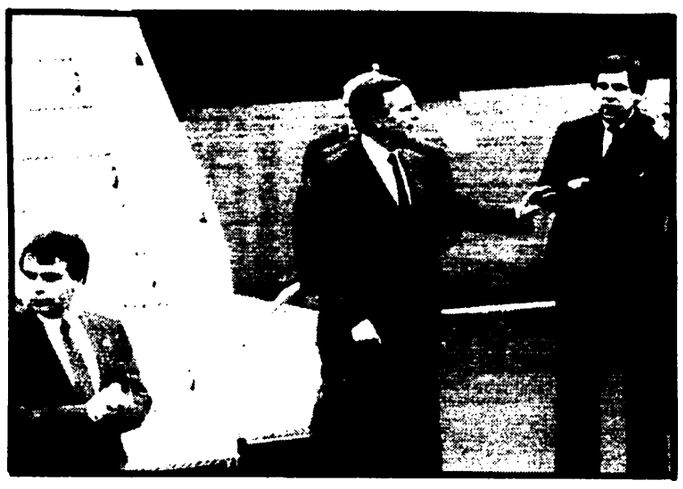


Yes, the choice seemed clear. But then, alas, comes Mike Dukakis. The Duke, we are told, is a Mr. Clean. As the hard-working son of Greek immigrant parents, he will not be corrupted by those huge funds handed out by special interest political action comittees that have turned the U. S. Congress into a political auction block. A refreshing bit of integrity Mike, even if you are not a member of Congress. And as for foreign policy, Mike, how about the President's support of the Rebel forces in Nicaragua, along other more clandestine activities? "I think it's not only illegal, but immoral." You say? Strong stuff Mike, even fiesty. And what kind of running mate will you bring to the ticket to help set, for this country, a higher moral tone? Lloyd Bentsen? Well, let's look at his record on these issues. It turns out he's the all-time winner of the political action committee's Congressional sweepstakes and he's one of the most fervent Contra supporters in the Democratic Senate. I'm confused here, Mike. Let's try another issue. How about SDI? "I think it's a fantasy," Dukakis says. "And those that support it are wrong, dead wrong." On the other hand, he says, "If it works, I'll deploy it." Gee, Mike, why do I feel myself sinking into a political abyss here?

But to be truthful here, I am going to vote on Nov. 8. And I will be punching Mr. Dukakis's ticket. But I will be thinking of George Bush. I'll be hearing his voice. I'll be reading his lips when he thinks no one is watching. Despite my vote, consider this an endorsement for the Libertarian candidate Ron Paul. If you don't know why you should find out.

Feature

Securing the presidency



The election year: candidates debating on t.v.; enthusiastic supporters trying to touch a nominee at a convention center; security personnel swarming around as a candidate enters a limosine.

In these situations, the Secret Service and local law enforcement agencies provide protection for the candidates.

In the history of the United States, there have been 13 attempts on the life of the president; six times the assassins have hit their marks. The wounds received by Ronald Reagan and Theodore Roosevelt did not prove fatal; however, Abraham Lincoln, James Garfield, William McKinley, and John Kennedy were not as fortunate.

It was not until after the assassination of President McKinley in 1901 that the government established the United States Secret Service for the protection of the president.

Only after the assassination of Robert Kennedy in 1968 and the attempted assassination of George Wallace in 1972 did the Secret Service start making protection available for all presidential nominees.

Now, when presidential candidates visit the Seattle area, the Secret Service coordinates with local law enforcement agencies to provide protection.

In a standard scenario, the Secret Service informs the local law enforcement agencies that a dignitary is due to arrive on a specific date. Each local agency is responsible for protecting the dignitary while he is in their jurisdiction.

Last month when Vice-President George Bush arrived in Seattle for a campaign visit, three local agencies were involved. When Airforce Two landed at King County field, the Tactical Operations Unit of the King County Police Department provided security. While the vice-president's motorcade was on Interstate 5, the Washington State Patrol provided motorized escort. And, when they exited the freeway in the middle of downtown Seattle, the Seattle Police Department took responsibility for the vice-president's safety.

Moving a dignitary from the airport to downtown isn't just a matter of organizing a police escort. Coordinators like Lt. Richard Overman, commander of King County Police Department's Tactical Operations Unit, have alternate routes planned out in case of emergency, medical teams on alert, and busy intersections cleared to insure speedy arrival.

For the Tactical Operations Unit, the arrival of a candidate's plane at King County Airfield is the culmination of hours of careful planning.

"Normally, a message from the Secret Service arrives two weeks ahead for a non-campaign visit," said Overman. "But, during an election year, as little as one or two days' advance notice is given and same-day changes can be expected."

As it grows closer to Nov. 8th, the candidate's visits become more frequent and officers such as Lt. Overman find themselves more involved with their jobs.

"We're trying to outsmart Murphy (Murphy's Law)," said Overman. "We're looking at every conceivable thing that could compromise security."

Detailed plans are sent to the sites that the dignitaries will visit. These plans often include tasks such as checking corridors and rooms which the candidate will use, coordinating the surveillance of streets, and keeping in contact with people close to the nominee. Planning does not end in threat-avoidance alone, but also includes minor items such as making sure that there is a bath mat in a shower so the candidate doesn't slip and injure himself.

The worst-case scenario is an actual attempt on the candidate's life. Here, the first priority is to protect the candidate. There are two ways in which this can be accomplished. The first method entails removing the threat (i.e. elimination of the would-be assassin). The second and preferable method is to remove the candidate from danger. When you see a videotape of the 1981 attempt on Reagan's life, you notice the Secret Servicemen immediately form a human shield around the president and push him into the bullet-proof limosine.

As the world becomes increasingly crazed, it is apparent that dignitary security is a growth field. The question is: "Who would want such a job?"

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Focus

THE HEAT IS ON..... FOR HIGHLINE

Students Burn Toward Hot Career as Welders

Building 16. Chances are most students at Highline Community College will never attend classes in this large out-of-the-way structure. What exactly happens there? Do people enter, never to return? They do return they emerge as skilled welders.

Highline's welding program, in existence for 23 years, offers the surrounding community a chance to develop its welding skills, with afternoon and evening classes this fall quarter, and once again offering morning classes starting winter quarter (see inset for times). The class teaches its craft with varying ability according to required usage, whether required for minor welding projects, such as furniture or tool repair, or for vocational intentions including ship and aircraft manufacturing. In fact, HCC's program covers 99 percent of the welding jobs available in the Northwest, according to Howard Bray, program coordinator and instructor. "Howie", as Bray's students refer to him, graduated from nearby Franklin High School before teaching at South Seattle Community College for 10 years. His main interest now concerns "producing good welders" from his classes.

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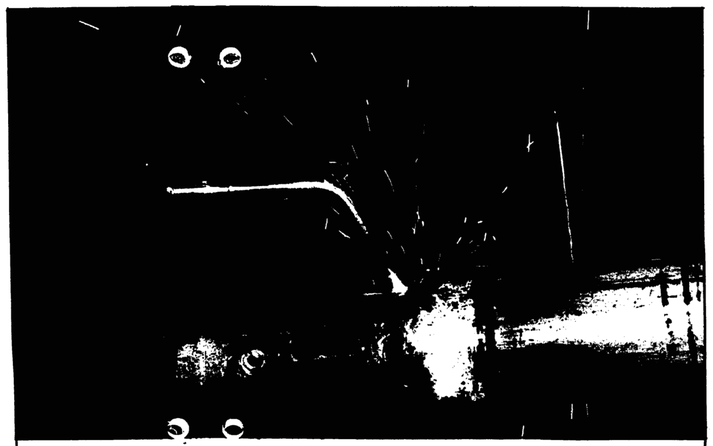
Sparks fly as student welds together exhaust system in the welding shop.

WELDING CLASSES
DAY CLASSES

BUILD YOUR OWN PROJECT - NEW CLASS

WELD 131 DAILY 8:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
Variable Credit
MW 1:00 p.m. - 4:50 a.m.
Variable Credit

ARC WELDING / GAS WELDING - NEW CLASSES

WELD 135 MW 8:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
5 credits
MW 9:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
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MW 10:00 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.
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NIGHT CLASS

WELDING FABRICATION - NEW CLASS

WELD 141 MW 6:00 p.m. - 9:50 p.m. Variable Credit
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Classes require no experience, and the program accepts any level of educational background. The only prerequisite necessary to enter the program is to have corrected 20/20 vision. Personal protective gear, purchased by the student, is mandatory; however, special rates are extended to the HCC students by welding shops around the area. Safety equipment includes: welding hood and safety glasses, buckskin jacket and chaps or apron, leather gloves and pliers. The gear costs approximately $130 at the special college program price.

The logo found on the welding program brochure.

The welding equipment, purchased through the years from vocational/educational and federal funds, is always kept up to date. "Our equipment is up there with the best of them," says Bray. The equipment varies as to the different welding processes used, but they share a common purpose--to join metals by applying heat, sometimes with pressure and sometimes with an intermediate or filler metal having a high melting point.

The program attracts many different kinds of students. Jim Ploegman, maintenance mechanic at HCC for 17 years and Bray's assistant, says, " Most of them (enrolled students) are here for their current jobs, to upgrade and retrain, and also for new jobs." Ploegman explains present day engineering warrants more complicated skills. Workers take classes to acquire new skills being developed as well as learning current methods never accomplished, so they can cover and understand their current jobs better. This, of course, leads to promotion and higher paying postions.

> *Workers take classes to acquire new skills being developed, as well as learning current methods never accomplished.*
> *Jim Ploegman, teaching assistant*

Bray interjects that any industry wants the most for its money, and a properly trained welder helps an industry to capitalize gain.

Welding does not limit its field to just men. Currently enrolled are two female students, one in the diving program and another in regular classes, who is a machinist.

Bray comments that no physical limitations restrict women's participation and he "encourages their involvement." "Women are usually more patient than most men; that's why they're better welders. Of course," he adds, "it's got to be someone who's not afraid to get a little dirt under their fingernails."

Photos and Story by
Sara Green
Staff Writer

Neil Bernotski, a second quarter automotive student who takes auto classes in the morning and welding at night, utilizes the welding program to enhance his profession as a mechanic. "You have to have some welding in my industry for general purposes," Bernotski says. These may include exhaust system welding or various other uses. He adds, "Howie is probably one of the best teachers around. He's had a lot of experience and has done just about everything as far as welding goes."

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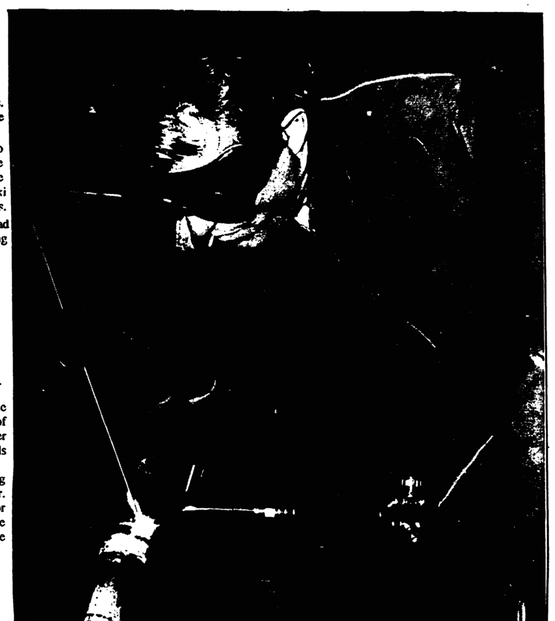
> *Neil Bernotski, Student*

Bernotski's attitude toward his instructor is shared by the other students as well. Throughout the shop flows the feeling of camaraderie and togetherness; students help one another and banter jingly among themselves and "Howie", who immediately attends their questions and needs.

A graduate of HCC's welding program can expect a starting wage scale of $8-$13 an hour, eventually reaching $16-$20 an hour. Some companies even call the school requesting interviewees for available postions. In cases such as this, Bray sends two or three qualified students to the interview; from there, each must pass the company welding test for employment.


Instructor Howard Bray demonstrates oxy/acetylene welding to both day and night students.

Feature

The absolute authority on how you should vote:

Washington State Commisioner of Public Lands

- ☑ **Brian Boyle** *Republican*
- ☐ **Mike Murphy** *Democrat*
- ☐ **Bill Simmons** *New Alliance*

Brian Boyle has started to turn things around. No longer is timberland being sold as quickly as possible to create more revenue, and Boyle has stopped the bankrupting of the public education trust fund.

Washington State State Auditor

- ☐ **Sam Reed** *Republican*
- ☑ **Bob Graham** *Democrat*

Bob Graham one of the best state auditors in the country. He has one national awards for his efficiency. He does not worry about private interest and protects the public. It is highly doubtful that we could do any better with Sam Reed.

Washington State Attorney General

- ☐ **Ken Eikenberry** *Republican*
- ☑ **Bill Erxleben** *Democrat*

Bill Erxleben may or may not be an effective A.G. The point of this vote is to get Eikenberry out. Eikenberry has only been active when the elections are near. We hope that Bill Erxleben will do a better job serving the people of Washington state.

Washington State Supt. of Pub. Inst.

- ☐ **Denny Heck**
- ☑ **Judith Billings**

This is another close race. The only reason we support Billings over Heck is that she has seen the educational system at all levels.

Washington State Insurance Commisioner

- ☑ **Dick Marquardt** *Republican*
- ☐ **Al Rainwater** *Democrat*

Dick Marquardt is loathed by insurance companies. Why? Because he does such a good job... too good for the insurance companies liking.

Marquardt should be retained for another term. He has pledged himself to the concept of mandatory auto insurance.

Washington State State Treasurer

- ☐ **Andy Mclauchlan** *Republican*
- ☑ **Dan Grimm** *Democrat*

Dan Grimm seams to be the best choice here, his 12 years as a representative should help him to understand the philosophy of compromise without being spineless.

SAMPLE BALLOT

Below is a sample ballot listing the six statewide ballot measures, seven county wide issues and major federal and state offices appearing at the General Election on November 8, 1988. This list has been prepared to help you prepare to go to the polls or cast an absentee ballot. (Under state law, you are permitted and encouraged to bring a list or sample ballot to the polling place to make voting easier.) Please note the special format for Initiative Measure 97 and Alternative Measure 97B; the state Constitution establishes a two-step process to express your preference on initiatives and alternatives. If you have questions about this special format, call the state Voter Information Hotline at **1-800-448-4881.**

STATE MEASURES

INITIATIVE MEASURE 518	YES → ✓ / NO →

INITIATIVE MEASURE 97

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ALTERNATIVE MEASURE 97B

VOTERS PLEASE NOTE:

The state Constitution establishes a TWO-STEP process to express your preference on these issues.

STEP 1

VOTE "FOR EITHER" OR "AGAINST BOTH"

FOR EITHER Initiative 97 or Alternative 97B..... → ✓

AGAINST BOTH Initiative 97 and Alternative 97B..... →

STEP 2

VOTE FOR ONE MEASURE

FOR Initiative No. 97..... →

FOR Alternative Measure 97B..... → ✓

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 4222	YES → ✓ / NO →
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 4223	YES → ✓ / NO →
HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 4231	YES → ✓ / NO →

CANDIDATES

PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT
Paul/ Marrou

U. S. SENATE
Mike Lowry

U.S. REPRESENTATIVE

GOVERNOR
Gardner

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
Pritchard

SECRETARY OF STATE
Munro

STATE TREASURER
Grimm

STATE AUDITOR
Graham

ATTORNEY GENERAL
Erxleben

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC LANDS
Boyle

SUPT. OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
Billings

INSURANCE COMMISSIONER
Marquardt

STATE SENATOR (If applicable)

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

Position 1:

Position 2:

COUNTY & LOCAL

PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT 1	YES / NO
PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT 2	YES / NO
PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT 3	YES / NO
PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT 4	YES / NO
PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT 5	YES / NO
KING COUNTY PROP. NO. 1	YES / NO
KING COUNTY PROP. NO 2	YES / NO

CITY (If applicable)

FIRE DISTRICT (If applicable)

HOSPITAL DISTRICT (If applicable)

OTHER

Feature

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Washington State Initiative 518

☑ YES
☐ NO

Should the state minimum wage be increased from $2.30 to $3.85 on Jan. 1, 1989 and to $4.25 on Jan. 1 1990?

All people have the right to earn a decent wage (read: above poverty level) at $2.30 an hour, there is very little incentive to work. At the current minimum wage of $2.30 an hour, you earn only $4,784 per year if you work full time. Why would someone want to work full time and earn less than they can be handed by unemployment? We believe an increase in the minimum wage will decrease the amount of people on welfare and will not result in a significant loss of employment. We encourage you to vote "Yes" on 518.

Washington State Initiative 97/97B

☑ For 97 or 97B
☐ Against Both

☐ 97
☑ 97B

Shall a hazardous waste cleanup program, partially funded by 7/10 of 1% tax on hazardous substances, be enacted?

Initiative 97B is already in effect and seems to be working. There has been no onslaught of litigation by large corporations to attempt to dodge their financial responsibility in the clean up process.

Although the Initiative 97 is deals much stiffer with the polluters, it also would be overbearingly constrictive on the E.P.A. The state would have no say in the prioritizing of clean-up projects. It would also cause a loss of control over spending (mandating that everything be cleaned up no matter what the cost. As good as 97B is, 97 is poor. Vote "Yes" on 97B, and "No" on 97.

President and Vice President

☑ **Ron Paul & Andre Marrou**
Libertarian

Ron Paul and Andre Marrou have about as much chance of winning the presidency as I have of winning the lottery this weekend (and I don't buy lottery tickets). Their appeal is one to the senses of the populace. Their platform supports massive budget reform (including the elimination of over-seas troops and social programs), personal liberties (including the legalization of all drugs), and an end to government interference in the market-place.

Thes Libertarian party is the only political party which has a detailed plan to cut the budget *and* cut taxes. They may seem extreme, but they are also very realistic - they realize that a free-market society means people will suffer. Adam Smith realized this, and Ron Paul and Andre Marrou would re-invest in capitalism.

United States Representatives

First District
☐ **John Miller** *Republican*
☐ **Reese Lindquist** *Democrat*

Sixth District
☐ **Kevin Cook** *Republican*
☐ **Norm Dicks** *Democrat*

Seventh District
☐ **Robert Edwards** *Republican*
☐ **Jim McDermott** *Democrat*

Eighth District
☐ **Rod Chandler** *Republican*
☐ **Jim Kean** *Democrat*

None of these guys are worth voting for.

United States Senator

☑ **Mike Lowry** *Democrat*
☐ **Slade Gorton** *Republican*

Mike Lowry is an unabashed liberal. He votes his conscience, not his constituancy. He does not flip-flop on the issues, as Slade Gorton has since loosing to Brock Adams.

Over the past eight years Lowry has bashed the Reagan-minded congress repeatedly for being weak on the issues. He is opposed to covert intervention in Central America and has proven himself a champion of the enviroment. He may be too liberal, but at least you know how he is going to vote. You have no such assurance from Slade Gorton.

Washington State Governor

☑ **Booth Gardner** *Democrat*
☐ **Bob Williams** *Republican*

Booth Gardner has done an adequate job as the state's manager. He hasn't been glitzy, but he has gotten some important legislation passed (education has been made an issue in congress). His opponent makes Pat Robertson look liberal.

Washington State Lt. Governor

☑ **Joel Pritchard** *Republican*
☐ **George Fleming** *Democrat*

Both of these candidates are excellent. They both have excellent track records, and have shown they are effective leaders. The only apparent edge that Pritchard has is his ability to forget about party lines and negotiate a settlement that is acceptable to all sides.

Washington State Secretary of State

☑ **Ralph Munro** *Republican*
☐ **John McKee** *Democrat*

Ralph Munro so far out classes John McKee that this is all I have to say: Vote Munro. He is the incumbant and is accepted by most everyone as the better candidate.

Arts and Entertainment

'Bird' flies in new jazz film

Rob Abiott
Staff Writer

Clint Eastwood's "Bird," a film biography on the life of Charlie Parker, may be the first real jazz movie Hollywood has ever made. At times dark and deterministic, at other times light and anecdotal, the movie aims for the kind of spontaneous associated with Parker's music.

And with surprisingly few exceptions, the movie succeeds at this. There is some almost laughingly heavy-handed symbolism. A drummer's cymbal crashing through the air in slow motion is used repeatedly to punctuate the slammed doors, pitfalls and other cruelties of fate which haunt Parker's life. And sometimes

The deeply textured cinematography, full of shadows and light, really captures the sense of a vibrant and racially integrated music scene in the New York City of the late 1940's. Not even in the better film noir of that era, do we see do we see gritty urban street scenes with blacks and whites living and working together.

The film's musical score features the great Bird himself on alto-saxophone. Through a process only a technician could understand, live Charlie Parker solos have been extracted from old recordings and put into technologically modern but still strictly bebop settings. I don't know how well this works on disc, but in the context of the film it is very effective. It comes off so natural and real that there are times you feel

nique. And by the middle of the film you buy the illusion. He becomes Charlie Parker. Compared to his solid but predictable role as Robin Williams' sidekick in "Good Morning Viet Nam," this bright and varied performance comes as a revelation.

But along with the charm, there is a dark unfathomably self-destructive side to Parker's personality. At the age of 15 Charlie Parker started a heroin habit which took his life 19 years later at the age of 34. Eastwood and screen writer Joel Oliansky don't try to hide or sentimentalize this addiction. Presented in a starkly matter-of-fact manner, his addiction contrasts sharply with his remarkable creativity. Charlie Parker was and is, with little argument, the most powerful and inventive improvi-

see him accomplish this while his mind and body are falling apart is truly chilling.

Fine performances are also given by Diane Verona as Parker's fourth wife Chan, Sam Wright as fellow be-bop pioneer Dizzy Gillespie and Micheal Zelniker as Red Rodney, the white trumpet player who idolizes Parker and finally befriends him. Chan Parker, Rodney and Gillespie were all involved in this project and can be credited with giving the film its intimate authenticity. Oliansky's script was based on Chan's unpublished memoir "Life in E Flat."

Eastwood has suffered some criticism for making the other real life musicians associated with Parker's life into fictionalized composites of various jazz greats and also rans. While it would have

ell, Miles Davis, Tadd Dameron, Charles Mingus and other jazz immortals, I can understand his reasoning. In a movie full of period slang and casual references to jazz music and musicians having too many pertinent characters would have further confused an already complex and challenging script. Rather than be completely factual and comprehensive, Eastwood is striving for a subjective and impressionistic truth.

In the end this is essentially a fans film. It was made by a jazz fan for jazz fans. After more than 60 years of Hollywood serving up silly inaccurate compromised mush in the name of jazz it was about time. My only real complaint with Mr. Eastwood is that at Two hours 40 minutes this movie isn't nearly long enough. There

Arts and Entertainment

Yes, U2 can waste five bucks!

Kyle Dwyer &
Kallen Jenne
Drunken Columnists

If this band, U2, is this conscience of this generation, we are all doomed. It's not as if I don't like them at all, I do — their first three albums (October, War, and Boy) are very respectable — but Rattle and Hum should be titled Whimper and Whine. This band, which has been heralded by many to be the Crosby, Stills & Nash of the '80s, couldn't come up with an original idea if Nelson Mandella paid them.

If there was any sort of creative spark in U2, it was quickly doused by commercialism and large doses of stupidity (as is evidenced by such philosophical sayings as "Rock and roll stops traffic" - Bono, 1987).

Me, the man who has always praised the use of black and white photography over color, was astounded by the total lack of creativity shown by the producer, Steve Iovine. The whole concept of black and white photography is to use shadow and texture. Unfortunately, Iovine wouldn't know shadow and texture if it bit him in the ass.

This supposed "Rockumentary" falls far short of worthy attempts such as the Clash's "Rude Boy," the Talking Heads' "Stop Making Sense," Led Zeppelin's "The Song Remains the Same," or even a satire such as Spinal Tap's "This is Spinal Tap." Even though they have blatantly plagiarized these films, "Rattle and Hum" is still disastrously poor.

The Edge, U2's most praised component, has still only managed to learn four chords. Even Donovan ("Atlantis," "Season of the Witch," "Mellow Yellow," etc.) has a better grasp on chordal progression than the Edge. Perhaps the Edge should be called The Banal.

Adam Clayton, U2's bassist, could try out for Metallica — his bass playing is that highly evolved. Alas, even poor Adam is more interesting than U2's supposed christ-figure, Bono.

Bono has all of the charismatic impact of a turd on the run. His attempts at sexuality are met with a wall of eunuchness. Furthermore, his vocals are of the same high quality of Lemmy Kilmister of Motorhead — they both sound like they eat glass for breakfast.

Bono and the boys - do they Whimper and Whine?

The only semi-interesting member of the band is their drummer, Larry Mullen Jr, who is shown only a few times in the film — thus maintaining his (very) subtle mystique.

Now I'm not trying to say this film is bland, but when a pair of street musicians overshadow the primary players — both visually and aurally — something is definitely wrong.

It is unfortunate that artists such as Bo Diddley continue to be victimized by such unscrupulous modifiers as Bono and the boys. As you are probably unaware, Ellis McDaniel (a.k.a. Bo Diddley) is the originator of the song "Desire." Nowhere in the credits is Ellis McDaniel mentioned. Yet again U2 has succeeded in ripping off a lesser known recording.

With the inherent wealth of this band, you would think they would at least have the common courtesy to change their name to Me Too (as in "Give me some money...." "And me too....")

The bottom line is this: U2 has made a fortune on stealing other peoples' songs. Not only do they often cover them without credit, they cover them poorly. If you too value your musical integrity, you will skip "Rattle and Hum."

Buffalo graze on pizza at Bison Creek

Kalisa Jenne
Guest Columnist

Pizza that is good for you? This concept sounds absurd to most of us, yet the people at Bison Creek Pizza have made it a reality. Made with a whole wheat crust, real mozzerella cheese and fresh toppings, Bison Creek's pizza is something that would make even John Denver salivate.

The menu at Bison Creek bursts with options. Owner Rod Cross has assembled a variety of salads, sandwiches, spaghetti, and of course, pizza, for your enjoyment. Patrons have the option of choosing one of the pizza combinations offered on the menu or creating their own from an assortment of 16 different items. Pizzas are available in four sizes, from 7- to 15-inches and are reasonably priced.

The top-of-the-line pizza at the Bison is the Combo. The whole wheat crust is smothered with pepperoni, salami, sausage, ground beef, mushrooms, olives, onions, and green peppers. A large 15-inch Combo will feed four for $16.95. If you are dining alone, try their 7-inch pizza with two toppings of your choice for $3.49.

Another specialty is the Bison Creek salad. A large bowl of greens is covered with mozzerella, pepperoni, salami, Canadian bacon and your choice of dressing for $4.29. Add an order of garlic-cheese bread for $1.59 and you have lunch for two.

For those with larger appetites, Bison offers an All-You-Can-Eat special. On Mondays and Thursdays, 5 to 9 p.m., you can feast on unlimited amounts of pizza, garlic bread, and salad for $4.99.

Tuesdays and Thursdays the Bison also features a platter of spaghetti and garlic bread for $2.99. The spaghetti is topped with the Bison's own rich meat sauce and the garlic bread is oven-toasted.

The most stunning feature of the Burien restaurant, aside from the food, is the bar. Salvaged from the Rose Hotel in Tacoma, this beautiful mirrored hardwood bar dates back to the 1880's. The polished surface is perfect to rest weary elbows upon as you down the Bison's featured local beers and ales.

Another attraction is the separate dining area for local sports teams. In this area, set off from the rest of the restaurant, teams are free to celebrate their latest victories as boisterously as they wish. Teams in uniform also recieve a discount on pitchers of pop and beer.

If you can't make it down to the restaurant, Bison Creek offers free local delivery. If you can, make it a point to stop by the Bison Creek in Burien or West Seattle. However, you should beware that if you eat here too often, you may end up with the figure of a buffalo.

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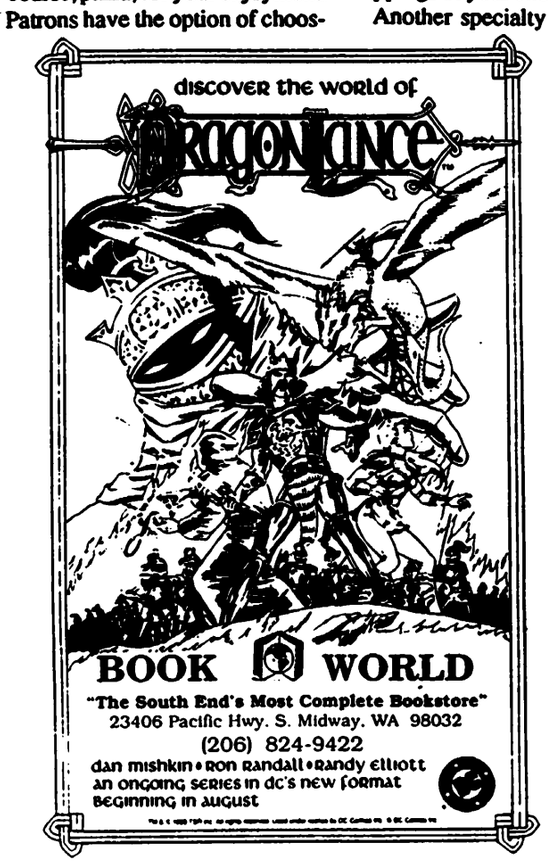

'Pizza Tut' by Rich Crotty

Sports

Tough first season for new coach:

Carmel looking to next season

Marty Pierce
Staff Writer

Losing has been hard to swallow for Highline's new soccer coach Don Carmel, a man whose life so far has been dominated by soccer and who has grown accustomed to winning.

Carmel's soccer team has started with a disappointing 1-7-4 record, but is not a reflection of Carmel's past record as a coach or player.

As a coach Carmel has had first place teams ranging from 11 and 12-year-olds to a men's league team in the Washington State Soccer League. His highlight as a coach was in 1987 when he co-coached the Federal Way High School girl's team to a state championship. "It was satisfying to know that I was a large part of that," he said.

As a player Carmel was a standout in the Washington State Youth Soccer Association and Federal Way Soccer Association, and has played in a number of different indoor soccer leagues. In 1987 he was a member of the Tacoma Soccer Centre Wings, who captured the national championship. "That was a total high, like I was on cloud nine. It was the ultimate.

"I love this game," Carmel said. "My goal has always been to play pro, but I guess it just wasn't in the cards for me." Carmel did get his shot in the pros with the Tacoma Stars only to have his hopes dashed by injuries each time he reached training camp.

"I'm 27 years old now," Carmel said. "If you don't get your foot in the door when you're 18 to 20, you're going to be lucky to get in."

Photo by Gary D. Peterson

Don Carmel prepares his squad for another tough practice session.

Carmel attributes much of his success to Frank Barton, a coach at the Tacoma Soccer Centre. "He pressured me to be better. He cursed my ass into being better. I took the abuse and I got better."

Carmel's style of coaching has come to parallel that of Barton. "I love running drills," Carmel said. "The players know they're going to get their butts run off; they know they're going to get their butts chewed."

"The players know they are going to get their butts run off; they know they're going to get their butts chewed."
--Carmel

Despite his experience and his history of being a winner, Carmel has not been able to turn the fortunes of the Highline team around this season, and it's been frustrating for Carmel. "It's not as fun as it used to be," he said. "It's a depressing time. Sometimes I wonder if it's something I'm doing wrong."

Dan Scholz, a member of the Highline soccer squad, had only praise for his coach. "Don Carmel is a friend as well as a coach," he said. "He listens to whatever we (as players) have to say. After each practice and after a game we as a team say what we did right and what we did wrong."

Carmel believes that early in the year the team depended too much on their standout goalie, Shawn Christenson and has not played as a team. "They've (the team) finally realized that Shawn is no superman," he said "He's been pulling their butts out."

Although a winning season may be out of reach this year, Carmel hopes his team will learn to play as a team and to have his players, "lift their chins. If they play 100 percent, you can't expect anything else. They should be playing together and having fun. Right now they're not having fun."

Carmel is extremely optimistic about next season. A prolific scorer and a top notch goalie are first on Carmel's wish list despite the fact that Christenson will not return next year. "I've got players just waiting to graduate (from high school)."

"I think we'll turn it around," Carmel said. With his history of success, Highline should get a taste of winning soccer in the near future.

Spikers dig in for playoffs

Michael Morelock
Staff Writer

The Highline Community College volleyball team continues to be a major force in the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges League.

On the 19th of October the Highline squad pummelled the team from Everett Community College into submission, 15-3, 15-9, 15-5.

On the 21st, playing against the toughest teams in the league, the Highline spikers won third place in the Mount Hood Halloween Classic Tournament. In that tourney, Highline beat home team Mt. Hood 15-10, 15-11, to qualify for the quarterfinals.

In a rare run of bad luck, the Highline girls lost to Green River Community College. After handling Green River 15-10 in the first game, the opposition beat Highline in the next two games 15-6, 15-6. Green River ended up second in tourney play, losing to the eventual champions, Spokane.

Photo by Ray David

Rhonda Heddington and her teammates are reaching for a title.

In league games on Oct. 26 Highline spikers demolished Edmonds 15-2, 15-7 and 15-1. And on Oct. 28 Shoreline in a losing cause gave Highline fits, 19-17, 8-15, 15-10 and 15-10.

Current standings of Northern Division has Skagit Valley atop with a 8-0 league record with Highline second with a 8-1 league mark followed by Bellevue 5-4 record, Shoreline 5-4, Olympic 3-6, Everett 2-6 and Edmonds 0-8.

As for catching Skagit Valley it will probably be Highline doing it on their own when Highline meets Skagit Valley on the last day on the last day of the regular season Nov. 9

Booters accept role as spoilers

Gary D. Peterson
Sports Editor

Highline's soccer season is turning out to be a season to forget, sort of. With only a few games remaining Coach Carmel and the rest of his troops can gain huge strides in building character and confidence for next year. Carmel's challenge for next year is to find a prolific scorer and outstanding goalie. And Carmel just possibly can find what he is looking for in recruiting. With Carmel's background and success this should generate enough prospects to satisfy his needs.

Our cross-town rival Green River Community College came away with 4-1 win over Highline Community College on Sat. Oct. 22.

In a battle of former powerhouses Highline was determined to win the match; they settled for 1-1 tie with Spokane Community College on our home turf Oct. 29. Leaving Highline with a 1-6-4 league record and Spokane virtually out of playoff contention with a 6-4-2 league record.

"I haven't had a season with so many losses or ties since I have been coaching soccer. Now I just tell the kids to give 100 percent and to have fun the rest of this season," Coach Carmel said.

And I am sure Carmel and his squad wouldn't mind winning a few games along the way.

Women's Volleyball

Nov. 4 5 pm @Clackamas
Nov. 5 8 am @Clackamas
Nov. 7 7 pm @Olympic
Nov. 9 7 pm Skagit Valley

Men's Soccer

Nov. 5 1 pm Tacoma
Nov. 9 3 pm Everett
Nov. 12 1 pm @ Bellevue
Nov. 16 3 pm Shoreline

Sports

Thunderbirds take on Central tonight

Swimmers challenge best in nation

Tom Hunley
Staff Writer

Q. What does HCC have that none of Washington's other community colleges have? A. A swimming team.

With no community college opposition, the Thunderbirds are an independent team that takes on various four-year schools and Portland Community College. "We're complete orphans," punned Milton Orphan., who has coached the team for 19 years.

Over the years, the Highline swimmers have won 74 precent of their meets with four-year schools, and accounted for over 50 All-Americans. The Thunderbirds have been consistently better than Portland Community College, as well as the now-defunct Mt. Hood and Everett teams. "We haven't lost against a community college in 22 years," said Orphan.

The team has struggled in recent years, with some of the nation's top NAIA teams in the area. Last year, Central Washington University, Pacific Lutheran University, the University of Puget Sound, and Wilammette placed first, third, fourth, and seventh, respectively.

The 1987 squad won three meets and lost three. In the championship meet, the women took eigth of 14 while the men placed ninth.

Last year, Karen Maples, Karen Shaw, Brenda Withulm, and Patrice Belgerde made community college All-American in the 800 freestyle relay, with the 7th fastest time out of 1700-1800 schools represented. Maples also earned All-American honors in the 200 backstroke with the seventh highest time overall, while Witthulm took 10th in the 200 breaststroke.

Photo by Anthony Lieggi

All-Americans (from left to right) Brenda Whitthulm, Karen Maples and Patrice Belgrade lead Highline's swimming team this year.

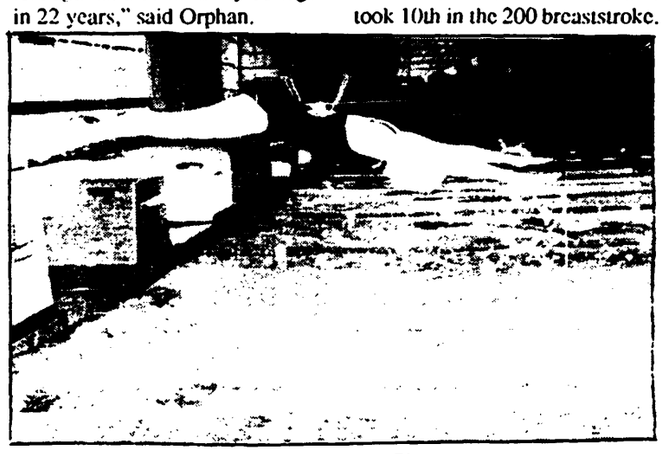

Photo by Anthony Lieggi

Swimmers are looking forward to the upcoming season.

Maples, Shaw, and Belgerde are all back this year, although Belgerde, a member of the team member is ineligible for official meet. "I get bored if I don't swim. It's a habit," she said, explaining why she is swiming exhibitions this year.

In the men's events, Highline has only one returnee, Grant Slish. Slish will be joined by several promising rookies, however. "Some of the kids coming out are pretty strong swimmers," Orphan said.

Pretty strong might not be strong enough in tonight's season opener against Central. "Central's tough. We went up against their third team last year and got blown out of the water," said Witthelm, adding "we're a lot better this year."

Witthelm said she thought this year's team had a better overall attitude than last year's. "Nobody's quit yet, which is really exciting. Last year they were dropping like flies," she said.

The Thunderbirds may keep their heads above water, but they readily admit disadvantage against some of the four year schools. They (four year schools) get all the funding," said Belgerde.

"They get the athletes for four years, and we get them for two years," said Orphan.

Swimming

Nov. 4 4 pm at Ellensburg
Nov. 16 2:30 pm Evergreen State College at Highline

Mens Wrestling

Nov. 11 1 pm at Cheney
Nov. 11 7:30 pm at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho
Nov. 12 all day North Idaho Takedown tourney at Coeur d'Alene

Men's Cross Country

Oct. 12 TBA @Lane (OR) NWAACC Championships

Runners outclass league

Steve McClure
Staff Writer

Brett Goller raced ahead of the pack to take the ticker tape at the Wandermere Invitational Cross Country meet last Saturday as Highline Community College captured the team trophy. Goller covered the five-mile course in 25:49 to lead a group of eight T-Bird runners finishing in the top 20.

Lauren Hawkins finished the race seventh, with a time of 26:44, while Carl Buena, Mark Leonard and Ed Glass came across 10th, 11th, and 12th in 26:58, 26:59, and 27:00. Terry Cushman placed 14th at 27:06 with Rod Meeker, Tony DeAugustine and Chris Helm coming in shortly after him.

Meeker won his first race in his five-year career Oct. 23, as he and other T-Bird runners starred in their own invitational. Meeker maneuvered the 4.2 mile course in 21:03 the capture top honors.

He led a flock of birds across the finish line with Highline taking home eight of the top 10 finishes. Goller finished the race third in 21:10 with Hawkins, Helm, Buena and Leonard hot on his heels, crossing the line within 28 seconds of Goller. Glass and Cushman finished off the top 10 for HCC in 21:47 and 21:49.

Of Meeker's victory, coach Ben Welch was excited. "I knew he'd be on their heels, but I didn't quite expect him to win it."

The team standings left Higline team A, the Birds, slightly ahead of Highline team B, the Buzzards. The final points showed HCC A team with 32 points to finish first and B team finishing second with 45 points.

Photo by Gary D. Peterson

Highline cross-country runners lead the pack at the Highline Invitational.

Late Scores:

In a contest between the best and worst, Skagit Valley squeaked out a 1-0 shutout over Highline booters. Leaving Highline at the bottom of the Division with a 1-7-4 league record and Skagit Valley atop the Division with a 11-0-1 league record.

Highline spikers suffered a severe blow by losing to Bellevue Community College 15-12, 7-15, 15-10, 13-15, 15-7. Hopes for a Divisional title were dashed by falling two full games behind Division leader Skagit Valley with a 10-0 league record with Highline a distant second with a 8-2 league record.

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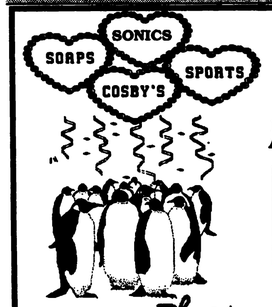

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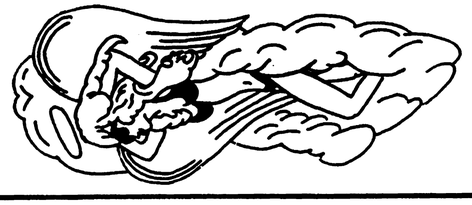

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