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News

HCC extends horizons

Carol Nelson
Staff Reporter

An open house on Dec. 7th at Highline Community College's Federal Way Center introduced the community to the many new programs HCC has added to its popular Continuing Education Program.

To keep pace with the increasing demand for computer classes, HCC is offering 10 computer classes at the Federal Way Center including Introduction to PC Computers, MS-DOS, Lotus, and BASIC Programming.

"We have closed the self-paced lab at our Federal Way Center," said Betty Colasurdo, director of Continuing Education, "and we've opened a new 16-station computer classroom." The classroom is equipped with IBM-AT compatible computers.

Another recent addition to the Center is Greg Ferbrache, business development coordinator. "I schedule seminars and classes for small businesses each quarter," said Ferbrache. "We have an extensive curriculum. I also do custom training for businesses. So far, I've put together six to eight training packages."



The new 16-station IBM-compatible lab is only one of the features offered by the Federal Way Extension Center.

Photo by Gary Sampson

Ferbrache arrived three months ago from Denver where he was the educational director for the American Institute of Banking.

A new women's dinner discussion program will be held Wednesday evenings at the Center from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. starting Jan. 25th. This is a series of

five programs similar to the popular Brown Bag Series sponsored by the Women's Resource Center on HCC's campus.

Many people are not aware of all the services the Federal Way Center can provide. In addition to the new classes being offered, the center provides a cooperative preschool program, various levels

of English as a Second Language, specialized typing classes, GED Preparation, Adult Basic Education, and a full line of information and brochures about HCC.

One of the most helpful services the Federal Way Center provides is easy registration for line-weary students. "Our biggest

problem right now is we don't have a computer link-up with the main campus," said Colasurdo. "If a class should close due to full enrollment we won't know right away, but we have plans for future link-up." There is no enrollment counseling available at this time, but if students know what classes they want to sign up for they can register with no problem.

Plans are underway to expand the Center. Another classroom will be ready, possibly by next September, when HCC may move into space available in the downstairs portion of the building. A small-business information center with a counselor will also be moving from the main campus. Plans are being discussed to start a headquarters for senior citizens' programs.

The Federal Way Center is located in the Federal Way Shopping Center, in a separate building at the northwest corner of the shopping center, off 312th and Pacific Highway South. For more information on classes available at the Center call 878-9757 or contact the Continuing Education Department, Building 9, 878-3710, Ext. 341.

Car accident closes college tennis courts

Beverly Ott
Senior Reporter

Highline Community College tennis courts will be closed due to the driver of a Sea-Tac rental car who crashed into the court fence Tuesday about 2 a.m. Damage to the gate, posts and chain link fence is estimated to be in excess of \$1,000, according to Jack Chapman, head of campus security.

The red 1988 Pontiac Grand Prix was found abandoned by Des Moines Police Tuesday morning 25 feet from where it crashed into the gate. The driver was apprehended by Des Moines Police soon after and given a sobriety test which he passed, even though the car smelled of alcohol.

The driver was traveling west

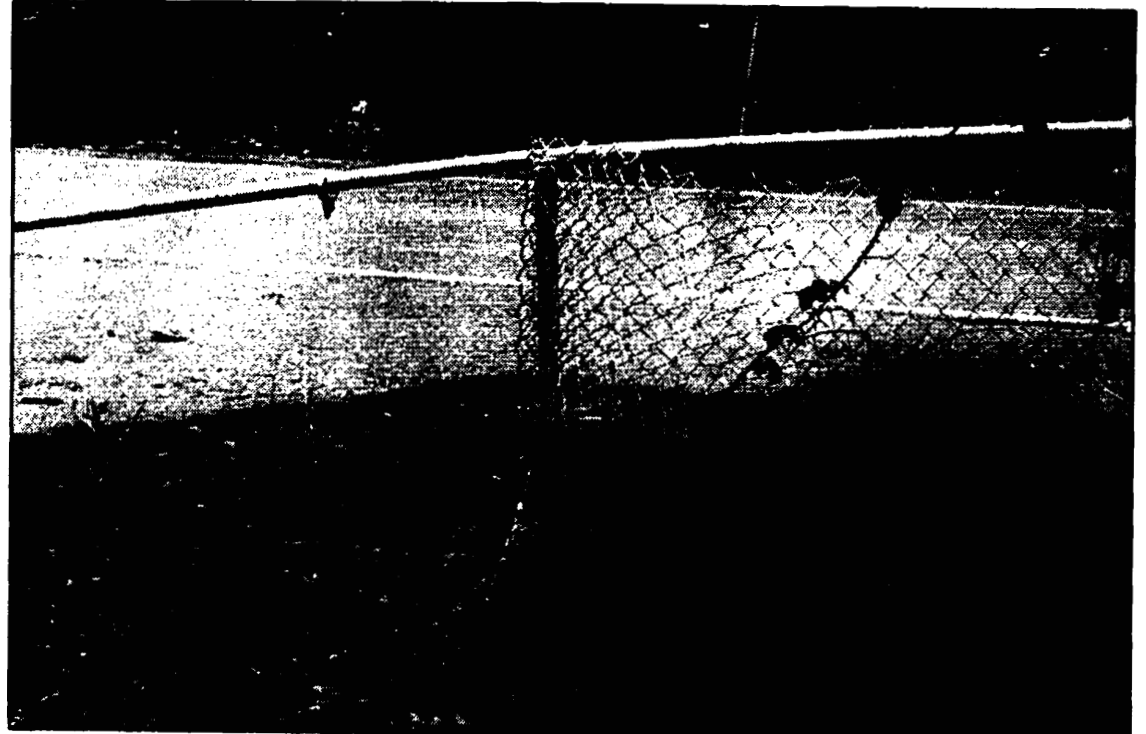
bound in the right hand lane on 240th when it left the road and plowed into the gate to the tennis courts breaking a two-and-a-half-inch galvanized metal pole, then slamming into a four-inch diameter steel pole buried in concrete and dislodging it. Twenty-five feet of chain link fence was ripped and broken.

Chapman and Des Moines Police surmise the car was traveling between 50-60 mph when it left the road and crashed into the gate.

The driver, a local resident, was charged with negligent driving by the Des Moines Police, according to Chapman.

The car sustained approximately \$2,000 worth of damage. The car was found at the scene and taken to Pete's towing where the rental company claimed it.

The tennis courts will be closed until the gate and fence can be fixed.



An automobile accident left the gate to the tennis course inoperable.

Photo by Kallen Jenne

Thunder Bits

FIREWEED to be cast

Staff, students, and faculty women of HCC are invited to participate in the HCC Washington State Centennial celebration. A readers theater presentation of **FIREWEED**, a script of pioneer women's words will be presented this quarter in March. Writing instructor Ann Spiers compiled the script. Speech instructor Lee Buxton will direct. Rehearsals will be Tuesday and Thursday afternoons this quarter. Credit is

available. If you are interested, leave a message at Ext. 455 for Ann or Lee.

Voice courses offered

Study voice with a Grammy nominee in Vocal Jazz Performance in Vocal Ensemble (MWF 12-1) and/or Class Voice (MW 10-11). See Roger Treece in Arts & Humanities (Bldg. 5).

Brown Bag Series

The Women's Programs will offer a free lecture on "Learning How to Stay Married."

Tues. Jan. 24th, Noon in Bldg. 4, Gold Room.

DPMA meeting

Data Processing Management Association (DPMA): A representative of the Dotson Institute will discuss "The Value of Student Internships" at the upcoming meeting at noon, Thurs. Jan. 19th, Bldg. 21, Rm. 106. Meetings are open to students carrying a minimum of 10 credit hours in a computer related field.

Financial Aid Seminar

Financial Aid will offer a workshop on Wed. Jan. 18th at noon and Tues. Jan. 24th at 6 pm in the library on floor 6, viewing room A.

Apartheid Protest

Join the World Affairs Council for a talk with Maki Mandela, daughter of South African political prisoner Nelson Mandela. The talk is sponsored by the Colbert Lecture Series, Shoreline Community College. At Shoreline C.C. Gymnasium.

Thurs. Jan. 19th, 8 pm. \$7 at the door or call 546-8715.

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed to assist victims of sexual assault. King County Rape Relief provides training in counseling skills, medical and legal procedures, child sexual assault prevention, rape crisis and recovery as well as cultural issues. For more information call Nancy O'mara at 226-5063.

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Government preaches righteousness

Legislating morality has never been effective. Yet as long as governments have existed they have tried to shape society's moral law with decrees of righteousness.

There are certainly things we need laws against: murder, stealing, rape — crimes against other individuals. However, when it comes to our own well being, the choices and responsibilities are ours alone.

As a country, we have embarked on a dangerous journey into the legalism zone. We have just passed a law which makes the possession of even miniscule amounts of illicit drugs a felony.

The fact is that the "war on drugs" has only added to the profit made by dealers. "What? The drug law has backfired?" you say. "It seems like I heard that somewhere before?" You did! The somewhere was in your U.S. history textbook, in the section about alcohol prohibition. It didn't work either!

Another demonstration of the prohibition folly is prostitution. "The world's oldest profession" has always survived and always will, despite being arguably the world's most prohibited activity. By not legalizing prostitution, our government has lost the ability to regulate it. In the wake of the AIDS epidemic, this country can ill afford not to check prostitutes in the interest of public safety.

We need to bank the future on reason. By taking away the individual's responsibilities (a.k.a. free choice and its consequences), the government has, in essence, negated the possibility for human learning.

What is the obvious conclusion of any serious look at historical patterns? Legalize. Legalize drugs. Legalize prostitution. Legalize nose-picking in public. Legalize every one of this nation's prohibitions against free choice.

It sounds almost blasphemous. Truisms usually do. As a modern bard, Pete Townshend, once said, "You've been told many times before, 'Messiah's pointed to the door,' and no one had the guts to leave the temple."

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Getting all the bugs out

Bryan Smith
Guest Columnist



The proliferation of knowledge in the last 10 years has reached such a substantial rate of increase that the public is finding it increasingly hard to keep up with the changes. As soon as someone creates a new machine or a new program, the predecessor is instantly headed for obsolescence. Computer security persons feel much of the same things. As soon as they create a way to keep a system secure, someone else creates a way to break in. This is where the computer virus fits in. Since the computer virus is also infecting the PC world, I thought I would interview some 'Hackers' and find out what these nasty bits of programming are and what they do.

There are several types of viruses and virus-type programs. Viruses are like biological entities which invade systems, reproduce and then spread to other systems and programs. They can do their damage immediately or do their damage after a short time period. They can be programmed to do just about anything to your system—anywhere from just slowing down a big system to erasing valuable data.

Viruses spread two ways. The first way is by people sharing software. A person could share a piece of software with two other people and they each with two other people and so the chain goes on. The other way is for a virus to be put in a big system; when that system is in communication with another system, such as by transferring electronic mail around the country, the virus just slips in to the next system down the line, thus spreading itself automatically.

Trojan Horse programs. These nice little programs are disguised

as some interesting utility or game, but within the code is a sub program that will do some destructive things to your system, such as erasing your hard disk or erasing part of a system disk in a floppy drive.

Logic Bombs/Time Bombs. These are generally bits of code imbedded in the operating system. They can instruct the computer to do damage each time the system is used. Logic bombs can also be activated by a remote user calling into the system with another computer. Time bombs generally begin their destruction after a certain date is reached or the program is run a set number of times.

Worm Programs. There are two types of worm programs, the first being a program that will gradually erase small bits of memory, both internally and/or externally. The other can do some work for a person. Example: a worm program in a bank computer can roam freely, unnoticed, taking a dollar from each account and putting it in a new single account to be withdrawn later.

Here is a current list of the known programs out that contain some type of virus, Trojan Horse, etc. IBM PC files:

ANTI-PCB, ARC513.EXE,
ARC514.COM, BACKTALK,
CDIR.COM,
D - X R E F 6 0 . C O M ,
D A N C E R S . B A S ,
DISKSCAN.EXE, DMASTER
DOSKNOWS.EXE, DOS-HELP,
DPROTECT, DRAIN2,
DROID.EXE,
DRPTR.ARC, DSZ (patch),
EGABTR, EMMCACHE,
FILER.EXE,
FILES.GBS, FINANCE4.ARC,
F L U 4 T X T . C O M ,
FUTURE.BAS,
GATEWAY2, GRABBER, MAP,
M A T H K I D S , A R C ,
NOTROJ.COM,
PACKDIR, PCW271xx.ARC,
P K X 3 5 B 3 5 . A R C ,
PKB35B35.ARC,
QUIKRBBS.COM, QUICKREF,

RCKVIDEO, SECRET.BAS,
SIDEWAYS.COM,
STAR.EXE, STRIPES.EXE,
SUG.COM, TIRED, TOPDOS,
TSRMAP,
ULTIMATE.COM, VDIR.COM.

Most of these files erase your FAT tables or erase/format your hard disk or floppy disks. Some will just wipe out various files on a disk or the directory. A couple actually act as contagious viruses in that they look for new disks to infect.

What can you do to protect your system from being infected? Well, one is not to run software from a disk that has an unknown source. Most viruses hitch a ride on a disk into a system and back out onto another disk. Another method is to always keep a backup of all your data. Daily, weekly, and monthly. Yes, it is time consuming, but isn't your data and work worth the time? Always check the source of your PD software, too. If you don't know where it came from, and it just happens to be on the above list, I wouldn't use it.

As for the Apple series of computers, there is a virus out called Cancer-Dos. Cancer-Dos installs itself within DOS 3.3 and spreads from disk to disk via the high ram memory of the computer. After a while it just erases your catalog track and bits of data, making recovery next to impossible. At this time I don't know of any virus for the Ataris and Commodores. I would appreciate anyone letting me know.

Computer Happenings: Lance Bowman from U.S. West Communications will be at Highline Feb. 16th. He will be speaking on the 'Fantasy and Reality' of computer security. He will also speak on what you can do to protect yourself and your system, whether your system is large or small. The seminar will be held in Building 7, the time is to be announced.

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Journalism Students

Experiencing the news

Cynthia O'Heren
Senior Reporter



There I was standing in an endless line, waiting to register for fall quarter. Fully realizing I needed five additional credits in writing, I frantically began to scan the schedule. Newswriting caught my eye. I always was fascinated with reporters, so I registered for Journalism 101.

This class had two appealing qualities. Newswriting seemed like an interesting subject, and it was one of the few writing classes still

open two days before the beginning of the quarter.

The moment I walked into the newswriting class and the instructor Susan Landgraf began to talk, I became aware of the difference in the structure of the

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class. Suddenly I was handed a press pass and given an assignment and deadline for a story to be published in the following edition of the "Thunderword." This came as quite a shock, as I was expecting

a traditional lecture class. Instead, here I was with hands-on learning experience and a bad case of the jitters.

Many people complain about the stories in the T-Word. What people don't understand is that the T-Word is not the Seattle Times. It's a learning experience and process, not just a few chosen students with past experience in journalism.

T-Word may have some errors, but for the most part the paper is improving with every issue; and the stories are the outcome of dedicated writers. A whole new group of students will be writing for the T-Word this quarter, so hang on and look forward to many new stories and reporters.

Editorials

In pursuit of the perfect scholarship

Jay Irwin
Staff Writer



It all started when I went into the Financial Aid Office to check out some of the scholarships. All I found posted was a list less than a page long with things I didn't even come close to qualifying for. So I went up to the desk and asked the secretary what other scholarships were available; mistake number one. She proceeded to tell me there was a book in the library which listed all scholarships.

I went up to the library to look up these millions of scholarships she'd told me about; mistake number two.

Indeed there were millions of scholarships in that book. Okay, maybe not millions but there are close to 1,800. Now you're probably thinking the same thing I was thinking: "In this huge book, there must be a scholarship for me." I sat down and opened up the index and looked up all of the scholarships

in the area of broadcasting, my field of study. And out of that huge book, how many scholarships do you think I found? Three.

I looked up those three scholarships and out of those none of them applied to me. In the first one, the parents of the applicant had to have worked in the broadcast industry, which mine haven't. In the second, you had to be between 21 and 50, which I'm not. And the third was in the wrong field of broadcasting.

Well, I wasn't finished yet. I still had another option. If I couldn't find a scholarship in my field of study, then maybe I could find a general scholarship; mistake number three.

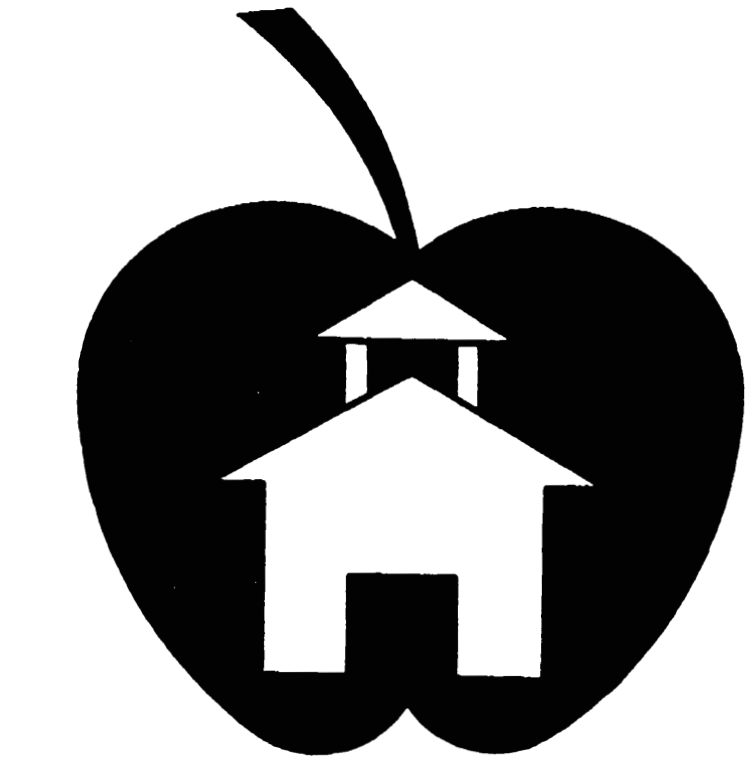
I went through 147 pages of that book until I finally gave up. Four hundred and sixteen scholarships, and absolutely none of them applied to me. Either I was too old or too young or the wrong sex or race or my parents worked for the wrong company or made too much money. You name it, I was wrong for it somehow.

It seemed like all of the scholarships were tailor made for everyone but me. All of the eligibility requirements said that

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the applicants had to be a certain sex or race or be from a certain town or a member of a certain club. I understand that many scholarship foundations are into giving scholarships to minorities to make up for the bad way they have been treated in the past. That's the same reason for affirmative action programs. But by heaping all of the advantages on the minorities, aren't we just reversing the situations of years ago? Instead of the minorities being the down-trodden now, the majorities are: As the old saying goes, "Two wrongs don't make a right." And as for the clubs and companies that give scholarships to their members and employees' children, well, if you want to pay for their education, then just do it and don't broadcast it in national scholarship books.

One of the eligibility requirements even said, "Demonstrated contribution to dog-sport related



activity." I think that's going a little too far. I pray for the day that I see eligibility requirements which say, "Open to all people regardless of sex, race, creed or what club their parents belong to."

I'm still not finished with my scholarship search yet, however. I have an appointment with the Financial Aid Advisor. Hopefully I can get some positive answers there.

Michael's obnoxious rules you can live by

Michael Morelock
Staff Writer



Now that most of you have been here for at least one quarter, and even those who haven't are trying to act like they have, it's time you learned how to behave on campus. Now, I know that some of you may get upset at being told what to do and how to do it, but I'm not your parents, so it's okay to pay attention.

Most of these rules are not to be found in any OFFICIAL HCC publication, but they are more important than anything else here except your grades.

RULE #1: PARKING ETIQUETTE

You say that you already know how to park? That's what you think! Remember, when you get a ticket from security, you have to pay money. If you don't, they won't let you graduate and won't give out your transcript to any other schools.

I'm not going to tell you not to use two spaces, or not to park in the faculty lot, or not to park on the lawn (although I don't recommend you do this unless you are really late for a test).

I am only concerned with etiquette. **CRUISING:** Ever since the major cruising areas like the Renton Loop and Alki beach have been shut down, all of the die-hard cruisers have come to Highline to strut their stuff.

When cruising for a parking spot, lean back and crank up the

tunes. It is also very hip to read the THUNDERWORD while you wait. It doesn't help you get a parking space, but you don't look like such a geek while you are at it.

When you get tired of driving in circles, find a row with no cars waiting and you can, by right, get the next open space. If there is a car waiting already, you may park on the other end of the aisle, facing towards the center, and you are now second in line. If there are two cars waiting, find another aisle. If you are waiting in an aisle, and somebody takes the open space ahead of you, you are fully within your rights to either beat them up, or let all of the air out of their tires. You have been WARNED, campers.

ALTERNATES: If you have been reading the THUNDERWORD this year you have seen the article showing a local merchant towing all of the cars illegally parked on his lot. As a result of this, we no longer recommend this

You'll have to settle for parking over at the Midway Drive-in.

practice, and you'll have to settle for parking over at the Midway Drive-in. We have paid for the parking privileges there, and your car will not be towed. **SPECIAL NOTICE!!!!!!** This lot gets locked up at 5:30 or so; plan ahead!

RULE #2: ON-CAMPUS ETIQUETTE

As you are well aware, there are things you can do which you probably should not do, as well as things

you aren't supposed to do but probably have to in order to get ahead both socially and scholastically.

SMOKING: As you know, the pea-brains in the state Legislature have ruled that you cannot smoke indoors here at Highline. Now we are doubly at risk of lung problems: first from the poisons in the cigarettes and second from hypothermia and pneumonia. I personally recommend smoking outside, and blowing smoke back inside through any open window or doorway available, just to get even. I got this idea by watching the faculty.

THUNDERWORD: This is the school paper which you are reading right now. You MUST read this. EVERY ISSUE! This is very important. This paper is put out by students with tremendous egos like myself, who haven't got the foggiest idea about what we are doing. But at least we are trying. Be patient with our mistakes and let us know how we are doing by dropping us a note in the Letters to the Editors box found in the cafeteria. We'll probably print it, so

leave your name and number on the note. This way we can also find you, and explain to you and your immediate family why all such correspondence should be full of praise and compliments.

CAFETERIA 101: Before you order your food in the cafeteria, be sure to look around and decide where you are going to sit. By leaving your textbooks on the table while you wait in line, you can be sure that the spot will be saved when you get back, and your most

expensive text will be missing. Accordingly, we recommend that you leave something useless on the table to save your seat. Something like your car keys or your wallet.

THE CLASSROOM: Sit in the front row, if possible. Ask as many questions as you can of your in-

Read the chapter the night before so you know what to ask. Do all of the required homework.

structor. Read the chapter the night before so you know what to ask. Do all of the required homework. This gives the instructor the mistaken notion that you care about what he or she is teaching. As a bonus, you'll probably get a good grade. Most importantly, bring extra pens and paper, maybe an extra blue-book or scantron. You may be in my class, and I will want to borrow them.

BETWEEN CLASS: I know how hard it is to get to class on time, but this is no excuse for some of the things I have seen happen around here. A friendly word of warning: The lawn has started to fight back. The beautiful emerald expanses around campus are not for walking. Have you seen the huge hole just above the totem pole at registration? They SAY that they are doing repairs to underground piping. Not true.

It seems that a student tried to take a shortcut last quarter, and the lawn ate him. The hole is a futile

attempt at finding the poor soul. Freshmen, take note.

STEALING: We never turn thieves over to the police. Never. The police tend to ask too many questions like "How did his fingers get broken?" and "Well, was he breathing when you found him?"

RULE #3: OFF-CAMPUS ETIQUETTE

Remember at all times that you represent Highline Community College (sometimes shortened to Highline Commie College, or just HCC) wherever you go. Even after you graduate, you will be known as an HCC grad. As such, there are some things that are expected of you.

THE WORKPLACE: It is perfectly normal to have a job while going to HCC. It is bad form, however, to let your job interfere with ANY school function whatsoever. Just tell your boss that you must attend a school function or risk being a social outcast and possibly get lower grades from disgruntled teachers. This way you can attend all sporting events, school dances and informal ski parties you can afford, which isn't many because you have no income.

AT HOME: A similar line can be used on parents and/or spouses to get away from the house. Going to college has its benefits...

LEISURE: You are not allowed any of this. When you are not in class, at work, or at one of the school functions, you should study. (see RULE #2, IN CLASS) Remember, college students are not having fun! We are preparing for our futures!

Arts and Entertainment

Pink Floyd joins 'Pepsi' generation



Photo by Ray David
Pink 'Thunder' -- In the trash.
(Buy the old Floyd stuff.)

Tom Hunley
Music Critic

Pink Floyd
Columbia PC2 44484

A friend of mine informed me that he had just picked up a copy of Pink Floyd's live release "Delicate Sound of Thunder."

"How is it?" I asked.

"Well, do you remember the concert?"

My mind raced back to Dec. 8, 1987. The post-Roger Waters Floyd remnants ran through one set from their lame "Momentary Lapse of Reason" and a set of classics such as "Shine On You Crazy

Diamond", "Wish You Were Here", and "Comfortably Numb."

Backed by a cast of eight musicians and technicians, Floydians David Gilmour, Nick Mason, and Richard Wright went to great lengths to make the live songs match the studio recordings. Unfortunately, they accomplished the task too well. The music was bland, uninspired. It was like paying \$21.50 to sit around the Kingdome and listen to albums all night.

The only thing that really distinguished the concert was its special effects, including the monstrous inflatable pig from "Animals," the Floyd's '77 release, and the crashing bed/airplane from "Dark Side of the Moon."

"Yeah...I seem to have a vague, distorted, half-conscious recollection of that very strange evening," I replied.

"If you went to the concert, you've heard the album," he said.

He was right. "Delicate Sound of Thunder" was recorded at various spots on Pink Floyd's last tour. The digital recording is very true to the concert sound, which in turn was true to the studio originals. Consequently, it has none of the flavor normally inherent in concert recordings. So, what's the point? Clearly, it's a cheap at-

tempt to cash in on the Pink Floyd inheritance.

So, why don't these Floydians do something new and imaginative, rather than repeat the classics note-for-note? Could it be because...they can't?

When Roger Waters left Pink Floyd, he took their creative genius with him. The current lineup has no lyrical direction and must be satisfied at endless attempts to recreate what can't be recaptured, the songwriting and surrealistic direction which gave the Floyd legend life.

While Floyd has floundered for a theme, Waters has spoken against the nuclear threat and called for communications technology and art to bring people together in his solo album "Radio K.A.O.S." and the soundtrack for "When the Wind Blows." Musically, his work lacks polish, but he has the ideas, the spirit.

David Gilmour, Floyd's current leader, has proven himself musically and disproven himself lyrically both in 20 years with the band and in two abysmal solo albums "Gilmour" and "About Face." Compare Gilmour lyrics like "She's a blue light, yes it cannot be denied, she will give you back your pride, she squeezes, she

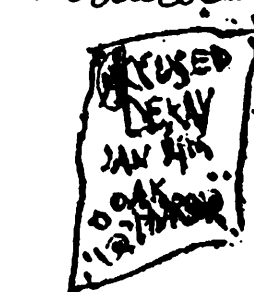
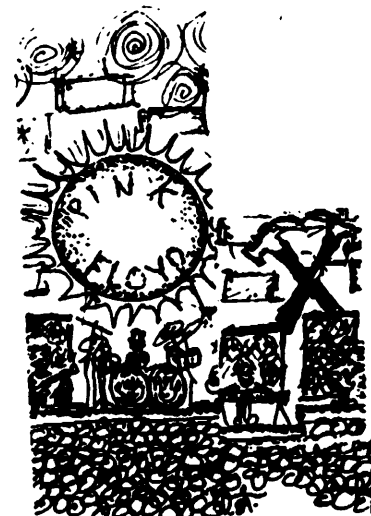
freezes, she does what she pleases, but she says she thinks of others all the time," to Waters' lines like "Floating down through the clouds, memories come rushing up to meet me now, and in the space between the heavens, and the corner of some foreign field, I had a dream."

It is truly a tragedy these two don't continue to combine talents.

Don't throw \$16 into the pseudo-Floyd's treasure chest in exchange for the waste of vinyl called "Delicate Sound of Thunder." Invest instead in "Ummagumma," "Obscured By Clouds," "Relics," "Meddle," "Piper at the Gates of Dawn," "A Saucer Full of Secrets," "Music From 'the Body'," "Atom

Heart Mother," or "Animals." If you can't afford all those and the other Pink Floyd classics, and want some greatest hits compilations, pick up "Works" or "A Collection of Great Dance Songs."

Also be sure you don't neglect Syd Barrett, the original genius behind Pink Floyd. Barrett, who left the band in 1967 after an acid-induced mental breakdown, has three solo albums: "Barrett," "The Madcap Laughs," and the brand new "Opal," all must-buys for any serious Floyd connoisseur.



Happy Birthday Elvis!

Sunday, Jan. 8 marked the 54th anniversary of Elvis Presley's birth. The King observed the milestone by feeding worms all day. R.I.P. Elvis Presley 1/8/35 to 08/16/77.

Tourist's success no accident

Carol Nelson
Staff Reporter

"The Accidental Tourist", winner of the best picture of the year by the New York Film Critics' Circle, proves that films which are intelligent, witty, dramatic, romantic, and carry a PG rating still can be made.

If you are a fan of Anne Tyler, upon whose book the film is based, you will not be disappointed. What makes Tyler's book so good is her characters. Her story is about ordinary people. Her characters do not lead exciting lives, nor are they rich and famous. They have, however, developed some eccentric behavior patterns in their efforts to cope with life. It is this ability to create such in-depth characters and allow them to play off each other's relationships in which Tyler excels. This is not always effectively transferred to film. You do not need to read the book to appreciate and understand the message Tyler has to convey. Lawrence Kasdan, the film's producer, director and screenwriter

has done justice to Tyler's story.

William Hurt, in the title role of Macon Leary, portrays a man who, in Macon's own words, "endures life." Recent events in Macon's life, the death of his son and separation with his wife, have caused him such emotional pain that he finds it difficult to cope with life on a day-to-day basis. He is withdrawing from the world around him. Although this is brought out early in the book, it takes much longer in the film for the audience to realize what is happening. One of the funniest scenes in the film, the basement laundry episode, leaves the viewer wondering why Macon was behaving as he was. The death of one's child would certainly cause anyone to have difficulty dealing with the fact that life must go on, but, somehow, we must still participate in it. Macon retreats into his house and into himself. Eating and dressing become tasks too difficult for him to handle. To deal with this, he devises a unique way of dressing and doing his laundry. If the scene had a proper build up there would have been no confusion. The viewer

would have had a more clear picture of what was going on sooner in the film.

Hurt's performance has drawn criticism for his repressed and controlled style, yet it seems to match Macon's attempt to experience life from a distance. Macon's habit of travelling with a book he pretends to read, in order to insulate himself from social contact, confirms his withdrawal from life. Still another clue comes from his response when asked if he likes movies, "No, I find them too close up." Even his job re-enforces such a statement. As the author of a series of guidebooks for the frequent business traveller, he advises his readers on the most effective way to travel without ever feeling they have left their armchair at home.

Gina Davis is perfect as the flamboyant Muriel. It would be an easy role to overplay as an airhead dressed up in red highheels, white socks, three-inch nails, and frizzy

hair. Davis plays her part with an insightful sensitivity. Beneath the make-up and clothes she reveals a loving, caring person who senses Macon's desperation and wishes to be a part of his life.

Kathleen Turner, as Macon's wife, Sarah, has perhaps the least material to work with. After her first scene, when she has explained why she is leaving him, she is never again given the opportunity to reveal why she wants him back. Attractive and confident, she seems determinedly calculated in working her way back into Macon's life.

Perhaps the most illuminating insights into Macon's behavior are the scenes with his family. Amy Wright, as Macon's sister, Rose, reveals the absurd extent to which a person can become stuck in "ruts of life." Wright is so marvelous that she almost steals the film.

Who, at one time or another, has not felt they have become stuck in the ruts of life? Who has not experienced pain to the point that we wish we could just not feel for awhile? "The Accidental Tourist" has such a universal message and is so well-crafted that it is one film this year that should not be missed.



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Food for thought

Cafeteria takes on new look

Jeffery Cosman
Focus Editor

"Is it fun in her class?" asked a young energetic blond.

"No!" a frustrated student exclaimed.

This is one of the many conversations you hear in the cafeteria. There are some who liked to talk about Nintendo. Others were concerned about what their friends did over the weekend. Some students were worried about what teachers they should take—or shouldn't. Of course the bright and intelligent ones were discussing Sesame Street and children's books.

We know what people talk about, but why do they go to the Highline Community College Cafeteria?

"Some place to eat when you study and stay warm," said Janine Antrim, a student at HCC.

Others have a different approach. "Eat, relax and unwind. We have a ball here," Jonathan Blue, another student said.

Obviously the big reason most people go to the cafeteria is to get

something to eat. But while they're eating, unwinding, and discussing Big Bird, did they notice anything new this quarter in the cafeteria?

"I don't spend much time here," said Colleen Gaynor.

Okay. That's understandable. What about the students who do spend some time here?

"They extended the counter. The coke machines are new," observed Alan Fountain. "Yea!" smiled Deborah Chun. "They're changing the entrances. They took one away."

"The whole side is gone," complained Susan Turpen. "I have to go to the left side."

During winter break when we were at home opening presents and celebrating the new year, HCC's cafeteria received a facelift.

Coca Cola Company exchanged old pop machines for new ones which give faculty, staff and students an extra choice of drink; in addition the machines have automatic ice makers.

The cafeteria purchased a four- and six-foot refrigerated glass

display case used for milk, juice and other delicatessens.

These purchases give faculty, staff and students a clear view of what is being sold. The cafeteria purchased a display case last year and it made a big difference.

"On one item alone last year sales increased 400%. If you can't see it, you can't sell it," said Dee Jaber, food service manager.

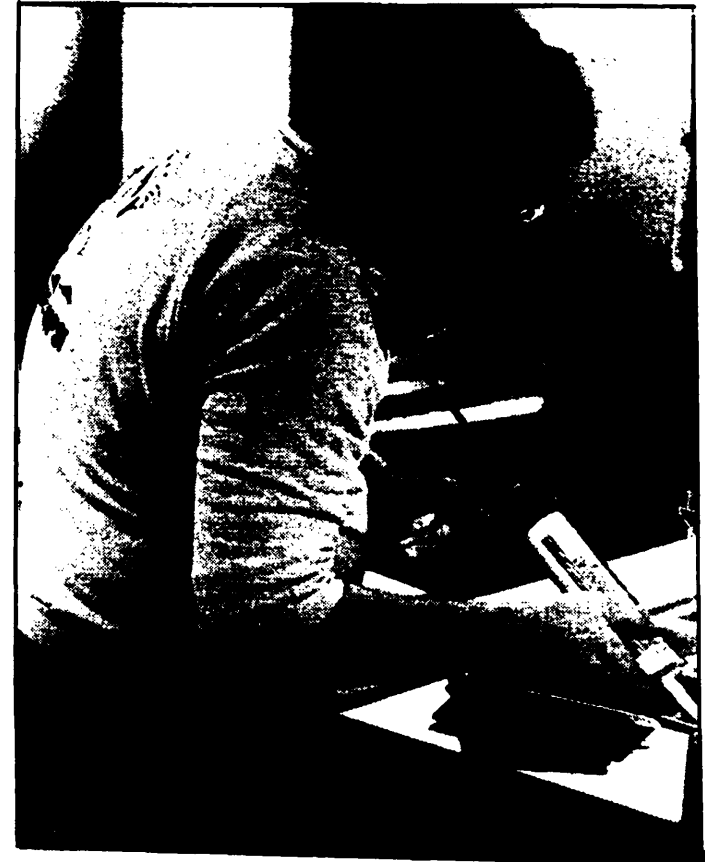
In order to install the display cases, an old outdated steam machine and spring loaded ceramic cup and plate holders, also out of use since the cafeteria no longer uses ceramic, had to be taken out. Along with that, some minor repair was done on the floors.

With the installment of the new display cases, Jaber would like to introduce 15-20 new items ranging from deli to grill.

"I know they will sell because they are popular," said Jaber.

She added, "The main reason we're here is to supply faculty, staff, and students with the most nutritional, eye appealing, and well priced food."

The cost for this facelift cost



approximately \$7,500, not including the two display cases. The money acquired was left over from

the repairs done upstairs in the student lounge, which cost approximately \$17,000.

Tuesday, January 17 Video: N.F.L.
Times: 9:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m., and 6:30 p.m.
Building 8-Lounge - T.V. Room & Cafeteria

Wednesday, January 18 The Great Directors Series
Film: The African Queen - Directed by John Huston
12:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. Building 7
Cost: \$1.00

Thursday, January 19 Lecture: "A Personal View of Gorbachev's Russia"
Speaker: Matevi Finkel
12:00 p.m., Building 7

Friday, January 20 Friday Night Skiing at Ski Acres
Meet at Highline Community College (South Parking Lot) at 2:30 p.m.
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Sports

Cagers lighting up the boards

Gary D. Peterson
Senior Reporter

The Highline men's basketball squad jumped out to an impressive 5-0 start this season. However, its flying start fizzled in the Walla Walla tournament held Dec. 8-10.

Five minutes into the first game against Walla Walla Community College, Highline lost Jeff Colston with what the Thunderbirds thought was a severe ankle injury. "It was a letdown to the rest of the team seeing Colston hurt," Coach Fred Harrison said.

It turned out that Colston's injury was not a serious one, although he missed two weeks. Luckily for the team those two weeks were during the Christmas break.

Highline entered the tournament at Walla Walla with a 5-0 record and returned with a 6-2 mark. In the tournament Highline lost the first game against Walla Walla 75-73. The next game saw Highline lose to Columbia 81-65. However, they extinguished their mini-losing streak by beating Blue Mountain

Community College 93-80.

"The players are working real hard; it's just nice having three experienced sophomores on this squad. Jerry Bush, Tom Turcotte and Jeff Colston work so well together when it's game time," Harrison said. "The biggest factor to our success is having five outstanding starters along with eight gritty ballplayers coming off the bench who are dying for playing time. Those eight players are pushing the starters to the

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-Fred Harrison

limit during games and in practice. Without the starters being pushed by the bench, then we wouldn't be where we are right now and that's fighting for first place," Harrison said.

"In Region 1 we are having more parity than at any time since I have been coach at Highline. And knowing that makes it worth



Jerry Bush has been leading the Highline hoopsers to an impressive 13-3 record.

going to the game because you know it's not going to be a blow out," Harrison said.

Highline opened league play on Jan. 4 against Everett, in which Highline won 87-76. On Jan. 7 Highline whipped Edmonds 95-64 which gives Highline a perfect 2-0 league mark and a 13-3 overall record. In the process the team is riding a six game winning streak, which includes a third place ranking in this week's NWACC poll.

Highline is on the move this year averaging nearly 87 points a game while allowing 79 points a game. Furthermore, Highline men's team has hit the 100-point barrier once its opening game of the year when the team scored 101. They have also have hit the 90-point range three times. In addition Highline has held opponents to score a high of 87 points.

"The defense is the key to our success. We can score as many points as we want, but without some tough defense we won't go far. You can look at box scores of other community colleges and see they allow more points than we do," Colston said.

Men's Hoop Results

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W-Highline 70 Green River 88
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W-Highline 78 Centralia 65
W-Highline 87 Everett 76
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Women come on strong

Gary D. Peterson
Senior Reporter

After starting out the season with an 0-5 record, the Highline Community College women's basketball team has rebounded nicely.

"We can't worry about matters we can't control. We have to take it one game at a time," Coach Dale Bolinger said.

League play opened Jan. 4 with the Lady Thunderbirds winning against Everett 76-57 and defeating Edmonds Jan. 7, 89-65 giving them a 2-0 league record.

The women's team has made strides in turning their season around going 10-2 since their disastrous start and have won five straight, giving the Lady T-

Birds an overall 10-7 mark along with an eighth place ranking in this week's NWAACC poll.

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-Dale Bolinger

During the Christmas break the Lady T-birds played in the She-Devil Tournament where they have enjoyed success in winning.

"We've been to the She-Devil tournament seven times and we have won it six times," Bolinger said. "We have lost only once and have won 20 times."

Highline placed forward Sheri Johnson on the all-star squad, and guard Angie Pellechia was voted as the Most Valuable Player. Forward Mary Force was 7-8 from three point bombing range in the She-Devil tournament championship game.

The Highline Womens team averages 65 points a game while allowing 62 points a game.

If Highline continues to keep up its level of performance people will forget that this is the same team that played its first five games without a win.

Wrestlers fall short of expectation

Dave Gause
Senior Reporter

"These are the best group of wrestlers I've ever had." That was Highline Community College's wrestling coach Mike Agostini's optimistic view at the beginning of wrestling season.

However, with the loss of approximately 10 wrestlers this year due to ineligibility, injury, and "lack of determination," according to Agostini, the Highline team has been reduced to six wrestlers and has not lived up to Agostini's high hopes.

The team has compiled a 3-10 record with two of those losses coming against the perennial wrestling power Central Washington, 30-17, and Clackamas College, 30-13, this last Saturday. The team pulled out one win against Big Bend 21-13.

Sophomore John Plaster in the 126-pound weight class was 2-0-1 over the weekend. Mike Wooding at 150 pounds

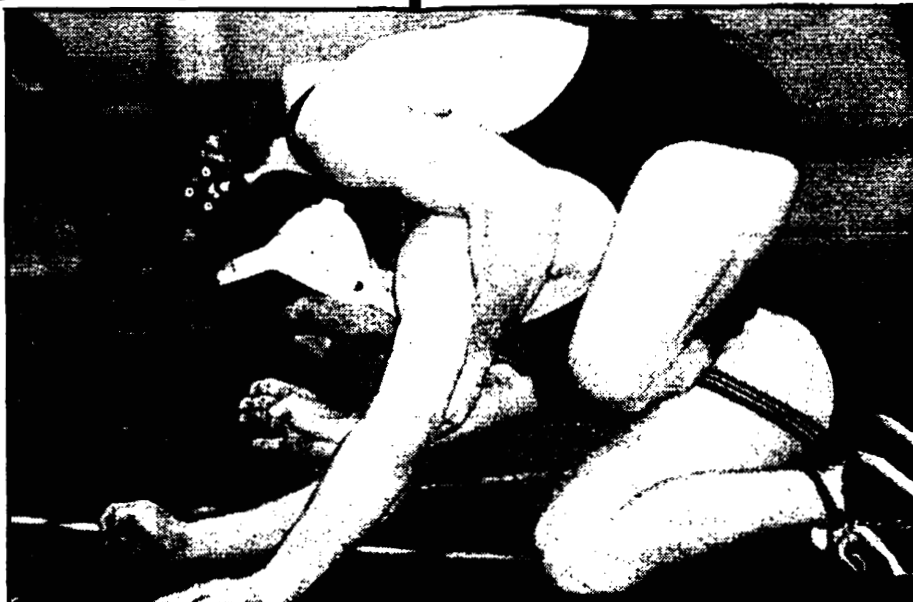
was 2-1. Chris Zocco at 167 was 3-0 Saturday. Bryce Tingley who is recovering from an ankle injury posted a solid record of 2-1. Jason Hess went 2-1 in the 118-pound weight class while Steve Green went 1-2.

"The six wrestlers we have are very determined," said Agostini. Unfortunately, determination hasn't been winning meets. There is an abundance of individual talent on the team, however, which increases their chances to place in state and perhaps compete nationally.

State competition is nothing new for most of the Thunderbird wrestlers. Plaster took third in state in high school. Wooding and Zocco both captured high school state championships last year.

The winning high school wrestlers have found some stiff competition at the college level.

"Many people don't realize the level of competition at the junior college level," said Agostini. "You not only compete against other two-year schools but four



John Plaster and the remainder of the Highline wrestlers are trying to improve on a slow start.


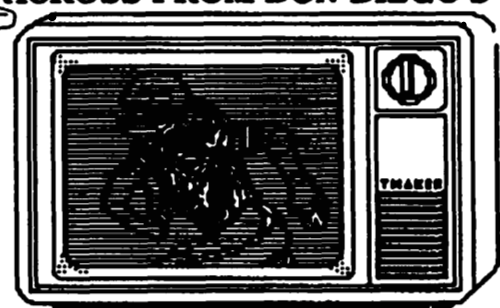
year schools."

Highline faced its toughest challenge last night against Northern Idaho which

has held the national title for four years running. Results were not available at press time.

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Maggie Simons
Senior Reporter

A young Yakima girl missing from the Midway Swap and Shop. Rape of a young woman in her apartment. Death of a would-be robber at the Midway Loan Shop. Bodies of two people found on Military Road between 188th and Kent Des Moines within two months.

This is the "Highway." Starting just south of Sea-Tac Strip (renowned home of the Green River Killer) and extending through the Midway area, Highline Community College campus is part of the "highway." Also part of the scene is the Midway and Windward Taverns, along with the Blockhouse and Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurants. It's not as concentrated as the higher populated areas but is growing rapidly. With the crime potential of Capitol Hill, Rainier Beach and downtown Seattle, everything that goes on there goes on here.

Citizens and businessmen around the area are arming themselves, "not looking for trouble but expecting it." The "Old Timers" on the highway agree the problem is drugs and it's getting worse every day. According to first-hand reports, transients have been removed from parked cars. Alleged drug dealers have created enough anxiety in local residents to cause them to answer their door with guns. Now, with the added stress of the Oct. 6th drive-by shooting near Sea-Tac which left five wounded after the D. J. Jazzy Jeff and Fresh Prince concert, do the residents of the area have yet another complexity to deal with? Residents think so: many fear or expect some sort of retaliation.

According to the Nov. 8th issue of the Seattle Times: "Since March of 1987, over 370 gang members and associates have been identified in the Seattle area. Police have investigated at least 35 shootings, 15 drive-by attacks and eight murders. Police say they probably hear about a fraction of the gang-related incidents. Two California gangs, the Crips and Bloods, have migrated to Seattle to establish (crack) cocaine networks. Now there is talk of them getting together in the Central District or in the South End to form one big dangerous gang."

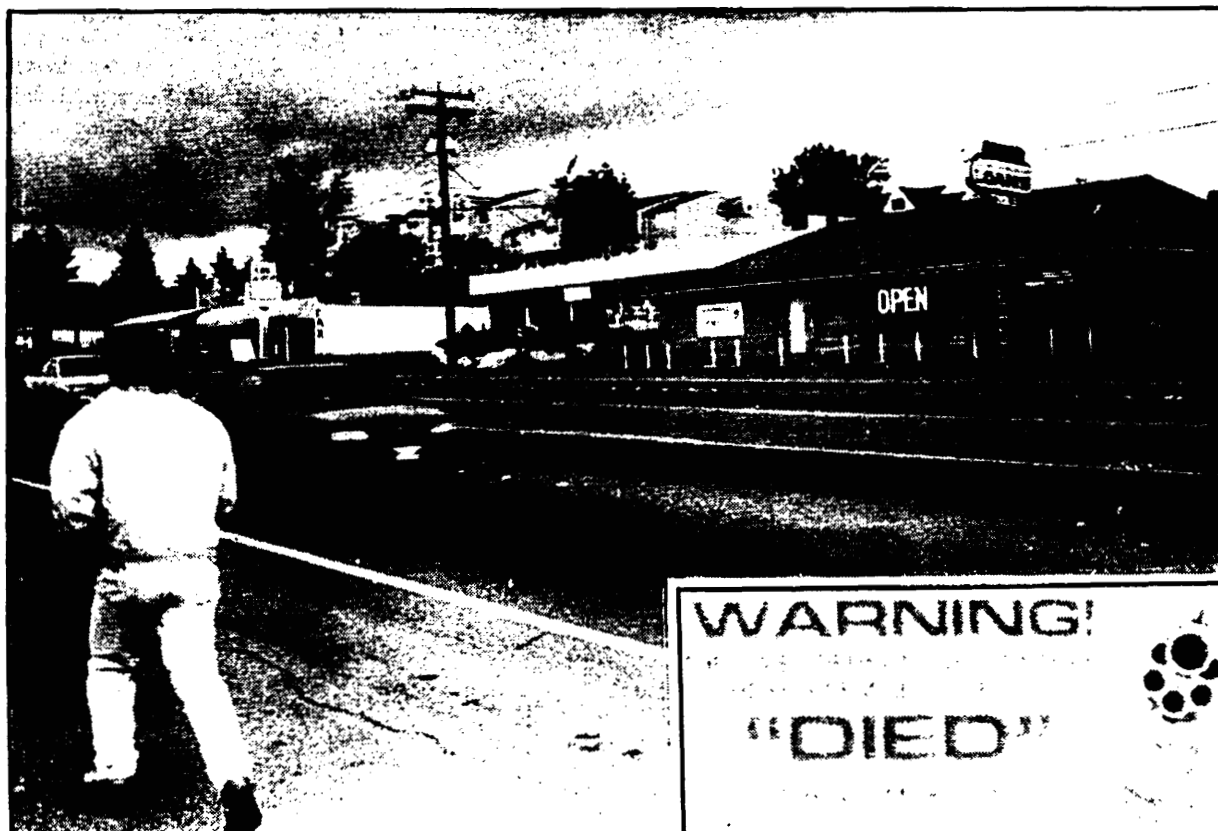


Photo by Diana Baumgart

The same night as the drive-by, which was covered by King County Police Department, extra patrol was asked of Des Moines Police at closing time at the Graffiti Mealtime Drive-Inn near the corner of Kent-Des Moines Road and Highway 99 due to possible gang retaliation. Are these two instances tied together, or is it just coincidence? Are gangism and racism tied that closely together? Is there a tie-in with the Godbrother? The police only say that two white males shot at and hit five black males, then were seen driving away in a car description that could fit a myriad of cars in the area. Is history repeating itself? Are the gangs going

to rumble again, this time substituting Uzis and handguns for the chains, knives and broken bottles they used in the fifties and sixties. Does it matter what we call it? Or is it more important how we deal with it?

The people on the Highway have neighborhood bars without the neighborhoods; they are a close-knit society. As a general rule they watch out for each other, often cautious of newcomers. The problems during times of trouble often occur when strangers and stress are combined with alcohol and the full-moon syndrome. An old timer on the Highway summed it up: "If you are not part of the solution then you are part of the problem."

Cops create calm college campus

Jenny Kuehlthau
Staff Reporter

Most students and faculty members have no problem following the rules and regulations set by Highline Community College. But in those cases where violations occur on campus, it is up to Highline's Campus Security to enforce the law.

Campus Security, headed by Campus Police Chief Jack Chapman, employs five full-time and two part-time officers. There is an officer on duty 24 hours a day, all year round, to provide assistance where needed. The main duty of campus security is to enforce all federal, state and local laws, as well as college laws.

All campus laws are listed in the "Students Rights and Responsibilities Code" pamphlet. This pamphlet, adopted by the Board of Trustees, prohibits, among other things, drugs, possession of alcohol and weapons on campus. Any

distribution of unauthorized material is prohibited. Firearms are not allowed on campus unless the firearm is registered with campus security and a three-day permit is issued. No security officers on campus carry guns.

All laws, before they are introduced to Highline, must be reviewed by the State Attorney General to guarantee that they do not violate constitutional rights.

The Des Moines Police Department becomes involved with campus violations when it concerns a minor in possession of alcohol, possession of drugs, and any criminal activity where there is a suspect, such as theft, assault or violation of an anti-harassment order. Since the start of the fall quarter, the Des Moines Police Department has worked in conjunction with Highline's Campus Security seven times. If there is no suspect, security officers will conduct their own investigation and file a report to the Des Moines Police Department.

Most days, security officers don't deal with vandalism or theft. Security Officer Richard Noyer said most violations

he encounters on campus concern traffic violations. Noyer, who has 16 years of security and law enforcement experience, including a former job where he provided security for a nuclear submarine base, said his job is interesting because he meets a variety of people.

"I find it energetic because my last jobs dealt with military or criminals. Here, I'm dealing with educated people—people who want to learn."

For those students who feel uncomfortable about walking out to their car after a night class, Chapman said there is an assistant in the campus security office every weekday evening until 10:30 p.m. who can provide an escort for the student. Chapman said they try to have an officer in each parking lot as night classes get out to assist students with battery jumps or unlocking vehicles when the keys have been locked inside.

The Campus Security Office is accessible to all persons who require its assistance. The office is open at 7:30 a.m. Monday through Friday.

Said Chapman, "We want to be here for the students."

Feature

Safety tips offered to help students

Bev Ott
Senior Writer

Highline Community College is open to everyone 24 hours a day, which means anyone can be here. Don't be so naive to think that you're safe just because you're on the campus. You still need to be aware of your surroundings at all times. Tracy C., a girl from a small town in Idaho, was accosted by an unknown man at noon one day going to her car parked by Wendy's. She couldn't believe it could happen to her at HCC. He followed her to Kent where she was smart enough to pull in at Johnny's IGA, and he left.

Every day there are 100+ crimes in South King County. According to the statistics older teenagers and younger adults are physically assaulted at a higher rate than any other age group. Anyone over 18 is considered an adult in these statistics.

Officer McDonald, Community Crime Prevention Officer, said, "This was because they are the ones that think they are invincible."

Two-thirds of violent crimes against teens are committed by other teens.

Two-thirds of violent crimes against teens are committed by other teens. Half of the teens are strangers to their victims. "Think personal safety everyday, everywhere," he stressed. Nation-wide rape is up 42 percent since 1977, but only one in 10 is reported. In South King County there were 133 Adults raped and 24 attempted in 1987.

Some misconceptions about rape: it happens because of sexual desire, the woman was dressed seductively, or, the worst one, the woman asked for it.

Rape is a violent crime not motivated by desire. It is a hostile attack, an attempt to hurt and humiliate. Sex is only the weapon.

In more than one-third of reported rape cases, the rapist is an acquaintance, neighbor, friend or relative. Most rapists don't look peculiar or act strangely.

"Just because a person is in your class doesn't mean he's not perverted," cautioned psychology teacher Cherie Jacobs. She also said, "As a woman in today's society you never really feel safe alone."

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A survey of two evening classes at HCC showed two-thirds of the women did not feel safe on campus at night. They were mostly concerned about the lighting and going to and from the parking lots, particularly the south parking lot because they never see any security personnel there during night classes and it seems to be the darkest. "A suggestion would be to use the buddy system when going to your cars at night," said Jack Chapman, campus security. Also report to security any concerns you have about lighting and parking lot problems.

"Trust your instincts; it's better to feel silly than sorry."

Here are a few avoidance techniques taken from National Crime Prevention Council—Crime Prevention tips booklet.

BE STREETWISE AND SAFE

Stand tall and walk confidently. Watch where you're going and what's happening around you. Don't look like a victim; criminals look for someone vulnerable.

Stick to well-lighted and busy streets. Walk with friends. Avoid shortcuts through a dark alley, a deserted street, or a wooded area, even on campus. When going to your car on campus use the buddy system.

If harassed from a car, walk quickly or run in the opposite direction to safety. If you are really scared, scream. Yell "fire!", not "help"; you get a better response.

"Trust your instincts," says Officer McDonald. Never hitchhike. Accept rides only from people you know and trust.

Don't flash your cash. Just carry the money you need that day. But always have "emergency" change for a telephone call.

Know your neighborhood

Know your neighborhood—when are stores and restaurants open? Where are the police and fire stations, libraries and schools? You might need them in an emergency. If someone is following you in your car, drive to one of these

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Let someone—a parent, brother or sister, friend or roommate—know where you are going and when you will come back. Call if you're going to be late.

JOGGING OR BIKING

Go with a friend and take familiar and well-traveled routes.

Don't jog or bike at night.

Try it without your stereo headphones. It's safer to remain alert to what's around and behind you.

ON THE BUS

Use stops that are well-lighted and popular. If your stop is isolated, have someone there to meet you.

Make sure you know which stop is closest to your destination. Check a map or ask the driver.

Don't fall asleep. Stay alert.

If you are harassed by anyone, attract attention by talking loudly or screaming.

IF YOU'RE DRIVING

Make sure the car is well maintained and keep the gas tank at least half full.

Park in well-lighted areas and lock the car, even if you'll only be gone a few minutes.

When you return, have the door key ready; keys can be used as a weapon if necessary. Check the front and rear seats and floor before getting in.

Drive with all the doors locked and your windows not all the way down.

NEVER PICK UP HITCHHIKERS

If you are being followed, don't drive home. Go to the nearest police station, fire station or well-lighted business and get help.

IF YOU ARE AT HOME ALONE

Don't let any strangers in, no matter what the reason or emergency. Offer to make an emergency phone call yourself while the person waits outside.

If you live in an apartment, try not to go to the laundry, storage rooms or garage by yourself, especially at night.

Make sure all windows and doors have good locks. Use them.

About one-third of all rapes occur in or near a victim's own home or apartment.

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WHAT IF SOMEONE TRIES TO RAPE YOU

You can try stalling for time, distracting the attacker and fleeing to a safe place, screaming to attract attention or fighting back. You may be able to discourage the rapist by acting crazy or disgusting. Your reaction depends on the circumstances and the type of person you are. Trust your instincts.

If a weapon is present, if you feel any response will increase the danger to your life, then trust your judgment and submit. The most important point is that you trust yourself to know what is best. According to McDonald, nothing is worth your life.

If you do resist, don't get scared, get mad! Rapists depend on fear and may be discouraged by aggressive yelling and a swift jab to the throat or eyes or a solid kick in the knees.

DATE RAPE: WAYS TO AVOID.

Observe a person in a group setting. Question others on how they feel or what they know about him or her.

Meet for lunch or dinner and take your own car so you have some recourse if it doesn't work out.

Realize you have the right to say "No!" and sex is not a price to pay for a date.

Communicate with and respect each other as a fellow human being, not as a sex object.

Try not to panic. Look at your attacker carefully so you can describe him to the police. Try to remember things like height and weight, complexion, body build, clothing, hair, scars.

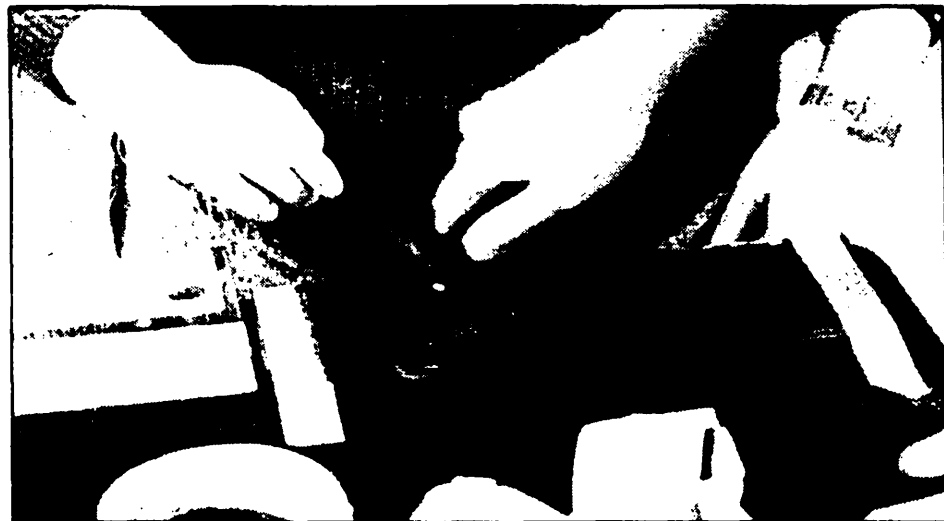
IF YOU ARE A VICTIM OF A CRIME

Report any crime—a purse snatched, bike stolen, or attempted rape, to the police by calling 911 or campus security immediately. There is also a rape crisis clinic. Call 447-3222.

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Officers agree about weapons: They said, "No." There is a permit required to carry a concealed weapon in the state of Washington. A weapons permit can be obtained after a 30-day waiting period. In Vancouver, it is illegal to buy a handgun for self defense or to carry a concealed weapon. Permits are required both to own and to transport a handgun in Vancouver, according to a Seattle Times article dated Nov. 8, 1988.

Mace is no good in your purse or book bag; carry it in your hand. It is not allowed in the City of Seattle or Canada or at Sea-Tac Airport. However, if you were defending yourself in Seattle, you would probably not get cited for using it, according to McDonald.



The second-year program of Administration of Justice

Feature

Security Briefs

Fall quarter we experienced an increase in the number of stolen personal and college property reports. Losses range from the disappearance of a pocket calculator to the disappearance of a Camcorder [video camera and recorder]. The following are extracts of facts taken from theft reports during the months of October and November.

LIBRARY

HCC students in possession of lost/stolen copy machine key.

LIBRARY/CLASSROOM

Two separate reports of theft of wallets with contents.

LIBRARY

Theft of a Camcorder.

OFFICE AND CLASSROOM

Four separate reports of theft of purses with contents.

PARKING LOTS

Three separate reports of motor vehicles being stolen.

CLASSROOMS

Three separate reports of theft VCRs.

CLASSROOMS AND CAFETERIA

Three separate reports of vending machines broken into and money taken.

PARKING LOT

One attempted theft of a motor vehicle.

CLASSROOM AND LOBBY

Four separate reports of theft of text books.

To help you protect yourself and the college community, here are some tips for on the job security:

1. If you must leave your personal items such as coats,

wallets and purses unattended, make sure these items are in a locker, desk, closet or other safe areas. SECURED MEANS LOCKED.

2. Do not leave your office key(s) unattended and so not loan them out. Report any missing key(s) to the campus security office immediately. EXT.219.

3. Make sure that college property, funds, materials, etc, under your control are protected and accounted for. If you notice material or equipment missing or being misappropriated, notify the campus security office immediately.

4. If you notice unauthorized persons in your work area, contact your supervisor of the campus security office at once, EXT. 219.

5. Report damaged locks, doors, lights and other security related problems to the campus security office as soon as possible, EXT.219.

6. If you are working alone in your building or on your floor after hours, make sure that campus security knows that you are there. Also, lock the door to keep unauthorized persons out.

7. If you discover that a crime has been committed in your work area, contact the campus security office at once, EXT. 219.

8. ALL FACULTY AND STAFF ARE ENCOURAGED TO LOCK THEIR CLASSROOM(S) WHEN LEAVING AT THE END OF THE CLASS PERIOD TO HELP PREVENT THE LOSS OF EQUIPMENT. Practicing security on the job is good common sense. REMEMBER, regardless of your position on campus, you have a responsibility to yourself, your co-workers, and the college community to help keep on-the-job crime at a minimum.



Photo by Anthony Ueggi

Handcuffing techniques. The desire of most instructors, handcuffing their students, as Forrest Niccum demonstrates to his class

Course does education justice

Bev Ott

Senior Writer

Highline Community College offers a two-year Administration of Justice program designed to prepare students to become state patrol, police, or private security officers. Forrest Niccum teaches the officer's side and Catherine Morrow teaches the law side.

There are 38 freshmen and 38 sophomores in the classes winter quarter. Males outnumber the females 21 to 13. Niccum said, "Women are collectively more acceptable now; five percent are hired compared to one percent 15 years ago."

"The biggest drawback for women going into the police field is lack of upper body strength," said Niccum. Requirements say they have to be able to pull a 160-pound dummy and also run a 440.

He said jobs are out there for students but it is a very competitive field. Potential officers need to be 21 to be hired, so many go on to four-year colleges to get their B.A. degree and then apply for jobs. If they go on and get a four-year degree it will look better; they will have more knowledge and chances for better advancements, according to Niccum.

After applying for a job, applicants take extensive exams: physical and psychological, civil service, polygraph and written and oral exams; also, a background investigation is done. Niccum suggested the latter is the reason many fail because the applicants have used too much booze or drugs or have had too many driving tickets (three in three years is too many) in the past.

"They have to set a good example; they can't booze it up

on the weekend and then arrest their neighbor the next day for drinking," said Niccum.

Some of the students do cooperative education by working for the school's security or police forces in the county, according to Niccum. There is one student working for campus security winter quarter.

At the end of spring quarter Niccum will have taught Administration of Justice classes at HCC for 20 years. He is a former police officer for Grant County and has been a reserve officer for 19 years in South King County. He enjoys combining both jobs, teaching and doing police work.

The second-year program offers basic fingerprinting which covers how to roll prints and lift prints. It doesn't go into great detail because major crimes call in specialists in fingerprinting. No restraint class is given at HCC; according to Niccum that is left up to police academy. The course however, does give a good over-all view of the justice system, he says.

Niccum said, "HCC does a good job with security," even though he had his newspaper stolen while in the bookstore for five minutes last quarter. There has been an increase in books and purses stolen on campus according to HCC security. "Don't leave your things and expect them to be there when you come back," said Jack Chapman, head of HCC campus security.

Sara Westerman, a student in the first-year program said, "I have always wanted to be a police officer." The petite (five-foot-1-inch 100 pound) determined young woman is doing body building so she can pass the physical and endurance test. She doesn't feel there is any discrimination in the classes at HCC against women. The class she enjoys most is problem solving, where students determine what kind of action they need to take when out in the field.



Photo by Anthony Ueggi

After the fingerprinting is completed, a photo of each print is taken to put into legal files



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Feature

Hooking on Pacific Highway

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Senior Reporter

The streets. For many they are more than just "a paved thoroughfare with sidewalks and buildings," which is Webster's definition. For hundreds of young people in Seattle the streets are called home. The thoroughfare becomes a lifeline as they move along the sidewalks and then, finally, just blend into the buildings.

They come together from all areas of society. One prostitute claimed that many of the girls come from high- to middle-income families. The past is of little importance since they are all working to make it through one day at a time.

Almost all of these young people have dropped out of school at one level or another, and their lives now depend on being able to replace being "book smart" with "street smarts."

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Survival is the key to life on the streets. In order to make money many of these youth turn to prostitution. Nineteen eighty-seven statistics from the Orion Center (an organization designed to help street kids) show that 99 percent of the people on the streets are involved in either prostitution or drugs. There is no age requirement involved in selling one's body. One prostitute reported knowing of an 11-year old who granted sexual favors for money.

Michael, 18, (who chose not to give his last name) began prostituting himself when he was 13. Why? He needed the money to survive. He stated that he would "much rather have them (friends) prostituting than dealing drugs."

Michael stated that most prostitutes, whether they're male or female, come from broken families where there is an absence of love. On the streets they "get a feeling of love, whether it's fake or not."

Once these young people get down on the streets, it's very difficult for them to leave. One prostitute, who chose to be identified as C.D., felt it would be hard for her to quit because "I'd have to make a whole new life for myself." That life would include watching over her shoulder for shadows of her past.

She began prostituting when she was 16 because she, too, needed the money. Her "home life was crappy," so she dropped out of the 10th grade and got caught up with the wrong people. She now works almost every night, turning one to three tricks a night.

She hasn't seen her family since she left four years ago, and doesn't plan on getting back together with them until "I think the time is right." Most of her friends are in the same position, and most will never contact their families. She added that her parents would not approve of her way of life, but neither would they be surprised. She is also unsure if her younger siblings would understand, and she would not want them to have to say, "Oh, my sister's a prostitute."

Escape from hostile homes and the lure of money appears to be what attracts youth to the streets. As one prostitute stated, "I make more money than I would flipping burgers at Wendy's."

But what keeps them trapped in the maze of skyscrapers and cement, in a life that ages them years in a few days' time, and forces them to grow up so fast.

Both Michael and C.D. felt that prostitution and drugs were closely related, stating that many pimps will try and get their girls hooked on drugs as a way of gaining more control over them. C.D. commented that drugs give pimps "a lot of influence over when or if they leave...It makes the girls want to be with them."

Michael felt that once the girls are hooked on drugs they find it more difficult to ever break the cycle. C.D. commented that some girls have been on the streets for more than 10 years.

Michael added that the if prostitutes appear sick and dirty,

it is most likely that drugs made them that way. C.D. mentioned crack, cocaine, and crank as the most common drugs found on the streets.

According to C.D., some of the pimps care about their girls, but she is also aware of those who aren't treated well. She has seen girls beaten by their pimps "almost to death." She went on to add that "they (the pimps) usually act like your friend, but if you mess up they'll let you know."

Michael added that how well a prostitute is treated depends upon how much money they make for their pimps.

Sergeant Kenney of the King County Vice Control Unit agreed with both Michael and C.D., commenting that pimps will knock the girls around if they don't want to work. "They use them (prostitutes) as chattel."

Some girls try and escape the sidewalks they walk, but if they're caught by their pimps they may get beat up or worse. Occasionally a girl will try and commit suicide or overdose on drugs as a way out.

"Sometimes you have to sit back and figure out what is real," Michael commented. C.D. mentioned that she had to learn not to let things bother her as much. Both Michael and C.D. use protection every time, but the majority of prostitutes have venereal disease, they said.

Both say they have quite a few friends among the other prostitutes, and there is always someone watching out for them.

They have also set a limit to what they will take before they decide they have to move on. Michael set his mark at earning enough money so that he can retire. Because he works independently (without a pimp) this may be easier for him than others. C.D. said that she will quit if she gets raped, beaten up badly or contracts AIDS. She has been beaten up twice but neither incident was severe enough to make her leave.

Her dream is to go back to school, get married, and have kids. She admits, however, the only realistic dream is, perhaps, her having children.

Hitchhiking through life

A young woman's horror

Maggie Simons
Senior Reporter

Stupidity and ignorance do not give others the right to victimize. Crime is everywhere and does affect everyone personally. Beware, it's out there. I know. When I was 19, I wasn't nearly as wise as I believed myself to be. Trusting everyone, believing people had good in them and that, as a general rule, good would prevail, I found out the hard way.

I'd been hitchhiking since I was 13; it was a great way to get somewhere in a hurry, find parties, and just go out and meet people. I'd done the Portland to San Jose trip three times one summer and went to Boise on the spur of the moment. I knew the risks and the hazards but chose to ignore them.

Sometimes it seems like bad luck runs in streaks; if I didn't have bad luck I wouldn't have had any luck at all. After relocating to Portland from San Jose, things went from bad to devastating. My belongings were stolen, I had no job and money was going quickly.

It was a beautiful Indian Summer day in Portland, typical for late October. I dressed lightly for the occasion, knowing winter clothes were soon going to be a must. My friends and I were going to meet later downtown, so I hitched a ride early. Little did I realize that this day would have a serious impact on me for the rest of my life. I wandered around town waiting for friends that never showed up. I was tired and hadn't eaten anything that day.

So I stuck out my thumb, knowing it wouldn't be long before I'd get a ride; it never does when you're blond and cute. A dark Oldsmobile pulled over with two black men in the car; they made me sit between them. Intuition should have warned me. As it turned out, the next five hours would live in my nightmares the rest of my life.

They drove into the Albina District, a small Harlem. I knew that running and screaming or making a scene would create more negative attention and I knew that I already had my hands full.

One of them held on to me as the other picked the lock. They dragged me upstairs, took my clothes off and locked me in this dingy attic room. There was no way out except through the locked door.

They came in one at a time, while the other stood guard outside the door. They were never in the room at the same time. One after the other, hour after hour. My pleading and screams were never heard as my mouth was covered. Again and again, they brutally assaulted and raped me.

When there was no more fight left in my body, all I could do was lie there, almost numb. I recall hearing them talking about dumping my body in the river. My prayers must have been heard though. There were more voices, angry voices. I couldn't really understand what was going on or what was said. Within a few minutes a black man, a pimp as it turned out, and his main lady who was white came in the room. She helped me on with my clothes and gave me cigarette; then we went downstairs. I don't know where I got the strength to even move.

He knew my two assailants as neighborhood punks. He said, "I'll deal with them later." They gave me a blanket and put a paper bag over my head, then led me to a van. After a few minutes the van slowed down; they dropped me off at a 7-11 store and sped away so that I couldn't get a license

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number. I asked the store clerk to dial 911.

Soon enough a Portland Police squad car arrived. The officers drove me all over to see if I could identify the house. The reasoning for this is that victims are able to remember more right after being attacked than if they wait.

Upon delivering me to the hospital, where I was met by a rape victim advocate, they wheeled me into a quiet area of the hospital. The examination procedures necessary for the police reports are cold and unfeeling. Pictures are taken of the injured parts of the body and samples of sperm, hair, and blood are taken and analyzed in order to assist the police if the case goes to court.

I was released the next morning and taken to police headquarters. The detectives questioned me over and over and over again: the whats, the whys, the whens, the whos. Still in shock, I couldn't give them much to go on.

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Within three days, the aftermath began. It seemed nearly as bad as the incident itself. Back to the hospital and then released a few hours later, another two days passed. Finally I was admitted into the hospital with a 103-degree temperature. The next morning, during a routine blood pressure check which showed 40-over-0, I could only see what was directly in front of me; everything else was foggy. Then there was darkness. I was released four days later.

The diagnosis was a Pelvic Inflammatory Disease (P.I.D.), but there wasn't any social diseases. Two months later surgery was required. During the rape my lower intestines and some organs had been moved. I was supposed to be sterile; thankfully now I have two children. The P.I.D. was responsible for a hysterectomy six years later. Now, after ten years have passed with plenty of personal growth, physically I'm okay. The emotional scars are still there, and they probably will always be there. Help from the rape advocates, counseling, and talking about the scenario helped a lot. The hardest part was to get over the denial, to stop placing blame upon myself, and to realize I was a victim. As time went on I became a person again and stopped being the victim.

Someday, maybe I'll go through psycho-therapy or hypnosis in order to remember the faces of those two men. Though I don't blame all black men, just two, the element of fear toward all black men is there.

If you have ever been a victim of a violent crime, help is available through the Crisis Center, local churches, and low-cost counseling through King County. Don't blame yourself. Don't deny being a victim. There can be happiness in your life and by not seeking help you are allowing others to continue controlling your life. No one has that right.