Highline's shrinking budget

Paige Kerrigan
Staff Reporter

Highline Community College faces disappointment as the governor's decision about the 1989-91 budget took effect. The percentage of local great community college budgets decreased from 5.9% in 1979 to 5.5% in 1981. In 1979, community college budgets received 1.2% of the state's general fund. In 1981, community college budgets received 1.0% of the state's general fund. The percentage of funds received by community colleges has decreased steadily since 1979. In 1981, community college budgets received 4.9% of the state's general fund.

Some funds have been allocated to community colleges, but these increases have been credited to the higher administration costs for four-year colleges. According to Hale from the state board for community college education, "the capital budget looks good for the 1989-91 period with the Governor recommending $65 million, professional salaries are now on the rise. An overall raise would bring up salaries 5.5 percent. The two disappointments are: program quality improvements and enrollment. Program cuts are expected to continue in the governor's budget. This is an area in which the school systems had hoped to do more. The system is ready to hit the 50th mark.

The governor's budget is the first round. In March of 1989, the legislature will make its final budget decisions. We cannot give up convincing the legislature that we need enrollment growth," said Dr. Gordon. There is hope that the legislature will help the community college system overcome its lack of funding.

Percent of 1987-89 Higher Education Budget

Four-year colleges - 67%
Community colleges - 33%

Percent of FTE Students

Four-year colleges - 45%
Community colleges - 55%

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Within...
Speaker gives apartheid address

Robin Taylor
Staff Reporter

A 14-year-old boy accused of crimes against the government was dragged from his home and gunned down in front of family friends and neighbors.

Maki Mandela, daughter of anti-apartheid activist Nelson Mandela, gave an anti-apartheid speech at Shoreline Community College last week. In her speech to the crowd of over 800 people, she emphasized that the South African government directs its campaigns of hate against young children. By beating and imprisoning children nine and under, the government can destroy the faith these young children have in their parents' ability to protect them. This instills a feeling of helplessness at a very young age.

Throughout her speech against white domination, the predominate charge, she said. The hislory books are slanted in a way to make the Whites look good and place the blame on the Blacks, she said. She used the example of how Dutch Afrikaners had accused local whites of livestock stealing when the Dutch hadn't brought livestock with them from Holland. School for Whites is fine and mandatory, School for Blacks is mandatory also; but Blacks must pay all school fees and buy their books and uniforms. If they can't afford them then they can't go to school, Mandela stressed that her father and others have tried peaceful process for years; yet 67 people were shot and killed by police in a peaceful demonstration in 1960. This caused her father and others to feel the need for their own military to protect themselves against White domination.

Now Blacks are accused of being terrorists, which Mandela thinks is unfair. Mandela proved the biased questions aimed at making the audience think. She asked if the Americans were considered terrorists for using force to free themselves from the British? Did the North opt for peaceful demonstrations to point out to the South that slavery was wrong? Mandela stressed that Blacks in her country are discriminated to r-a-d apartheid no matter what it takes or how long.

When Mandela finished, there was a short question and answer period. One woman, who identified herself as social feminist, asked Mandela if Communism could be a cure for South Africa's problems. Mandela smiled and said she was tired of "isms;" so far "isms" hadn't cured anything.

The Health Report:

Your diet and you

Catherine Scott
Staff Reporter

Ever hear that it is better to eat your main meal in the morning and stick to more than three big meals a day? This limits the food intake between meals and gives you the opportunity until your next meal. It also cuts down on snacking between meals.

Some have a different opinion about this. Readers Digest "ABC's of the Human Body" says it is better to eat several smaller meals a day. "There are research studies which support this idea."

When you eat, your pancreas secretes insulin which makes your body store calories into fat. The more you eat, the more insulin is secreted. The best thing to do is to stay away from sugary foods and drinks. For example, did you know that when you drink a 12-ounce can of pop which contains eight teaspoons of sugar your blood sugar level rises abruptly? In return, it stimulates the secretion of additional insulin. This results in storing more calories.

What does insulin really do? It causes the liver to convert glucose to glycogen and stores it in the liver. When your blood sugar level goes down, the liver converts glycogen back into glucose and sends it through the blood to where the body needs it. If for some reason your pancreas were to fail and not secrete the insulin needed to operate the body sufficiently, you would be diagnosed as having diabetes.

To avoid this, eat a daily balanced meal from the four major food groups: fruits and vegetables, cereal and breads, dairy products, and meats (fish and poultry). The average junk food diet contains too many extra fats and sugars which your body doesn't need.

The Health Connection at Valley Medical Center suggests you limit eating at fast food restaurants. When selecting from the menus select foods with complex carbohydrates such as foods that contain wheat and grain. As for how many meals a day, Sherry Jan Cula, an employee from the Weight Loss Clinic in Federal Way, says, "It depends on each person and their life style." Her main emphasis is "feeling good." Personally, the foods is it better to spread the food intake throughout the day.

Everyone is unique in their own physiological daily needs. When snacking between meals, stick to the "healthy snacks," such as your favorite fruits and vegetables. Remember the main emphasis is "feeling good."

Fireworks to be cast

Staff, students, and faculty workers of RCC are invited to participate in the RCC Washington State Community Day celebration. Among the highlights of festivities, a script of pioneer women's words will be presented this quarter in March. Writing Instructor Ann Marie Cardinali conceived the script. Speech instructor Lee Ramsey will direct. Rehearsals will begin Tuesday and Thursday afternoons this quarter. Credit is available. If you are interested, please let us know.

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leave a message at Ext. 435 for Ann or Lee.
Voice courses offered

Mtra. Ruth Grotzinger will conduct the course.

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Poetry Reading

Monday, Feb. 6, 7 p.m.

Poetry Reading, Hepatitis Collier

Reading of Shel Silverstein

and Clay Evans.

March 10, 8 p.m. Building 5

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November 3, 8 p.m. Building 5

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December 1, 8 p.m. Building 5

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Dave Wellington
Staff Reporter

"Cultural literacy is the key to economic and democratic strength in this country." E.D. Hirsh, a professor of English at the University of Virginia, stated in his book Cultural Literacy: What Every American Needs to Know. In his book, published in 1987, Hirsh accuses the schools of having given up the fight against cultural illiteracy by failing to teach the basics of Western civilization.

For evidence, Hirsh falls back on a 1985 survey taken by the Foundation of Literacy Campaign. According to the study, two-thirds of the 17-year-olds tested did not know when the Civil War took place. One-third did not know when the Declaration of Independence was signed, and one-half did not recognize the names of Winston Churchill or Joseph Stalin. If his assertion of our economic and democratic base is correctly founded, the 1985 survey damned us to failure before the 21st century.

In a state of panic, the Thunderword set out to determine just how low our nation really was. Surely those polled in 1985 are older and wiser now.

A survey of 10 questions was quickly dispatched and 50 students were polled at random. The questions were purposely diverse, covering a little of United States history, the Russian revolution, American literature, and the Bible. Although the poll was by no means scientific, the results reflect the knowledge of a cross-section of the campus.

The question which by far stumped the most people involved the story of Esther. Only 12 percent of those polled knew the story was found in the book of Esther. Most assumed that information of this sort would be gleaned from Genesis, although a few suspected Job.

In literature more students knew about the authors of the Communist Manifesto than The Grapes of Wrath. Overall, 48 percent of those asked knew that Marx was one of the authors of the Manifesto. Only 22 percent are aware that John Steinbeck had written the Grapes of Wrath. Suprisingly, 46 percent of the student population was familiar with George Orwell's 1984.

When it came to our country's history, most people claimed ignorance. The date the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor evaded 58 percent. Fortunately, 72 percent knew the year the Declaration of Independence was signed. However, only 40 percent knew that a "yes" vote by two-thirds of Congress was needed before an amendment to the United States Constitution could be considered for ratification.

Eighty percent of Highline Community College students could identify Winston Churchill as the former Prime Minister of Great Britain, considerably better than in the survey taken by the Foundation of Literacy. The obvious question to ask is just how pertinent this information is to our society. How important is it for our nation's men and women to know where to find the story of Esther? Is it really critical to know who wrote the Grapes of Wrath? Why should we as citizens of the United States care who authored the Communist Manifesto? If even President Bush can't correctly recall Pearl Harbor Day before a crowd of American Legionnaires, why should those of us not running for the presidency care? Should we be concerned when a good percentage of college students think that Nixon sent the first combat troops to Vietnam?

According to Davidson Dodd, history professor at HCC, we have little reason to fear. "The survey says something, but what does it say? Admittedly, "accumulating knowledge has a real value. However, he goes on to say that it would be far more pertinent to know the general facts rather than to quibble about the specifics. "Specifics are important but can also be trivial." According to Dodd, it is more important to know where Vietnam is than to know who sent the first combat troops. It is better to know the principles behind the Declaration of Independence rather than specifically in what year it was written. Cultural literacy quizzes are fun, but in essence they are just "trivia to primary skills," Dodd said.

The arguments put forth by Hirsh for having a firm grounding in cultural literacy stems from the thought that everyone should know a basic core of facts about themselves, their country, and the world around them. Those in favor of teaching this broad core of facts for which everyone will be responsible fear the day when authors and orators alike will no longer be able to assume their readers or listeners have a common knowledge of literature, history, and cultural trivia.

According to Dodd, that time has already arrived. "You can't presume anything. If you're going to talk about Vietnam, you can't assume everyone knows where it is." Fred Allen once said that using a poll is like figuring out the national wheat crop by counting the poppy seeds on a single roll. Technically our poll was not scientific. However, it did establish some interesting facts as well as propose more disconcerting questions. In the United States going to collapse in a heap of economic and democratic weakness due to an uninformed public? Some of the students participating in the poll did in fact take a dim view of the results of the survey. As Denise Zuber said, "I don't care what it says. I think it shows ignorance in our American population. Other countries know more about our country than we know about ourselves. They know more about what is happening in the United States than we do. I think ignorance brings about decadence."

Must, however, feel comfortable when it came to the type of questions asked. According to Matt Dexter, "It didn't bother me because I did know a lot. Any basic American should know that (information)."

Admittedly some felt that the questions themselves were not very pertinent. "These are pretty trivial questions. I would be a lot happier if people knew the laws of the road," said Douglas Bart. Perhaps the laws of the road are more important to our health and well being than knowing who authored the Gettysburg Address. Admittedly, however, ignorance does not always equate with blissfulness. The thought that there are those out in the world checking upon the knowledge level of the average American should inspire some of us to new levels of creative learning. In self defense, several books have been published to ensure rapid accumulation of pertinent facts. One such book, How To Become Ridiculously Well Read in One Evening, compiled by E. O. Parrot, takes you quickly through approximately 150 novels, giving you a brief outline of the plot and characters. Granted the limited knowledge accumulated in this book will not help you pass a test, but it may prepare you for that survey you'll be handed in the future.
Carol Nelson
Staff Reporter

Victims of the recent oil spill off the southwest coast of Washington have turned the Ocean Shores Convention Center into a hospital with hundreds of patients — seabirds.

"From the period that this started (Dec. 22, 1988), they've gotten about 7,000 birds, and about 3,500 have died," says Robert Speer, a gray-haired volunteer from Spamaway. "Right now, they have about 400 in here being washed."

"I'm sitting in the entrance of the Convention Center covered in rubber boots and layers of foul-weather gear. It's a little too cool for comfort."

Many of the birds require tube feeding. A mixture of ground-up dog food, a liquid rich in electrolytes, and vitamin B-6 is forced through a tube into the animal's gullet. Fish cleaners help thaw, sort and clean smelt for birds that will take whole fish.

A vast network of pipes make it rain, and out of the building carrying one-third of the city's water to the corner each day. Plumbers, electricians and carpenters are kept busy building pens, running wires and dealing with recurring water problems.

Newspaper crumplers take newspaper and crumple it into a ball. After the press is done, newspaper is put down. Newspaper balls cover the existing paper, and a sheet is laid down over all. If the bird lies flat on the cement it develops ulcers, but now the bird can lie on the paper and sheet as if it were on the water.

Four times a day there are feedings and pen cleanings. The dirty sheets are sent into town two or three times a day. It costs $300 to $400 a day to clean sheets. Speer tells us that the company responsible for the spill is paying for the expense of clean-up.

The Red Cross supplies hot meals twice a day. Volunteers assist with food preparation and serving. A first-aid station has been set up around the room. The people are being a little too cool for comfort.

To maintain this organization, hundreds of volunteers are being put to work in various capacities. For people planning to stay for several days there are jobs washing birds. "They take the people who are going to be here the longest and train them on how to hold them, how to clean their eyes and bills," says Speer.

I get my first chance to handle the birds after a morning spent crumpling newspaper and cleaning fish. As a "mower" my job involved taking the birds from the washing station to a desk where a tag number is checked off, dogs are put in its eyes, and a jelly applied to its feet. I walk it to the heated pens for drying, holding the beak closed with one hand and croffling its body close to mine. I can feel the rapid beating of its heart against my body. Due to the stress the birds are under, no cameras flash or children under 18 are allowed in the bird area. Everyone is cautioned to move slowly and quietly around the birds.

By evening I work my way up to being a "holder" for one of the washer in the Ocean Shores Convention Center. As a "wahser" or "holder" the volunteers must be waterproofed and wear rubber gloves at all times. Holos are cut out of plastic bags for your head and arms. Two more bags are used to cover your arms. Finally, the rubber gloves are put on, and you are roped up to keep soap and water from leaking into your "suit."

It takes approximately one hour to wash a bird. It takes another 30 to 45 minutes to nurse the bird. It takes half a day to wash 46 birds. It is a slow process. Most of the birds do not want to be washed. They fight and bun, causing soap and water to fly around the room. The water temperature must be kept at 150 degrees. Once the oil is removed, the bird no longer has any means of keeping warm.

No amount of money can begin to compensate for the tremendous effort and energy displayed by the volunteers. They arrive at the Convention Center from all walks of life: across, carpool, bus, driver, wrecker, nurse, musician, student and senior citizen. Although most of the people are from the Seattle area, people from Australia, New Zealand, and Portugal are also at Ocean Shores, some as long as 10 days.

Their day begins at 7 a.m. and most do not leave until 11:00 p.m. A lack of sleep can be discerned around their eyes. Red, dry, nose-covered hands muddled with bird marks unite in numerous hours spent in box, oozy want. Jane Moms, volunteer and Audubon Society member from Bellingham, said it best. "I like knowing I'm helping the birds."

Carol Nelson / Thunderword
News

Thunderword People Poll

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Tom Laymen
As far as I'm concerned, from what I can set of it he deserved to die. I just don't believe in the publicity he's getting.

Dean Habbestad
As to whether I thought it was right or wrong, sure they should have killed him. Waiting 10 years was ridiculous, they convinced him years ago of it. He's a very bright man and he worked it -- he worked the system.

Rita Hadlon
I think it said that there's a lot of families out there that won't know if their daughters have been killed. But I think it was proven beyond a shadow of doubt that he killed more than one person and unfortunately Seattle will never know its effects here.

Michelle Elston
I think it kind of neat that they finally killed him. In a way I don't think execution is right, but he deserved it.

Molly Reitz
I'm glad it's over with this time for sure. He shouldn't be able to get away with it for that long having appeals and appeals and going with taxpayers money to keep from something he's viable that had to be done. And it's sad that someone with his abilities life was wasted from a life of crime.

Lori Fulton
I'm glad he had to sit in jail 11 years and wait to see when he'd die; that would be worse than death... But he had to die sometime.

Marco Sabbatini
I guess he had good taste in women.

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Editorials

Pornography heated battle

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peacefully to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances. —Amendment I, Bill of Rights

"It is not enough that sex crimes of every sort are already against the law and are punished with admirable severity. It is up to us, leaders, and particularly to our attorney general, to persuade a large part of our citizenry that even the most sex crimes are perfectly legal, and even celebrated in some godless quarters, because of the permissiveness of our constitution. Only then will an aroused and thoroughly misplaced citizenship rise up in righteous wrath to smash the First Amendment — and any more slightly offensive parts of the Constitution."

—Annie L. The Bill of Rights

Choice of the 80's

Sex in the 1980's has taken on an entirely new meaning. It is no longer just a choice between whether or not you want to have sex; now it's a choice between life and death.

As the threat of AIDS lingers in the background of most sexual encounters, ignorance can no longer be tolerated.

Highline Community College has broken away from those colleges that refuse to acknowledge AIDS as a threat by making condoms available in the health center and in the student association.

Condoms lurk in an ad with a condom on it in its school paper, claiming it promoted "Choice of the 80's."

Most of the students here have applauded HCC for attempting to make its students more aware of AIDS.

Why welcome all lectures, news, guest editorials and criticism from the thunderword, the thunderword, the thunderword?

"I regret to inform Mr. Vannevat that the amending of the First Amendment is well under way in the small hansles of Bellingham, Washington. On Nov. 8, 1988, the voting populace of Bellingham passed into law an ordinance which would make it illegal to traffic in pornography. Pornography is defined in the initiative as sexually explicit obscenity.

"The initiative, with its loosely defined concept of pornography based on civil rights rhetoric, would allow suits from anyone who suspects a picture might be violating the law. Those who could be sued include bookstores, movie houses, and librarians. This is obvious denial of rights guaranteed in the First Amendment. So obvious that a suit has been filed by the Seattle chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union to block the enforcement of the ordinance. The suit's plaintiffs include the Washington State Library Association, Pacific Northwest Booksellers Association and the American Booksellers Association — not exactly the kind of folks usually associated with pornography."

There seems to be some confusion about the relationship between what pornography is and what the First Amendment protects.

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Staff Writers

Larry Snyder, Jr.

In case you haven't noticed, a new year is just under way. Nineteen eighty-nine is the end of this century. Have you given serious consideration to the future? We think of the future of the thunderword is competent to answer many questions.

What will be our chosen career path? What kind of income will we bring home? How long will our education last?

Are we going to be happy? As you look back on this year, are you going to be happy?

"I'm talking about your life objectively, as a collection of goals. Webster's Dictionary defines a goal as an aim or purpose. A goal is an objective you desire and look forward to. Truly believe that if you don't know where you're going, you will probably end up nowhere else. Goals give us all the well-needed direction and the chance to control our future rather than letting the future control us."

Goals must be committed to paper so that you can see where your life is headed. Only three percent of all Americans commit their goals to paper. Of that three percent, 10 percent actually commit all the goals to accomplish. If you place your goals on paper in an area where you will look at them often, you will constantly be reminded to keep working towards your goals.

The best place for me is in the dashboard of my car because I live in the city and commute to Bellevue.

Goals must be short, concise statements. For example, I desire to be a top motivational speaker and writer. My goal today: become a top speaker. To accomplish this goal I've developed a group of sub-goals. Sub-goals are small accomplishments you must first complete to raise your major objectives. My first sub-goal is: read the current literature on the subject of motivational speaking, then improve in just under one year I feel a much more comfortable speaker to large and small groups of people.

Your goals must contain these elements. First, your goals must be within your reach. Choose goals you believe are reachable and comprehendable. Secondly, we all live in some kind of comfort zone, and by stretching beyond the limits of that zone you will find a new set of boundaries for yourself. If you are a runner, try a mile and a half instead of a mile. If you want to raise your grade point, many two hours a day instead of one. Then you have stormed your normal set of activities and better yourself in the process.

Finally you need to learn imaging. Imaging is a process by which you see yourself in the role of the goal. For example, long before Ford imaged the V-8 engine he foretold many engineers that he knew this could not be done. Imaging can give you courage when others say "Going is not believing, but what you believe is what you become. Take advantage of your resources and set some goals today.

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**Editorials**

**Bucking the belt**

**Gina Spagnoli**
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In 1986 Washington State passed a law for motorists which states that "while riding in any moving vehicle one must wear a safety belt." Safety belts are employed for cars and vans and other small vehicles. The riders are then asked to put their seat belt on, and travel, too, but where are the seat belts in these vehicles? I am not aware of the Mandatory Seat Belt Law because I realize that it does not apply to every vehicle. But what about all the accidents that occur every day? Joe Lee Purs, a school bus driver, young children are school buses with working day. There are riding students who wear a safety belt and drive the speed limit trying to avoid accidents, and there are the other citizens who don't wear a safety belt and drive in excess of the speed limit.

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Some people may disagree with the Mandatory Seat Belt Law, but they will probably pay for their disagreement. If you get pulled over for some other offense and you are not buckled up, you might have to pay a fine of $50. If this law is to be taken seriously, then law makers and Police Officers should consider the consequences of accidents occurring to moving vehicles which are not required to have seat belts installed.

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So the next time you get into your car and before you drive on those freeways, just remember to wear your safety belt. Take a stand and buckle up. Do it for yourself and the kids who do for your life.

**Letters to the Editor**

**TO THE EDITOR**

I'd like to echo the last letter, your need lack of understanding of anything musical as a whole. You're review of "The Delicate Sound of Thunder" seems to me at first sight that you went for the time and did not listen to the album. You're lack of writing talent is fairly well known and also in the absence of any creative spirit.

"Do not really set up as putting two hours shows on the last Pink Floyd tour qualified them as "jobbing the popular generation." Money you would like to explain dies to me sometimes, perhaps when your head is not in quite a log. I was standing that night at the King Dome and have to admit that it was one of the best shows that I've ever seen. Were you busy trying to get around and impress yourself with your own coolness rather than enjoying one of the best shows of the year? What a waste of a ticket! I'm glad that you won enough weights of brightness to know..."

"One thing that makes me wonder whether or not you even bothered to see this album is that you compared "The Delicate Sound of Thunder" to the stupid versions of these songs. Now, I could be wrong but do not remember "Money" as having a soaring little blues break right in the middle. I'm sure. One of these days it's a great song off of the middle album, but in this song has the power and thunder of the individual song that makes it more for any "Psyched" as you call it. I wish that you'd use your brain before you said type writer, don't dream the impossible dream..."

Will, I'm so for a golf game so we got to say good this up, but before I go here's one more point. The way that you started off the review with "my friend handed me the new Pink Floyd record..."

"Someone plans to make the David Lindley record the same way a white back. The point being that you might want to show a little more respect for the work that is being created."

**THE THUNDERCLOUDS EDITORIAL STAFF DESIRES IN PRINT THIS LETTER AS FRAUDULENT AND EXACTLY AS IT WAS RECEIVED...**

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**Grime, Tole, Poe or the word rampage**

**Michael Morelock**
Senior Reporter

Last week, a person at the C Greek Community College's Adult Offenders received word of a motion by the campus library. When they went to investigate, officers found a large, bookish monster on the campus library. When this creature was disturbed, it got fed up and fought back.

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**Letters to the Editor**

**TO THE EDITOR**

I'd like to echo the last letter, your need lack of understanding of anything musical as a whole. You're review of "The Delicate Sound of Thunder" seems to me at first sight that you went for the time and did not listen to the album. You're lack of writing talent is fairly well known and also in the absence of any creative spirit.

"Do not really set up as putting two hours shows on the last Pink Floyd tour qualified them as "jobbing the popular generation." Money you would like to explain dies to me sometimes, perhaps when your head is not in quite a log. I was standing that night at the King Dome and have to admit that it was one of the best shows that I've ever seen. Were you busy trying to get around and impress yourself with your own coolness rather than enjoying one of the best shows of the year? What a waste of a ticket! I'm glad that you won enough weights of brightness to know...

"One thing that makes me wonder whether or not you even bothered to see this album is that you compared "The Delicate Sound of Thunder" to the stupid versions of these songs. Now, I could be wrong but do not remember "Money" as having a soaring little blues break right in the middle. I'm sure. One of these days it's a great song off of the middle album, but in this song has the power and thunder of the individual song that makes it more for any "Psyched" as you call it. I wish that you'd use your brain before you said type writer, don't dream the impossible dream..."

Will, I'm so for a golf game so we got to say goodbye this up, but before I go here's one more point. The way that you started off the review with "my friend handed me the new Pink Floyd record..."

"Someone plans to make the David Lindley record the same way a white back. The point being that you might want to show a little more respect for the work that is being created."

**THE THUNDERCLOUDS EDITORIAL STAFF DESIRES IN PRINT THIS LETTER AS FRAUDULENT AND EXACTLY AS IT WAS RECEIVED..."**

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**Grime, Tole, Poe or the word rampage**

**Michael Morelock**
Senior Reporter

Last week, a person at the C Greek Community College's Adult Offenders received word of a motion by the campus library. When they went to investigate, officers found a large, bookish monster on the campus library. When this creature was disturbed, it got fed up and fought back.

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The hidden talents at Highline College

Over the pond and back, Staiger makes full circle

Steve McClure
Focus Editor

Virgil Staiger, Highline Community College's Alumni Association President, has worked at several jobs before he became a student at Highline in 1964. He now teaches music at Highline and is working on a novel set in Post-World-War-II Indiana. Unfortunately after finishing his schooling and moving to San Diego, California, where he became a successful music arranger, he moved to Post-World-War-II Indiana and started working on a novel set in Post-World-War-II Indiana. Unfortunately after finishing his schooling and moving to San Diego, California, where he became a successful music arranger, he moved to Post-World-War-II Indiana and started working on a novel set in Post-World-War-II Indiana.

The ecletic lifestyle of Lonny Kaneko

Paul McWilliams
Focus Reporter

Lonny Kaneko, a poet, musician, and artist, is well known for his contributions to Highline Community College's Arts and Humanities Department. He is currently working on a musical play titled "Coming Home From Camp" which has been selected for a regional competition in San Francisco. In addition to his work as a poet, Kaneko is also a successful musician and has released several albums. He describes himself as an "adrenaline junkie" and his work reflects his passion for life. Kaneko has been involved in the arts for many years and his work has been featured in several galleries and museums across the country. He is currently working on a new project titled "The Eclectic Lifestyle of Lonny Kaneko," which explores his life as a poet, musician, and artist.

Teaching music -- and all that jazz

Steve McClure
Focus Editor

The Choral Department at Highline Community College became a national powerhouse under the direction of Roger Waits, a renowned choral conductor. He was instrumental in building the program from the ground up, and his influence can still be felt today. Among Kaneko's many accomplishments is the production of "Coming Home From Camp," which was published in 1980 and has become a popular choice for community college students. Kaneko has also written and performed in several musicals and has been nominated for several Grammy Awards.

The man behind HCC

Steve McClure
Focus Editor

Steve McClure, a former student at Highline Community College, has returned to his alma mater to teach music. McClure has taught at several colleges and universities, and his experience has helped him develop a unique approach to teaching music. He recently published a book titled "Teaching Music -- and all that jazz," which is a collection of essays on the history and future of music education. The book has been praised for its insightful and innovative perspective on the subject.

Lonny Kaneko uses his experiences to fuel his creativity

Lonny Kaneko
Focus Reporter

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Laser art enthralls music-loving audiences

Want to explore another dimension? Want to get high without drugs? How about having a blue sky drop from above your eyes?

If you can experience all these things with the help of Laser Fantasy, "The Seattle Science Center has a variety of laser shows to appeal to everyone's senses. There are Laser U2, INXS and Laser Rock Wars (Scorpions vs. Def Leppard). For you Led Zeppelin and Pink Floyd fans, they've even made shows just for you.

Laser INXS opens with the popular song "New Sensation." The letters L-A-S-E-R-I-N-X-S float dimly in the dome, formed into a polygonal image such as a slant with an open base. Laser U2, INXS and Laser Rock Wars? How about having a blue sky drop from above your eyes? The Seattle Science Center totally manipulated live by David W. Fackrell. A prism is used to create the colors in the spectrum which the operator can mix to form different shades.

The computer can form a three-dimensional image such as a sculpture or a profile of conflict in Northern Ireland. The Dressmaker is a Sheldon Fernway Production for Film Four International and British Screen, directed by Jim O'Brien. Jim O'Brien also directed the television film "Shadow of Our Skins," a profile of conflict in Northern Ireland. The Dressmaker, produced by Ronald Sheldon, was based on a novel by Ben Baskett and written by John McGrath. The film is showing at the Seven Gables Theater located 911 NE 55th.

Calendar of Events Board Activities

Monday, January 30
Blow Monday Lunchtime Concert
Don Cox, Va: A Classical Guitar & Flamenco Duo
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m., Bldg. 8, Student Lounge

Tuesday, January 31
Starting At The Feet - Frankie Avalon and The Spotnicks
12 noon - 1:00 p.m., Bldg. 8, Student Lounge

Wednesday, February 1
The Great Directors Film Series
Film: Bringing Up Baby - Directed by Howard Hawks
12 noon - 1:00 p.m., Building 7, Cost $1.00

Thursday, February 2
Beach Party Preview Concert
Boca Juniors, B
Ticket Giveaway, 11:00 am - 1:00 p.m., Bldg. 8, Lounge

Friday, February 3
Friday Night Beach Dance, Edifice System, The Flutes and the A-Flute Duo
Super Dance System, Student Lounge, Building 8
9:00 p.m. - 12:00 midnight

Saturday, February 4
College Paintball Tournament
Time: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Place: Solon, WA
Cost: $25.00 includes all equipment and ground fees
Sign up by 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 31 at the Student Lounge Desk.

Monday, February 6
Poetry Reading
Place: Phyllis Coller and Candy Street
Open Mike: 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Building 7

Thursday, February 9
The Thunder Music Series
Seattle Star Up Comics: Michael London
Student Lounge, Building 8
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Monday, February 13 & Tuesday, February 14
Wednesdays

Friday, February 16
Performing Arts Series: Anganga Marimba Ensemble
Artists-Lecture Center, Bldg. 7, 7:30 p.m
Admission Charge: $3 for students W/ID (H.S. & College), $5 General Admission. Tickets available at HCC Bookstore and at the door.

Anganga Marimba Ensemble

Place: Artists-Lecture Center, Bldg. 7
Date: Thursday, February 16
Time: 7:30 p.m.
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This program is co-funded with the King County Arts Commission.

These events are sponsored by the Events Board and are free unless otherwise noted.
**Arts and Entertainment**

**Only $0.99 Theater hosts night action**

**Sara Green**

Senior Reporter

Atmosphere poor, bored audience!

Tired of sitting home on Saturday nights watching MTV's 'Headbanger's Ball' because you're too broke as afforded expenses to movie and bars? How's this for a sexy, inexpensive alternative, with a performance cost next to nothing. For a mere $0.99 you can enjoy a wide variety of acts at the New City Theatre's (NCT) Late Night Club (LNC).

The LNC is the brainchild of Craig Larche; almost 30 years of New York. Larche moved to Seattle to attend the University of Washington and decided, during his stay, a place to produce his own work. Larche sought a different approach to entertainment, one out of the ordinary context of Seattle theater.

"I wanted to foster something creative with a sense of community," Larche said. "There's usually no contact from what incubated and I wanted to get that relationship grow.

"I wanted to foster something creative with a sense of community." The relationship begins as you walk up to the door of the peculiarly designed New City. Conceived from a one time funeral home to a theater, the architecture and stage occupy what the home's chapel. Neon lights contribute innovative material to blend of ten about, waiting for the show to evening, one you won't want to be.

The NCT is committed to keeping the auditorium for creativity and minimal fame to that definitely connects one's budget. The obnoxiously many could probably lack these items, but then he was wearing a plaid suit. Or when he was a kid when he was a kid.

**'U' District cracks up**

**Maggie Simons**

Comedy Conisseur

Giggles, the University District's night time comedy spot, is located in the heart of the University of Washington's entertainment area at 5220 Roosevelt Way N.E. This club is not designed for the mood. Cover charges range from $5 Sunday through Thursday to $7.50 Friday and $8.50 Saturday. A domestic beer is $2.25 and it goes up from there for drinks. The food is good but slightly expensive: $7.50 for sashimi with the works.

For two people plan on as least $50 with parking; and don't forget to tip.

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Mc. Steven Dole opened and introduced the acts. He's a good comic with the potential to do so. He shot an old once, felt bad for awhile... but then he was wearing a pleasant star suit. Or when he was a kid he was a bandleader and a shoe walker; on a good night he could vote three or five beds.

Headliner: John Laxman with his typical New York act kept the audience awake and laughing. He pitched on the audience a bit. Off the wall, he never stayed on one theme very long, "Why could I not write with Poland? The jokes. Well, for a Monday it wasn't bad, but I guess you just had to be there."

Schedules are 12/2-12/27 Roy Cimo: 1:30-2:30 Barbacoa; 2/6-2/12 Steve Barkley; 2/13-2/19 Jay Charboneau; 2/20-2/26 Billy Jay; 2/27-3/5 Malone and Nouchene; and 3/6-3/12 Chris Alpine.

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**Lost: Silver Star Earring. See Sheriff in Redemption, Bldg. 1.**
Mandarin menu shows taste

Grand Peking brilliantly decorated interior.

Carol Jones
Staff Reporter

"Each dish is prepared simply. The timing must be right, or the dish could be ruined," said Ke Feng (Michael) P., owner - chef of the Grand Peking.

There is something for everyone - a very comfortable, exotic restaurant, located in the heart of Seattle. Grand Peking offers authentic Mandarin and Szechuan cuisine, in an atmosphere with a flavor as savory as the food.

The menu acclaim Michael's proficiency in Mandarin Chinese food preparation and his willingness to modify his recipes to satisfy the most discriminating gourmets. I asked a neighboring five-year-old what he was having. "I don't know what it is called, but it sure looks like chicken Mandoo - get," said with a grin. The Almond Chicken had made a believer of him.

...alluring selection of appetizers, soups and main dishes.

Two of the most popular dishes are Mongolian Beef and Almond Chicken. My favorites are their savory Garlic Chicken and spicy House Prawns. There are a variety of the dishes available with all the selection of appetizers, soups and main dishes. All come with hot Chinese tea and fortune cookies.

If you want an appetizer before a movie or during a quiet night, don't worry. The menu has a variety of dishes that are perfect for anyone. The Almond Chicken is a perfect choice, as it is a dish that is not only delicious, but also very satisfying. The sauce is slightly sweet and savory, and the chicken is tender and juicy.

For the main course, the Mongolian Beef is a great choice. The dish is spicy and savory, with a delicious sauce that coats every piece of beef. The beef is tender and well-cooked, and the vegetables are fresh and crunchy.

The appetizers are also a great addition to any meal. The garlic prawns are a great choice, as they are flavorful and savory. The chicken wings are also a great choice, as they are tender and juicy.

The atmosphere of the restaurant is also very pleasant. The lighting is soft and warm, and the decor is beautiful. The seating is comfortable and the staff is friendly.

HorribleScope

The Horrible Scope tells you all the bad things which will happen in 1-27 thru 3-9

Aquarius Jan 20-Feb 18

Children of Uranus (doesn't sound good in wish) don't nag and curb your emotions. Expect difficult times. The year should bring just as many frustrations as last.

Places (Feb 19-March 20)

This being the only sign that is ruled by Neptune, you can create calm or cause hell. Slight career friction. Drugs and medication can have a negative effect. Overall expect a busy two weeks.

Aries (March 21-April 19)

Red hot tempers should be calmed now as others intend to do you harm. Don't be alone too much right now, although your romantic situation seems to stay away from trips by water.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Bull heads don't love them and leave them. Expect to be up against your will. Bad spots at home result in self-imposed isolation. Your best option now would be to drink heavily.

Gemini (May 21-June 20)

Beware, Venus will tempt you into spending money. A pending romantic intrigue is in your future, but remember it's a passing thing. (twins crave twins.)

Cancer (June 21-July 22)

Crate, better be for your hard self-learn a bit now. Don't worry and cut your emotions. Expect to just get away through the lion's mighty ego creates upset in family life. It is better to stick around.

Leo (July 23-Aug 22)

Lions, try not to too much right now. Resist impetuousness to just get away though the lion's mighty ego creates upset in family life. It is better to stick around.

Virgo (Aug 23-Sept 22)

The virgo, if you're not just past stage yet then the next two weeks won't be bearable at the start of a definite decline in your social life. Beware of trouble makers, onlookers can't get what you want, unless you do something to prevent it. Don't worry it can only get better. Just be yourself.

LIBRA (Sept 23-Oct 22)

The prominence Libra should be on guard against appearance and dubious schemes. Take calcium for stress. Stay away from bones. If you're in a Kal Jansen, don't even bother waking up these 14 days at all.

Scorpio (Oct 23-Nov 21)

Seasickness aboard as you will be overly sensitive. Expect a change in your love life, but don't consider friends as sex partners. Don't make promises you can't keep, watch for burnout. Expect obstacles at home.

Sagittarius (November 22-December 21)

More than usual, you have to be tied down and will pull at the reins harder. Keep your natural enthusiasm under control as someone wants to upset your home life. It seems the next two weeks are a no win situation.

Capricorn (Dec 22-Jan 19)

Being naturally excessively restless, your social life will be life. Beware of trouble makers, onlookers can't get what you want, unless you do something to prevent it. Don't worry, it can only get better. Just be yourself.

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Lady T-Birds lose nail-biter

Gary D. Peterson
Senior Reporter

In a rematch of last year's women's basketball championship game, in which the Skagit Valley Cardinals won 66-62 over Highline Community College, the Lady T-Birds' squad was a runner-up to the Cardinals 67-65, which snapped Highline's six-game winning streak.

The Lady T-Birds led Skagit Valley 56-54 with six second-half minutes remaining. Skagit Valley called timeout to gain its last desperation shot. The Cardinals inbounded the ball in the front court. When Jill Fetrow, a 5'11" guard, heaved a 20-foot three-point shot, its radar like accuracy burned the net for 16 points, Trent Menes 10 points; and Nancy Galster four points, giving Skagit Valley the win and preserved its unblemished 13-0 record (4-0 in league play).

"Anytime an undefeated league chamion faces number one in the league, you would have expected a blowout, which wasn't the case tonight," Highline coach Dale Bolinger said.

"It took us eight minutes into the game to score our first field goal. The players were too tight for such a big game," Bolinger said. "We rushed too many passes on offense. Some will say we didn't play fundamentally sound basketball in the first half."

In the first half Highline shouldn't have been in the position of winning the basketball game, but Skagit Valley didn't have the opportunity to run away with the game.

In contrast, Highline's first half was a struggle to get second half is like night and day."

Bolinger said. "If you would have told me at halftime that we would have a chance at winning the game, I would have thought you were crazy."

-Shari Johnson returned to action for the first time in nearly six weeks and contributed with 15 points and 11 rebounds against Olympic.

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-Dale Bolinger

Highline

The women's team travels to Skagit Valley College on Feb. 11 for another rematch, with hopefully different results.

"Maybe in February we can return the favor on their court," Bolinger said.

In other women's action Highline outscored Shoreline Community College on Jan. 14, scoring 66-68, as Highline posted its sixth straight win, passing Sammamish of Shoreline 95-62. The halftime score had Highline leading 39-31, as Highline manhandled the Sammamish 49-31 edge in the second half.

Highline was led in scoring by Kelly Anderluh, 25 points and 10 rebounds; Angie Pellicci, 17 points, followed by Mary Force with 12 points and Windi Reimer's 11 points and seven rebounds. Highline dominated every aspect of the game, holding a 43-26 rebounding edge and an edge in free-throws shooting (36-32 to 28-27). Shoreline was led by Jenny Downing's 24 points and three rebounds.

Highline played Bellevue Community College this past weekend and smashed the Helens- ters 87-50, assuring the Lady T-Birds to hold on to second place with a 4-1 league and 13-3 overall record.

Highline had four scoring in double figures; Johnson with 10 points and five rebounds, Nancy Galster with 10 points and three rebounds; Anderson with 14 points and 10 rebounds; and Force hitting for 13 points and seven rebounds.

Williams led Bellevue with 11 points and nine rebounds, and Guillard had eight points and 10 rebounds.

Force was 4-7 from three-point range. Bellevue went 5-0 from the far court. It was a draw in rebounding, 44-44.

"Without this win over Bellevue we wouldn't get another shot at Skagit Valley to sit for first place," Bolinger said.

Injury Update:

Force, Highline's leading three-pointer hitter, shoots out for at least one month with a stress fracture in her foot. She may miss the playoffs. Stay tuned.

Coach blames himself

Highline takes first league loss

Gary D. Peterson
Senior Reporter

Playing what was probably the worst game of the season, Highline Community College men's basketball team had a six-game winning streak snapped and had its first league loss, losing to Bellevue Community College 88-68.

The loss drops Highline to 4-1 league and 15-4 overall record, but the team still holds the Northern Division by one game over Bellevue.

"From my standpoint it was my worst coaching job ever," coach Fred Harrison said. "I didn't prepare the kids to win the game. I was too up myself than I am with the kids."

Top scorers for Highline include Tom Turcotte with 10 points, Trent Menes 10 points, and Jeff Busb, four points. The team season low and 10 below his average.

"Nobody had a good game. The coach might be upset with himself, but Harrison doesn't play the games."

-Tom Turcotte

In other men's action:

Highline faces Skagit Valley, the defending league champ, Highline outscored the Cardinals of Skagit Valley for an easy 93-72 victory and its eighth straight win.

"They (Skagit Valley) lost all the starters from last year's championship season, and we could have overlooked this team and lost the game," Harrison said.

High scorers for Highline were Turcotte with 15 points, three rebounds and nine assists. Bush had 20 points, nine rebounds. Meenes chipped in a team-high 24 points and eight rebounds.

Highline dominated the boards with a 46-32 edge over Skagit Valley. If you missed the game against the Sammamish of Shoreline Community College you missed one of the most exciting games of the season as Highline nipped Shoreline 98-93.

"If you were for Natalie Calhoun of Shoreline scoring 40 points we would have embarrassed the hell out of them," Harrison said.

Indeed Calhoun was scoring, connecting 9-11 from three-point range and beyond.

Highline had five scoring in double figures against Shoreline. Mark Schib, scored 13 points with 13 assists and four rebounds. Turcotte scored 10 points and two rebounds. Clark contributed 10 points and 12 rebounds. Meenes had 19 points and eight rebounds.

Bush scored a team-high 31 points and nine rebounds, and Jeff Coburn turned in a steady performance with six points, four rebounds, and eight assists.

"The biggest news this team has is there is no high on the team, someone who thinks they are better than everyone else on the team," Highline's head coach Ted Hall said. "They are just a team player. Everyone gets along really well."

Northern Division

NWACC

**School** | **League** | **Overall**
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Highline | 5-1 | 16-4
Bellevue | 4-2 | 15-5
Shoreline | 4-2 | 9-13
Edmonds | 3-3 | 12-8
Skagit Valley | 2-4 | 8-11
Everett | 2-4 | 8-12
Olympic | 1-5 | 10-10

Women's Basketball

**School** | **League** | **Overall**
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Highline | 6-0 | 17-0
Shoreline | 5-1 | 12-8
Bellevue | 3-3 | 8-10
Edmonds | 2-4 | 7-14
Olympic | 1-5 | 7-12

Late Scores

Highline (Men's) 74 - Olympic 69
Highscorers: Highline - Jeff Colston 23 pts Olympic - Jones 16 pts

Highline (Women's) 109 - Olympic 41
Highscorers: Highline - Shari Johnson 28 pts Olympic - Dearinger 21 pts
"When I walk on a basketball court it's like I'm on drugs... like I'm in another world. I know what I'm doing there."

-Fred Harrison

Highline Community College men's basketball coach Fred Harrison has coached the Thunderbirds to an overall record of 118-63 since he took over the program in 1982. The Thunderbirds have won the Western Washington Conference (WWC) title twice and have made three appearances in the NAIA Tournament. 

Harrison grew up playing basketball in the streets of Seattle and attended Garfield High School, where he was a varsity player. He then played at Western Washington University and later coached at several high schools before taking over at Highline. 

"I've always loved the game of basketball," Harrison said. "It's always been a part of my life, and coaching is just another way to be involved in the sport." 

Harrison's coaching philosophy is centered around hard work, discipline, and teamwork. He believes that success comes from putting in the time and effort, and that players who work hard will be rewarded. 

"I tell my players that if they want to be successful, they need to put in the work," Harrison said. "If they want toachieve success, they need to be willing to sacrifice."

Harrison has coached a variety of players over the years, from stars like Luke Ridnour and Ronny Turiaf to role players who have contributed to the team's success. 

"Every player is different," Harrison said. "Some need more structure, while others thrive on freedom. I try to find the best way to motivate each player." 

Harrison has also been a mentor to many of his players, helping them not only on the court but also off. He has been known to give players good advice, both on and off the court. 

"I try to be a father figure to many of my players," Harrison said. "I want them to know that they can come to me with any problem they might have." 

Harrison's coaching career has been marked by success, but he remains humble and dedicated to the sport he loves. He continues to inspire his players, and his presence on the court is a testament to his passion for basketball.
Plaster, Tingley top nations best wrestlers

Dave Gause
Senior Reporter

The Highline Community College wrestling team came up short last Thursday against top-ranked Northern Idaho College, a team which includes some of the best wrestlers in the country.

The Thunderbirds, however, made an impressive showing even though only two wrestlers won in their weight divisions. John Plaster defeated Bob Larco, the nation's top-ranked wrestler in the 136-pound weight class. Plaster clearly dominated the match, putting on an impressive show of his wrestling abilities, and had a 7-3 lead going into the third period, forcing Larco to forfeit due to a shoulder injury.

Bryce Tingley came up with a pin against the nation's second-ranked wrestler, the same opponent that eliminated Tingley from regional competition last year. Larco was clearly beaten by Tingley's mind as he entered the match. The match stayed close until the third period when Tingley secured the pin with only seconds remaining. "It felt good," Tingley said after the match. "I want to go nationals this year." With a 14-2 record, it seems to be a realistic goal.

While most of the other wrestlers scored a pin, they put on an impressive showing against a much stronger NIC team. Russ Moreman in 147-pounds nearly pulled out a win but eventually was outscored 3-0. Mike Wooding eventually lost a close match in the closing seconds.

Highline lost the most heavily, but individually the wrestlers were impressive, avoiding any pins and giving the Thunderbirds some hope for regionals coming up in February.

John Plaster comes out on top against Northern Idaho.
Dave Gause / Thunderword

ON THE HOME-FRONT: Highline's men's basketball team is raising some eyebrows this season. One of the many reasons is 27-year-old Paul Clark whose aggressive play and maturity are helping this young team gel. Don't be surprised to see men's soccer coach Don Carrell, at 28-years old, assume a player-coach role next season. Like Clark he may be just what it takes to push the T-Birds over the top... It's a shame the wrestling team was snubbed by so many ineligible wrestlers this season, 10 to be exact. However, look for some high individual showings in regional and perhaps national competition.

What's left on the squad is first rate... Women's basketball coach Dale Bolinger should win an award for the job he's done this year. The Lady T-Birds started 0-5 and bounced back nicely to a 13-8 mark, despite some key injuries, including former Husky Shell Johnson.

FROM A WIDER ANGLE: The Chicago Bears super-circuit is on its way down. All of Mike Ditka's kicking and stretching, Jim McMahon's sunglasses and headbands, and William "The Refrigerator" Perry's flat belly can't hide the fact that a majority of the team's talent is reaching the twilight. ... My early season favorite in baseball: (I know, who cares) the Pittsburgh Pirates. If it weren't for the Mets, they'd be a cinch. They've got a young talented team with only another season of experience behind them. They won't be that far behind the Mets net season. This season, New York won't be that far behind... For me the best thing about the Super Bowl Sunday was the end of endless media trivia covering everything from favorite TV shows to shoe size... My observation on the instant replay rule in football: it's nice to know that technology has proved to be almost as human as the rest of us.

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The Sonics posted a ringing win, 115-101, over the slumping Golden State Warriors at Seattle Center Coliseum. The January surge is still in high gear as the Sonics start the post Christmas tour with a 25-16 record, 18-7 at home, 24-14 overall.

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