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## Strike hinges on legislators

Ben Ferguson  
Staff Writer

The presidents of the teachers' unions affiliated with the Washington Education Association, whose members voted to give the unions authorization to strike, will meet April 15 to decide whether or not there will be a strike in order to protest Gov. Booth Gardner's proposed budget cuts to education. The majority of Highline College Education Association members voted to support a strike, which hinges on whether or not Gov. Booth Gardner's proposed state budget for the next biennium is revised.

If the budget being considered in Olympia is approved with no revisions, the impact will be dramatic and immediate. According to the WEA, education, as a percentage of the state budget, has dropped from 51 percent in 1981 to 45 percent last year. The latest proposed cuts would leave the community college system with

\$44 million less than what is needed to maintain current programs. It is predicted that 300-400 full-time faculty positions will likely be eliminated, and 4,000 to 6,000 full-time students will be unable to enroll in classes.

There appears to be a lot of support if the strike does not last more than a few days, but the idea of a longer strike leaves people apprehensive. Many students seem to feel that the only reasons there should not be a strike is that it might interfere with their transfer plans or cut into their spring break and summer vacation.

Others are taking a pragmatic approach. "If we miss spring quarter it would hurt me, but if it has to be done, do it," said Tony Lieggi, HCC student.

Jennifer Wigzell, HCC student, adds, "If they get their point[s] across. I don't think that they get paid enough."



Photo by Don Schultz

Proposed budget cuts concern Nancy Lennstrom.

Shawn Fields, HCC student, feels that "a strike is feasible because it voices their position, but as far as legislation goes I don't think it will change anything."

The faculty on this campus also appear prepared for a strike,

and are generally for one if it needs to be done. "A strike is a last resort tool," Davidson Dodd, HCC instructor, said. "It will certainly get the legislator's attention...if it has to be done,

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Transportation to rally provided

Highline Community College instructors and students are taking a bus at 1 p.m. today to a rally in Olympia to protest the proposed budget cut. For more information contact Allan Walton, Ext. 489 or Nancy Lennstrom, Ext. 232.

### Follow-up study on graduates conducted

The Job Referral Office is conducting a follow-up study of students who graduated between July 1, 1989, and June 30, 1990. The compiled information will provide valuable data for current and future students. For more information contact Lynn Stensrud, follow-up study coordinator, Ext. 217.

## Former POW relives his captivity



Photo by Don Schultz

Jack Chapman describes his 33 year interment.

Bill Urlevich  
News Editor

On the eve of March 6, when 35 former allied prisoners of war arrived in the Saudi Arabian capital of Riyadh, President Bush addressed a joint session of Congress saying, "Aggression is defeated, and the war is over." Yet, in the past wars have come and gone, been won and lost; and even in today's society there are remnants of these age-old altercations. Highline Community College's Chief of Security,

Jack Chapman, is one of these remnants.

Having served in the Army during the Korean Conflict, Chapman knows first hand what the definition of POW means. Chapman was a prisoner of war for 33 months.

Chapman went into Korea in 1950 when the beginning of the hostilities began and served in Company D, the 31st Infantry, which was part of the 7th Infantry Division. After Thanksgiving, orders were given to the Company D men

to proceed to the Koto-Ri where they would meet up with the 1st Marines. The 1st Marine command post was located about 12 miles south of the Chosen Reservoir. "At this time, little did we know that the Chinese had placed about seven divisions around the reservoir," admits Chapman.

Company D was assigned to Task Force Drysdale, named after Col. Douglas Drysdale, commander of the British Royal Marines. The Royal Marines consisted of about 250 men who came up to join with the Marines of the 1st. Altogether the task force numbered about 900 soldiers, which included two squads of heavy weapons.

When Chapman and his task force reached a few miles south of the reservoir, which was later to be named Hell's Fire Valley by Col. Drysdale, they encountered heavy enemy fire. They engaged the enemy in the early afternoon of Nov. 29. By 3 a.m. on the morning of Nov. 30, the task force had lost about half of the British Royal Marines, and about 300 soldiers had been taken prisoner. Chapman believes about 150 managed to escape and reach Hagaru. During the battle Chapman was wounded seven times and taken captive. Chapman was only half con-

scious of what was going on around him at the time. Chapman and the other prisoners marched for hours until they came to a farm house deep in the mountains, where they were stripped of all of their personal belongings. Chapman and the rest of the POWs marched for about 19 days under the surveillance of North Korean Guards. "About the eighth or ninth day out, I saw a Northern Korean guard put his burp gun in one of the prisoner's face and pull the trigger." This was not an uncommon sight as POWs were kicked to their feet and beaten with rifle butts when they fell.

"Faith is what keeps a person going, hour to hour, day to day."

-Jack Chapman

Chapman was a fortunate man, as an American marine and a British marine carried and dragged him over the mountain passes. "I realized that I probably would have died if not for these valiant men," Chapman said.

Chapman was moved  
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### New technical building is ahead of schedule

"We are delighted to be ahead of schedule," said Robin Fritchman, the director of Facilities at Highline Community College about the new technical building located on the northwest side of the HCC campus. According to Fritchman, barring any serious problems, furniture can be moved in as early as June.

"It's been a collaborative effort between the contractor, the architect, and the school," Fritchman said. "There hasn't been any competition. We're all interested in what's best for the job."

Some of the latest improvements include:

- All of the sheetrock has been installed and is being painted.
- The drop ceilings have been started.
- There is electricity and water in the building.
- There is tiling in the foyer area.
- The outside of the building is being painted (between rainstorms).
- Staff and faculty have begun looking at furniture, equipment and a color scheme.
- "It's because of the crew," said Fritchman regarding the progress. "I have never seen such high caliber, journey-level crew."

## Information access improved for disabled students

Debbie Freitag  
Staff Writer

The Developmentally Disabled Student Center at Highline Community College has improved disabled student's access to information. The DDS Center located in Bldg. 19 has remodeled its classroom and added special features to computer equipment on campus to accommodate disabled students.

Separate offices have been constructed within the classroom to provide confidentiality between the coordinator and student. "Students with disabilities can sit and talk with me without anyone outside knowing who is sitting there," said Christa Shaw, coordinator for the DDS Center. In addition, four study areas are located in the back of the classroom to provide a separate

learning section for students. The new design makes studying during the day more accessible for disabled students because of the added privacy and extra room.

The Computer Lab in the Library houses Macintosh SE and MS DOS based machines, and some are equipped to make learning easier for the disabled student.

Close View and Easy Access are available on all Macintosh SE computers. With Close View, the student can magnify the screen from 2x to 16x and invert the screen colors from white on black to black on white. Easy Access is a utility which allows the numeric keypad to be used the same as the mouse feature is used on the Macintosh. New this quarter are four MS DOS based computers that have been equipped with a Flipper soft-



Christa Shaw is hard at work

ware system and an adapter. The Flipper program runs a speech adapter that can read material aloud from any text. "Students should know they

have access to this equipment which will allow them to read their textbook more frequently and is easier on their eyes," Shaw said.

For now, only one of the Macintosh computers has a key guard which helps students with dexterity problems to type by resting their fingers inside holes on the clear cover-guard keyboard.

Sheri Richter, coordinator of the HCC Computer Lab, encourages students with disabilities to try the new systems. Assistants are available during lab hours to answer questions regarding software procedures.

Federal funds are also offered for students with disabilities who need special accommodations for their classrooms. A student who needs a special chair or computer for class, for example, can make an appointment with Shaw so the necessary arrangements can be made.

For more information on services for the disabled student, call Shaw at Ext. 551.

Photo by Dan Schultz

## Volunteers needed for tutoring

Debbie Freitag  
Staff Writer

Across the country more than 25 million people are functionally illiterate, and around 450,000 of those adults live in Washington state. One program working with Washington State Literacy to provide volunteer tutoring to adults is located on the campus of Highline Community College and needs adult volunteer tutors.

"There is a demand for this program at HCC, and we have been able to work with the students and surrounding community from this location since 1988," said Patti Worthington, literacy coordinator for the Adult Literacy Tutoring Project. Space is rented on campus by the literacy program for the convenience of serving students at HCC and the surrounding Des Moines community. This service should not be confused with the Developmental Reading Lab offered by HCC. The literacy program is offered free to adult learners and depends upon volunteer tutor participation. Trained volunteers are matched up with non-readers on a one-to-one basis or in small group sessions.

"One in five people are illiterate in the United States, and those kinds of figures are staggering to me," Worthington said. Some of the reasons so many people are illiterate may be because of learning problems early in school; others may not have had a chance to complete school and just gave up trying. Another group of people

includes immigrants and refugees who need to gain English skills. Without reading and writing skills, isolation and despair can set in.

Volunteer tutors are needed in Basic Literacy and English as a Second Language. Both Basic and ESL tutors go through a training workshop for 12 hours and receive certificates of completion following each training course.

"We ask at least a six-month commitment from all tutors," Worthington said. She found that it usually takes at least three months to get acquainted with the person being tutored. "We really need ESL tutors now, and the only qualifications would be to speak, read, and write English fluently," she said.

"Tutors and students become life-long friends, and the satisfaction of helping an adult learner meet their personal and professional goals is rewarding," said Worthington, who has been a tutor for many students in the past.

The literacy program uses several locations such as churches, high schools, and community centers where tutors and their students meet each week. One program is located in Federal Way. "If you want to do something of value, tutoring is perfect," said Jean Gronewald, an ESL tutor at the Federal Way Center for 18 months. "We teach in groups, and since space is limited to 25 the waiting list to get in is huge," Gronewald said. "Students who volunteer will find tutoring rewarding, and I would highly recommend it to

any student at HCC who would like to do something of value with their spare time," she said.

"One program which drew much needed attention to the literacy problem was originated through PBS and ABC television called Project Plus, and after a year and a half our station started working with Washington State Literacy by running the same type of commercials," said Jim Brown, public relations employee at KOMO Channel 4. KOMO has worked with this program for about three years and has referred those who are interested to the literacy hotline, 1-800-323-2550.

Presently, about 30 tutors are working with the Adult Literacy Program in South Seattle. The American Red Cross organized a division called the Retired Seniors Volunteer Program. "Through the Red Cross, any volunteer 60 years old or over can get 14 cents per mile for travel allowance, which includes bus passes up to \$20 monthly," said Sally Selto, RSVP coordinator with the American Red Cross. "This is an added bonus for retired persons on a tight income who might have difficulty with travel expenses related to tutoring," she said.

RSVP has made this service available since 1971, and students can obtain information through the Literacy Program in Developmental Studies, Building 19, or by calling the American Red Cross at 323-2345. For information on the next available tutoring workshops, call Worthington at 878-3710, Ext. 250 or 253.

## Welcome to HCC



Photo by Dan Schultz

Keith Warnack is our new public information assistant

Craig Mulligan  
Staff Writer

Keith Warnack was hired in October in the Public Relations Office at Highline Community College to produce all the paper work — from college brochures to annual reports, from quarterly schedules to facility phone lists — which keep HCC running.

This is not the first time that Warnack has done this kind of work. He worked in Massachusetts for the Department of Education for three years as the editor in the production of newsletters, brochures, and other print material for Massachusetts' educators.

Warnack eventually became bored with Massachusetts. He wanted a change to something more exciting. Because friends urged him to move here, he left the East Coast. The first thing he did when he arrived was look in the newspaper for a job. He found an opening at HCC and applied. Out of 100 people, Warnack got the job. "I guess it was lucky," said Warnack.

The job required that the person be able to write well, to edit, and to work with computers. Warnack had all these requirements covered from his work in Massachusetts and Rhode Island where he worked as a public relations director in Providence.

"I want to be involved in higher education," Warnack said. He thinks this should be a good experience for him. As for future goals, he is trying to adjust to his current job, not the future.

## Stolen VCRs recovered: shows crime doesn't pay

Bruce Bruns  
Opinion Co-Editor

Last week the Highline Community College Campus Security recovered two VCRs stolen from campus a few days earlier.

The two machines, stolen at different times, were apparently taken by the same person or persons. Security has a suspect and the suspect has been contacted.

The first VCR, although secured to a cart with brackets, was taken from Bldg. 12. Apparently the on/off switch was broken during the theft and was taken to a repair shop. A shop employee, noticing HCC stenciled in large letters on the top of the machine and Highline Community College engraved on the bottom, contacted the school.

The second VCR was recovered when a staff member

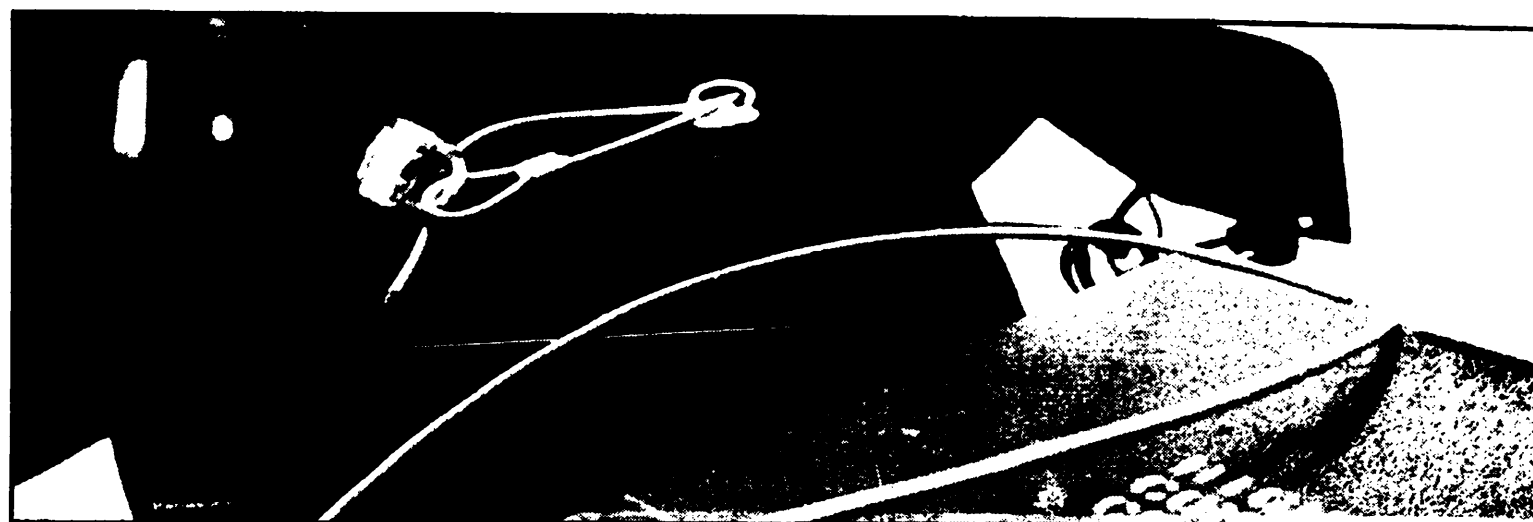


Photo by Dan Schultz

These VCRs are back home after a real ordeal.

called Security and reported "suspicious individuals" in Bldg. 21. Security responded and the individuals fled. Jack Chapman, head of HCC Security, pursued and confronted one of the suspects. The suspect, who had the VCR in a backpack, then attempted to throw the VCR out. The machine caught on the bag's zipper and pulled the entire backpack out of the suspect's hands. The sus-

pect fled, leaving the bag that included the VCR, credit cards belonging to a female student who's purse had been stolen from the library a few days earlier, and the suspect's identification. That identification matched the name given to security by the repair shop involved in the first theft.

Other reports from Security: A campus electrical cart was

stolen and recovered two days later.

A purse was stolen from a faculty building early last Friday morning. 10 to 15 minutes later a female student, not the owner, was leaving the bathroom when a male subject ran up, shoved the purse into her arms and ran off. Although the purse contained credit cards and a checkbook only \$40 was taken.

Two weeks ago a suspect involved in the theft of a purse and who had allegedly been using the stolen checkbook and credit cards, was apprehended. The purse had been stolen in January.

Although he doesn't have specific numbers, Chapman speculates that, compared to this time last year, the problem with theft at HCC has at least doubled.

## Parking fees used for repairs

## HCC students want education

Deena Anderson  
Opinion Co-Editor

According to Highline Community College President Ed Command, if Gov. Booth Gardner's budget passes, Washington community colleges will lose \$22 million in state funds annually. Command said HCC will lose approximately \$1.1 million next year under the governor's proposed budget.

Last week Highline Community College's student government, Highline College Student Union, and Phi Theta Kappa merged forces and sponsored a post card campaign to state legislators. The effort was mounted to protest Gardner's 6.5 percent proposed budget cut on higher education.

Post cards were available in Bldg. 6 during registration week; they also were located in the Cafeteria from 6-8 p.m. to allow evening students to participate.

According to Command, underfunding will impact students by possible staff reductions, decrease in evening class offerings, and limited computer availability for students. The ability to recruit faculty in high demand areas will also be affected.

"The upcoming leaders of this nation need an education that will stand with the leaders of the other nations. The cutting of the school's

budget can, and will, reflect the education system for years to come," David J. Porrier Jr., an HCC student, said.

Student Sherry Howe is ashamed of our leaders for putting a low priority on education. "I think it's a shame that people that already have their education have forgotten those that don't have theirs yet. I feel bad that they can fill pot holes in roads and buy new cars for personal use, but it's a shame their kids have to take the back seat when it comes to their education," she said.

Student Audrey L. Anstey received a response to her post card from State Representative Jean Marie Brough. "Education has always been a top priority of mine and will continue to be," Brough said. "... I will be a strong advocate for increased funding of our community colleges."

Hundreds of post cards from HCC have been delivered to South King County legislators. Other colleges have also been involved in campaigns to respond to Gov. Gardner's proposed budget cut. Bellevue Community College sponsored a "send-a-valentine to your legislator" to voice their opinions on the proposal.

Although faculty have been prohibited from discussing this issue with students, many are actively petitioning legislators with concerns.

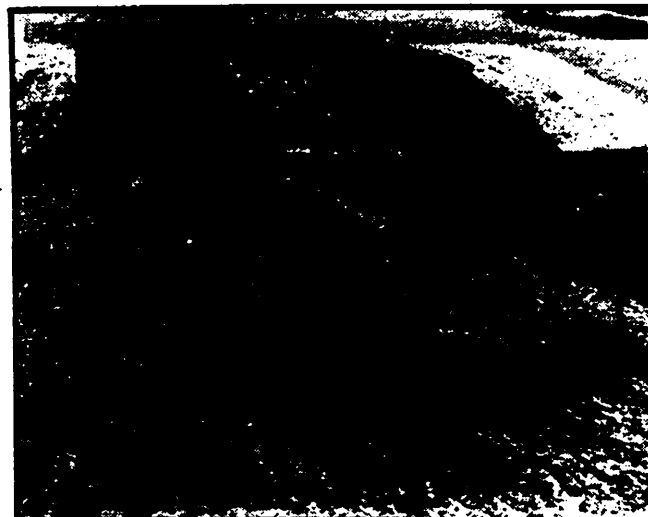


Photo by Dan Schultz

Yvonne Walker  
Staff Writer

Highline Community College parking fees are used for maintenance of parking facilities. Jack Chapman, director of Security, said, "Last summer patching of pot holes cost \$12,535; this year \$30,000 will have to be spent on repairs." He added that the state doesn't pay for parking lot repairs and that parking lot fees must take care of repairs, salaries for part-time officers and student help, rental of the Midway Theater for parking, snow removal, permits, flier printing, cleaning the parking lots every summer and whenever they get excessively dirty, utilities, gates, and supplies.

Chapman wants to update the radio system which is 16-years old to ensure aid when it is needed. Security needs a new vehicle because the present one has had too many repairs and has too many miles.

"The Security car averages around 60 to 70 battery jumps a quarter," Chapman said. "If students had to call a tow truck

for help it would probably cost them at least \$25, but this service is included in the fees — also opening locked doors."

In 1985, HCC spent \$112,000 to add 97 spaces to the south parking lot. Chapman has checked into having a double-deck parking garage built; the estimates were \$5,000 to \$10,000 per stall (per car). To have a one-level cement pavement lot added would cost \$1,000 per stall. Chapman is trying to take money from parking fees and put that money in reserve in order to add additional parking spaces on campus. He has inquired about areas along Pacific Highway for parking but says the prices are too high.

Chapman has submitted a proposal to President Ed Command and Dean of Administration Laura Saunders to add 300 more parking spaces this school year. The cost will be approximately \$350,000. "I am keeping my fingers crossed," Chapman said.

The Board of Trustees has to approve Chapman's proposal.

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# THUNDERWORD

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## There is nothing friendly about it

Now that the final combat phase of Desert Storm has shown its superiority, some superiority should be given to some specific questions. What exactly is the definition of friendly fire?

Armed forces spokesmen are humorous sometimes in how they pin nicknames on military operations and paraphernalia. Point being, nicknames such as "grunts" meaning ground troops, the famous patriot missile known as the "scudbuster" and the A-10 attack jet is commonly called the "Warhog." Friendly fire is probably more of a term than a nickname but undoubtedly a term that must be re-named. There is nothing friendly about the term "killed by friendly fire" meaning death caused by artillery, small-arms fire etc. fired by your own side.

It's funny that with all of the million dollar hardware used over in the gulf, there isn't a fool proof mechanism that is able to distinguish between friend or foe. The war in the Persian Gulf took 119 U.S. lives. At least 10 Americans have been reported killed by friendly fire, plus nine British and who knows how many Saudis, Kuwaities, Syrians etc. Unfortunately, the experts say friendly fire is imminent in any major war. Yet it's hard to believe that with the U.S. spending literally hundreds of millions of dollars on defense, that technology cannot produce a device that distinguishes the two warring sides.

Luckily, the Gulf conflict was relatively short and not as costly, in lives, as other wars the U.S. has been involved in. There is nothing friendly about getting killed, especially by your own comrades. Before the U.S. gets itself involved in another major conflict it needs to reevaluate what it can do to develop a system limiting this kind of tragedy.

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## Californians are all dried up

Mark Ann Brown  
Copy Editor

California is facing a severe water shortage. Some towns have been cut down to 10 gallons of water per person per day, which equals approximately two flushes of the toilet per person per day.

I agree this water shortage is of major importance. Recently, while some of the ThunderWord editorial staff and I were at a newspaper writing conference in Los Angeles, reminders of this shortage was evident to us. The television news showed many stories about the waterless condition and the years without substantial rain were mentioned often during newscasts. Water glasses were non-existent in restaurants. People everywhere were discussing water, or the lack of it.

Southern California has drained its water resources from the north of their state. This waterless plight needs to be addressed, say the citizens of California. California has proposed that water from the upper Columbia river be supplied to their dry populace. The most recent suggestion is that Alaskan water should be piped down to the sunshine state to alleviate this shortage.

Californians have known about potential water shortage. Yet, they have done nothing to correct the problem, except drain what little resources they had. The desert living conditions in Southern California have been the same since early settlement and the westward movement of sun lovers to the west coast. The problem of water should have been addressed generations ago. Why hasn't a saltwater purification plant been built, like the ones in Saudia Arabia we've heard of recently?

There has been a lack of foresight and leadership of the Californian legislature.

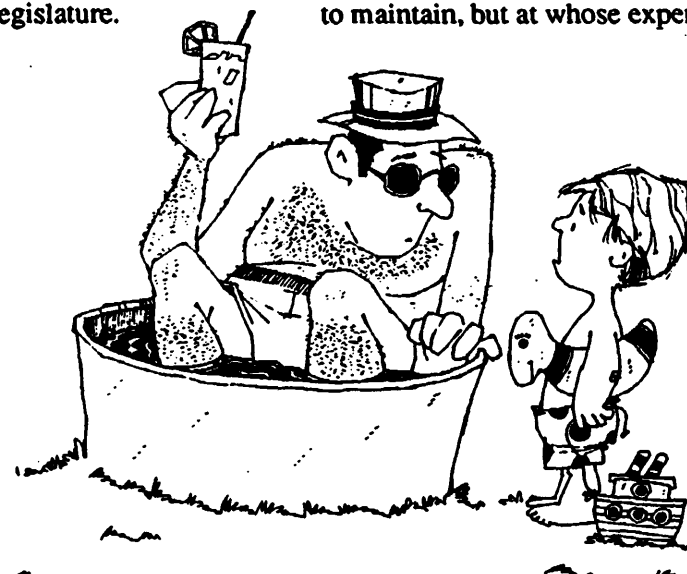
As the other editors and I walked through a mall parking lot, we were amazed at the rows of new, usually expensive cars. Then it amazed us further that we couldn't find one dirty car in the entire lot. It became a game for us. It was a rare find for one of us to spot a vehicle with a dirt speck on it, either on the streets and freeways or in parking lots.

At the hotel where we stayed water streamed from the grass and flower beds down the sidewalk and into the gutters. Obviously the gardeners were not concerned about the lack of water. The grass was velvet green, lush -- definitely not parched. One evening as we walked to dinner, we attempted to cross the lawn between buildings and found our shoes deep in the soggy grass.

The green, green grass of the hotel wasn't the only green, green grass we saw. Every home sprouted lawns and flowers that thrived on the H2O.

The green, green grass led to blue, blue water which filled pools in the backyards of the homes we saw from the airplane as we left California. With noses pressed against those little windows, we played another game trying to locate the homes without the pools. There were few. I wonder how many flushes of the toilet fills one of those blue babies?

Yes, the dilemma of the lack of water to adequately flush toilets does concern me. But I am not in favor of supplying California with Washington water or having a water pipeline go through our beautiful state so our southern neighbors can wash their cars and fill their swimming pools. California culture is an image important for them to maintain, but at whose expense?



## Snow prompts registration chaos

Brian Johnson  
Staff Writer

The crowd boiled with anticipation. People pushed, shoved and scratched their way to the front. No, this was not the Iron Maiden concert; this was registration on March 6, 1991.

I must admit, I was the first one to yell "Let it Snow" on March 5 when school was cancelled. But we paid dearly. Everybody who was scheduled on March 5 had to register with the people scheduled for March 6. The result was horrendous.

When I arrived at 7:45 a.m. there was a line that wrapped all through Bldg. 6. As awful as it was, it was a line. Around 8:00 a.m. we got an announcement that if you were scheduled on March 6 you should move back and let the March 5 people in to register first. As a March 5 person, this was good news.

The good news ended there. A crowd of people stormed to the front of the line. Soon the line turned into a crowd. Soon the crowd turned into a mob. There I was in the middle destined for a long wait. I felt sorry for the less aggressive people, because,

while all the obnoxious people moved at a fairly steady crawl, there were some people that did not move at all.

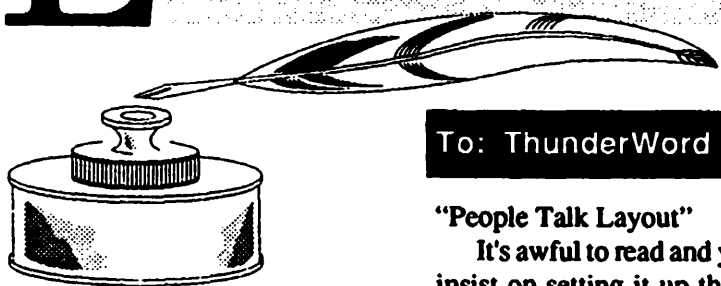
When you are standing in the middle of a mob for two hours you have time to think. Think about the classes you should be in, the classes that you want to register for which are closing, and the CPR classes someone might need to save your life if you pass out because of heat exhaustion.

After waiting an hour, I caught a glimpse of the front of the line. Then I got a call from nature. I put nature on hold. Besides, I felt battle-hardened; if Rambo never had to pee, neither did I.

With about 15 minutes left, I began hallucinating. All my fellow students started looking like back-stabbing leeches, the people at the registration counter started looking like snapping turtles, and the campus police officer looked a lot like my elementary school crossing guard. Boy, am I glad that symbolism plays no part in my hallucinations.

Finally I registered and got the classes I needed. I'm not saying it was a bad experience, but the next time it snows on the day I'm supposed to register, I'm withdrawing.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITORS



Regarding:  
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Dear Deena,

I am extremely upset that you "misprinted" my quotes from the Yellow Ribbon Ceremony held a few Wednesdays ago here on Highline campus.

My feelings are, you interpreted my speech to represent what you wanted it to be. Slandering is not acceptable in journalism!

Maybe next time you should tape the speakers.

What you made me out to be is an uninformed, dumb person! I feel embarrassed that one could make me out to be such, when I'm not.

Please find a way to make acceptable amends!

Sincerely,  
Samantha Russell

To: ThunderWord Staff

"People Talk Layout"

It's awful to read and you guys insist on setting it up this way... The question is hard to find and then read in the title column -- The quotes don't go with the people, etc. etc. etc... Can you do something about what could be a neat layout and a good idea?

Bob Craig

To: Highline Community College Cheerleaders,

On behalf of our athletic teams, I would like to thank the young women who made up the cheerleading staff at Highline College this year. All of the preparation time and travel on top of their other responsibilities did not go unnoticed. It means a lot to have this caring, concern and support to our young men and women.

Again, they are commended for their dedication.

Assistant Athletic Director,  
Fred Harrison

## Students fed up with staff

Susan K. Cozzetti  
Guest Writer

A fellow student asked me to write this in the hopes that the following problem can be rectified.

The problems exist in Building 6 at Highline Community College, where there are a few employees that either don't care for their jobs or don't care about dealing with students that need their help.

Several students have related incidences to me that I have also encountered. While attempting to register for winter quarter, for instance, I was told, by an advisor, to go to Registration and see if a certain class was full. I asked the "gentleman" in Registration if he would please punch up the computer for this particular class. I was told, rather abruptly, I needed to fill out a form. I explained to him that it was a waste of paper if the class was full. He grudgingly keyed in the class, while the same time

stating, "I'll sure be glad when this week is over." The whole time there was no one in line; it wasn't as if I were holding anyone up! This attitude has been displayed towards other students as well.

The "five minute" advising center could also benefit from a clock or timer. A fellow student and I waited, with ticket in hand, for 20 minutes while the advisor talked with a student.

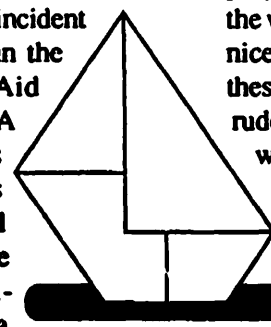
Another incident took place in the Financial Aid Office. A student was given papers to fill out and needed some help deciphering a few questions on the form. The young lady working there in the office acted as if the student was stupid for not under-

standing the questions. Hesitant about asking another question, nonetheless needing to know, the student asked, "Should I wait until after I file my income tax to turn in these forms?" The clerk's response was: "No, we don't do your taxes for you." Obviously, this clerk didn't listen to the question being asked!

What's really sad is the fact that these few rude employees give a bad name to the whole building. There are nice individuals working in these departments, too, but the rude ones are the ones we would like to see change.

Some students can become so intimidated by these rude tactics that they won't seek help. This could lead to a student leaving school, and that would be a shame.

I can only hope by writing this that persons involved will see themselves and work on their attitudes.



# Immature but not dangerous

Bruce Bruns  
Opinion Co-Editor

It's one of my few nights at home and I'm minding my own business-- old jeans, t-shirt, feet on the couch, watching TV ("Doogie Howser," I'm ashamed to say)--when the following commercial aired. It is, to the best of my knowledge, an accurate portrayal. "Don't you hate it when you walk in the door and some guy looks you up and down like, 'OOOH Baby.' I don't need it." So Living Well Lady did the only logical thing. NO MEN! "You mean no men to ogle me? I'm on my way. Living Well Lady...Just between us girls."

A few weeks ago the United States Supreme Court ruled that the Tiger Inn, an all-male eating club at Princeton University, must admit women or shut down. The suit, filed by then Princeton sophomore Sally Frank, was based on a New Jersey public accommodation

law, a law that most states do not have. But the message is clear: you cannot restrict access to a private (private, mind you, not public) club. That is, of course, unless you're a woman.

Hold on, just calm down a second. I realize that this is a rather sexist statement, but imagine the following scenario... "Don't you hate it when you're eating dinner and you're in the middle of a great dirty joke and the woman at the next table gets offended like, 'OH MY GOSH, that's disgusting.' I don't need it." So the Tiger Inn did the only logical thing. NO WOMEN! "You mean no women for me to waste my time making passes at? I'm on my way. The Tiger Inn...just between us guys."

If that advertisement ever hit the airways there would be a familiar and frightening buzz heard among feminist groups. Discussions would be based on a common theme. A theme that revolves around one single, two-

syllable word that strikes fear into the heart of all-male institutions. Lawsuit.

Every kind of male-only institution, including college fraternities, has been subjected to some sort of lawsuit by various women's group claiming that they are being discriminatory. And yet, if I sued to gain entrance to Living Well Lady, I would be accused of infringing on the privacy rights of women. I would also be accused of just wanting to be there because of the women. Although this is a nice thought, it is rather beside the point.

I really don't understand why people create such a controversy over single gender clubs. Though they are archaic and blatantly discriminatory (the preferred term is "exclusive"), they are no different than any other kind of "exclusive" club. Some are based on salary (certain country clubs cost literally tens of thousands of dollars a year in dues, fees, etc.).

Some are based on lineage; i.e. Sons of Italy, Daughters of the American Revolution and the Plymouth Rock Foundation. And, yes, some are based on sex.

Women's groups claim that by being excluded from all-men's eating clubs that they will miss out on important business and political contacts. But business meetings have often been conducted after a tennis game or in the sauna and, yes, even in a corporate meeting room. Also, most men (barring certain monks in northern Italy that spend their entire life in compounds atop high cliffs tending their gardens and contemplating God, life, the universe, etc.) don't spend every waking moment in an all-male institution.

From the few all-male clubs I've visited, the members, whether they're a CEO, executive VP or auto mechanic, seem to be more interested in snapping towels, telling dirty jokes

and streaking through the woods, than doing business. It's a place to get away from business, not to do it. And according to the Living Well Lady commercials, all the women want is a place to work on their thighs without putting on make-up or putting up with over-eager men.

So as long as public funds are not used, what is the harm? Let the guys hang out with the guys and the women hang out with the women if they want to. Maybe they can have Saturday night mixers just like the all boys' and all girls' boarding schools of the 50s and 60s and write notes to each other. Do you like me? Yes or No (circle one).

It is a pity that the Supreme Court decision in the Tiger Inn case was made without comment. It would have been nice to know the logic behind why they ruled the way they did. Oh well, maybe next time--and trust me, there will be a next time.

# HCC is a multicultural experience

Cheryl Nordness  
Staff Writer

Racism is an issue at Highline Community College. Cerathel Burnett, Vocational Programs specialist for the Multi-Cultural Center at HCC, feels that racism is always something to be concerned with, no matter how small the issue may be. In the two years Burnett has worked at HCC she feels that racism is more talked about

HCC counselor, says, "What I see at HCC is what I see everywhere." The racial problems here at HCC are the same as those outside of the community, Koepping says.

The easiest way to understand racism is to think of it as a cultural bias, Burnett says. A cultural bias is when a person does not properly understand the culture of another person. Burnett feels that if you do not understand people you cannot respect them and what they feel. In the past, things have been done to students which, they believe, had to do with their race, she says.

where issues get dealt with sooner." In the two-and-a-half years Koepping has been at HCC, racism looks about the same, she says.

Students are talking about subtle forms of racism that happen to them, Koepping says. They are getting remarks about the color of their skin or their religious beliefs. There are incidences of racism in colleges all over the United States, not just at HCC.

"Racism comes in many forms," Koepping says. This includes subtle things such as telling a racist joke which usually deals with a person's race or beliefs. "People need to make sure that they are not saying something that might offend someone else," she says. A good way to be sure of this is not to say something racist. Think about what you are going to say before saying it, she advises.

There is no way to prove that only the students or the members of the faculty are racist or, that people are raised racist, Koepping says. Parents teach their children things they believe in, and until the children are old enough to make up their

own minds, they usually believe what their parents tell them.

Burnett says, "Colleges are going to have to realize that the future means more minorities and women in colleges, and they need to make programs to deal with this."

Some ways to deal with racism might be to have workshops set up to teach people about other cultures. The best place to battle the fight against racism is in the classrooms.

Before people can try and change the way they believe

or feel they first have to admit that they are racist, Burnett says. It might be hard for some people to accept the new faces at HCC, but people need to open up their minds to the new faces so they will not be racist.

Talking to people who do not look like you or act like you is a good way of finding out what it is like for them to be living here in America, Koepping says. Be more willing to share your experiences, so that people can better understand you, Koepping suggests.

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**— Cerathel Burnett**

than it was when she first came to HCC, although she has not had anyone come to her this quarter about racial issues.

Dr. Gloria Koepping, an

"We are the community," Koepping says. "If anything, racism is a little worse here because the college is in a suburban area and not in the city



Photo by Dan Schultz.

Gloria Koepping, a very active counselor at HCC.

## Racism is often a part of everyday life

Tracy Secrest  
Staff Writer

Although Seattle is better than most areas, racism is still a problem in our society today. Too often I've seen neighborhood teenagers being questioned by local police officers for "hanging out." Too often I've heard various workers in local department stores and restaurants say, you help "that one" and I'll help the other customer; as if "that one" is not a person.

The majority of the population tends to believe that the freedom marches of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., combined with discrimination laws, have genuinely taken care of racism — have abolished it. But that's not the case.

I know what it feels like to be a victim of racism, because I am

"that one." I am Black. Maybe

I'm more inclined to see it, or I'm more apt to see it, because I live "it" everyday. I know what it feels like to walk into a service-oriented establishment first and be waited on last, because a person has presumed "that one" does not have any money, that those people never

have any money. I know what it's like to walk into a doctor's office to make an appointment and hear the individual behind the counter say, "We only take sexually-transmitted-disease appointments on..." because the person has presumed "that one" has a disease, those people always have

diseases.

It is becoming more apparent that racism does exist, and it is more apparent that society needs to address the problem. There are no more "whites" and "colored only" signs today. There are no more public segregated schools today. There are no more orga-

nized hangings and brutal beatings today.

But the Oak Harbor cross burning of an interracial couple last year and the trial of white supremacist Tom Metzger for killing a black man are just a few occurrences happening now.

There still is racism today.



Students posing for a campus publication to show the different ethnic groups at HCC.

Photo by Dan Schultz.



# We need to find the answer to ignorance

Keri Curtin  
Staff Writer

Leo Trusclair is the new director of the Multicultural Student Services at Highline Community College. Trusclair attended Whitworth College where he received his B.A. in business management and Indiana University, Bloomington, where he received his M.A. in education. He served as the director of the Minority Student Programs for six years at the University of Vermont and was the coordinator of Residence Life at Indiana University, where he supervised 6,000 students. He said he got homesick and missed his family so he decided to come home



to Tacoma.

Trusclair started at HCC in October, replacing Mary Odem who is now the Associate Dean of Instruction. His job at HCC consists of advising and counseling any student who wants or needs help or has questions. Trusclair's goal is to make

Multicultural Student Services more important. He said, "The key challenge in the future, which begins now, is to acknowledge and act on the need for cultural awareness." He wants to educate the campus about other

cultures, and he says he wants to "have big enough ears to hear what the campus needs."

Trusclair said, "We have not taught our students to appreciate the rest of the world." He thinks people are ignorant and don't pay attention to people's cultural heritage and how the rest of the world works. He wants to provide the community with more self-awareness programs and inspire the campus. "The challenge for any campus is to continually find ways to better understand its life blood. We are selfish and should ask ourselves why? Today's society over emphasizes on titles, salaries and prestigiousness; we need to emphasize on the person," Trusclair said.



Photo by Dan Schultz.

Leo Trusclair, new director of the multicultural services.

# Martin Luther King Jr's dream still relevant today

*In 1963 King gave his "I Have a Dream" speech before 200,000 people.*

"Five score years ago, a great American, in whose symbolic shadow we stand, signed the Emancipation Proclamation. This momentous decree came as a great beacon light of hope to millions of Negro slaves who had been seared in the flames of withering injustice. It came as a joyous daybreak to end the long night of captivity.

"But one hundred years later, we must face the tragic fact that the Negro is still not free. One hundred years later, the life of the Negro is still sadly crippled by the manacles of segregation and the chains of discrimination... One hundred years later, the Negro is still languished in the corners of American society and finds himself an exile in his own land...

"...There will be neither rest nor tranquility in

America until the Negro is granted his citizenship rights. The whirlwinds of revolt will continue to shake the foundations of our nation until the bright day of justice emerges.

"I say to you today, my friends, that in spite of the difficulties and frustrations of the moment I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream.

"I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slaveowners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood.

"I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a desert state sweltering with the heat of injustice and oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice.

"I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character.

"I have a dream today.

"I have a dream that one day the state of Alabama, whose governor's lips are presently dripping with the words of interposition and nullification, will be transformed into a situation where little black boys and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls and walk together as sisters and brothers.

"I have a dream today.

"I have a dream that one day every valley shall be exalted, every hill and mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plains, and the crooked places will be made straight, and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together...

"And if America is to be a great nation this must become true. So let freedom ring from the prodigious hill tops of New Hampshire. Let freedom ring from the mighty moun-

tains of New York. Let freedom ring from the heightening Alleghenies of Pennsylvania!

"Let freedom ring from the snowcapped Rockies of Colorado!...

"Let freedom ring from every hill and mole hill of Mississippi. From every mountainside, let freedom ring.

"When we let freedom ring, when we let it ring

from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of the old Negro spiritual, 'Free at last! free at last! thank God Almighty, we are free at last!'"

## HCC minority clubs and meeting times

Mecha (Hispanic) Club  
Tuesdays 12 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Bldg. 8 conference room

Native American Club  
Mondays 12 p.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Bld. 8 conference room

The Black Student Union and  
The Asian American Club will  
not be meeting for the rest of the quarter.

If you any have questions, contact Cerathel  
Burnett at Ext. 296.

# The Slugs will rock your world

Steve Stearns  
Staff Writer

"Think of any popular band today. I want you to remember one thing -- they have no talent. Not like we do."

Those words from guitarist Danny Slug of the legendary Des Moines band the Slugs were prophetic indeed. From their earliest days Danny and the other Slugs — bassist and accordionist Donnie Slug, drum machinist Jonathan Slug, singer and keyboardist Joe Slug, and armpit percussionist and background screamer Jordan Slug — have commanded admiration for their pioneering Seattle grunge rock sound and their unique live performances, which were described by Rolling Stone magazine as "...sort of a cross between Elvis' funeral and the firebombing of Dresden." Their newest effort, "Slugabilly Blitzkrieg," self-released as usual, may even land the Slugs a recording deal with a major label.

With "Slugabilly" the band appears to be moving in a bold new direction, with song titles like "Bums R People 2" and "Censor This One You @#\$\*!" The latter song received some small

mention on C&N as part of a story on record labeling and may have provoked an early Iraqi surrender. Apparently, the Iraqi government can't get enough of the Slugs; next month the band is scheduled to play a mini-tour, including dates in Baghdad, Basra, and Kuwait City.

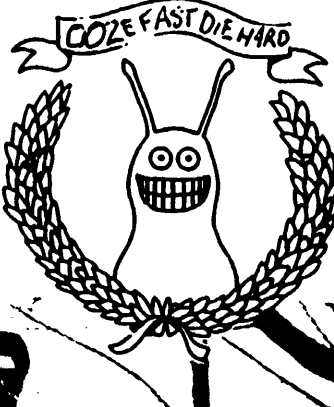


The Slugs: Jordan, Donnie, Danny, Joe and Jonathan.

The ThunderWord caught up with the band and its manager, Col. Tom Sandhurst, in their garage/temporary home and asked them to define the special quality that makes the Slugs unique among Seattle bands.

Thunderword: How would you describe your sound?

Danny: Sort of metal glam post punk funk psychedelic R&B hardcore hip-hop new jack swing pop ska grunge zydeco ethereal gothic jazzy country western feedback hillbilly thrash regurgitation



ago when we were working at the Ptomaine Village Cafe in the mall. We found the otherdudes downtown. They were breaking into some dude's apartment and we said, "Hey dudes, wanna be in a band?" And so here we are.

Word: What about the name the Slugs?

Where did that come from? Jonathan: Well, slugs are kinda' all over the place up here ...

Donnie: No.

Jonathan: Yeah they are, dude!

Donnie: No, you see dude, the slug had a very, uh, important, uh, mystic role in some ancient Northwest culture's mythology and we feel that we're like, kinda', mystic gods whose true purpose remains known but to a few.

Danny: A few shapely babes,

hee hee.

Word: You said that rap is one of your many influences. Who actually performs the raps?

Joe: Jordan does. Hey dude, rap something for this dude here.

Jordan: I been around the world, from London to the Bay, it's Hammer go—

Word: That's okay. Danny, what's your opinion on drugs?

Danny: (Pause) What kind, dude?

Jonathan: Ages ago, back in '89, we were all kinda' into drugs. I mean, some of us were like madmen. On tour, me and Donnie would be snorting the frosted flakes like a couple of crazed water buffalo.

Word: I see. So, Col. Sandhurst, what are your future plans for the Slugs?

Col. Sandhurst: I really don't know, but I hope someday these dudes will be really huge, like Silli Vanilli or maybe even that white rapper dude.

Those who haven't yet heard "Slugabilly Blitzkrieg," or any tunes off the Slugs' previous albums "Satanic Slime" and "New Rastas on the Block," will get the chance April 1 when the Slugs perform live in Tim's living room at high noon. Be there.

## New releases from Post-Modern Masters

Tim Davison  
Scene Editor

The months of February and March have been good for lovers of so-called "Post Modern Music," with new releases from three of the biggest names in new wave. All three albums are follow-up releases to the performer's "mainstream" acceptance, and all succeed in varying degrees. Here they are alphabetically and in the order of release.

Daniel Ash Coming Down (RCA/Beggars Banquet)

While the name may not be instantly familiar, anyone who's heard him will remember him from Love and Rockets or one of his two other groups; one was Tones on Tail, the other the monumentally morbid Bauhaus. This is Ash's first solo album, and it follows closely in the vein of Love and Rockets' last release in 1989. There are a few intense rockers, such as "Coming Down Fast" and the first single "This Love," but most of the songs move at a slower, more laid back pace. He covers a wide range of territory on this album, including such notable cover tunes as the

Beatles' "Day Tripper" and "Me and My Shadow," plus the opening track "Blue Moon." But that one doesn't really count because it's less than one minute long and can barely be heard out of its one-speaker production.

The majority of the songs deal with love, and at least two deal with prostitution. This album has been a long time in the planning stage and it's nice to see it finally get off the ground.

While this is a good first solo effort, it's really not that much of a departure from the material he has been pursuing lately in Love and Rockets, whose future, by the way, looks less than secure. There was a limited edition CD published for this release, but good luck in finding it now.

Morrissey "Kill Uncle" (Sire)

The second full album release from Manchester's most depressing poet has finally arrived, after a three year wait and God knows how many failed attempts at completing it. It employs his new production team of Clive Langer and Alan Winstanley and his com-

pletely new backing band, except for drummer Andrew Paresi who played on his "Viva Hate" album.

To say the least, I was disappointed with this album. Where once Morrissey seemed to say something worthwhile, now he just seems like a whining schoolboy. All the songs are short; and even with a bonus track on the CD, it's still only 37 minutes long and has a rushed feel to it. Also, the trademark guitar work on every Morrissey album is gone now, thanks to new guitarist and co-collaborator Mark E. Niven, who has chosen instead to give cheesy piano accompaniments to otherwise good songs like "King Leer." Not every song is a complete waste, though. "Mute Witness" is good musically and sounds cool even though it makes no sense. The same goes for "Our Frank" and the CD bonus track "Tony the Pony." These songs show me what Morrissey could have done had he really committed wholeheartedly to this album and not felt the need to rush out some product because his fans were losing in-

terest in him. Better luck next time.

R.E.M. Out of Time (Warner Bros.)

Again, here is another new release from a great group that gained major mainstream acceptance with 1988's "Green." Once again, it was produced by Scott Litt and the band, and once again, these guys still hail from Athens, Ga. But that's where the similarities between this album and their last two end. Gone is the rock bottom of "Turn You Inside-Out" or even "Orange Crush" for that matter. Instead, most of these songs take a more introspective look at things with a mellower, more subdued sound. Also, now that the band is "popular" I'm sure it would have been easy to stick to format and produce a "predictable album." Wrong! If anything, "Out of Time" is going to destroy any preconceptions you might have had about this band.

Michael Stipe, who once could have been dubbed "lead mumbler and political activist extraordinaire" sounds better than ever on this album, but what's more of a surprise is

that there are no blatantly political lyrics here. Instead, most of them, like "Country Feedback" and "Me in Honey" deal with strong emotions, like love, and even though Stipe's voice can be grating at times, he delivers his lyrics with a level of emotion I once thought was impossible for him. Of course, there are still typically R.E.M. rock tracks, such as "Radio Song," a duet (of sorts) with Boogie Down Productions rapper KRS-1, and the incredible first single "Losing My Religion." And the band obviously feels comfortable enough to play instrument switching with drummer Bill Berry playing bass on a few tracks and letting bassist Mike Mills play the organ. This is the first R.E.M. album with well known guest artists, including the B-52's Kate Pierson and the aforementioned KRS-1, as well as former dB's guitarist Peter Holsapple, who also played on the "Green" tour. R.E.M. said they weren't going to tour to promote this album, because they want to get back into the studio and record another album. This is just fine with me.



# HCC presents "Journey of the Fifth Horse"



All photos courtesy of the Drama department.  
Chulkaturin (Paul Witte) and Liza (Danylle Connolly.)

Cara Moore  
Staff Writer

Highline Community College's Drama Department is presenting the play "The Journey of the Fifth Horse" by Ronald Ribman. The play is based on the diary of Nikolai Chulkaturin, a "superfluous man." Paul Witte plays Chulkaturin and the play takes place in the 1890's in St. Petersburg, Russia. The character Zoditch (P. Adam Walsh), a reader for a publishing house, reads Chulkaturin's diary, which unfolds in his mind's eye. Chulkaturin is in love with Liza (Danylle Connolly) whom he loses to Capt. Narvinski (John

Dybdahl), a cavalry officer. Ultimately Liza marries Bizmionkov (Chris Dietz), a neighboring landowner.

Zoditch is in love with Miss Grobov (Brenda Sunderland) whom he imagines is in love with him. Zoditch's own life becomes entwined in his thoughts as he reads Chulkaturin's life story.

In his diary, Chulkaturin reflects on and searches for justification of his life. It is his death wish to get his diary published.

"The Journey of the Fifth Horse" will play March 14, 15, 16 and 21, 22 and 23 at 8 p.m. in the Theater, Bldg. 4. Tickets cost \$4 for students and seniors, \$5 for general admission.

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Chulkaturin (Witte) and his housekeeper Terentlevna (Carolyn Bing.)



Rubin, an apprentice reader (Shawn Geise.)

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## Weight room open for all HCC students



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Brian Hertling takes advantage of the weight training class.

The Highline Community College Weight Room is one of the physical fitness benefits that HCC students can take advantage of. The weight room offers classes for the development of weight training

skills and techniques. The room is available free to all HCC students and faculty Monday and Wednesday 12-2 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday 2-3 p.m., and Friday 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Don McConnaughey, director of Athletics, said, "I don't believe a person has to leave the weight room sweating to have a good work out." He believes one should work at his or her

own pace. Besides teaching other athletic classes, McConnaughey also teaches weight classes.

The weight room has two universal stations. They include: a bench press, military press, lateral pull-down, rowing machine, chin-up bars, push-up bars, a dip machine, a sit-up bench, and a leg press machine.

Other equipment in the weight room for the legs includes: the total hip machine; leg flex and extension benches; the Leaper, an iso-kinetic machine that builds the quadriceps (upper legs); and a universal squat rack.

Equipment for the upper body includes: the vertical chest machine, also called the butterfly machine that works out the pectorals (upper and lower chest); the hyper-extended sit-up bench; the abdominal crunch ma-

chine; a dip machine for the triceps; and four types of benches at different inclines to work on triceps, biceps, and pectorals.

Cardiovascular equipment includes: Stair Master with digital programming for individual endurance; two Aerobicycles with digital programming to set bicycling on rolling hills or a steady climb and a pulse monitor; six stationary bicycles; and a Nordic Track to prepare those interested in cross-country skiing.

There are posters on the walls of the weight room showing weight training stretches and shape-up exercises. Posters include a muscle guide, how to use free weights, and a chest and arm workout guide.



Sky Hansen

## Lefebvre is optimistic towards the 1991 M's season

Steve Duncan  
Managing Editor

Hold on to those zodiac charts, Seattle Mariners' fans, and add this to the list of wild predictions: Team Manager Jim Lefebvre predicts 90 wins in 1991.

Unfortunately, Lefebvre's optimistic appraisal seems to ring of déjà vu this past season. On chances of earning the first winning season in the organization's history, Mariners' Public Relations Director Dave Aust believes the team will be competitive. That's fine, but Seattle fans want the team to put up wins or shut up. Too many times new players or coaches come into a largely apathetic baseball city with a proposed solution for that team's problems but fall short of fulfilling their boast.

This season the Mariners are taking a different approach by standing pat with the hand they have, instead of dealing a card from the bottom of the deck. In baseball terms, they are not trying to present another team's cast-off as the team's glue to bring its assorted pieces together. The team also isn't trying to create novelties to fill in empty seats, such as adjustments to improve the Kingdome ballpark or bring in another father and son combination.

It's Lefebvre's season to be under the scrutiny of fans,

media, and his peers to see what he can do as a leader. He has a strong starting pitching rotation and outfield but questionable relief pitching and infield to contend with in the American League West.

"We can be right in there," Aust said. "The Oakland A's are down a little bit while the other teams are moving up to their level. The key is the same as last year's — to stay healthy."

Nowhere is this more apparent than in the outfield. The starting outfield consists of injury-plagued Jay Buhner in left field, the 21-year-old sensation Ken Griffey, Jr. in center field, and Ken Griffey, Sr. and Tracey Jones splitting playing time in right field. According to Aust, the strength of this unit is its depth and Ken Griffey Jr. who shows an enthusiasm and love for the game that motivates him to develop his enormous ability. If one of the starting three goes down, he feels the Mariners have adequate reserves in Henry Cotto and Greg 'Pee-Wee' Briley.

The starting pitching staff could be, to put it bluntly, one of the top groups in the major leagues; four of the five starting pitching jobs are set — barring injury. Pitchers Rich DuLucia, Brent Knackert and lefty Russ Swan will compete for the final spot in training camp. If the development of the pitching staff last season is any indication, the Mariners

have at least 15 wins apiece out of Brian Holman, Randy Johnson, Scott Bankhead, and Eric Hanson. Hanson is the ace of the staff and has the potential to win 25 games.

Relief pitching could be a problem, though. Mike Schooler, who has been the Mariner's mainstay the past two seasons, is coming out of surgery he had during the off-season, which could present a problem in keeping leads at the end of a game. Aust said the team feels pitchers Billy Swift, Bill Krueger and Mike Jackson could pick up the slack. Swift is a decent starting pitcher, but questions still arise when he is asked to come in and close a game. Krueger and Jackson are uproven and hardly register

any fear to their opponents.

The infield is the Mariners' weakest link. One of the standouts from last season is third baseman Edgar Martinez, but he had knee surgery over the summer and his recovery has been slow. The center of the Mariners' infield, which includes second baseman and two-time Gold-Glover Harold Reynolds, Omar Vizquel as shortstop, and Dave Valle as catcher are decent fielders — but average with the bat.

The Mariners will settle the first-base question during training camp. The team is deciding between a rookie in Tino Martinez and veteran Pete O'Brien. "Both Tino and Pete are competing for the spot," Aust said. The players will

"decide it on the field," he added. But the starting first baseman's job, in all likelihood, will fall to O'Brien, because team management won't let him and his million dollar contract sit on the bench.

The designated hitter role will go to first-base reserve Alvin Davis, although he could see time at first base also. While he does hit for a good average, he doesn't have the power a player needs for this position.

Aust said Mariner fans can expect a competitive team this year. "We will bring a lot of excitement," he predicts.

Excitement? Possibly. But more wins? Doubtful. Look for the Mariners to have a rerun of last season with a 78-83 record.

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# Snow causes a final's heat



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Lisa Levay  
Staff Writer

The snowstorm on Tuesday, March 5, has posed problems for students and faculty alike, according to Owen Cargol, dean of instruction.

The snow forced closure of Highline Community College. At such a pressing time at the quarter's end, many will have to press harder to make up for lost time, because, Cargol says, it's just too late in the quarter to tack on an extra day.

Students, who are feeling the stress of finals next week, may need to work even harder to compensate for the lost day.

Many schedules are still being altered. Cargol has suggested faculty propose individualized plans to ensure that students will receive the instructor's time, equal to time missed from class. This may require working along with students to meet individual needs.

Those students attending night classes were excluded from the disruption, because night classes continued as scheduled.

As of now, weather permitting, the remainder of winter quarter will go as scheduled, with no extra days tacked on as a result of the snow.



Photo by Mark Ann Brown.

## Noise pollution an issue at HCC

*SeaTac Airport's flight line runs right over Highline Community College*

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At any given time the roar of an airplane rips through the sky over Highline Community College leaving the people below polluted with noise. For some HCC students the noise is not distracting. For others on campus, it can be aggravating when their conversation is interrupted suddenly by airplane noise.

It is not difficult to tell which buildings at HCC would benefit from better insulation. "We have not had any complaints from students about noise, but I am sure they expect to hear airplanes when the campus is about seven miles from the airport," said Suzanne Boyer,

Facilities planning secretary.

The buildings are made with concrete T-beam decks and have solid concrete ceilings which make it difficult for outside noise to penetrate. This leaves the window as the greatest point of entry for noise. In 1988 the college installed \$640,000 worth of double-pane glass, replacing all single-pane windows on campus. "The double-pane windows have reduced the noise by one-third," Boyer said.

Although construction currently is going on to renovate some buildings on campus, it is uncertain how legislation will treat the latest request to fund future projects.

"We requested funding for the 1991 and 1993 biennial to include an asbestos abatement," said Robin Frichman, Facilities planning director at HCC. Pending funding due around July 1, 1991, improvements will be sought to reduce airplane noise, he said.

"We want to replace the old ceilings with drop ceilings that have energy efficient lights, as well as adding carpeting and

softening at least one wall in each room," Frichman said. The possibility of receiving only partial funding would be due to the present national and state economy. The type of improvements done on campus will depend on the amount of funding received, he said.

In 1987 Dynac Sciences, an acoustical research and consulting firm in Tacoma, did an engineering analysis of the sound problem on campus. Sound was measured by dba (the A decibel scale). On this scale the number 10 was listed as lowest dba and described as "Just Audible or Whispering" while the highest dba of 140 was described as "Threshold of pain, Shotgun blast, or Jet Plane take off." At the time of initial

Building 10), fell between 65 dba to 74 dba with an average of 71 dba. "The ideal noise level for classroom noise is around 30 to 40 dba, so you can see in 1987 our data showed an enormous amount of interference from jet noise on our teaching environment," Frichman said. Lately no current testing has been necessary due to Sea Tac's restrictions of 707 aircraft and the slow cut-back of 727 aircraft. The reduction of these two airplanes, combined with adding double-paned windows in college classrooms, has reduced airplane noise and lowered the number of complaints made by students since 1985.

Moving indoors did not seem to help Beverly Ramsey,

constant flow of traffic through the front doors of the library allowed airplane noise to filter inside," Ramsey said.

Joan Farley manages the Mariner Village Apartments in Des Moines where approximately 10 percent of the residents are HCC students. The apartment complex is directly beneath flights into Sea Tac. "I have never heard any complaints from the residents, and at present the apartments are at 95 percent occupancy," Farley said.

"I do not mind the noise now, but it was something I had to get use to," she added.

For some students at HCC the distraction might be troublesome enough to lead them to find a way of coping. "The Noise Abatement Office at Sea-Tac works with people to handle issues and complaints created by airplanes," said Wayne Bryant, the noise abatement officer at Sea-Tac. "People are encouraged to call my office at 248-7452," said Bryant, "or stop by and visit the Noise Abatement Office between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily."

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testing the maximum outside recorded noise level for any one hour period was 94 dba on campus. Noise levels inside the test classroom (203 in

a daytime student at HCC. "While I was using the telephone inside the library, I frequently had to tell the other person to speak up because the



## Chapman tells of horrid treatment

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around to many different POW camps during his 33 months of captivity. In the camp of Kanggye, the Chinese herded the prisoners together during the late afternoon and marched them for four or five miles, after which the prisoners were lectured about the Korean victories over the retreating United States forces. The POWs were exposed to propaganda lectures that were designed to make them believe that the U.S. was the aggressor in Korea and that the blood of innocent North and South Korean people were on the Allied American hands.

In September 1951, Chapman and his group of POWs came to the city of P'Yonggyong. "This was one of the most miserable and unforgettable prisoner of war camps in all of North Korea," Chapman stated. Hundreds and hundreds of graves littered the mountain

side. Many American and United Nation troops were buried in graves so shallow that the arms and legs extended from the soil. Some were half dead, lying or sitting about. Several of the dead had not been buried and lay where they had died.

"The filth of this place was indescribable; the smell of the huts and the cells was out of this world, making any normal person sick to their stomach," Chapman said.

On the morning of Aug. 18, 1953, Chapman and about 65 others were told that they were leaving for Panmujan. The following morning they boarded trucks for the south and freedom.

Chapman was released on the morning of Aug. 20, 1953. "I believe that anyone taken prisoner needs to resist as long as they can, keep faith in God, their country and family. Faith is what keeps a person going, hour to hour or day to day. Once we lose faith, there is not much else left," Chapman says.

## WEA plan strike date

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but I would prefer not to."

A teacher who wished to be quoted anonymously said, "I dislike the idea of striking and hope it won't come to that. But I feel that the governor's budget is mistaken in reducing the percentage of the budget that goes to education from year to year."

Linda Baker, instructor and secretary for the HCEA, said, "If they (the legislature) won't respond to this, they won't respond to anything."

Nancy Lennstrom, HCC librarian and HCEA president, realizes "it is a Catch-22 situation. Salaries cannot be raised without taxes, but legislators cannot raise taxes and be re-elected."

The HCC administration is trying not to take a position but is supportive of the teachers at Highline. Dr. Ed Command, president, says, "I support the

teachers fully." But he expresses reservations about the effectiveness of a strike. "I think it (a strike) will turn the public and the legislature against them (teachers.)"

The legislators are the ones who will ultimately make the final decisions, and Rep. Michael Heavey, 34th District, said that education is "not a low priority of mine." But all he would add is that "I have no opinion [on a teacher's strike]."

Rep. Chris Vance, 31st District, said, "The state is not meeting its obligation to education. K-12 received 51 percent of the 1981 budget; it now receives 45 percent. This is the wrong way to go." He went on to add that education as a percentage of the state's budget has fallen every year that Gov. Gardner has been in office.

On the possible strike, Vance said, "First I hope it doesn't happen. I feel that America does not pay its teachers enough, and Washington state is no exception; (but) a strike will not change the present structure. I think

that parents have little sympathy for a long strike, and a long strike would turn parents against teachers."

Former members of the legislature were also contacted to get an opinion from people who don't have to fear reelection but know how the legislature works. Mike Todd, former 31st District representative, feels "the strike really will not help the cause...but there has been so much frustration over the years."

Ernie Crane, also a former 31st district representative, said, "I think that they should keep up their lobbying and pressure. Money is short...and a strike won't make it available. A strike could also make the public angry at the teachers, and politically they will be losers."

There will be a bus going to Olympia from HCC today at 1 p.m. It will have students and faculty who are concerned and want to express their opinions to their legislators. Contact Nancy Lennstrom in the Library, Ext. 232, for more information.

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