Teacher dies of heart attack

Mark Valentine
Features Editor

Ed Fish, a 57-year-old Highline Community College instructor, died of a heart attack on Dec. 31. He was a respected member of the Music Department.

When teaching Karin Valentino, Fish taught every class in the quarter until his death. Fish started with Karin in 2000 and was very happy to have her as a student. Karin was a wonderful student and Fish enjoyed teaching her. She was very attentive and always asked questions about the material. She was also very respectful and always greeted Fish with a handshake before and after class. She even brought Fish a gift for his birthday, which was very thoughtful of her.

Fish also taught many other students, including Michael Jackson, who was a very talented musician. Michael was very interested in learning about different musical styles and was always asking questions about how to improve his playing. Fish provided him with valuable advice and was always encouraging him to continue pursuing his passion.

In his new job as community college coordinator for the blood bank, Fish has been instrumental in increasing the number of donors and improving the efficiency of the blood collection process. He has implemented several innovations that have helped to reduce the time it takes to collect blood and improve the overall experience for both donors and staff.

McConkey, who was Fish's daughter, says she was very proud of her father. "He was a wonderful instructor and will be missed by many of his students," she says. "He was always willing to go the extra mile for his students and was a great role model."

Fish is survived by his wife, Lora, and his three children, Ed Jr., Karen, and John. He was a beloved member of the community and will be greatly missed.

Warnack resigns from HCC

Employee leaves for blood bank

Susan Dupuis
Features Editor

Keith Warnack, editor of the Public Information Office, has left Highline Community College. He will head the Puget Sound Blood Bank Program.

Warnack, who was raised in Denver, Mich., graduated from Michigan State University in 1991 and worked as an associate editor for the Seattle Department of Education's Alexandria.

He began his work with the Public Information Office in 1998 and worked in cooperation with Media Services, the Quarterly Schedule, the HCC Calendar and individual informational guides. Warnack was also involved in the recycling program, which he hopes will continue.

"I'm excited about living close to my family again," Warnack says. "I'll miss working with and supporting all the students, knowing that I'm a part of the institution that I love."

"He was a key member of our team and we're going to miss him," says Professor Jenny Smith. "He was always professional and approachable, and he had a great sense of humor."

"I will miss talking to him and seeing all the students, knowing that he's a part of the institution that he loves," says Professor Mike Brown. "He was always helpful and friendly, and he had a great sense of humor."

Students feel cutbacks

Anthony Longino
Staff Writer

The winter cut backs at Highline Community College have affected many students.

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Parking fines go towards new spaces

Matt McGinniss
Staff Writer

The parking woes continued last quarter at Highline Community College. Jack Chapman, campus police chief, said that the number of parking tickets given out was 45 percent higher than usual. According to Chapman, 2,842 tickets were issued.

The cause of many of the tickets were students who just plan refused to purchase parking permits. Chapman stated that many students feel that the price of HCC's permits is too high, but the $8 price for time students is "the cheapest other colleges charge more. For example, Green River and in the state." Chapman said charge $10 and Bellevue Community College charges $12.

Parking fines go towards new spaces projected sum of money for the year) salaries of part-time professors fees pay for maintenance of trustees decided that parking is put into a reserve $132,000.

Hopes fines shall now be $5 for the first violation and $15 for each additional violation. Chapman stated the parking permits. Chapman said the parking problems aren't solved but remains skeptical that they will be any time in the near future.

Off the police blotter...

Compiled by Stearns and Johnson

Monday, Jan. 6, 7:30 p.m.: A cat caught fire in the North parking lot. The fire apparently started in the heater and spread throughout the vehicle, total.

From the Perverted But True Files: Wednesday, Jan. 8, 8:45 a.m.: A man in his 20's was sighted in the Midway parking lot wearing a T-shirt (ONLY a T-shirt) and was reported to have been fondling the passengers. A Highline student reported the sneak preview going on at the drive-in. In upcoming weeks we'll see if this feature turns out to be HELD over.

From the Nonsmokers of America File: Persons unknown threw concrete ashtrays from the third floor of Bldg. 23. The ashtrays collided with the second floor railing, causing $600 in damages. No word on whether or not this was a protest against the Great American Smoke-Out held last November.

From the Thank God It wasn't My Ferrari File: Last quarter campus events were stolen from the campus. If you see anyone lousing a speedboat within an HCC pickup, please call campus Security at ext. 218.

John Cleaver
Staff Writer

When winter quarters at Highline Community College, not only do classes end but the faculty's contract will be up for renewal. If the faculty is not satisfied with negotiations pertaining to their contract, a strike is possible.

Lori Stowe, newly-appointed president of the Highline College Education Association (HCEA) and full-time HCC professor of humanities, philosophy, mythology, and writing, oversees contract negotiations by appointing a negotiation team and also by attending national conferences for higher education held by the Washington Education Association.

Last spring, HCC faculty hit the picket line during the statewide teacher's strike. It is Stowe's job to make sure the faculty contract is acceptable to both sides so that a strike doesn't take place in the near future. Because the state budget is tight and exceeds itself by millions of dollars, state institutions are required to cut back on things, such as higher education. If the legislative funding to operate facilities is not granted, a strike is inevitable in the nearfuture.

Stowe says that the HCA doesn't see the faculty and administration at HCC as "co-workers" and hopes that an agreement can be worked out so that everyone is happy.
By Steve Stearns & Brian Johnson
Managing Editors

First of all, we should start by mentioning that this is a column about opinions and looking at issues from the other side of the fence. By passing a coin, one of us must stand a side that we may not necessarily agree with. We feel that if we can see things from the other side, so can our readers. The topic for the inaugural Flip A Coin column is whether condoms should be distributed in high schools.

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Johnson-Condoms should not be distributed in high schools. It is the responsibility of public schools to regulate the sexual activity of its students. It is the school’s responsibility to educate students, not act as parent or pharmacist.

Stearns- Though it’s true that schools are raising children more and more these days, perhaps that’s what’s needed. If a child’s parents are either unwilling or unable to educate him/her about sex and Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD), then it is the school’s responsibility as an institution to provide education for the benefit of the school’s entire population and society as a whole.

Johnson- Educating students about the dangers of STDs is one thing; handing out condoms is another. The distribution of condoms for the purpose of education would be like handing out handguns to children to protect them from strangers. The “we don’t want you to use this, but just in case” argument sends mixed messages to students who might be contemplating whether or not they want to become sexually active. Handing out condoms might make that difficult decision too easy for students.

Stearns- Let’s call a spade a spade here. Kids are going to have sex regardless of whether or not is difficult enough at a high school age. If the school should hands out condoms, it might mean that students feeling that the school is also handing out their seal of approval. “If the school think it’s okay, then...”

Stearns- I really doubt that students today see their school as a kind of authority figure, and I really doubt that most kids would give a rip what the school’s opinions were on any issue. Opinions from their peers are probably the most important guidance that students follow, and engendering the idea that safe sex is the cool thing to do is important. You said before that the school’s responsibility is to educate. To that I would add, “by all means necessary...”

Johnson- If they don’t “give a rip what the school’s opinions were on any issue,” is it possible they might reject the school’s support of safe sex? To rephrase my previous comment, “Is this what they want us to do? No way.”

Stearns- Okay, if that’s their choice, they know the possible consequences—a slow and painful death. Students with reason will choose the safe option, rather than risk their lives on good advice.

Johnson- To sum up, there is absolutely no reason high schools need to distribute condoms. They need to educate students about the dangers of STDs, not play drugstore. The decision of whether to have sex or not is difficult enough at a high school age. Any positive reinforcement by the schools would add, “by the way, this is the school’s responsibility to educate students. By all means they should teach students about preventing the spread of AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases. That’s as far as the school should go. If the school hands out condoms, it might mean that students feeling that the school is also handing out their seal of approval.”

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Johnson- Absolutely. If the school’s responsibility is to educate, students themselves will be taught. If the school think it’s okay, then..."
Counseling can help you with your problems

Jillian Willingham
Staff Writer

There is a service at Highline Community College that identifies problems, provides resources and assistance. Located in Building 6, the Counseling Center provides number of services to the student body.

“Every student wants and needs something that’s different,” Counselor Lance Gibson said. The Counseling Center is able and prepared to handle the variety of problems students deal with.

According to Gibson, the reason HCC has such a wide range of issues to deal with is that “students are a cross section of life.” They come from many backgrounds, economic positions, religions, ages, and races. Along with diverse student body of nearly 9,000 comes problems ranging from career planning to suicide.

The younger students primarily seek help in finding the career right for them, answering transfer questions, or enhancing their learning experiences. For these students, the Counseling Center provides Educational Information Center, a Career and Job Placement Information Center and a Skills Assessment and Testing Program, all located in Building 6. Gibson said many of the older students at HCC are experiencing career crises or wish to learn new skills that can further their present career. For these students, the Counseling Center provides help with such issues as divorce, retirement, unemployment, and career changes.

Some specialized organizations that are direct extensions of the Counseling Center are the workshops offered each quarter and the Women’s Resource Center. These groups can give attention to the special needs individuals may have.

If students need continuous or specialized treatment for addictions, severe depression, or serious medical attention, the Counseling Center can refer students to same clinics or private health-care services.

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HCC Events Board has a busy quarter ahead

Krista Sohavda
Staff Writer

The Highline Community College Events Board is having an open house on Monday, Jan. 27, in the Student Lounge (Bldg. 8) from 3 to 7 to introduce the board and plans for 1992. The HCC Board plans and sponsors all the activities, concerts, and lecturers at HCC. It has eight committees which plan events: Children’s and Community Programs, videos, concerts; dances; lectures; literature and Fine Arts; Performing Arts; recreation; and Public Relations.

The board, become involved and would also like to see more people get involved and become volunteers for the board. Some events this month are: a three-part series on the mixed signals of dating and relationships presented by Gabriella Moeller, Training Specialist from the King County Sexual Assault Center and co-sponsored by HCC’s Women’s Program; Comic Eddy Maxx, winner of the 1991 Seattle Laugh-Off will bring his act to HCC.

Jewelry class teaches students more than just craftsmanship

Kathleen Olson
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“These methods, combined with artistic talent, develop student’s skills and prepare them for employment,” Pawula said.

Each week, during December, there is a student jewelry sale. Five percent of the money goes into a Jewelry Scholarship fund; the rest goes directly to the student who manufactured the piece of jewelry.
Exchange student enjoys life in U.S. and at HCC

Todd Games
Staff Writer

Jessica Salazar, a student of Highline Community College, is having a totally different experience living in Federal Way. Salazar, a native of Lima, Peru, made the choice to further her studies in the United States. Salazar said, "In Peru you have to take classes that the instructors tell you, but at Highline I can take the classes that I want to take." In Peru universities will even call your house if you miss any classes.

Salazar plans to finish her AA degree at HCC and transfer to Washington State University. At WSU she plans to obtain a double degree in Communication and Spanish. Salazar said, "I hope to pursue my goal of owning my own TV studio." In Peru there are no special classes in the television production field.

Nineteen-year-old Salazar attended high school at Regina Pacis, which translated in English means "Queen of Peace." The extra-curricular activities she participated in were volleyball and tennis.

She misses her family, friends and the way she used to live in Peru the most. "In Peru the people are much more cheerful," Salazar said. "Salazar will return to Peru during Christmas vacation but will not be returning to Peru in summer as she does each year. After her trip this winter she won't go home for at least a year and a half.

Having lived with her aunt, uncle, and grandmother in Federal Way for the last two years, Salazar has found many differences between Peru and the United States. According to Salazar, the people in the United States are much independent. "In Peru most people live with their family... but here they have to get married."

"Salazar says she feels more free to do her own job." Salazar says she enjoys most of her time studying and working at Drug Emporium. She says her favorite thing to do in the United States is shopping in the malls and going out with her boyfriend, whom she plans to marry.

Salazar says that she likes living in the Northwest and looks forward to the rest of the time she will spend at HCC.

HCC's Tutoring Center can help you make the grade

Leona Frick
Staff Writer

So you need to figure out what 3x - 4y equals? You fell asleep during math class and you have no clue as to how to solve this problem. Did you ever consider going to the Highline Community College Tutoring Center located in building 109? The Tutoring Center is available to all students who would like help with their studies.

Christa Swaggerty, tutorial assistant, with Carolyn Brooks and Fred Forges, coordinate the center. They help students set up study groups and provide directions so that they can study more efficiently.

These tutors act as personal tutors, helping students to become responsible thinkers. Some of the people that visit the center are people who see pictures and gather all the information they can from it. Different kinds of people learn in different ways, and the tutor at the center adjusts to that. Some of the different ways people learn are through visual images, hearing, or another way called tactile learning. A tactile learner learns best by movement. Their memory is turned on when they are moving. An example of this is when they are solving a math problem they are actually solving the math problem on paper and moving their hands as they go along.

The Tutoring Center offers a friendly environment, and the tutors do everything they can to help students through the frustrations of their studies. Help is available on everything from solving a math problem to finding out how to best study for a test.

The center is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Wondering where all those fees go?

Lisa Bradford
Staff Writer

Have you ever wondered where the $315 check you write to Highline Community College goes each quarter? Or do you, like the majority of the students on campus, give your check (or your parents' check) to the cashier with a sigh, smile and go on about your business never again giving the matter any thought? Admittedly, I was one of the vast majority who never gave the matter any thought. Then, I had the opportunity to speak with Dennis Steussy, Advisor of the Student Events Board. I had only heard about the events board through posters around campus promoting different events.

"This is one of our main problems," Steussy says, "Students, for the most part, don't know what we do. There is such a high turnover of student chairs and presidents on the eight Events Board Committees, that a lot of time is spent training the students rather than promoting the Board."

About 12 percent of a student's fees go toward operating and student activity costs, yet the majority of the students aren't taking advantage of their investment. One of the main goals of the Events Board is to inform students of the boards' functions and to encourage more involvement in the board's activities.

What about you? What would you like to see happen on campus? You can walk into the Student Activities Office and call to Dennis Steussy any time. He'll be glad to get you involved as you want to be. Call ext. 535 for information about weekly meetings. Find out what's happening on campus, then tell them where your money should go.

Once again-
Happy Birthday
BILL URLEVICH!
I Love You!
Always, Jennifer

Although the inside may have changed, the outside remains the same.

Photo by Chris BERGE
'JFK' attempts to uncover conspiracy

Costner gives brilliant performance as Garrison

Steve Stevens
Managing Editor

Oliver Stone's latest film forays into the 1960s deals with an earth-shattering event in the lives of most Americans—the assassination of John Fitzgerald Kennedy. The final work, "JFK," deals with the events in the life of New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison, portrayed solely by Kevin Costner after shameless hammering in "Robin Hood," and delves deeply into the alleged conspiracy concerning Kennedy's murder.

The film is about one American's crusade to amend what he feels is an atrocity committed by a thoroughly corrupt system. Stone presents a variety of theories involving such disparate elements as members of the military-industrial complex and revolutionary Cubans. As a character in the film says, "There are three questions you must ask yourself. Who wanted Kennedy dead? Who benefited? And who had the power to have him killed?" The argument that Garrison and Stone present is that Kennedy's assassination was, in effect, a coup d'état pulled off by high-level CIA and military men, who saw Kennedy as "too soft on Communism," in an effort to change American policy regarding Cuba, Vietnam and the U.S.S.R.

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Van Halen concert brings mixed reactions

Adam Argo
Staff Writer

Music fans across western Washington anxiously await the coming of Van Halen, a rock band considered by many to be America's greatest. The concert was originally scheduled for Nov. 14, 1991, but was moved to Jan. 22, 1992, because lead singer Sammy Hagar "bowed out" with his voice the night before a show in Vancouver. Although many ticketholders are still at pumped as ever to see the Jan. 22 show in the Tacoma Dome, some are still bitter about the changed date. "I think it sucks," said David Moore, a former Highline Community College student, about the rescheduled show. Moore transferred to Biola University this quarter, so he won't get to hear the Eddie Van Halen musical drill on "Poundcake" or any other Van Halen songs, for that matter. Moore decided to give his ticket to his brother for Christmas and is said he will miss the show. Mike Lee, a University of Washington undergraduate, is looking forward to the Jan. 22 concert. "Yeah, I was disappointed," Lee said, "but the first heard of the November cancellation, but he believes the band will do something to make up for me wait. Even though the new January show has stirred up angry feelings and Ticketmaster has given a lot of refunds, it will be a good concert. Since Van Halen will feel bad about hav- ing to reschedule back in November, they will want to give the crowd a better show than they normally would. Combining a crazy crowd with a guilty band is sure to make the greatest concert the Tacoma Dome had seen in quite a while.
Highline athletes spend vacation in competition

No rest for winter sports participants

Anna Lindgren
Senior Sports Reporter

While many Highline Community College students may have been roasting chestnuts over open fires and stuffing themselves with other holiday indulgences, the athletes of HCC were sweating through a demanding schedule of games and practices. Here’s a look at the action.

MEN’S WRESTLING

The HCC wrestlers grappled their way through the holiday break with impressive scores, unseating Big Bend Community College 59-0, crushing Yakima Valley 39-3, while narrowly losing to Pacific Lutheran’s University’s varsity squad 23-22 and Central Washington University’s varsity 24-21. However, the group’s greatest loss was to circumstance. Several top wrestlers are out due to injuries, academic ineligibility, and personal reasons;

WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

HCC pines league. Photo by Sharon Boles

As long and an 8-9 record has soulished the hopes of the Lady Hoosiers or their coach Dale Bofinger. He feels the team is “making progress” and “coming together” and still sees Divisional Playoffs as a “viable goal.”

NEXT HOME GAME: Saturday, Jan. 18 at 6 p.m. vs. Olympic Community College.

Women’s Basketball

1991 team that went present in the 1989 Thunderbirds that went to Final 8 postseason play. Assuming no major injuries or illness, head coach says they will “start strong” in playing in the Divisional Playoffs.

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MEN’S BASKETBALL

An extremely well-balanced team has pushed the HCC Thunderbirds to an 8-6 record going into league play. All five starters are averaging double digits in points per game. Head Coach Joe Calero sees many similarities in the

One coach exits Seattle while another exults

Doug McCormack
Sports Editor

That noise you hear emanating from the municipality of Kirkland is the equivalent of tearing down a long-standing monument and replacing it from the ground up. No, it isn’t another bust of Lenin being lowered amongst the cheers of refocused socialists. Rather, the rumblings from the Seahawks’ headquarters is the realization of a plan concocted by owner Ken Behring sometime in the late 80s.

The plan was set in place not two weeks after Knox made his exit and Flores named himself as a well orchestrated, harmonious, professional relationship, with the Dawgs have been employed by Behring, this radical restructuring has become the only acceptable solution for the team. Behring wanted Flores in charge from the beginning, and an owner is more willing to part with his wallet for someone he supports. The key fits the hole, and despite grumblings from the Seahawk faithful, the California Connection is here to stay.

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Mike McConnack was fired by Behring and replaced by long-time friend and southern California Connection is here to stay.

* From the Oh-by-The-Way File comes the perfect ending to a perfect season for Don James and his Huskies. The Dawgs handed a Rose Bowl whipping to a trash-talking Michigan team that was neither big enough, fast enough, nor smart enough to do anything against a clearly superior team. The fact that the James Gang had to share a portion of the national championship with Miami will not detract from their achievement; they both deserved it. It did, however, vindicate the cries for a playoff system that have echoed in the halls of college football for some time.

A 12-0 record has a nice ring to it, but don’t stop there. If anyone has peeked at the Huskies’ schedule next season, then you already know that the toughest match ups are still ahead. While the Dawgs have been unstoppable, while the road games can be described as soft at best. The Huskies are poised to become the first team in Rose Bowl history to win in Anaheim this year.

There’s also the business of another national championship. The Huskies will undoubtedly begin next season atop the national polls and, assuming that they want it bad enough, should remain there long enough to ensure that all eyes are turned to the Rose Bowl on New Year’s Day once again.

I can’t help but hum a few bars of “Tequila.”

* Less than a full calendar year after the Seattle SuperSonics rocked the league with a series of trades that changed the fabric of the team, it has become evident that Ricky Pierce is the best thing to happen to this team since K.C. Jones. Pierce’s ability to attack a defense from all four has been so well advertised that the Sonics half-court offense all season long. He can drain the jumper, stick the three or drive the lane. And if a team sends him to the inep, Pierce countercoves by being one of the most prolific free-throw shooters in the league. Some may call his style of play selfish, but Pierce’s versatility is greatly appreciated by a Seattle team full of one-dimensional athletes. When the Sonics reach the playoffs, look for him to step forward and lead a team that should find its way to at least the second round.

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Hill finds bargains aplenty at HCC

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Senior Reporter

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Students celebrate King holiday

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