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Both sides of Initiative 602 heard at HCSU-sponsored forum

The question on the minds of most students, faculty members, and administrators on campus is whether Initiatives 601 and 602 should pass or fail.

There was a forum arranged by the Highline College Student Union (HCSU), on Oct. 12, in Building 7. The purpose of the forum was to give speakers from both sides a chance to voice their views, and to give people who had questions about the initiatives a chance to ask. Brief lectures were given by Randy Tate, the representative for 1-602, and Mary Helen Roberts from the Committee for Washington's Future, a group which opposes 1-602. Since there was such a large response, HCSU will be holding another forum on Oct. 26 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., in Building 7.

Study area opens in Building 15

A student study area in Building 15 is open to all students who have an invitation from a building faculty member. The area was designed for students to study in a quiet environment and to allow them easy access to their instructors. It is also a place where instructors can give make up tests. The study area is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Another location for students to go for group study or discussion groups is Building 17, room 207, from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

HCC receives more than $400,000 for new students

The State Board for Community and Technical Colleges has allocated $417,360 to Highline Community College to be used for job retraining of unemployed Washington workers. The money is HCC's share of more than $14 million being distributed to 32 technical and community colleges in the state.

The program, which begins in winter quarter, is designed to help "dislocated" workers in Washington, with specific attention focused on laid-off Boeing employees. Students in need of additional information should contact HCC or any local Employment Security Job Service Center.

'Harturus' wins awards

The Highline Community College "Arcturus", a yearly art and literature publication written and designed by students on campus, recently won two awards for production and design. The awards, presented by The Beckett Paper Co. of Hamilton, Ohio, were given for the creative use of paper in graphic communications.

Flu shots offered by Health Center

The Health Services Center in Building 6 will be offering flu shots Oct. 25 through Nov. 5. Health Services will be charging $5 for the shot, which covers their costs for the serum. Mary Lou Holland, nurse practitioner for HCC, said that to prevent getting an illness, a flu shot would be a wise choice for the elderly and young people with a chronic illness.

Deadline approaching for HCC club elections

HCC's Multicultural Services is beginning campaigns for students interested in becoming a president, vice president, secretary, or treasurer. The Black Student Union, Asian Pacific Islander Coalition, Native American Student Association, and Latino/Mecha/Hispanic club are all looking for representatives. Students interested in running for these positions should contact Multicultural Services in Building 6. The deadline to begin a campaign is Oct. 27.
HCC students report harassment at Midway and campus parking lots

Two suspects have been detained, released by campus security

by Paul Creelman and Helene Miller

Recently two Highline Community College students have filed official complaints of harassment to campus security. One incident occurred at the Midway Drive-In Theater, and the other in the east parking lot. Both complaints were about people posing as magazine salespeople, according to HCC Security Officer D. Guillen.

This type of activity happens all the time, especially during spring quarter, and occurs on campuses across the country, said Officer Guillen.

According to Ed Rector, HCC chief of security, after the "salespeople" are turned down, they can become rude. The perpetrators have falsely represented HCC by offering free parking permits for fall quarter with the purchase of a subscription.

In one case, a victim who wishes to remain anonymous reported that after being approached in the Midway Drive-In parking lot and refusing to make a purchase, the "salesman" became rude, used offensive sexual innuendos and threatened to become violent.

Rector said that the Midway lot is inside Kent city limits, and therefore, the laws regarding soliciting without a permit are not as strict as those of Des Moines, which apply to the other lots actually located on HCC property.

Kent City Police Sgt. Glenn Woods said that because the Midway Drive-In is private property, the Kent police have no jurisdiction there in regards to solicitation without a permit. However, as soon as violence is threatened, it does become a police matter.

"If you are approached by any salesperson in the parking lots, ask to see their permit." — Ed Rector, HCC Chief of Security

Woods also said that if an HCC student is approached and harassed or threatened, they should immediately call 911.

Rector said that his department has apprehended two of the solicitors, but they think there may be one more still harassing people. Officer Guillen said that the two suspects, a male and a female, were detained and given verbal warnings, but were not arrested.

"When approached by these solicitors, just don't bother with them," said Officer Guillen.

Rector said that the harassment is a cyclic problem, and eventually the suspects will move on.

"If you are approached by any salesperson in the parking lots, ask to see their permit," said Rector. If a person is soliciting at the drive-in, chances are they don't have the permission of the property owners to be there.

Rector said that HCC's policy regarding soliciting does not allow for people to roam around the property to sell their products. People are allowed to set up a table or display in Building 6, or the Student Lounge after they have gotten permission from the college to do so.

Security has an automobile patrol which attends to all of the school's parking lots, and also has foot patrols. Rector is presently also considering adding a part-time bicycle patrol, depending on the success of its trial period. If it is successful, Rector said he will try to find a way to budget a bicycle for the school.

One of the advantages of the bicycle patrol, said Rector, is that the response time is fast, and relatively quiet, giving the patrolman a greater opportunity to apprehend suspects.

With the exception of the harassment reports, and some reported car prowling, Rector says that things have been relatively quiet.
Peer Health Advisory Committee relies on students as peer counselors

by Anne Meldrum and Helene Miller

The goal of the Highline Community College Peer Health Advising Committee is to create an atmosphere where students can feel comfortable discussing date rape, alcohol or substance abuse, and sexually transmitted diseases. According to Rochelle Conder, student coordinator and health advisor for HCC Health Services, victims often don't know where to go. "Health services at HCC are not here to counsel," Conder said, "but to help."

The Peer Health Advisory Committee's goal is to bring fellow students information about alcohol and substance abuse, STD and AIDS awareness, and acquaintance rape. The committee is composed of student advisors who try to make people feel more comfortable talking about these issues.

Mary Lou Holland, nurse practitioner at HCC, said that students listen to each other and she wants to reach students all over the campus and get them to talk about these uncomfortable issues. Holland said, "There are so many social problems that affect student population."

Students at HCC have not come forward to report date rape, Conder said, because they blame themselves and are embarrassed to go to a teacher. Conder also said that "male bashing" is not the focus and rape is a "two-sided story." Conder wants both sides to take responsibility and went on to say, "I want an open mind on these issues."

This is why the advisory committee was formed to help alleviate feeling of guilt and shame about alcohol abuse, AIDS, and rape.

Another reason the advisory committee was formed was to alleviate pressure on Health Services so they can perform their specified duties.

According to Holland it is difficult to give out information for prevention of AIDS, alcohol abuse, and rape, and also counsel people that have problems with these issues.

Mary Lou Holland

"Health Services at HCC are not here to counsel, but to help."
— Rochelle Conder
Student Health Advisor

Holland said, "We don't have a health educator, we have students."

Holland hopes that this committee can be a preventive tool and that this could take the pressure off of Health Services at HCC. The first focus of the Peer Health Advisory Committee is on acquaintance rape and date rape. According to Conder, date rape is a sensitive subject and to help make the advisory committee a success, a mock date rape trial is being formed.
and will run in December. The students will act as a mock jury and an attorney will be the judge. Conder is planning to get the drama department involved in the trial. These are the kinds of programs the advisory committee wants to form because they get students involved in the topic without making it uncomfortable.

Conder also hopes to get athletes in HCC sports to become involved because, she said, they are good role models. Conder also said she wants to get the Highline College Student Union (HCSU) involved and collaborate with other groups on campus to make this program work.

"One in four college women is a victim of rape or attempted rape. Eighty-four percent of rapes on campus are acquaintance rape in which the attacker was someone that the victim already knew."

— Journal of American College Health

Conder attended the American College Health Conference at Washington State University and the Journal of American College Health said, "One in four college women is a victim of rape or attempted rape. Eighty-four percent of rapes on campus are acquaintance rapes in which the attacker was someone that the victim already knew."

In the future, the Peer Health Advisory Committee wants to create other programs, like the mock date-rape trial, to help deal with issues students have to face.

The advisory committee only has a few peer advisors and needs more students involved in the program.

The Peer Health Advisory Committee meets twice a month. For more information about these times, call Conder at ext. 258 in Building 6, Health Services.

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Parent’s face major decisions when choosing a child care center

Choosing child care is one of the most important decisions parents will have to make

by Cathy Brewer
Child Care Specialist

Choosing child care for young children may be the single most important decision parents will make. As with any major decision, it is necessary to shop around and verify the quality, cost and services offered at child care centers.

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It's important for the parent to be assertive while gathering information about the provider and to trust their intuition and observations because the young child's well-being is at stake. In addition, valuable information can be obtained by checking references the center provides, such as parents currently enrolled and the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) licenser.

A quality child care program will have adults who: build children's self-esteem through warm, loving guidance; staff members who have training and experience in early childhood education; a safe, comfortable setting; small child-to-staff ratios and group sizes; planned activities and environments that help children grow and learn mentally, physically, emotionally and socially.

To find out what's available in child care, call the King County Day Care Referral Service, United Way, the Washington State DSHS child care licensers, YWCA, YMCA, or Washington Family Child Care Association.

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### Campus Events

#### Alcohol Awareness Week
**Date:** Oct. 18-21  
**Time:** Daily  
**Place:** Various places over the HCC campus  
**Contact:** Dennis Steussy at ext. 256 for more information

Wrecked Car and Grave Sites Displays  
These grave sites and the wrecked car represent visual displays and the aftermath of drinking and driving.  
**Date:** Oct. 18-21  
**Place:** Near Bldg. 8

Free Video: Postcards From the Edge  
**Date:** Oct. 19  
**Time:** 12 p.m. and 6:30 p.m  
**Place:** Bldg. 7, Artistic Lecture Center

Students and Alcohol: The Real Story  
Jeanne Far speaks to students about the myths of alcohol  
**Date:** Oct. 21  
**Time:** Noon  
**Place:** Bldg. 7

#### Halloween Video: The Shining  
**Date:** Oct. 26  
**Time:** Noon and 6:30 p.m  
**Place:** Bldg. 7

#### Halloween Face Painting  
**Date:** Oct. 29  
**Time:** 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.  
**Place:** Bldg. 6, HCC Bookstore

#### The Comedy Cafe  
**Date:** Nov. 5  
**Time:** 8 p.m.  
**Place:** Bldg. 8, Tazza Espresso  
**Cost:** $3 in advance, $5 at the door

#### HCC Art Gallery  
**Date:** Now until Nov. 9  
**Place:** Fourth floor of HCC Library  
**Monoprints and monotypes by Colin Strohm on exhibit.**

#### Student Writers Contest and Coffee House Reading  
HCC students will compete for first, second, and third prizes. Students will read their own literature in prose or poetry.  
**Date:** Nov. 9  
**Time:** 6:30 p.m.  
**Place:** Bldg. 8, Union Bay Cafe

#### Author Signing  
Donald McQuinn is signing his latest science fiction book "Wanderer."  
McQuinn attended HCC in the 80s.  
**Date:** Oct. 23  
**Time:** 1 p.m.  
**Place:** Book World on Pac. Hwy. and Kent-Des Moines Rd.

#### Women's Student Union  
HCC Women's Programs has organized a club for women who want a voice on campus.  
**Date:** Every Thursday  
**Time:** 1 p.m.  
**Place:** Bldg. 22 rm. 105

### Lectures and Workshops

#### Brown Bag Series: Primer on Part-time/Temporary Work  
**Date:** Oct. 19  
**Time:** 12 p.m.  
**Place:** Bldg. 22 rm. 105  
Lecture by Karen Miceli, branch manager of Federal Way Manpower Agency. No fee or registration.  
**Contact:** Kelli Johnston for more information at ext. 340.

#### Evening Discussion Series: Fix It Now  
**Date:** Oct. 21  
**Time:** 6 p.m.  
**Place:** Federal Way Center campus. No fee or registration. Contact Kelli Johnston for more information at ext. 340.

#### "Weird America"  
A lecture and slide presentation by Parapsychologist Peter A. Jordan.  
**Date:** Oct. 28  
**Time:** 7:30 p.m.  
**Place:** Bldg. 7, Artist-Lecture Center

### Clubs and Organizations

#### Latter Day Saints Student Association Institute  
"Parables of Jesus"  
**Date:** Wednesday  
**Time:** Noon  
**Place:** Bldg. 26 rm. 318

#### Clubs and Organizations

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Center
Cost: $3 for students
$5 for non-students

Best Bet Careers
Date: Nov. 9-16
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Place: Bldg. 22 rm. 207
Cost: $15
Pre-registration is required.

General Information
Faculty Forum
Video and discussion by Norma Boldstein.
Date: Oct. 26
Time: 2:15 p.m.
Place: Bldg. 7, Artist-Lecture Center

Sports
NWAACC Championship for Volleyball
Date: Oct. 18-20
Place: Bldg. 28, Pavilion
For more information about times contact John Littleman at ext. 240.

HCC Women's Basketball Team
Tryouts
Date: Oct. 18
Time: 2 p.m.
Place: Pavilion
For more information, call Mary Arz at ext. 449

HCC Women's Volleyball Team
All games at 7 p.m. unless noted otherwise
Oct. 20, against Edmonds @ Edmonds
Oct. 22, against Bellevue @ Highline

HCC Men's Soccer Team
Oct. 20, against Edmonds @ Edmonds at 4 p.m.
Oct. 22, against Spokane @ Highline at 1 p.m.
Oct. 23, against Everett @ Highline at 7 p.m.
Oct. 30, against Spokane @ Spokane at 1 p.m.
Nov. 1, against Skagit Valley @ Highline at 7 p.m.
Nov. 10, against Edmonds @ Edmonds at 4 p.m.

HCC Cross Country Team
Oct. 23, WWU invitation, Time: TBA @ Bellingham
Nov. 6, NWAACC Championship, Time: TBA @ Longview

WHAT'S HAPPENING

No-Waste Recycle Week '93
Date: Oct. 16-24
Sponsored by Department of Ecology to celebrate the achievement of Washington state citizens in waste reduction and recycling.

Rummage Sale
Sponsored by Lakeside School Parents Association and is their 44th annual rummage sale.Date: Oct. 22-23
Time: Friday 3-8 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Place: Seattle Center Exhibition Hall

New Evening Master's Program in Construction and Facilities Management
The University of Washington Department of Building Construction is offering a evening graduate degree program in construction and facilities.
Date: Admission in Winter Quarter 1994 are due by Nov. 1, 1993
Place: UW
For more information, call UW Evening Degree Program at 543-6160 or 1-800-543-2320.

Arts and Entertainment
Haunted Halloween
Date: Oct. 30-31
Place: Pacific Science Center
There will be candy for children, pumpkin painting, mask making, and a tour through the Chamber of Chills.
For more information, call Pacific Science Center General Information hot line at 443-2001.

Community Events

General Information
Archaeology Instructor travels to Egypt to study tombs

by Paul J Creelman

You may have spent your summer playing games, or working at your job, or maybe even here at Highline Community College, but two HCC instructors spent their summer in Egypt, working on ways to preserve an historic landmark. They began working on the conservation of the Valley of the Kings, a wellspring of Egyptian history.

"It may surprise many people," said HCC anthropology and history instructor Dr. Donald P. Ryan, "that as arid as the Valley of the Kings is, that one of its greatest threats is not only tourists, but natural hazards."

Both Ryan and Brian Holmes, an anthropology instructor at HCC, spent several weeks in Egypt during July and August working on a project to help preserve some of the many tombs that comprise the Valley of the Kings.

Ryan's interest in Egypt began at an early age. This summer wasn't the first time that Dr. Ryan went to Egypt. In fact, the history instructor has been there several times. In 1981 he traveled to Egypt as a graduate student from the University of Washington. He returned almost every year after that, working on various archaeology projects. Finally, in 1989 he began his own dig, concentrating on some of the less excavated tombs in the Valley.

In the early 20th century, Howard Carter, a British archaeologist, made the discovery of a lifetime. He discovered the tombs that we now call the Tombs of the Kings, filled with riches both historical and financial. During his digging, Carter discovered many tombs, but disregarded them as unimportant because there was no gold, no riches. These are the tombs that Ryan concentrated on.

During the 1989 project, as well as the ones to follow, Ryan made discoveries that have helped to reveal the true lives of the ancient Egyptians. Ryan has earned international celebrity and acclaim from his findings and subsequent articles in archaeology publications.

While Carter's discovery of the riches in King Tutankhamun's tomb was momentous, the eventual impact on the environment inside was horrendous.

The problems stem from the fact that the tombs had been sealed off for thousands of years, and were then suddenly opened and exposed to the harsh exterior elements. Once opened, the tombs fell prey to whatever fates the local weather provided, and the interiors began to decay rapidly.

"Tourists, of course pose a problem because these tombs were never meant to be visited by anyone, nonetheless a half million tourists per year," Ryan said, "but what we were primarily addressing was natural hazards. It's a dry place, but it may surprise you that one of the biggest threats to these tombs is water. Not water from the ground up, but water coming down.
from rain and flash floods.

Part of Ryan's project this year was to make hydrological maps of the valley to show where flooding would likely occur, and which tombs would be the most affected.

"They do occur infrequently," said Ryan of floods in the valley. They have occurred in the past and will likely occur in the future. It leaves these tombs exposed, and most of the tomb doors are open or inadequate to protect themselves (the tombs) from flooding.

Accompanying the HCC instructors on the project were a graduate student from the University of Washington, a British Egyptologist, an engineer from San Francisco, and a large work force recruited from the Egyptian community.

Ryan's role in the project was both as creator and as supervisor. Early on he realized that the valley was decaying at a rapid pace, and something needed to be done about it. After clearing the project with the Egyptian government, Ryan and company were allowed to begin their work.

Ryan credits his HCC colleague Holmes and the graduate student from the UW with doing the grueling outside survey work while he supervised.

"Tourists pose a problem because these tombs were never meant to be visited by anyone."

--- Donald P. Ryan

Ryan said, "I'd come along and say, 'Oh, that looks good. What are you guys doing today?'"

Occasionally Ryan might have even said, "Don't fall." Holmes and the graduate student spent many hours on the edges of the high cliffs in the valley, sometimes resisting strong gusts of wind while holding on to what Ryan refers to as the "idiot stick."

The idiot stick is a nickname the team gave a surveying rod used for taking measurements of cracks and crevices in the cliffs and walls of the valley. It was used to calculate the amount of erosion that might occur during floods and rain storms. The team also set devices for measuring movement in the cracks that were found in and around the tombs. Ryan and his associates also noted the effects of wind erosion on the Valley, where graffiti appeared, and also where they found cash left behind in the tombs by previous floods.

But as troublesome as these issues may seem, these weren't the only problems.

"Bats," said Ryan, "some tombs have bats in them that are having a terrible effect." Their guano and urine is destroying the tombs. Ryan explained that there were cases where stalactites and stalagmites were being formed by bat droppings and urine.

The team worked several hours per day, six days per week, usually spending the seventh day of each week searching for additional places to survey and report on. On one such expedition, they hiked to a location dubbed the "naughty grotto," a site which had several explicit wall paintings.

Occasionally, they even had time for fun. When he prepared for the trip, Ryan packed the necessary supplies to make nacho chips. Because the group was in Egypt during a slow time in the tourist season, Ryan was able to convince the hotel cooks to allow him to use their facilities for the necessary preparations to have a "Nacho Night."

"He (Ryan) was often sort of like an informal guide."

--- Brian Holmes

Heather DeLanda

Thunderbird 13
An archaeologist rappels down the face of a desert cliff and comes to a stop at the mouth of a cavern. He unstraps his harness and proceeds into the cave. What hellish fate awaits this adventurer?

He jounces deeper, finally arriving at the back, and gazes into a flooded out section of a tomb.

"This is very strange," he says, "this little room here is full of water. I'm not going in there.

He throws a rock into the pool of rainwater.

"The water probably entered the tomb during the winter."

WHAT? Where are the spiders and snakes and killer boulders? Where are the angry natives with spears and arrows?

Where is the Lost Ark?

The mummies segment will air on The Learning Channel in November, which is also when A&E will broadcast an encore performance of "The Face of Tutankhamun."  

Archaeology

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ten, and appearances on a British television mini-series called "The Face of Tutankhamun."

"People said, 'Are you Dr. Ryan? I saw you on television!'" said Holmes, "he was often sort of like an informal guide telling people what he thought were the best tombs to see."

As the archaeological project continued, the role of the engineer became vital, said Ryan, as it would be his insights and suggestions that would have a great impact on the finished project, and on the very future of the valley itself.

The next step for the team is to compile all the various data collected, along with recommendations for long term conservation projects, and send the finished product to the Egyptian government to be researched.

Ryan said that future expeditions to the valley depend on the political climate of the region. It's not always wise for an American to have a high profile in the Middle East, he said.

Ryan's expeditions give him a keen perspective in his teachings; instead of quoting from a book, Ryan has first-hand experiences to draw from. His trips to Egypt give him an ability to bring life into his courses.
T-Birds seek to overcome obstacles

by Paul J Creelman

Second year Highline Community College men's soccer coach Dan Flint has been coaching soccer for 20 years. He has coached at Green River Community College, Lindbergh High School and Decatur High School.

Flint has simple goals in mind for his team. "To win every game," said Flint. "We want to win, HCC soccer team practices skills for upcoming games."

We've started off a little slow, though."

His goals as coach are a little more complex. Flint wants to see his players improve daily, in both skill and attitude. He also wants them to succeed in school.

This year's team has only four returning players: Mattia Boscolo, Phillip Rogerson, Greg Steams, and Matt Connolly, a co-captain.

"We lost quite a few, and that hurt us," said Flint of last year's players, "and I was really disappointed because they weren't keeping their grades up."

One point kept last year's team out of the playoffs. If the team had only scored one more goal, achieved one more victory instead of a tie, HCC would have had a shot at the big time. Not bad for the coach's first year with his team.

One obstacle this year is the players lost to poor grades. Another problem is not being able to attend a recent soccer tournament in Canada. In the past, the tournament has served as a sort of pre-season series which gives the players time to come together as a team. However, as a result of budget constraints, the team was unable to attend the tournament this year.

"Those were high impact games," said Flint, "they got us warmed up before the season started, so we're starting a little slow this year."

So far, the team has one loss and one tie. Coach Flint believes this slow beginning will just give them the chance to become a comeback team.

The new players on the team are: Christian Cole, Steven Cono, John Durante, Abhinesh Kashyap, Tuoi Le, Sean Rankin, Todd Manola, Alec Munro, Shawn Seavers, and Eric Whipple. Cole also serves as co-captain. Even though this is his first year with HCC, Cole has been playing soccer for most of his life. Cole played for Flint at Lindbergh, where he showed the coach that he was both a talented player and a leader on the playing field.

"The leadership is coming along," said Flint, "but right now we're just lacking a little bit of playing time."

The team's first game this season was against Edmonds Community College. They lost 5-2. Next, they played against Everett Community College with mixed results.

"We tied Everett 2-2; we put in three of the four goals," said Flint, "but we made a tremendous improvement in playing."

Flint said that during the Thunderbird's home games he'll begin to shoot video of the contests and study them later, hoping to see where the team can improve.

The team practices every weekday from 2:30 p.m. until 4 p.m., working on various drills and trying to improve on mistakes made during the previous games.

The 1993 Thunderbirds soccer team has many obstacles to overcome, but every day they practice hard to perform better.
'Malice'; finally a thriller with class

by Ken Steffenson

Thriller films have become very popular in recent years, but too often these films rely on such predictable plots and blatant violence that some of us rush home to plug a classic Hitchcock film into the VCR.

Fortunately, "Malice" is a classy movie that relies more on style than on easy tricks. The plot seems easy enough to follow in the first half of the film, but it turns out to be used mainly for effective character development. Later, when events begin to truly affect the main characters, the audience expects certain reactions from them. But viewers will be surprised by the turns some of the lead characters take.

Case in point is Andy Safian (Bill Pullman), the dean of students at a New England college. A serial killer's atrocious acts around the campus affect the meek Andy as the viewer would expect based on the character development. But when a personal tragedy befalls Andy's wife Tracy (Nicole Kidman) and she does some unpredictable things, Andy reacts with a vengeance that is nearly unbelievable.

The high-quality writing, combined with tight directing by Harold Becker, give "Malice" a pace that is perfect for this type of thriller.

Even the local detective (Bebe Neuwirth, with a mostly believable Boston accent), confuses Andy enough to make him wonder if he can be sure of anything or anyone. But the extremely talented and zealous Dr. Jed Hill (Alec Baldwin) who, after we think we have his personality pegged, shows a side of himself which makes us wonder if he is actually the one responsible for the actions we think he is. Baldwin plays the character with a cool, self-assured style which is perfect for the part. And it doesn't hurt that his intense, piercing gaze seems to bore into the thoughts of the people he encounters.

The changes the characters go through are believable due to the intelligent script, written by two men experienced in well-paced thrillers — Scott Frank ("Dead Again") and Aaron Sorkin ("A Few Good Men").

The high-quality writing, combined with tight directing by Harold Becker, give "Malice" a pace that is perfect for this type of thriller. The action, although subtle at times, keeps building throughout this classy film. Even a potentially slow but humorous scene where Andy meets Tracy's mother (well played by Anne Bancroft), increases the tension and suspense. This is partly because of what we learn, but mainly because of what we are forced to suspect.

Although "Malice" won't win awards for any innovative ideas, the overall presentation is so smooth that it seems fresh and new.
Q: How do you feel the Clinton Health Care Plan will affect you?

"Hopefully what it will do to affect me is that it will make sure it provides health insurance for myself. Right now I can't carry any. Since I don't work and I am a student and unless you pick up the student health insurance you don't have any."

— Karen Stentz
HCC student

"I have always been on either DSHS or I haven't had medical for years, and I am a single parent with a child, so I think this is great."

— Karen Cole
Tazza Espresso employee

"I do have a small problem with the package as it's presented. I personally think they should go to a single-payer plan. I do not think that what they have in mind is manageable. It will involve too much bureaucracy - it will be a lot of wasted money."

— Syd Perreault
HCC student

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Clinton's Health Care Plan has the right approach but the wrong ideas

Clinton's plan doesn't cover all the areas that health care should

by Anne Meldrum

A frustrated student was driving down Highway 99 when his radiator exploded. Luckily, James stalled in front of a car repair shop. But his insurance only guaranteed service for one repair shop—that happened to be across town.

James called the towing company, and after paying a standard fee, finally got his car across town to his repair shop, only to find out that they needed a special part to fix the radiator and it would take two weeks to have it sent there. As if nothing else could go wrong, James found out that his deductible only covered a minimal amount, and he would have to pay the rest.

James tried to fix the problem himself, but his mechanical experience wasn't great and he needed a specialist to fix such a complex problem. If this sounds like a typical experience in the life of an American driver, it's because the current health care system is broken.
The ideas in this health plan are so complex that most Americans have a hard time figuring out what this plan means to them personally. Every person who has opened a magazine, read a newspaper, or watched television has seen the words, “What health care means to you.” People are so busy trying to explain health care that they lose sight of what it is really going to do to our population.

“They’ve (government) been working on it for a long time and they haven’t figured it out.”

—Phil Droke

Clinton would like everyone to believe that the government is going to take everyone’s problems away by providing “Health Alliances” that everyone can belong to. “This is great for people who don’t have health care, but what about the ones that do?”

People who are 100 percent covered by their employers now have to pay 20 percent of their health care and that covers only minimal health benefits. Any benefits above this are paid by the consumer. This means that Jane Doe, who can go to her doctor whenever she wants and has all her premiums paid by her employer, now has to pay 20 percent of the cost.

Here is another example of someone who loses out on health care: People who are self-employed have to pay the 20 percent of the premiums plus the other 80 percent that they have to pay as a company. This means that a big chunk of their profit goes to costs for health care.

Health care is targeted for the poor and the working poor who don’t have medical insurance, but in the long run they will be hurt also. Since most of the poor will be on Medicaid, when that area of government suffers huge cuts the people that belong to those programs will suffer too. People that have Medicaid will be put into Regional Alliances and be forced to pay for those minimal health benefits in Clinton’s plan.

Clinton’s plan also focuses on those who would like to choose their own doctors, usually trusted physicians they have gone to for a lifetime. Just like James who couldn’t choose which repair shop he wanted, under Clinton’s plan doctors would also be chosen, and those who wanted to choose would pay more for doing so.

Clinton’s health care plan does provide care for everyone, but health care should also provide freedom of choice and control prices at the same time. Clinton’s plan does have some good points, but it also has some things that people aren’t taking into account. This plan should be put into use as soon as possible. And then Congress should work out all these problems as they arise.
Letters to the editor

Initiatives 601 and 602

To The Editor:

A few years ago, Oregon citizens passed "Measure 5," amidst promises that their colleges and universities would be "protected" from budget cuts as property taxes were limited. Today's reality in Oregon is that the University of Oregon, for example, has lost 2000 students, sliced 20 programs of study, eliminated teacher education, closed one of its colleges, and has had to raise tuition 32 percent just to maintain the rubble that's left. They must cut another 20 percent this year.

And now the backers of initiatives 601 /602 are telling the higher education community in Washington "not to worry," that we need not fear the severe budget cuts of 602, or the instituting of minority rule (by requiring supermajority approval) at the state legislature on some tax and budget measures. "Just cut the fat ...", they say.

The fact is, even in good times such as the 1980s, the community colleges in Washington state have suffered. Our enrollment levels are only now getting back to their 1980 levels. Our funding level per student lingers around 40th (from the top) nationwide. Almost half of all classes are taught by part-timers. Our library has only one full-time librarian, and is closed on weekends. Faculty already will receive no raise (not even cost of living) for the next two years. And any fool who believes that the legislature will "protect higher ed." in the face of a $900 million budget cut is just that - a fool (or worse yet, a radio talk show host concerned about ratings, a lobbyist for the tobacco or alcohol industries, or a rejected candidate for governor).

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The administration at Highline is forced to take a moderate line when it comes to public utterances on the effects of 601 /602. But right now, in preparation for the possible passage of 602, the Senate Ways and Means Committee is considering cuts which could eliminate $32 million in student aid, eliminate $42 million in new student enrollments, reduce faculty salaries by 2-3 percent, eliminate the sick-leave buy-back funds, require all state employees to pay 5 percent of health benefit premiums, and reduce overall funding for higher education by 10 percent.

The initiatives will not reduce property taxes, sales taxes or gas taxes. The initiatives will give a $200 million tax break to the alcohol and tobacco companies. The initiatives will also kill health reform in our state for the foreseeable future.

If you don't like what the legislature is doing, fire your legislator and get a new one. Don't cut the social fabric of our state at the knees and then change the rules so it never recovers.

Imagine a nightmare of a budget, with classes being eliminated, tenured faculty fired, programs cut, student grants reduced, salary rollbacks for faculty, reductions to K-12, police and other needed services. Then imagine the rules of the legislative game being changed to minority rule, which will guarantee your nightmare budget will stay with you for years and years. That's what initiatives 601 and 602 will do.

Allan Walton
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Parking problems continue

To the Editor:

Two years ago I proposed a gate with attendant, or card identification system. Closing the campus to non-stickered vehicles would immediately reduce some of the stress. Others have suggested closing off one large lot for faculty/staff. Valet parking through work study has been mentioned. The issue is very serious. I am not paid to think up parking solutions and I feel, frankly, that the people who should have dealt with the problem...
have contented themselves with excuses for not doing anything about the parking crisis at Highline College for nineteen years. The faculty have spoken of work slow downs (which are already happening), mass illegal parking involving the city of Des Moines, parking on the lawn, calling the Des Moines police to arrange the parking dilemma, parking on the pedestrian walkways. Any or all of these things may happen as the actual practice of parking has become reckless and undisciplined.

I began working full time at HCC in Fall 1974. I was frequently unable to park my car in the designated parking area for faculty. I wrote letters, complained and was angry. Nothing has changed.

When I am late getting to my office, angry and nervous, I do not do good work with students waiting to see me, with the lecture to be presented or with the collegial interaction which leads to shared information. My time is wasted, but most importantly I am no longer properly prepared for my work.

If the college is unable and unwilling to resolve this chaotic and dangerous situation how can we expect students or legislators or the public to believe that we have any of the requisite skills for which they are paying?

Most organizations, public and private, have set up parking systems which work. I have worked for a number of institutions for whom parking is never an issue and certainly never the cause for lateness and rage.

Finally, there is no question in my mind that the priority parking system must underscore the indispensable role that faculty play in this institution. Regardless of Mr. Yehudi Webster’s dream, students are not my colleagues; they do not hold the same rank and importance in the dissemination of facts, theories and knowledge, they do not protect and propitiate the legacy of useful information passed through the centuries to help others achieve more from our short visit here and they are not the payee, they are the payer. I do my best every day because they have paid for my best, but they are not my equals until they have jumped some more hoops and paid some more dues. I must be in the classroom calm, prepared, focused and happy to do my work. If they are out walking to campus or writing to park, the central functions of the college will not be in jeopardy.

1. Security forces should be rerouting students cars from the gate effective immediately.
2. Faculty/staff slots must be counted to assess how many more slots must be immediately designated due to increase in part-time faculty.
3. Long term solutions will need to be created if the Midway lot cannot accommodate the students currently parked on the campus. (Students do not park on the campus at the University [of Washington], they are in outlying lots, some serviced with buses.)

Executive action seems inescapable with a plan for discussion to follow.

Christiana Taylor
Dear student,

The November General Election ballot will include two tax-limiting initiatives, I-601 and I-602. Everyone seems to agree that tax limitations sound like a good idea. But at what cost? If either initiative passes, who stands to lose once state revenues decline and the Legislature begins to make cuts in state services? I-602, the more Draconian of the two, would require an immediate rollback of nearly $1 billion in tax revenue currently budgeted. Who will "pay" for the revenue cuts required if Initiative 602 passes?

One answer is students at colleges and universities. Here's why...

Under I-601/I-602, 53 percent of the state general fund budget is not protected from cuts which must be spread over only five budget areas -- including higher education.

Higher education represents 27 percent of the unprotected portion and presents a large target for legislative budget cutters. A total of $260 million could be carved out of budgets of research and regional universities and community and technical colleges beginning next year.

The state Higher Education Coordinating Board is currently discussing possible cuts in such areas as the student aid program and the number of students served -- a total of 6,638 people.

Each university and college is already discussing cuts which would be necessary in student service areas like course offerings and layoffs of faculty who teach those courses.

Because recent tuition increases have been retained and already budgeted by higher education institutions, the tuition cuts promised by I-602 actually could mean additional reductions in student aid and course offerings. Faculty layoffs would follow.

At the community and technical college level, budget analysts have estimated that between $75 and $107 million will have to be cut from areas like the workforce training fund. Cuts in that fund alone ($35.1 million) would close CTC doors to approximately 10,000 students.

Governor Lowry has already proposed cuts of at least 7 percent in community and technical college budgets. If I-602's cuts are prorated over the remaining 18 months of the biennium, the actual figure could exceed 10 percent.

Budget cut estimates would reduce student enrollment at CTC's by between 12,000 and 17,000 students. The figure probably would be higher when part-time enrollment is considered.

Are we using scare tactics? Not at all! Measures similar to I-601 and I-602 have been passed in California and Oregon. California's higher education system is now described as having been "decimated" and Oregon's is approaching a state of "shambles." Oregon has already lost the equivalent of one full university to tax cuts.

We're urging you to learn from other people's mistakes by not letting I-601 and I-602 do to your school what has been done in California and Oregon.

We urge you to know enough to vote NO on Initiatives 601/602.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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