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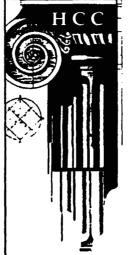
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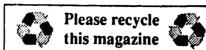


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Comedy Cafe series finishes on a funny note

by Secret Charles

The Literature and Fine Arts Committee of Highline Community College's Events Board sponsored a Friday evening comedy show on April 15, which featured Kristina Hall and Kermet Apio. The rib-tickling performances and lively crowd made the entire evening a blast.

One by one, people began to arrive around 8 p.m. Everyone tried to find just the right seat, far from the stage. One couple who sat fairly close received a fair share of attention throughout their night. We found out that they had been dating for six months, and both were previously married. The couple exposed their business very skeptically but got a kick out of the embarrassment.

A generous number of HCC students were visible, but the crowd was surprisingly composed of middle-aged couples and friends. Diana Fitzpatrick, a middle-aged resident of the community, was in the mood for humor and thought the comedy show was great. She felt that the atmosphere was really comfortable and enjoyed breathing smoke-free air while watching two extremely funny comedians. She said, "I had a real good time and would come again." Fitzpatrick feels laughter is a healer.

Before the arrival of Hall and Apio at the Comedy Cafe, located at Tazza Espresso, the audience was entertained by quiet, rhythmic music. While the

music played, the lights were dim and the cafe filled with the smell of freshly ground coffee beans. Later, after the show had begun, Hall asked the question, "What type of beans does your cafe use?" We found out that they were Millstone and Hall said, "Oh, Safeway beans." The joke was timely and funny. The coffee drinkers were constantly being teased.

HCC student Jim Moniz, who was the master of ceremonies, entertained the patiently waiting audience. All Barney bashers clapped in favor of Barney being depressed once in a while. Moniz then began to sing made-up lyrics to his version of the depressed Barney's new song.

Hall, the opening comedian, arrived late, and Moniz tried to fill the time. But his jokes began to get stale, and he appeared to be just as anxious as the audience for the stars to arrive. Finally, thirty minutes late, they did.

Hall blamed her tardiness on the bad directions given to her and apologized for being late.

This unique comic has a natural sense of humor that made the common events of life seem funny. Having a dad who speaks with his dog and expects others to speak to the dog — even over the phone — caused the crowd to roar with laughter.

Hall has made several television and concert appearances. She was seen on



Comedian Kristina Hall makes effective

Comic Strip Live and Emerald City Comedy Hour. If she continues to be the incredible comic she is, we can look

forward to seeing a lot more of her.

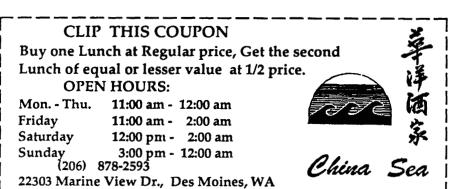
humor out of everyday situations.

Apio approached the stage in a freshlooking Seattle Mariners leather sports jacket. This 6 feet 2 inches tall comedian is no joke. He described how a drive-through restaurant operated by a group of psychics might work. Not only could you order your food four blocks away, but when you drove up to the window they would have your change ready.

Apio left the crowd with forty-five minutes of fun-filled laughter. He dodged a political request from the audience choosing instead to tell about the time he was on "Star Search" and Ed McMahon screwed up and read the wrong lines from the TelePrompTer.

Apio has traveled to over 100 colleges and has appeared on the television show "Almost Live." He was the winner of the Seattle Comedy Competition in 1991.

For anyone interested in having a good time and laughing until you're sick, bring a friend along and come to see a comedy show at the Comedy Cafe if the series of shows is continued next year.



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HCC student brings home national skeet shooting award

HCC student, Brian Osborn, is the current Washington State Champion skeet shooter. Osborn is an independent shooter who has just traveled to El Reno, Okla. He defeated over 150 competitors and seized first place for Junior Colleges in international skeet. Osborn was able to finish in fourth place out of all competing two- and fouryear colleges.

Osborn became interested in international skeet over four years ago when his dad, who hunted as a child, took him to a hunter's club. This independent shooter foresees his challenges, has continued to make commitments and has set a goal for himself. Osborn wants to try and make the 1996 Olympic team.

In 1992, he finished in second place for juniors in the National Championship, held in California. Osborn has advanced to the United States shooting team. He plans to travel Colorado Springs for some training and will begin tryouts for the Olympic picks in 1995. The athletes that are chosen from the tryouts will comprise the 1996 Olympic team.

Osborn is a freshman at HCC and is very close to fulfilling his athletic goal. He said, "Ninety percent of the game is mental. It's just like shooting free throws; your only opponent is yourself." He is also a basketball player and is thinking about joining the HCC basketball team next year.

He said he has made close friends since his participation in skeet shooting. One of these friends is Josh Lakatos, who lives at the Olympic training center in California. Lakatos holds several world records and has been a good friend by supporting and being there for Osborn.

Thunderbird track team fifth in conference standings

The Thunderbirds are off to a good start. Highline Community runner himself and knows all about College's track team ranks high in the importance of bending, stretch-

the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges. Shelton Jackson, assistant sprint coach, believes he has seen their strongest competitors in action and feels the track team has a great chance of remaining at the top of the rankings this year.

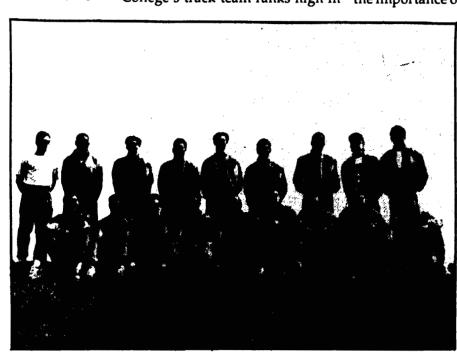
HCC's track team currently ranks fifth in the NWAACC out of the twelve competing college track teams.

Tim Dozal, Melvin Johnson and Brandon Treece will enter in the Conference Decathlon Championship meet scheduled for May 26-27, 1994, at Lewis and Clark State College in Portland, Ore. Last year the track team ended its season by placing sixth. Jackson feels that the quality of the individual strengths of team members is the biggest contributor to the team's success.

Jackson is a former HCC track

ing and running. He will continue to work with the runners and have them practice their fundamentals.

Jackson said, "If there is anyone out there that would like to run, come on out and talk with us." The track and field team competes against Seattle Pacific University on Saturday, May 14.



The Thunderbirds have posted some impressive individual performances, and rank high as a team.

Just what is a G-Spot?



by Marlin Bowman

The wannabe comedian on cable television started it. He mentioned the word. Can I help it if I don't know what it means?

I was sitting in LaTisha's living room. (Her name has been changed to protect the columnist). I had

skipped classes to bring her home from the hospital after she had given birth to a hot appendix. Now I was making myself available to bring her Jell-O and fruit juice.

So I asked LaTisha, "What's a 'G-spot'?"

"Marlin, if you don't know by now, you'll never know."

"No, LaTisha, what's a G-spot, and what does the 'G' stand for?"

"All I know is that people who never get any seem to talk about it a lot," she said. "Why don't you go out and find a woman and ask her?"

"I thought I just did," I mumbled.

"Why don't you ask Richard when he gets here?" she asked. Richard is her boyfriend (his name has been changed, too, to protect the columnist) and I was reasonably sure that he wouldn't know the answer.

When he arrived and I asked him, his first response was, "Whatzup, 'G'?" Then he said what I had suspected, "I don't know. The 'G' must stand for 'good.' It's a good spot."

By then it had become a mission. I had to find out what a G-spot is. I asked my roommate, Tom O'Grady. (That's his real name. The columnist needs no protection here.) He's from the Big Apple, New York City, and he'll surely know what it is, I thought.

"A G-spot is a hundred dollar bill - no - a thousand no — a hundred. Let's see," Tom said, "A fin is a fifty dollar bill and a G-spot is a thousand dollar bill. 'G' stands for a grand - one grand."

That had a reasonable ring to it, but it still didn't seem to be the answer I was looking for.

When I approached the editorial staff of the ThunderWord with the idea for this column, our esteemed assistant editor, Heather DeLauder asked, "You want to write a column about a G-string?"

Editor In Chief, Ken Steffenson, tried to look up G-spot in on my desk. It wasn't there. But he found that "G" stands

for "a unit of force equal to the gravity exerted on a body at rest." Maybe a G-spot is the spot where that unit of force sits when it's at home?

I was getting nowhere with my quest for knowledge. I got desperate. I went to Highline Community College's Public Information Office. There I found Keith Banks, dean of publications. (That's his real name. He looked harmless

I asked him, "What is a G-spot and what does the 'G' stand

He pushed his glasses up on his nose, looked out the window and said, "I think it has to do with Greek mythology. The 'G' must stand for Greek." Now that opens up another can of worms.

Then Banks asked, "Have you ever seen a cashew in a shell? Do they grow in a shell? Do they grow on a vine, on a tree or like peanuts? Why don't you ever see them in the shell?"

I said I didn't know and asked him if he had a joke for the column.

He told the following:

Three couples arrived in heaven all at the same time. St. Peter interviewed each couple in turn. The first husband expounded on his many virtues. St. Peter said, "I disagree with you. I've been watching your life and your only interest has been in acquiring riches. In fact, you are so focused on this that you married a woman named Penny. Go sit over there."

The second man also told of his exemplary life. Again St. Peter disagreed. "You have spent your life consuming alcohol. You've become so enthralled with alcohol that you married a woman named Sherry. Go sit with the other couple."

The third husband turned to his wife and said, "We might as well just go and sit with the others, Fanny."

ThunderWord staff artist, Chris Dalan, submitted this

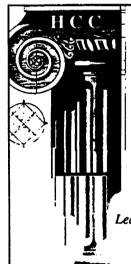
Three men were walking down the street. Two of them walked into a bar. The other one ducked. That reminds me of the magician who walked down the

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"What's a G-spot?"



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