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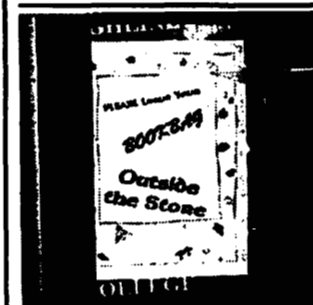
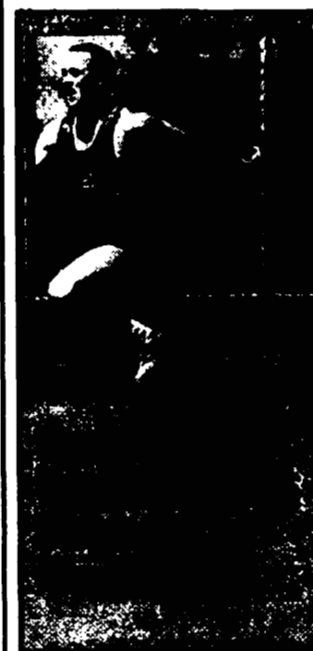
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**"Some writers take to
drink, others take to
audiences."**

Gore Vadal

Photo finish in election

Ruggiero
Casad in
run-off vote
next week

Stacy Montague
Staff Reporter

Bettina Casad and Diana Ruggiero have tied for the position of student-at-large in last week's student government elections.

A run-off election will be held next Wednesday, May 21



Bettina Casad

from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the student lounge of Building 8.

Students elected Moira Windon as the clubs and liaison representative and Yernerma DeLasAlas to fill one of two positions available for student-at-large.

Unopposed candidates approved by the student body are Nelson Crisanto, student body president; Paul Gerhardt Jr. vice president of administration; and Alexandria Peacock, vice president of legislation.

"We've never had a tie," said Neil McLean, student body president.

The by-laws for the Associated Students of Highline Com-



Diana Ruggiero

munity College, student government's official name, do not specifically mandate a procedure in the event of a tie.

Members of student government met on Wednesday to discuss the different options.

"We decided to have another student body vote," said Natalie Picinich, vice president of administration.

Only a small percentage of the student body — 266 out of more than 7,000 eligible voters — participated in this election. But that was an increase of more than 50 voters, student government officials said.

Two more student-at-large positions will be filled in Fall Quarter.

Highline survives budget war

Gina Carpinito
Staff Reporter

Highline staff and faculty will receive a raise, tuition will go up, and the workforce re-training program will see another year. These are just some of the results from the state Legislature session that closed at the end of April.

The session set the budget for the 1997-99 years and state and school officials agree that community colleges fared well for the first time in years.

"This may be the first time in 17 years that the portion of the General Fund going to community colleges has not gone down," said college President Ed Command.

During the legislative session, the state House of Representatives voted to move need-based grants from independent to dependent students. This would mean that students still supported by parents would receive money before those who are self-supported.

At least for this next year, the

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Parking violations leave some angry

Young S. Noh
Staff Reporter

Parking in a handicapped zone without a proper permit, or with an expired one, is a criminal offense which some Highline students don't take seriously.

Leslie Rettig, a Highline student, carpools with another student who has a disability serious enough to require a handicapped parking permit. Rettig has seen offenders who have parked in handicapped zones without a proper permit, or an expired one.

Rettig is very upset about the carefree attitude some people have about violating the rules of handicapped parking.

Some believe that the penalty for illegally parking in a handicapped zone at Highline is too lenient. As a result, there are those who violate rules regarding parking in areas meant for disabled students.

"Security should give tickets the same as the state,"



Photo by Bruce Jarrell
A Highline security guard writes a ticket for a car illegally parked in a handicapped zone.

argues Rettig. The penalty for illegally parking in a disabled area is \$25 at Highline. However, the same offense outside of Highline would result in a fee of \$165. The huge difference between the two fees constitutes a

problem for Rettig, who says the college needs "to crack down on this problem."

Laura Saunders, vice president for administration, explains that there just aren't enough reported complaints to make im-

mediate changes. The best remedy for this problem is for everyone to report parking violations directly to her or security, she said.

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Highline theft rate rising

Young S. Noh
Staff Reporter

Stealing is the most commonly recurring criminal offense at Highline Community College by far. Within the last two years, the number of reported cases on theft have totaled 121. Damage to property comes in a distant second with 37.

Year after year, the average number of thefts reported per year seems to be consistently above 60. Theft constitutes 61 percent of all serious crimes committed at Highline within the last four years.

Every year, thieves seem to steal more and become even bolder.

"The hot spots (for theft) are mostly in public places such as the library, cafeteria, and the bookstore," said Highline Security Officer Robert Dean.

Oddly enough, the bookstore is located right next to the security office in Building 6.

Highline's pamphlet, Security, Safety, and Parking Information, states, "Keep your backpacks, handbags, or other valuables with you at all times."

However, this can be hard to do at the bookstore, which requires all students to leave their backpacks outside before entering.

Hazem Younes is a Highline student who recently had his backpack stolen.

"I went to the bookstore to buy some candy, and left my

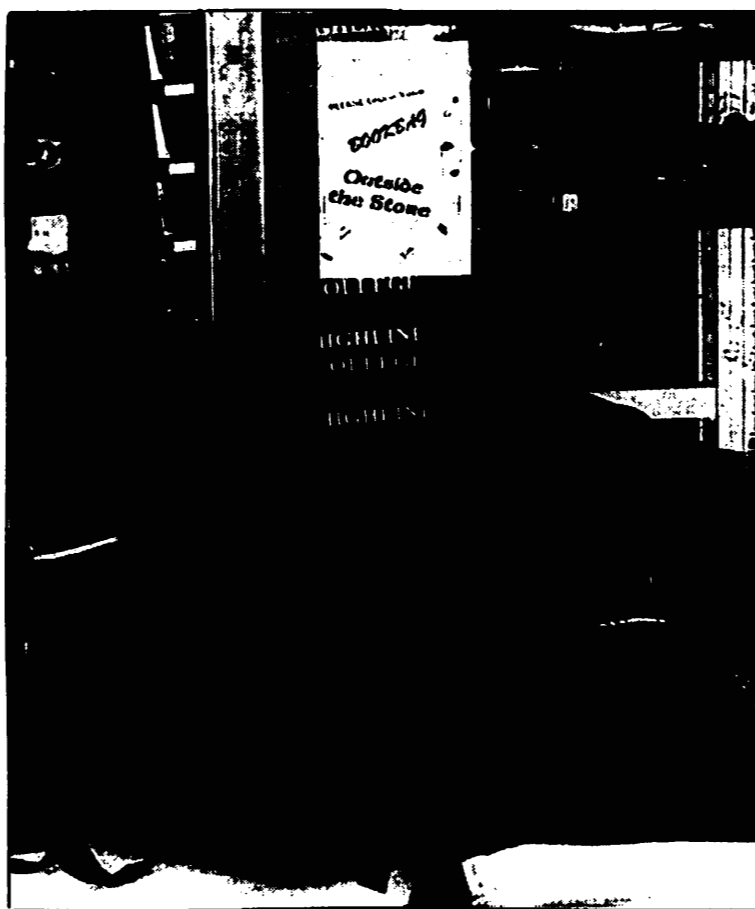


Photo by Bruce Jarrell

Bookbags await potential thieves outside the bookstore.

bookbag outside because of the sign," Younes said. "When I came back a moment later, it was stolen."

The backpack contained books, lecture notes, a calculator, and other valuables worth \$250. This was especially hard on Younes since his backpack was stolen two days before midterms.

"I felt hopeless, like nothing could be done," Younes said.

Officer Dean recommends having a place where tickets are given in exchange for bookbags. When students are done buying at the bookstore, they can just give the tickets back in return for their bags.

Like Younes, many feel angry toward Highline when their valuables are stolen. "Something must be done to protect the rights and valuables of Highline students," Younes said.

Sport park may be built in Highline's backyard

Candice Fenison
Staff Reporter

If the Des Moines sports park bond issue fails, improved facilities and senior center may come to Highline.

Highline President Ed Command and city councilman and Highline professor Bruce Roberts are hoping that if the sports park bond issue doesn't pass, city officials will reconsider sharing facilities with Highline.

City officials previously considered and denied Highline as a possible site for the senior center and/or sports park.

"If the vote goes down, they'll rethink it," Command said.

This lower cost option would mean improved facilities for students and the public.

"Parking would be a huge problem," said Roberts, chairman of Highline's Social Sci-

ences division. Parking is one of the many concerns that the college may encounter if the bond issue does not pass.

The bond issue proposes to buy land on 216th and 24th to build a sports park.

The sports park would have various facilities, including baseball fields, basketball courts, soccer fields, and show-ers.

City officials would also like to include a senior center on the land which would not be covered by the bond issue.

Registered voters should have received a ballot this week for the proposed bond issue and the ballot must be post-marked by May 20.

"Hopefully there's a lot of registered voters at the college and if there are, they should vote so their voices can be heard on these kind of issues," said Roberts.

Teacher award forms due soon

Nomination forms for the Highline Community College Outstanding Teacher Award are due at 5 p.m. on May 16 to the selection committee at mailstop 9-3.

The award is for any full-time tenured faculty member that shows concern for students, knowledge and enthusiasm of his/her discipline and an under-

standable teaching style.

Beyond being a good instructor, nominees should also have made some extra contribution to education. However, that extra contribution doesn't need to be in the nominee's discipline.

The winner of the award will receive \$1,500 that was donated by Puget Sound Power and Light.



Memorial Day closure ahead

Highline Community College as well as all King County libraries will be closed May 26 in observance of Memorial Day.

Book group to tackle 'Ivanhoe'

The Valley View Library book discussion group will be pouring over Sir Walter Scott's "Ivanhoe" on May 27.

The group meets the last

Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Valley View Library which is located at 17850 Military Road S. For more information, the library can be reached at 242-6044.

Art exhibit seeks out volunteers

The Fine Art Department is looking for volunteers to help staff the Student Art Exhibit.

The exhibit, set to take place from May 16-June 13, needs students to take two-hour shifts watching the pieces.

For more information, contact Carole Stewart or see the information sheet posted in Room 158 of Building 16.

Guatemalan to speak about war

Guatemalan activist Pedrina Buerrero Lopez will be speaking in Building 7 on May 16, from 10-11 a.m.

Lopez is the co-founder of

the Rabinal Committee of Widows, Orphans, and Displaced, Maya-Achi and will be speaking about the aftermath of the 30-year Guatemalan civil war.

Correction: In the May 8 issue, the headline of the dance cruise story should have read "Boogie over the Breakers."

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Highline alumnus wins award

Jae Young Yoon
Staff Reporter

Norm Rice, the mayor of Seattle and a Highline alumn, received the 1997 outstanding Alumni Award at the 77th Annual American Association of Community College convention.

This year the award was given to eight former community college students who have contributed to their communities and their fields.

Rice, who graduated from Highline in 1970, was one of the eight recipients. After attending Highline during 1968 and 1970, he attended the University of Washington where he earned a degree in communication.



Norm Rice

The future mayor received his master's degree in public administration at the University of Washington in 1974.

Rice was elected to the Seattle City Council in 1978 where he remained through 1989. In 1990, Rice was elected mayor of Seattle.

The nomination for the award came from Dr. Ed Command, Highline's president.

"He is an unwavering proponent who advocates accessible 'life-long learning' opportunities for everyone," Command said.

"During the 1993 Washington state legislative session, which he was serving as a Seattle council person, Norm was the featured speaker for a statewide community college day celebration," Command said. "He gave an emotional speech to state legislators in the Capitol rotunda, challenging them to make community and technical college funding as much of a priority as funding for four-year institutions. It was the beginning of a legislative and citizen attitude change for our state."

Rice, Highline's first distinguished Alumnus in 1990, and current president of the U.S. conference of mayors, has given his time and effort to support education and specially community college education, college officials said.

Other recipients include Nolan D. Archibald, the CEO of the Black and Decker Corporation, Alabama's lead singer Randy Owen, White Sox pitcher Jaime Navaro, and Maryland's governor Parris Glendening.

Unreal 'Volcano' too sour to swallow

Stantonena Mc Daniels
Staff Reporter

"Volcano," the current hit movie, is a fake. There is no volcanic activity in Los Angeles.

"The odds of a volcanic eruption in Los Angeles are a million to one," said Christy Eddy, Highline's geology instructor. "There is no way that there is volcanic activity in Los Angeles."

In the movie, "Volcano," there was a volcanic eruption that came from beneath Los Angeles' surface and flowed over the streets of L.A.

The fire and police officials of Los Angeles erected a cement wall which was supposed to block the lava.

When that idea failed, they decided to re-direct the lava flow safely into the ocean.

Los Angeles is known for having many earthquakes, which would make some assume there could be volcanic activity below the surface of Los Angeles, but it's not possible.

Only one place near Los Angeles that could have volcanic activity. The Sierra Nevada Mammoth Lakes Volcanic area, three-hundred miles away, is the closest Los Angeles will ever get to a volcanic eruption.

Seattle has a much greater risk of a volcanic catastrophe, Eddy said.

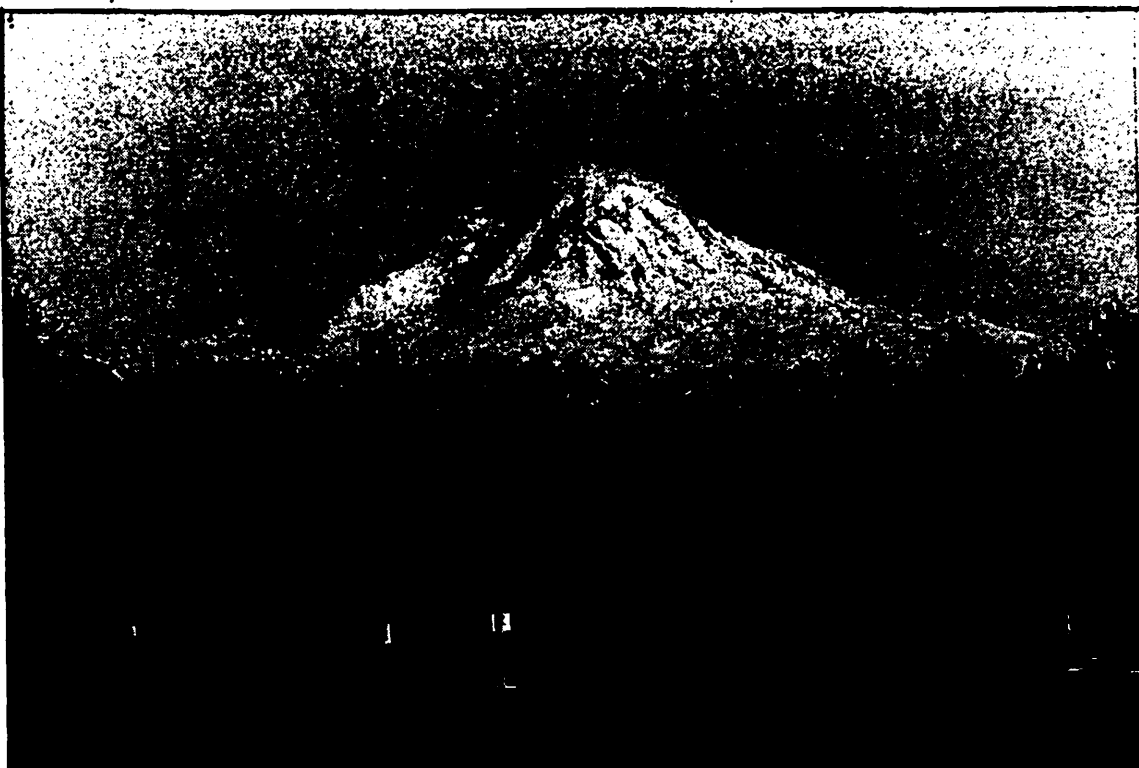


Photo by Bruce Jarrell

Scientists say Mount Rainier remains a threat to erupt.

Seattle has had its share of volcanic activity. As recently as 1980, Mount St. Helens released a proclastic flow (a deadly ash and gas cocktail) down the side of the mountain, killing 57 people.

"[But the] mud flow is the biggest danger," Eddy said.

The largest mud flow in Seattle occurred in Kent, 5,600 years ago. The mud flow extended all the way from Mount Rainier to Kent.

Some places in Kent were as much as 20 feet under the mud,

which was the deepest near Mount Rainier.

The next volcano predicted to erupt according to the United States Geological Survey is Mount Rainier. Scientists are worried that Mount Rainier could send a deadly blast of mud and debris toward the cities with just a small volcanic 'shrug'.

Mount Rainier has been described as potentially the most deadly in the Cascade Range.

Warning signs usually come before the actual volcano erupts.

A series of earthquakes can predict this activity. A continuous flow of small earthquakes that will increase in the number of quakes, letting geologists know that there's going to be magma movement-lava when it hits the surface.

Movies are for entertainment purposes unless it's an autobiography, true story, or based on a true story. But there are 550 real peaks that continue to smolder around the world. Keep your eyes and ears open to determine what's real.

Camera auction earns vets barbecue

William Strasbaugh
Staff Reporter

The Highline Veterans club recently held a camera auction. The club netted \$400 for their efforts.

The proceeds will probably go towards T-shirts for veterans graduating in June and a barbecue of some sort said club President Eric Hawthorne.

The Veterans club, whose

membership consists of some 200 plus vets, is active in supporting veterans in their efforts to return to college and completing their education.

The club is open to all veterans, active and retired. The only requirement is that you are in fact, a veteran.

Club members stay active in veteran affairs at both, the state and national levels, and try to be a voice for HCC veterans.

The club has a well-staffed and knowledgeable support system for veterans.

Members of the club pass out pamphlets with guide lines on registration, registration dates, benefits, and requirements to

receive Veterans Administration assistance.

For future information and assistance, as well as job service, stop by the Veterans office in Building 6 at the registration counter.

Commencement

If you have completed or are planning to complete your degree requirements by the end of Summer Quarter, 1997, you are invited to take part in commencement June 12, at 8 p.m. in the Pavillion

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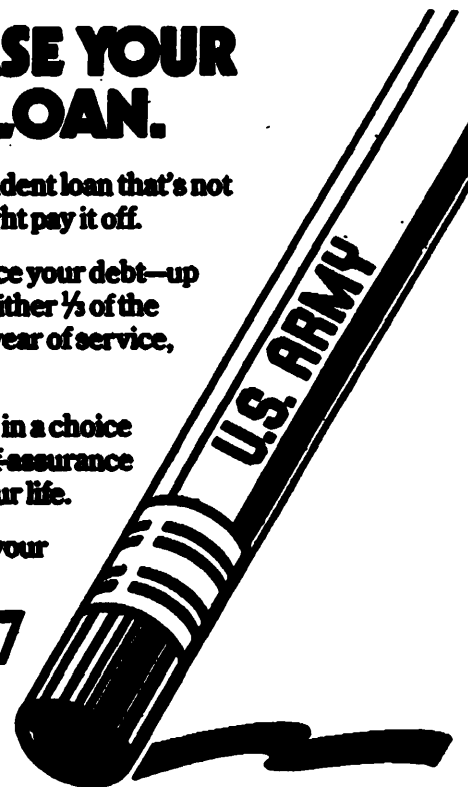
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Editorial

Communication is key to good politics

Congratulations to the newly elected members of the '97-'98 Associated Students of Highline Community College's (ASH-CC) government.

In the hopes of a successful year, the staff of the Thunderword would like to extend a few hopeful words of advice.

It is the role of any government to identify with its constituents and successfully represent their needs and desires.

Student government is in a unique position of being one of the only voices that a student body has with which to speak clearly and directly to the administration.

In light of this, student government should endeavor to do everything in its power to connect. These connections may entail surveys or questionnaires sent home to each student, possibly a "Meet your Officers" barbecue, or simply leaving the office to talk to the masses.

The Topic of the Week offers another opportunity for ASH-CC to explore the opinions of students. Beyond that, the Topic of the Week allows student government to choose to work on the items that have the highest and strongest responses.

Beyond listening to their public, all governments must make decisions.

Many of these decisions that politicians, student politicians included, must make are monetary based. Using resources responsibly should be a priority of any government body. Thus ASHCC should be careful when approaching spending matters and make decisions that best serve the majority of students.

Beyond serving individuals, student government must also represent the interest of clubs.

Highline currently has over 20 student organizations, thus it is essential that ASHCC keep communication links open with all of these clubs.

The fledgling student government needs to open the lines of communication as soon as possible. Without communication, a representative body represents no one.

Show respect, don't use handicap parking

Everyone knows that parking here at HCC can be frustrating, and everyone has probably been faced with a situation where they might be running a bit late and don't want to park all the way at Midway, making you that much later. Or, maybe you just don't want to park at Midway, late or not.

During the peak hours of class in the morning it can be nearly impossible to find an empty spot. But alas, there's one! Oh no, it's a handicapped parking spot. Oh well, no one will notice if I park here, right? Wrong! People do notice. First of all security notices and they will promptly give you a ticket for parking in these spots. But most of all, people need to realize that these spots are designated for people who have a hard time getting around. Yeah, it can be a pain to park at Midway, but imagine how difficult it might be with a disability.

These spots are there for a reason, and that reason is to provide convenience to those who are disabled. Those who are not, need to be courteous, classy, and respectful, and avoid parking in these designated parking spots.

Opinion Policy

The Thunderword Opinion section presents a perspective on the news and the newsmakers of the Highline community. It offers analysis and background, debate and opinion, and is produced by the Thunderword staff.



Sunshine rains down in Seattle

The sun has finally decided to grace us with its presence. And I must say, it is a glorious, and much awaited presence.

The sun illuminates the days making them bright and colorful, rather than drab and gray. The sun beckons us to venture outside. Its warmth embraces us, soothes us, and intoxicates us with energy and exaltation to be alive.

It's so much easier to get up out of bed on a sunny day. When it's warm outside you don't have as much of an urge to remain in the confines of the warm sanctuary of covers.

The outside world now has a cheerful glow about it. The birds are singing, the flowers are blooming, and the girls are sporting much less (cumbersome) clothing. Isn't spring grand?

As you can tell, I am ecstatic that spring is here, and it has brought the much awaited sunshine with it. It was a long gray Washington winter, one of the worst in years.

So, now that we are finally able to soak up some rays, many students may find it hard to come to class when the beach, or a lake is calling their name.

Well teachers, I propose, if at all possible to conduct class outside on the magnificent, well manicured lawns of HCC.

This idea is not totally absurd, in fact I have seen a few large groups that may have been classes assembled on the lawns the last few days.

Hey, we live in Seattle, we need to take advantage of the temperate seasons while we can. We enjoy the sun for the four or five months that it charitably shines down upon us, then we are forced to endure seven or eight months of meager amounts of pleasant weather.

The withdrawals can be un-

What's on my mind...

By Carmine Coburn

bearable, forcing many into tanning booths to once again enjoy the smell of recently cooked skin. Helping to recreate the sensation of the warm sunny days of spring and summer (most just like wearing the cool little goggles, but they'll never admit it).

But seriously, being outdoors makes you feel more alive, awake, and alert. Maybe more instructors ought to consider teaching in the enlightening rays of the sun (pun intended). After all, I bet that many of the instructors aren't much different than many of the students, and

they'd like to get outside and enjoy rays.

If it's not practical to hold class outside, then I'd at least encourage students to do something that helps me to study on such nice days. If I know that I have a lot of reading to do, I'll try to grab a chair and take it outside with me, and read in the sun.

This insures that you have adequate light, and you can even improve your tan while you study. Also, you're farther away from distractions like TV.

It can definitely be difficult to stay focused on school when it's so nice outside, but if you can incorporate the two, you can become dark and enlightened at the same time!

Please note: If the weather is crummy, when the paper comes out, don't be too bummed. In the words of Annie, the sun will come out tomorrow.

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Juxtaposition at its best



Photo by Bruce Jarrell

Irony sometimes jumps out of reality. Just a short cruise down Pacific Highway South are the reader boards for the Christian Faith Center and the V.I.P. Tavern standing directly parallel to each other.

Radio station shuts off airway

Seattle University's radio station, KSUB is currently off the air due to multiple problems around campus. Transmitters were installed incorrectly and signals were crossed. KSUB is not responsible for the replacement of the transmitters. The installation was done by the company who provided them.

Pierce College debates smoking

Smoking seems to be an issue that is up in the air a lot lately. Pierce College has had the question of where to allow smoking on campus replace the question of whether or not to allow smoking on campus. While Tacoma Community college has recently posted laminated signs near classrooms advising students not to smoke near entryways.

College president fed up with threats

Pierce College President, Dr. George Delaney has decided change his outlook from victim to hero. He is now employing phone traps, caller I.D., FBI and police detectives, as well as public attention to send a warning to callers that he will take it no more, according to The Pioneer.

Beyond Highline

Sheri Ingraham

Angry student uses threats on final

Instructors Marlene Bosanko and Tamara Kuzmenkov of Tacoma Community College received death threats from one student in the form of statements about death, killing and teachers that covered the final exam for their class. There were times during the quarter that were unnerving to the instructors and the student refused twice to prior requests to discuss concerns.

Paper censors student government

The staff of The Spectator, Seattle University's newspaper, made the decision to remove the word "Bitch" from the Associated Students of Seattle University (ASSU) page.

The Spectator is not responsible for the creation of the ASSU page but is responsible for everything published in The Spectator.

The problem seemed to be with the size of the word. It was in 200-point font, covering nearly one-fourth of the ASSU page. Both sides of the "Bitch" de-

bate consulted faculty. The ASSU weren't told no but were strongly advised against using the word while the staff of The Spectator printed the word on the front page in a letter to the SU community.

Life is absurd in Heming household

It's time I got something off my mind.

The other weekend I ran a little prism around a field measuring how far boy scouts threw Frisbees.

That's not what I wanted to

On the wild side

W.B. Heming

confess to the general public.

As I ran this prism around, pointing it at a machine that seemed to magically calculate these distances, I realized something about myself.

Later that weekend, while I sat around the dining room table picking at my food, it ate me. That gnawing sensation that I should tell someone finally got the better of me.

I decided to reveal my newfound self-revelation to my parents as we sat munching our Sunday night meal.

Much to my dismay, my dad just sat for a moment before taking another bite.

My mom shot me a glance across the table. It was one of those "what are you talking about" looks that any 2-year old can tell you isn't the most pleasant experience in the world.

Then, as if I didn't just pour my heart out, they returned to talking about spreading manure around in the garden.

Shock washed over me like a wave of vanilla pudding. In that sticky mess I came realize that

Piercing is like poke in the eye

AnnMarie Coe
Staff Reporter

Commentary

Hoops, bars and studs seem to be the latest form of expression when they are poked, stretched, threaded or stabbed into a hole in your head or even into parts more private.

I was at the Ram Bar and Grill one Sunday night having a beer when I was approached by a European mountain bike racer with more holes in his body than a pair of fish-net stockings.

He expressed his individuality with a row of silver hoops followed one by one around the outer rim of his ear. The row ended in two fat round rings in each lower lobe that stretched the holes in his ears as large as quarters.

After pointing out his tongue bar, nose, eyebrow, nipple and belly button rings, he exposed himself so he could display the ring that poked through the head of his penis.

Just below the ring he had stabbed a bar through with little

silver balls on either end.

"I do it because I can," he said.

He expressed the desire to get the web between his fingers pierced but was scared they might rip out when he raced.

I'm wondering if he can get through the metal detectors at the airports. My guess is that he probably isn't a frequent flyer.

So why can't people express themselves with less mutilating and destructive things like with clothes or personality. Are they getting the deep expression of individuality confused with the mutilation of body piercing?

Expressing your individuality is showing your personality in a creative manner. Extreme body piercing is more of an expression of anger and destruction (like that's real attractive).

It's more rewarding and attractive to be original if you find your individuality from within and not try to create one.



my own parents just didn't care.

Thus, I made up my mind that I should tell everyone. I decided that I would announce it from the highest mountain, proclaim it from every rooftop, and sing it out in every valley. However, I doubt that very many people would have heard me because my voice doesn't carry very far. Thus, I've put my deep philosophical confession into print.

I know that rumors have spread about me for quite a while, now I'd like to confirm the rumors, to solidify the accusations, to take the bull by the tail and come out of the closet.

It's true, I'm an existentialist.

I believe that life is absurd and that every action a person takes is their choice.

It's amazing what a person can learn running a prism around measuring the lengths that boy scouts throw Frisbees. took a weekend to relax and I discovered a deep philosophical truth about myself.

The truly amazing thing is that I've denied being an existentialist in the past. I've had to come to terms with my own existentiality, just like Ellen.

Who knows, maybe I'll lead some kind of an existentialist charge and people will be coming out all over.

Boy, now don't I feel better.

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Pin-point accuracy

Dean says occupational programs hit job bullseye

Christi Croft
Staff Reporter

Highline's occupational programs help students get jobs, the dean of that division said.

As dean of instruction for occupational education, Bob Eley oversees 50 career-track degree programs.

"It gives students the knowledge and skills needed for job placement," Eley said.

According to Eley, 93 percent of Highline occupational graduates get jobs in the field for which they train.

The college regularly surveys employers to find out where the demand for workers is. Lack of demand resulted in the demise



Robert Eley

of welding, automotive, deep sea diving, and hotel/motel programs.

Chiropractic Technician, Freight Forwarding, Hotel/Tourism and Interactive Media were added in response to a '95 survey.

"Every program offered at Highline is at high demand," Eley said. Approximately 1,259 students were working in Occupational Programs during Winter Quarter. Fall Quarter had a student head count of 1,385.

The Occupational Education Department at Highline focuses on three major programs: Business, Medical, and Technical.

The Business Program gives students classes in everything from advertising to owning a small business. The Medical Program allows you to gain some clinical knowledge while in the classroom, or doing hospital work on the side. The Technical Program at Highline offers a way for students to get more familiar with the computer-age that is coming upon them.

One quarter of education is usually needed before students get actual hands-on experience. Thirty-one programs have a



two-year, Associate of Applied Science Degree, and 26 programs offer a one-year Certificate of Completion. Students take academic as well as occupational classes to complete the program.

Although the occupational programs are not meant to be transferred to a four-year college, some courses can transfer. Seven percent of students do go on to Universities.

You can find more information about which classes which are required, and how many credits are offered in a certain program by looking in a curriculum guide. On the front of the pamphlets will be the name of a Program Coordinator you can call for more details.

Nurse track still draws students

Sherry Stearns
Staff Reporter

The nursing program at Highline can offer you the way into a satisfying and rewarding career.

On the average it takes a student three years to complete the program. Usually there is one year of prerequisite classes and two additional years to receive an Associate Degree of Nursing. Graduates receive a general registered nursing degree.

Currently about 90 students are enrolled in this program. The average age of nursing students at Highline is 32, but ages range from 19-52.

"There is a fair amount of diversity in our program," said Chris Henshaw, the nursing adviser, "English isn't the primary language for 25 percent of the students."

The Highline nursing program has a great success rate of between 80-85 percent. Most of these students have jobs within six months of graduation. The starting salary for graduates is about \$39,000.

"We have a wide variety of clinical placements for students," Henshaw said.

Applications into the pro-



Chris Henshaw

gram are accepted between Dec. 1 and March 31. Guidance from the faculty will begin after an applicant has attended a pre-nursing informational session.

"The selection process includes reviewing of grades, previous college work, health related work or volunteer experience," said Henshaw.

"Highline has a great program. We have a committed faculty who are current in their specialties," said Henshaw.

For more information or to make an appointment, contact Chris Henshaw at 878-3710 ext. 3467.

Freight forwarding faces high demand

Khritsada Kusumonkul
Staff Reporter

Highline Community College will increase the number of students for the freight forwarding program in the next academic year in response to the high demand for its workers.

"This program is offered in response to the requests of business and industry," said Kathy Dunn, chair of the business division. "According to the Wall Street Journal, one in five jobs in Washington state is directly related to international trade."

Freight forwarding is work that involves the handling of cargo. It is interesting work, its beginning salaries is very high.

"Freight forwarding is a type of company," said Dunn. "It is the travel reagent for freight."

"Its beginning salaries range from \$9 to \$12 an hour," Kathy Dunn said.

This program offers two degrees: the one-year certificate program and the two-year associates degree program. The instructors of this program come

from the transportation and freight industries.

"The teachers will be changed every quarter," said

"According to the Wall Street Journal, one in five jobs in Washington state is directly related to international trade."

Kathy Dunn

Kathy Dunn. "Different instructors for different quarters."

This program was first offered last fall '96 so the college hopes that more students will enroll in the up-coming school year.

"We have only 35 students in this quarter," Kathy Dunn said. "We hope the students will be more and more in the next year."

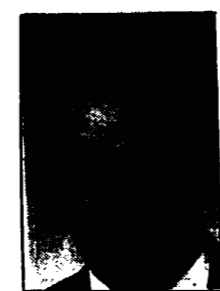
Loren Legendre
Staff Reporter

Highline's Occupational programs are placing 90 percent of their students before graduating.

Examples of this are two programs, Chiropractic Technician run by Dr. John Huber, and Manufacturing Engineer Technology, run by Bob Maplestone.

Chiropractic Technicians support and assists doctors in X-ray, clinical processing, insurance and intake of patients. A Manufacture Engineer Technician solves problems with production of a product.

Information received by surveys from local Businesses have helped Huber and Maplestone



Dr. John Huber

modify program curriculums. Maplestone has now installed Robotics in the second year of a two year degree, as well as Plastics Technology, a new Occupational program.

Huber's program has recent-



Photo by Bruce Jarrell

Bob Maplestone and the new robotics equipment.

ly received recognition through phone calls from local doctors asking about graduates for hire. Maplestone said that eight out of 12 students will be hired by Boeing after graduation.

The success of Chiropractic Technicians program stems from Huber's extensive involvement. He is teaching other doctors how to teach in hopes of getting Chiropractic Technician programs in other community colleges.

Students do not need prior experience or a particular talent to succeed in these programs. Huber points out that the Labor Department has certified his

program as a "light duty" program, allowing disabled veterans and the handicapped easier access.

Critical thinking, according to Maplestone, is the most important quality to ensure success. His students solve problems with production, from local companies, by visiting the companies and observing their operations.

Average pay after graduating X-ray Technician under Chiropractic Technician is \$10-15 an hour.

Manufacturing Engineering Technicians earn between \$27,500 to \$30,500 a year.

Grads say their studies paid off

AnnMarie Coe
Staff reporter

Some students have skipped humanities, social sciences and physical education classes and still completed all requirements to graduate from Highline.

Armed with certificates and/or degrees from Highline's two-year occupational programs, Tonya Lively, Barbara Peter and Jim Whitman have obtained positions in their fields of choice.

Lively, 23, earned her certificate from the Paralegal Program in June of last year.

"I was working full time and attending evening classes," she said. "It was very time consuming."

Lively said that being a graduate wasn't enough and that time on the job was just as important.

"People think you graduate from the program and you're automatically a paralegal, but you have to work your way up."

"The program is necessary but experience is what employers are looking for," she said. "I know the more experience I get, I can pick and choose where I want to go."

Lively decided she doesn't want to work as an attorney in the future, instead, she wants to go back to school and get her

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Tonya Lively

bachelor's degree.

"It (the paralegal program) was more of something I wanted to do just to have the skill," she said.

Sculpting the skills of a paralegal seemed to be the natural choice for Lively since she had been working as a receptionist in an attorney's office for some time prior to attending college.

She is currently working at the Bogle and Gates law firm in Seattle as a docketing associate. After gaining more experience at the firm, she plans on moving up to become a paralegal.

Lively has already moved up in her career, enabling her to earn back all the money she put into the program within a year.

After being laid off by Bo-

eing, another occupational program graduate, Jim Whitman put all of his time into earning his degree from the Manufacturing Engineering Technology Program.

"They (Boeing management) were steering people towards vocational school," he said. "And I was enrolled at Highline before I was laid-off."

So instead of going for his Associate of Arts degree at Highline, Whitman decided to enroll in the occupational programs, where he learned enough to be successful.

"I learned how it (manufacturing) all fits together," he said, "how the work flows through the organization."

After learning the process,

he was successfully hired back by Boeing as a full-time, salaried employee.

He said new students who want to succeed in the program should take advice from Director Bob Maplestone.

"He's a tremendous resource," Whitman said. "He's both personable and knowledgeable."

Barbara Peter, another graduate from the occupational programs, went back to school after she had already earned her A.A. degree.

Peter was part of the first class that graduated from the Chiropractic Technician Program in August of last year.

Through the program, Peter learned what being a chiroprac-



tic technician was all about.

"I didn't know anything about it except that I loved the philosophy of it," she said. "But the classes prepared me quite

well."

The program prepared her with an internship that eventually provided her with a full-time career at Budder's Chiropractic Clinic.

She said she loves her job and feels that her career is very rewarding.

"It's a really neat profession," she said. "It's a constant learning process and I like that."

In only two years of school, Peter learned all the skills necessary to take and develop x-rays and give patients partial exams.

She strongly recommends that new students considering or currently enrolled in the program be prepared to work hard, take all classes seriously, have patience and be flexible.

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T-Birds sprint toward track championship

Ethan McDonald
Staff Reporter

The Highline men's track and field team was blessed with incredible weather last Saturday for the Thunderbird Open which was a final opportunity for athletes to qualify for the NWAACC championships on May 22 and 23.

This was the first meet held at Highline in over 20 years. The field consisted of Lower Columbia Community College, Grays Harbor Community College, numerous unattached athletes and the host, Highline Community College.

"This meet was a last chance for some athletes that are on the bubble to make it to the conference championships," said Coach Louis D'Andrea. Fortunately for Highline, most of the athletes on the bubble performed well.

Tsekande Brown qualified and placed second in the 100-meter dash with a time of 10.8 and in the 1500-meter dash Brian Smith took second with a qualifying time of 4:01.3.

The T-Birds had Charles King, Russ Kirkegaard and Jack DeCou all reach qualifying marks in the triple jump in which Charles Grimmer won over all with a personal record by 14" with a mighty leap of 45' 1/2".

King and DeCou posted qualifying marks in the 110-meter hurdles with times of 14.9 and 15.4 and Demonne Taylor won the event once again with a



Ryan Yomans receives the baton from Tsekande Brown in the 4x100 meter relay in a meet last weekend.

time of 14.6 and also qualified in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 57.4.

Some athletes have posted qualifying marks and continue to improve them. Ryan Yomans won the 200-meter dash with a time of 21.6 which makes him third in school history. Jake Dill was victorious in the 400 meter dash with a finishing time of 50.1.

Said Musse won the 800 meter dash with a time of 1:55.9

and Frank Cenicerros placed first in the 1500-meter dash with a time of 4:00.3.

In the 4x100-meter relay Taylor, Brown, Yomans and Shelby Buchanan, despite running with a leg injury, placed first overall with a time of 42.7.

In the field events Brent Twaddle continued his dominance in the shot-put with a toss of 51'3 1/4" winning both that and the discus with a throw of 130'10".

Aaron Glasow set a personal record and won the javelin with a throw of 177'2", Kirkegaard won the long jump with a leap of 21'9 1/2" and Regis Costello won the pole vault with a mark of 14'0".

Last year Highline had only 13 athletes qualify for the championship, this year they have 21 official competitors with two on the bubble.

"Now we just gear up for the NWAACC championship," said

Photo by Bruce Jarrell
D'Andrea.

"We look forward to a chance to take home the championship," he said.

Leading the conference going into the championship is Twaddle in the shot-put, Taylor in the 110-meter hurdles, the 4x100 meter relay team and the 4x400 meter relay team.

The team now has a weekend off to prepare and rest for the upcoming NWAACC championship.

Hamstring injury costs Blair promising track season

Ethan McDonald
Staff Reporter

One thing that all athletes fear at any level is injury. Unfortunately Highline track star David Blair has met this adversary head on and at the most deplorable time.

The fastest athlete on the Highline track team suffered a tear in his hamstring rounding a corner in the 200 meter dash at the Central Washington Invite on April 26. The injury will end Blair's track career at Highline.

"I'm extremely upset and disappointed," Blair said. "Just as I was turning I heard my hamstring snap. I felt a sharp stabbing pain that slowed me

down immediately and I got off the track. I knew the minute it snapped my season was over since it had bothered me all year."

"The major cause of hamstring injuries is the overpowering of the hamstring by the quadriceps muscles. So many athletes do not realize the importance of a balanced workout and stretching," said Dr. Steve Calhoun of Auburn Sports Medicine.

Even worse than the nagging pain in his leg is the pain that tugs at his heart. "I feel that I've let my teammates down. They relied on me for points to win meets and to win the conference championship."

Blair was favored to win the 100 and 200 meter dashes at the NWAACC championship not to mention an important piece to both the 400 and 1600 meter relay teams that are among the top of the conference. Replacing

Blair on the 4x100 meter relay is Tsekande Brown and in the 1600 meter relay is Jake Dill.

Blair will not let the injury get in his way as team captain. He still attends every meet lending advice and support.

"I try and let the guys know its time to step it up. Todd Girtz

and Tsekande Brown have done a great job picking up the slack," said Blair.

Fortunately for Blair he has secured his future as he will attend the University of Montana on a full ride scholarship next fall with plans to major in journalism.

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T-Birds swing into playoffs

Softball team drops game to Walla Walla

David Blair
Staff reporter

The Highline Women's fast-pitch team face off against No. 1 southern seed Clackamas in round one of the NWACC conference championships Friday at 11:30 in Portland.

The lady T-Birds enter the tournament as the No. 4 northern seed after losing a tie-breaker game against No. 3 Walla Walla 4-1 on Tuesday.

"We weren't mentally focused for this game. We knew what we needed to do, but we just didn't prepare. Mental errors cost us the game," Coach Cara Hoyt said.

The team had to play without Third baseman Kristen Brown who is currently out with a sprained left hand, and catcher Kim Hipol who acquired the same injury during Tuesday's game.

"It's all up in the air as to when they will be able to play, but hopefully they'll be ready by Friday," Hoyt said.

The team enters the tournament with a positive outlook on their ability to win.

"We have the ability to beat any team in the conference; it all depends on our mental concentration," Hoyt said.

"The tournament is a double elimination series, so everyone enters the tournament even. It doesn't matter what our record was during the season, now is the time to come out and play."

Friday's home double-header against No. 1 Spokane resulted in 5-1 and 8-0 losses.

The team had a hard time getting their rhythm going. "Errors hurt us, and our bats weren't there," Katie deCastro



Photo by Bruce Jarrell
T-Bird pitcher Katie deCastro winds up in a game last week.

"...The entire game was a dogfight, going back and forth every inning. Coach Hoyt

said.

"We can beat Spokane. They got a lot of hits off of us, and we just couldn't get in our game," Coach Cara Hoyt said.

Sunday's make-up double-header at home against Edmonds resulted in a split, sealing them a spot in the playoffs. The team lost the first game 4-1.

"The first game we were still trying to get back into our type of game, and not play like we did against Spokane," Hoyt said.

The T-Birds then came back in the second game to a well earned victory of 7-6 in the eighth inning.

"We hit real well and played good defense. The entire game was a dog fight, going back and forth every inning," Hoyt said.

The team had four players named to play in the annual sophomore all-star Game next Thursday.

The players are Kristen Brown, outfielder Alissa Garrels, shortstop/catcher Jen Francis and second baseman Jill Butler.

Heart of Sonics pounds in playoffs

Never underestimate the heart of a champion! That's what Rudy Tomjanovich said two years ago as the Houston Rockets became NBA Champions. He witnessed this again, but this time not from his team.

The Seattle Supersonics have already proved during the playoffs that they have the heart of a champion. They come back

struggling. Support them! You're not a true fan if you can't support your team at all times.

That goes for the rollercoaster support the Sonics have been receiving during the playoffs too. When they win everybody is happy, and when they lose everybody hacks on them. Just listen to the radio and read the newspapers, and you will know what I'm talking about. Quit the bandwagon support, and decide if you're going to stick by your team at all times, or not at all.

The sort of bandwagon support that is frequently heard in this city makes me sick. I just don't understand what kind of fans you all are. Instead of bouncing back and forth between the Bulls, Jazz, Lakers, and so on, stay with one team through it all.

The fans should have a heart like the Sonics players have. OK, the Seattle fans are probably the loudest in the NBA, but when the visiting team suddenly makes a couple of shots they definitely become more quiet.

I'm not complaining about the support the Sonics receive, because we probably have the best fans in the league. All I'm saying is that this team deserves full-time support throughout the season.

The Sonics have proven again that they are an elite team in this league, and nobody can state that they are a soft team. After all they are 6-1 in elimination games in the playoffs the last two seasons. This team thrives on challenges, and that's when Sonics basketball is played at its best.

Jump on the bandwagon and stay there, or else just leave!

Seattle Sports Minute
Glenn Flaathen



again and again, and as soon as their backs are against the wall they start playing.

The Western Conference Champions don't want to let go of their crown just yet. When everybody pronounces their doom, the Sonics shove it back in everyone's face.

Down 3-1 against the Rockets, the Sonics came out with full intensity and dismantled the Rockets in Houston.

Now anything can happen. Even if they get eliminated from the playoffs this series the Supes have proved that they have heart.

And what about Shawn Kemp. Everybody was criticizing him during the regular season, saying he should be traded and so on.

What are people saying now? Well, he's become the best thing since butter again. Come on people, stick by your players through thick and thin. Don't diss them when they are

Student kicks her way to top

Tim Wyse
Sports Editor

If you have a class with Eryn Redmon, you probably don't want to pick a fight with her.

The Highline student won a national Taekwondo tournament last weekend in Oakland, Calif. and now has a shot at making the 2000 U.S. Olympic team.

The top four people in the state go to this tournament to compete. Redmon earned a second place in state and then moved on to nationals.

"When I got ready for my first national match, I was scared stiff," Redmon said.

More than 500 black-belts competed in this event. It was divided into several weight classes. Redmon had to compete with the heavyweights.

Each match consists of three rounds, each two minutes long, until the final match. The final match consists of three 3-minute rounds.

She had to compete in four fights at the

national tournament. She won all four.

The first two matches she won quite convincingly, 6-1 and 7-1.

The third match was an interesting one. Redmon was in a close match until she landed a crushing kick to her opponent's kidney.

Her opponent was hurt so badly that she was not able to continue and had to be carried off on a stretcher.

The final fight was a struggle for Redmon, as she trailed going into the third round. After losing round one 2-1 and tying in round two 1-1, she had an uphill battle.

In the final 30 seconds of round three, she gave it her all and won by decision.

"I think I won because I was more aggressive than she was," Redmon said. "I don't know what came over me, I just went nuts at the end of the fight and I started kicking the crap out of her."

If she performs well enough at national trials in Phoenix on June 14 and 15, you might see Redmon at the Olympics in Sydney Australia in the year 2000.



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Mother's Day strikes fear in many

Mother's Day, a joyous celebration of guilt and ingratitude. Children old and young alike sulk in the shameful woe that mother inflicted upon them for not getting her that mysterious something that only a mind-

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reader could preordain.

Is this foolish day commercialized? Did companies really capitalize on the conception-fueled guilt that afflicts millions of American citizens? Oh yes, readers. In the words of a Ricki Lake guest, they "went there."

In the corporate offices of Hallmark, CEOs and their underpaid assistants celebrate in a money-induced craze.

You see, they had successfully brainwashed a continent of people into believing that Mother's Day is more important than the peace of a nation.

"Mother's Day is such a sham!" said fellow M.D. basher, Gwynnie Gorena. "I play this guessing game every year—what the hell does my mom want? Is this gift something that will influence her to not speak to me for an extended amount of time?"

All this isn't to say that mothers don't deserve this day.

I'm all for paying homage to the temple of my origin, but did I ask to be born? No. And even if I did have a choice, I wouldn't have said "yes" if I knew that I'd have to endure this Mother's Day crock every year.

Hey, maybe I wouldn't be complaining if there was a holiday for full-time students who work part-time and deal with humanity all the time.

This holiday would actually have a point, as it would be called Real People's Day.

So if that hanging fuchsia was the wrong color, ("Oh. Purple. You should know that I loathe purple.") no big deal. Everyone who was given the Death Glance and icy Silence Treatment by mom, unite!

Just bask in the knowledge that gifts are for birthdays, and if you are even somewhat human, you will die peacefully knowing that you made every day Mother's Day.

And for all you mothers out there, lighten up—your little chitlins could be sending you flowers from the state pen.

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Quilts aren't just for Grandmother

William Strasbaugh
Staff Reporter

A colorful display of handmade quilts are on exhibit in the fourth floor of the Library.

Made of small pieces of sewn cloth, the quilts make various patterns and designs.

Quilting can be traced to ancient times when Chinese made quilted jackets for warmth. The Egyptians and Aztec warriors made quilted tunics as a form of protection.

During the chilly 17th and 18th centuries, people quilted caps, jackets, undershirts, and coverlets to ward off the cold and stay warm.

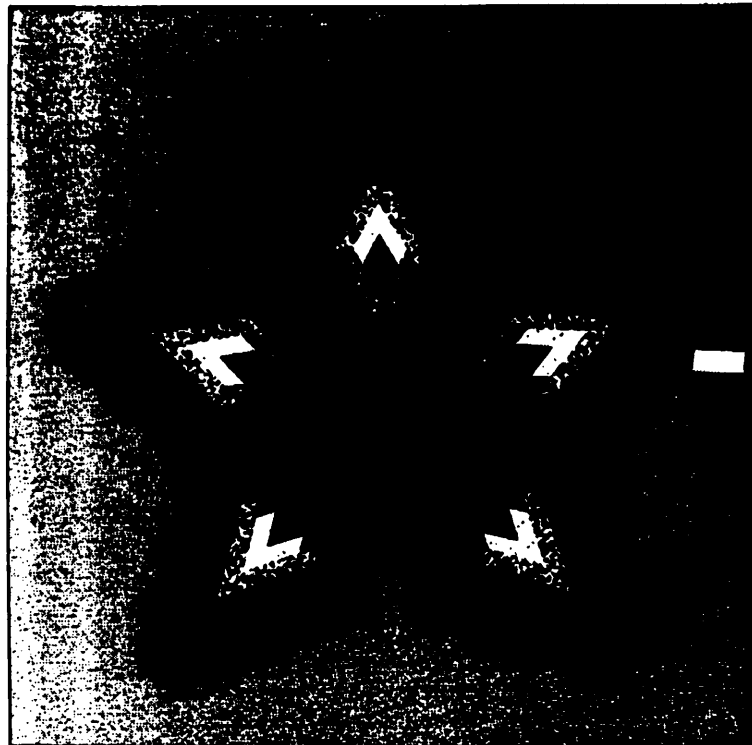
Quilting became highly developed in the United States using scraps of imported Indian chintz, which was called Cotton Patch Work or Applique.

The art declined with the invention of the sewing machine, but has since been revived. We now have quilting bees, quilt collectors, even quilting clubs and television programs.

Movies have been named after them, like "How to Make an American Quilt," and we can't forget the greatest quilt of them all, the national AIDS quilt.

The most popular styles are Lone Star Log Cabin and Wedding Ring.

As you start out into the display area, an eye-catching quilt



"Christmas Star," a quilt by Marie Zimmerman, is included in the Library's fourth floor quilt exhibit.

called "Oriental Log Cabin," by Laura Saunders, grabs your eye. In this handmade work, hot reds and passionate pinks were used to match the oriental carpet in the artist's bedroom.

The traditional Log Cabin design has a red center which signifies a fire in the cabin.

Once you are close to the works, the time consuming detailed artistry and craftsmanship can be seen, stitch by meticulous stitch.

Next to "Oriental Log Cabin" is "African Stars," from the private collection of Mary Uyeda.

"African Stars" is crafted with stars made of brightly patterned fabric imported from Africa.

The visual element is backed by history in "Firstborn," by Rebecca Anne Davis. Signifying the history of Israel, 12 strips of fabric represent 12 tribes of Israel, 31 white squares symbolize the 31 days of a

month, and four "ten-year" Hanukkah columns depict the 40 years Jewish people wandered the desert.

Also on exhibit is a fanciful quilt called "Cosmic Vegetables," by Gretchen Engle. Vivid earthy colors portrays any proud veggie grower's garden.

Using a traditional split rail design, "Twenty Fifth Birthday," by Davis, is made with 25 different fabrics commemorating a twenty fifth birthday.

One especially stands out. "Grandma's Tea Box," by Dana Franks, is sewn just like the pattern atop the tea box, which is displayed below the quilt.

Some quilts were sewn in the early 1900s. Two untitled quilts were crafted in the 1940s as gifts for granddaughters.

Many of these quilts are made and given as gifts. "Katie's Quilt," by Davis, was a Christmas surprise. The material was the dress Katie was wearing when she first met her husband of 20 years.

The exhibit will be on display from May 1 - 30 and is a must if you love color and fine workmanship.

Gallery hours are 7 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday; 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. Fridays, and 8 a.m. - noon Saturdays.

One-acts spring onto stage this week at HCC

AnnMarie Coe
Staff Reporter

The foot lights will be on the student directed one-act plays tonight through Saturday, May 15-17 at 8 p.m., in Building 7.

The one-acts won't be in the Little Theatre this spring due to freshly sprayed acoustical spray which is posing a fire hazard.

"It (rehearsal) hasn't been that bad this year," Costume Designer Rick Lorig said. "It's been much less chaotic than last year."

This year's six plays, in order of performance, will include:

"Here We Are," written by Dorothy Parker and directed by Elizabeth Andrew.

"A Betrothal," written by Lanford Wilson and directed by Kristen Olds.

"A Simple Kind of Love Story," written by Murray Schisgal and directed by Jim

Kelner.

"Abstinence," written by Lanford Wilson and directed by Heather Springsteen.

"David and Patty have a less than intellectual conversation about sex," written and directed by Highline student Brandon Felker.

"The Pushcart Peddlers," written by Murray Schisgal and directed by Jim Kelner.

Actor Leilani Berinobis said the play "David and Patty..." written and directed by Highline student Brandon Felker, is funny, entertaining and well-written.

"The second half of the play is better written than the first," she said.

Felker's play, along with the play "Abstinence" both contain language that is inappropriate for children. Costume Designer Rick Lorig said children under

14 shouldn't stick around for the second half of the one-acts.

Actors Vinnie Tula and Garrette Pinwell marked the plays rated R.

"The actors have been on top of it," Lorig said.

Tula was on top of his script. He was reciting the lines frantically to make sure he learned them word for word.

"I know them," Tula said. "I just have to find a way to get them out."

The actors, directors, and

staff have finished up the set and props and have memorized lines and cues.

"We're ready," Lorig said. "We've just been working out the last minute details."

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The 1997-98 season line up has been announced. Featured plays will include "Stellaluna," "Frog and Toad," and "The Tempest." For subscription information and a brochure, call (206) 441-3322.

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A.C.T. is seeking volunteers for its 1997 season, now through late November. Volunteers will greet guests, seat patrons, and other volunteers will assist with meeting artists at the airport and office support. For information, call (206) 292-7660 and specify if your interest lies in ushering or other areas.

Jazz, Blues, Fiddlers Ignite the Peninsula

The 1997 AirTouch Cellular Jazz
Port Townsend, Port Townsend Country Blues Workshop and Festival, and Musical Fireworks and Renowned Fiddlers will rock it to the McCurdy Pavilion and Fort Worden State Park throughout the summer. For tickets and information, call Centrum at 1-800-733-3608, or visit their web site at <http://www.centrum.org>.

Puyallup Fair Lineup Announced
Kenny Loggins, Weird Al Yankovic, Bill Cosby, Grover Washington Jr., and John Michael Montgomery are just a few of the scheduled performers for this year's event. Call Ticketmaster at 638-0888 for tickets, or check out the Puyallup Fair's web site at <http://www.thefair.com>.

Northwest AIDS Foundation
Learn what the foundation does and how you can be involved on Saturday May 22 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Call 806-6400 to register or 860-8845 for more information.

The Des Moines Theatre
"Scream" will be featured, May 16-22. Call 878-1540 for show times and ticket prices.

Arcturus shines at HCC

Jeff Wilkison
Staff Reporter

The student-produced Arcturus magazine will soon be appearing across the Highline campus. The free magazine should be out by the end of this week or early next week, said Arcturus adviser Alison Green.

Arcturus is a yearly magazine which includes some of the finest work from Highline's student body and staff, including poetry, essays, short stories and artwork.

Student editors and graphic designers work with Green and instructor Gary Nelson to produce the final product.

Submissions for the magazine are collected throughout the year. The deadline for submission is usually around the middle of February.

This year, a total of 273 pieces were entered to the Arcturus staff. Fifty-two were selected for final use in the magazine.

Funding for Arcturus comes from the Student Activities Bud-

get. This pays mostly for printing costs.

"It's such a great thing because it's so student-generated," said Green.

A reading will be held from noon - 1 p.m. and again at 7 - 9 p.m. on Wednesday, May 21 in Building 7.

Writers featured will be reading some of their work from the magazine, and student musicians will perform. Refreshments will also be available.

Your name could be here.

Or your picture, drawing or sharp idea. You could be the next great student journalist to grace the pages of the Thunderword, soon-to-be once again Highline's award-winning student newspaper.

Here's what you do: Sign up for Journalism 101 either Summer or Fall Quarter. Or sign up for Journalism 215, Publication Production and Editing, for Fall Quarter.

Now seeking students for the following positions: Photo Editor, advertising sales rep., copy editor, distribution manager, archives manager. See T.M. Sell, adviser, in the T-word office Building 10-106, 878-3710, ext. 3150 or 3292.

Spring Fever 7

Date: Thursday, May 22, 1997

Time: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Music!

- Stanley Greenthal
(Celtic and Balkan music)
10 a.m. - 11 a.m.
- Cooke 'N Greens
(Blues)
11 a.m. - 12 Noon
- The Navy Band-Seattle
(Variety: country to pop)
12 Noon - 1 p.m.
- Michael Powers
(Jazz)
1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Location: Library Plaza (in case of rain, Student Lounge, Bldg. 8)

Food!

- Barbecue Meal
(\$3.00 a plate)
Includes:
- hamburger
 - chips
 - cookies
 - pop

Entertainment!

- Caricature Artist
10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
- Roving Artists:
- Magician
10 a.m. - 12 Noon
- Balloon Sculptor
11 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- Mime Artist
12 Noon - 2 p.m.

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eligibility will not change, but it may for the 1998-99 school year.

The Legislature ended by telling the Higher Education Coordinating Board to come up with a new plan by next year, or the eligibility for grant money will be based on the independent/dependent status of students, officials said. That idea was not well-received by school officials.

"I didn't think it was a well thought out decision, and I'm glad that it's been postponed until next year," said Laura Saunders, vice president for administration.

A plan for grants to be based on the tuition of the school is being worked out, officials said.

The workforce retraining program is safe for the next two years.

The program has been funded from the unemployment trust

fund for the last four years, but the trust fund has been eliminated, and the money will come from the General Fund.

State Rep. Karen Keiser, who is also a chairwoman of Highline's Board of Trustees, is still concerned about the future of the program. Under the current plan, the financial aid has been cut and will result in the loss of roughly 1,000 students statewide from the program, she said.

Bruce Botka, state spokesman for technical and community colleges, said that the Legislature has basically shown its support for the program. "College performance signaled the need for workforce retraining," Botka said.

Tuition will rise 4 percent each year for the next two years. The money will go to school programs, work study grants and salary increases among other things, officials said.

All state employees will receive a one-time 3 percent increase effective July 1. The last raise was a one-time 4 percent

Parking

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Saunders made it clear that Highline takes handicapped parking seriously. Highline's

disabled permits are approved by the state. The parking lot has been renovated to provide more parking for disabled students. Nevertheless, the penalty for illegal handicap parking will stay, Saunders said.

increase four years ago, Command said.

As for part-time faculty, the state must spend at least \$2.7 million in salary increases.

Colleges have the option of increasing the base-rate pay or highering some part-time faculty to full-time positions. School officials agree that they will probably be more interested in converting part-time to full-time positions.

Highline will receive \$400,000 to plan the design of an addition to Building 30. Construction will not begin for another two years.

Saunders has attributed the attention that community colleges have received to organization. She said that the colleges have told their stories to the Legislature, and more importantly, the students have told about the benefits they have received from community colleges.

Stay tuned...

Keep your eyes peeled for the next issue of the Thunderword will feature religion on the Highline Community College campus.

Dance cruise to depart soon

Tickets are still available for the Evening Under the Stars cruise and dance.

The dance, being co-sponsored by the Associated Students of Highline Community College (ASHCC) and the Events Board, will take place Tuesday, May 27 from 7-10 p.m.

For a cost of \$10, students will receive hors d'oeuvres and drinks as well as having a chance at a door prize.



Music will be provided by a DJ, and a photographer will be on hand to take pictures.

Tickets can be purchased in the Student Programs Office in Building 8.

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