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The voice of the students

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“All the things I really like to do are either immoral, illegal, or fattening.”
Alexander Woolcott

Student cars towed

Business strikes back at students who park on its property

By Menna Tesfatsion
Staff Reporter

Over 31 cars were impounded yesterday in the parking lot adjacent to Baskin Robins on Pacific Highway South.

The owners of Antique Furniture and Victorian and Country Collectibles decided to get the illegally parked cars towed after attempting to contact the school.

“The students will have to learn the hard way,” said a worker at the antique store. “They’re stopping our business, they’ve even knocked down signs we have put up.”

“Getting your car towed is no fun, but if the owners decide to do it there is nothing we can do about it. It’s private property, students have been warned early in the quarter,” said Laura Saunders, vice president of administration.

The parking lot is not school property, therefore the owners



Photo by Norman Godwin

Students' cars parked outside of Baskin Robins were towed away yesterday.

have the right to have illegally parked cars towed.

There is not an agreement between Highline and the owners

of the antique store to allow students to park. There is, however, over flow parking in Midway parking lot.

Highline could become Metro hub

By Westley Young
Staff Reporter

Highline could become a transit hub for Metro buses, and students could enjoy cheap travel on those buses under a transit plan now being discussed.

Metro, Southwest King County, and West Seattle are working on a six-year development plan for a more efficient transit system.

A key element of the plan for Highline students could be availability of a GoPass, which for \$10 would give students three months of unrestricted travel on all Metro buses.

Many Seattle colleges, including the University of Washington, are using the GoPass. The pass is available to staff and students of participating colleges.

Other parts of the plan include more service throughout South King County, including more direct routes to Highline College.

“Highline Community College needs better connections,” according to “The Bus Stops Here,” a Metro booklet on the transit plan handed out at community meetings. “[The] stu-



Photo by Bruce Jarrell

Students wait to get on the bus at Highline's bus stop.

dent body is drawn from West Seattle to the Federal Way area, and also areas like Kent East Hill. Once-an-hour bus service increases their community time by a couple of hours each day.”

New routes could include more runs between Des Moines and Kent, Des Moines and SeaTac, and Des Moines and Federal Way.

The proposed transit hub at Highline would serve Metro

routes 130, 132, 166 and 174.

The proposals will be viewed in January by the public in an open house, and by mail. For more information on the transit proposals, call Kathy Hall at (206) 684-6755 (voice), (206) 684-1682 (TTY), kathy.hall@metrokc.gov (E-mail), write at King County Department of Transportation Community Relations 821 Second Avenue, MS 92 Seattle, WA 98104-1598.

Highline to host candidate forum

By Menna Tesfatsion
Staff Reporter

The Highline campus will be the new battle ground for the political show down in the 33rd district.

Democrats Rod Blalock and Sen. Julia Patterson will be joined by republicans Jim McCune and John Creighton on Wednesday, Oct. 22.

The war of words will take place in the Student Lounge, upstairs in Building 8 from 7-8:30 p.m.

“The Candidates Forum will provide an opportunity for both the campus community, and local community, to see and hear the candidates they will be voting for in the November elections,” said Director of Student Programs Diane Anderson.

“I hope students learn the issues well enough to make informed decisions when they vote,” said Alexandria Peacock, vice president of legislation. Peacock played a role in bringing the candidates to Highline's campus.

“I hope people come and take advantage of this opportunity,” Peacock said.

Both Rep. Blalock and Sen. Patterson were appointed last year to fill the respective seats for one year.

Sen. Patterson, a SeaTac resident and graduate of both the University of Washington and Washington State University, served four years in the state House of Representatives before her appointment to the Senate last year. She will take on Creighton in the debate.

Creighton describes himself as conservative. He spent 26 years in the Navy, four of those working in Houston for NASA, where he flew on a space shuttle three times.

The race for a seat in the state House of Representatives consists of Rep. Blalock and McCune. Blalock has been a resident in the 33rd district, which includes Des Moines, Normandy park, Kent and SeaTac, for 30 years.

McCune has been a resident of the SeaTac-Des Moines area for over 37 years. He has owned a small commercial fishing business for over 30 years and brokers his own seafood.

Editorial

Get out and vote
for student at large

Today is the final day of the student-at-large Fall Quarter elections.

Student government has tried to make this year's elections more accessible to all students. Their efforts have included a video debate that has been shown throughout the week.

Traditionally, the candidates have debated one day in the middle of the afternoon and only students who did not have class at that time could see it.

That means that the information is available to students, they just choose not to use it.

Last spring 250 out of more than 8,000 Highline students turned out to vote for the Associated Students of Highline Community College (ASHCC) elections.

That was a little over 5 percent of the total population at Highline that took a few minutes out of their schedule to stop by Building 8 and make a choice about who would represent them in the upcoming years.

It would be truly sad if at least 3,000, that's about a third of the current population at Highline, couldn't show up to put a few marks on a piece of paper.

There are 10 candidates running for two positions. That's about how many people ran last spring total.

In addition, each of the candidates is qualified for the position, it's just a matter of students' choosing who they want to represent them.

So read the brief profiles on the candidates on page eight and watch the debate video. More importantly, however, just get out there and vote.

Restroom manners
apply to everyone

If you've taken part in using one of the many Highline restrooms on campus lately, you may have noticed that people aren't practicing the general rule of common courtesy. It's a rule that everyone knows and agrees with, but doesn't always execute.

It should be everyone's responsibility to keep the restrooms clean. This is not a hard task to uphold.

For instance, each bathroom is equipped with a trash can, yet for some reason people have a hard time dispensing their trash in them. Wadded up paper towels can be found on the floor, in the sink, and above the mirrors. It's not uncommon to find empty pop cans and bottles in these areas as well.

Another problem that arises is the personal disregard by males to properly aim when using the toilets and urinals. This leaves a very nasty mess for the next person that happens to use the toilet.

Probably the most common offense committed by students would be their repeated forgetfulness to flush.

Granted, the toilets' flushing power leaves much to be desired, thus resulting in the much needed double-flush method.

But this extra step in bathroom etiquette is no excuse to leave fellow students an unexpected surprise when entering the toilet stalls. If the business requires a double flush, then by all means flush it twice.

Some people may be purposely leaving a big mess in their attempts to rebel against authority. This, however, has a reverse effect because the only people it directly affects is the students.

People should not go out of their way to make the restrooms filthy. These are not the college's restrooms, but the students' restrooms.



End of world might not be all bad

There comes a point in every young man's life when he must stop and say, "hey, I could handle the end of existence as I know it."

The point in my own life came the other morning as I walked in late to chemistry once again.

I should have known something was up when I went into the room and the lights were off. I should have known something

On the wild side
With W.B. Heming

was up when everyone turned to look at me.

I did know something was up when the instructor told me it was my "turn to shine."

He rattled off some question about ions and I couldn't help but think I should have slept in longer.

My instructor took pity on me and rephrased the question. Something triggered in the back of my head and the answer popped out.

He smiled and said "Why are you taking this class?"

I really didn't know at that point.

After that, I'm sure that the end of the world might not be so bad. At least I know I won't walk in late on it.

Letters to the Editor

Older student says
lighten up

Dear Editor:

I too am one of the ancient returnees to the world of academe. Unlike some of my contemporaries I am writing in defense of Lisa Curdy's spirited, tongue-in-cheek style.

While I admit I started to circle the wagons at first reading, I fell back, regrouped and decided to pass on the ambush. I gotta say "lighten up." Is it so bad to laugh at ourselves a bit?

I went to high school in the fifties; it was a whole 'nother ball game then. (One of my philosophy instructors eloquently assigned me to the period "before the great flood.") When I was Lisa's age I had two babies and was working two jobs. Let her be whatever and whoever she can be.

Having successfully blazed a trail though my first half-century and being well into the second, I decided to venture back in time and resume my long-neglected higher education.

I've met and talked to kids (No offense intended. If you are under 40 you qualify as a kid), from all over the world. I know students from Chile, Russia, Vietnam, Laos, India, Ethiopia, Japan, Korea, the Ukraine, Iraq,

and other countries, here at Highline. What an amazing opportunity!

I have made so many new friends and feel accepted by my classmates of all ages. I attend classes with students some of whom are no older than my granddaughters.

Again, I say "lighten up!" Let Lisa express herself as she will. I say "You go, Girl!" Isn't it

great we have such diversity here at Highline and the freedom to think and speak as we please?

When you pass me on campus say "hi." I'm the old broad, generally running off at the mouth, with the perpetual look of amazement on my face. I'm lovin' this!

Salley Freimuth
Highline student

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Cancer survivors urge vigilance

By Jenna Burkard
Staff Reporter

Women can, and should, protect themselves from breast cancer by detecting it early, three cancer survivors said in a presentation here Tuesday.

The women spoke at a Breast Cancer Awareness Seminar organized by Yenerma De Las Alas of student government. October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

"Women should give themselves a breast exam monthly to check for breast cancer and after the age of 40 should get a yearly mammogram," said Tricia Garland, one of the guest speakers.

Garland had been examined several times, but her doctor found nothing. Another doctor did find the cancer, however.

Garland survived after having a mastectomy. Since then



Photo by Norman Godwin
Deborah Spence Schiro talks about breast cancer Tuesday.

she has participated in many seminars, stressing the importance of self-examination.

Risk of breast cancer increases with a woman's age, presenters at the seminar said.

At age 25 your chance of getting breast cancer is one in 25,000; at age 35 one in 500; at age 40 one in 262; at age 50 one in 62; age 70 one in 32; and at age 80 your chances of getting breast cancer are one in 12.

Some 182,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer every year in the United States; 40,000 women die of it.

Men also can get breast cancer, although that is much more rare, said Deborah Spence Schiro, program manager for detection for the American Cancer Society.

The gene for breast cancer has been isolated, which may lead to a cure someday, Schiro said.

Foundation kicks off fall campaign

By Ami Westberg
Staff Reporter

The Highline Community College Foundation's goal this year is to raise \$100,000 for scholarships and program enhancements. The largest fundraising event of the year is the annual campaign which kicks off the month of October.

The campaign is designed to solicit help from Highline alumni, staff, faculty, community leaders, and previous donors. The Foundation mails out letters asking people to donate money to help Highline students and programs.

The Foundation is a non-profit organization run through Highline. Its efforts are aimed at raising money to provide scholarships for students. It also raises money for emergency funds, grants and program support.

Other fundraisers include the Golf Marathon played at the end of August, which raised approximately \$20,000; last month's George Karl Roast; and last year's lecture by Ann Rule.

"The Foundation is always looking for new events," said Dr. Ed Command, president of the college and member of The Foundations' Board of Directors and Executive Board.

Scholarships are offered to students due to the Foundation's success in reaching people who donate to the school. They are awarded in the names of alumni, previous donors, and specific school departments and programs.

Assistant Director of the Foundation Mark McKay said that not all scholarships are tied to grade point or need.

For information about scholarships check in the financial aid office in Building 6.

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President takes long trek to HCC

By Ian Mahannah
Staff Reporter

Student body President Nelson Crisanto has experienced a lot. Born deep in the Honduran jungle in a village called Palcious, he found life hard in tough situations, all the while keeping a positive attitude.

At the age of 15 he was struck with polio. For one year he was forced to have a wooden board strapped to his leg. The abundance of love from his family and friends and strong faith in natural medicines made by the medicine women are what pulled him through.

"There was a strong feeling of unity on Palcious, basically everyone lived their lives day by day. Everyone got along great. It was a very happy time for me."

Nelson loved his village and wanted to do everything possible to be a positive factor. Without any advanced education, which he dearly wanted, he did odd jobs at the hospital.

"The medicine supply was pathetic, there were times where we would go two weeks without any," he said.

He got his big break when a nurse from Central Washington University, Verna Zuettermister, offered him the opportunity to come to America. She became his host mother for five years.

"Moving to America was a total culture shock. In Palcious there was an airstrip in the middle of the village and I was with black people like me," Crisanto explained.

He attended Wenatchee High

School where he discovered the power of politics.

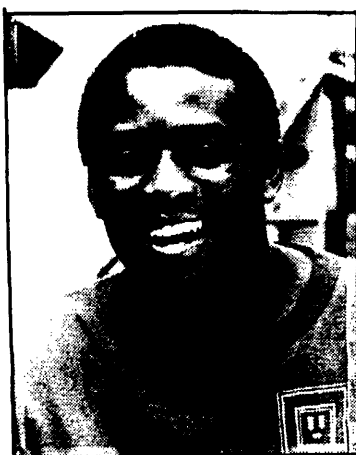
"I wanted to get involved in political issues because I wanted to make a difference. I want to help people," Crisanto said.

He proved his ability by making the honor roll every year. He also proved his toughness. In wrestling he placed in state every year and won the state title in the 118-pound weight division his junior year.

He currently is on the HCC wrestling team and has high hopes for this season.

"One of the reasons why I chose Highline was because it is one of only four schools in Western Washington that has a wrestling team," he said.

Crisanto spoke well of the upcoming season. "I expect nothing less than being No. 1."



Nelson Crisanto

Next year, when he will look back on the 1997-98 school year, he knows what he wants to see. "I want a lot of positive changes," he said.

In Crisanto's spare time he enjoys being with friends and relaxing while listening to his favorite musician, Bob Marley. His favorite actor is Eddie Murphy. His favorite actress is Wyona Ryder. His favorite food is a Whopper. His favorite car is his own '83 Toyota Camry.

If he could change one thing about the world it would be, "To feed all the hungry people."

News briefs

Speaker from Trinidad to Highline

Earl Lovelace, Ph.D, author of SALT, will lecture on Oct. 20 from noon - 1:15 p.m. in Building 7. Discussion and book-signing will follow the lecture until 1:45 p.m. Lovelace received the 1997 Commonwealth Award for Literature for SALT. Refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Laura Westergard, ext. 3537.

Diversity forum open to community

Highline's Multicultural Services Advisory Board will meet on Friday Oct. 17 from 2-4 p.m. in Building 2.

All topics involving diversity and related subjects or problems will be open to discussion during the first half hour of the meeting. Any student, staff or faculty is welcome to attend.

The Multicultural Services Advisory Board is comprised of administrators, faculty and stu-

Mass Cool Concert Series canceled

The concert, scheduled for Friday, Oct. 17 has been canceled.

The headlining band, The Scene, canceled last week, and Kissing Booth, another band, also had to cancel.

Kris Peterson, the coordinator of the series said that there might be another concert in January.

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Heeeee-ya! Chica burns

One night after a long hard day at work, I mindlessly flipped on the boob tube.

On that static infested screen, I watched a woman carry large dangerous sticks, had knowledge to defeat evil, and as if that's not enough, she had metal clad breasts. My kind of lady.

This kooky gal, Xena was

Lisa's World



By Lisa Curdy

her name, thrashed upon the blight of humanity with swift blows to the groin, among other tricky maneuvers.

Like a daydream on the Brady Bunch, my mind started to wander, and suddenly I saw myself in a place, much like Highline, but alas, I was no longer Lisa.

I was Chica del Fuego, Warrior Student.

As Chica del Fuego, (that's Girl of Fire for those of you whose high school Spanish scars have healed), I looked at my surroundings. Parking lot. Very full.

Alas, armed with a quick wit and a rolled-up copy of my trusty Thunderword, I knew I could battle through this.

Ahead of me in the south lot, a car was pulling out. But lo, an evil Parking Piranha in a Mustang snatched it away.

Oh, no. Chica del Fuego don't play that.

Slamming on the brakes to my Fuegomobile, I hastily removed my safety belt and unlocked my always locked doors. Chica del Fuego is anal about automobile safety.

Out of the Mustang crawled the morally corrupt student.

Going into action, I whipped out my Oct. 9 issue of the T-Word. Rolling it up with the know-how of a professional, I sprang into action.

With my puma-like agility, I ran at the spot-stealing creature, did a few no-hands cartwheels, and finished off the visual attack with a nice triple back hand-spring, howling all the while.

Olympic gymnasts would be proud, and very afraid.

Then, as the stunned student looked queerly into my fuego-lit eyes, I pointed the rolled up T-Word dangerously at him, unrolled it, and flipped to the Opinion section.

With a vehement tone, I recited to the boy, much like the Miranda Rights, "...if you arrive here after 9 a.m., you are not going to get an instant parking

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Bloody boogie folks set to scare

By Santi Permpool
Staff Reporter

Scare Productions and 102.5 KZOK FM present the special 10th Anniversary of the 1997 Des Moines/Midway Rotary Club Haunted House.

Located at the Des Moines Marina Beach Park, The grand opening of the haunted house will be Thursday, Oct. 16 at 7 p.m., and it will run through Saturday, Nov. 1.

"For ten years this show has consistently been rated one of the best haunted houses on the west coast," said Rhonda Tingley-Carter, Promotions and Administrations person for Scare Productions.

Scare Productions is a non-profit, all volunteer group that provides the props and organizes the haunted house.

Yearly profits average around \$100,000 to \$200,000, with about 30,000 to 50,000 "house guests" visiting.

All profits go back into the community. Some is re-circulated back into the local economy through the Des Moines Parks and Recreation, and the rest through the Des Moines Midway Rotary Club, a non-profit organization.

The rotary club is "the No. 1 funding source for the Des Moines Food Bank and local



Photo by Norman Godwin

Creepy ghouls abound at the Scare Productions Haunted House, which opens today.

charity events," Tingley-Carter said.

Some of the past beneficiaries include Junior Achievement, DARE, Highline College Foundation, and much more.

Microsoft donated a swinging double-bit ax, among other local donors.

Because their special 10th Anniversary showing will be on Saturday, Nov. 1, Scare Productions is featuring "The Last Chance Costume Pageant."

Everyone is encouraged to come in their costume and participate in the perpetual peoples

parade held that evening.

Operating hours are from 7 p.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday, and 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday.

Be prepared to be frightened, as "IT" like clowns and many butcher knives abound. Sudden surprises jump out at you, and blood flows like the river Ganges.

Perhaps the most troubling scene of the Haunted House was the hospital room, where a very realistic amputation had occurred, complete with writhing bloody stump and screaming

un-anesthetized woman.

And scary volunteer ghouls follow you around like a pack of loyal chihuahuas.

There is fake fog as well as strobe lights. The Haunted House is wheelchair accessible.

Little kiddies might be frightened, so be sure that kids under 10 bring a friend and a parent.

Admission is \$5 per person. Free parking is available at the Des Moines Marina Beach Park, and discount coupons are also available at local Bartell Drugs good for \$1 off admissions Sunday through Wednesday.

Comedy Cafe soon to yuck up Building 8

By Marisa Kind
Staff Reporter

What David Spade is to Saturday Night Live, Chris Alpine and Kermit Holiday are to The Comedy Cafe.

Highline's comedy night, affectionately called the Comedy Cafe, will be kicking off their quarterly programs next month, Nov. 7.

This will be the second performance at Highline for the feature comedian, Chris Alpine.

Touraan Smith, Team Highline Member, is in charge of booking all of the comedians for the Comedy Cafe, and said that Alpine is a very funny guy and is well received by the audience.

The November performance will be Holiday's first appearance at The Comedy Cafe, but with a name like Kermit it should be a "holiday" to remember.

The Comedy Cafe is held in The Tazza Cafe, which will be open for business during the show. The doors open at 7:30 p.m. and the show is from 8 to 10 p.m.

The tickets are \$5 in ad-



Chris Alpine

vance, but \$7 at the door.

Tickets may be purchased from any of the Team Highline member or from the Student Programs office.

Both offices are located on the top floor of Building 8.

The shows are clean, hilarious entertainment suitable for everyone, both the campus community as well as the general public.

However, Smith believes that children under the age of 16 may find the material hard to understand.

For the past six years that Highline has organized the



Kermit Holiday

Comedy Cafe, the audience has largely been made up of people from the surrounding community.

"I want to promote it actively on campus, to get more of a student-based audience," said Touraan Smith.

One of the jobs that Smith is responsible for on the Team Highline committee is heading up The Comedy Cafe.

He has the opportunity to visit different comedy clubs in the Seattle area to check out potentials for Highline's own show.

When Smith finds suitable

talent, he then has the responsibility to communicate with the agent, book the individual, schedule the performance, and ultimately promote the show.

"Basically, I am in charge of all the behind the scenes work," said Smith.

This is Smith's first year with Team Highline.

"Our major goal is to provide programs for all the students, but part of the responsibilities lies on the students, because they have to tell us what they want," said Smith.

Students are encouraged to not only attend the event, but also give their opinion of the events they have attended.

One way to help The Comedy Cafe is recommending comedians to Smith whom you have found entertaining.

Smith hopes that The Comedy Cafe is a hit, "because it works both ways. The comedians have a good time as well as the audience, plus the campus makes money."

Be sure to attend this November, and keep your ears peeled for the upcoming Cafe's in February and May. They're sure to be a few cheap laughs.

Beefcake buffet: Highline's finest strut their goods in calendar pageant

By Shannon Stroud
Staff Reporter

Picture this: 30 dapper men strutting their stuff for judges, and of course, you, in the first ever calendar pageant.

No people, this is not a dream. Team Highline will be sponsoring a competition-based pageant entitled, "Men of Highline" taking place on Wednesday, Nov. 13, in the upper level of Building 8 from noon to 2 p.m.

The top 12 qualifying contestants will be featured in a 1998 calendar sold here at Highline, which will include a profile and photograph of each guy for each month.

To add to the excitement, the

contestants of the pageant can be any male student or staff member at Highline.

Whether it be in jeans and a T-shirt or a tuxedo and top hat, these young men will be wearing any outfit of their choice that best describes them.

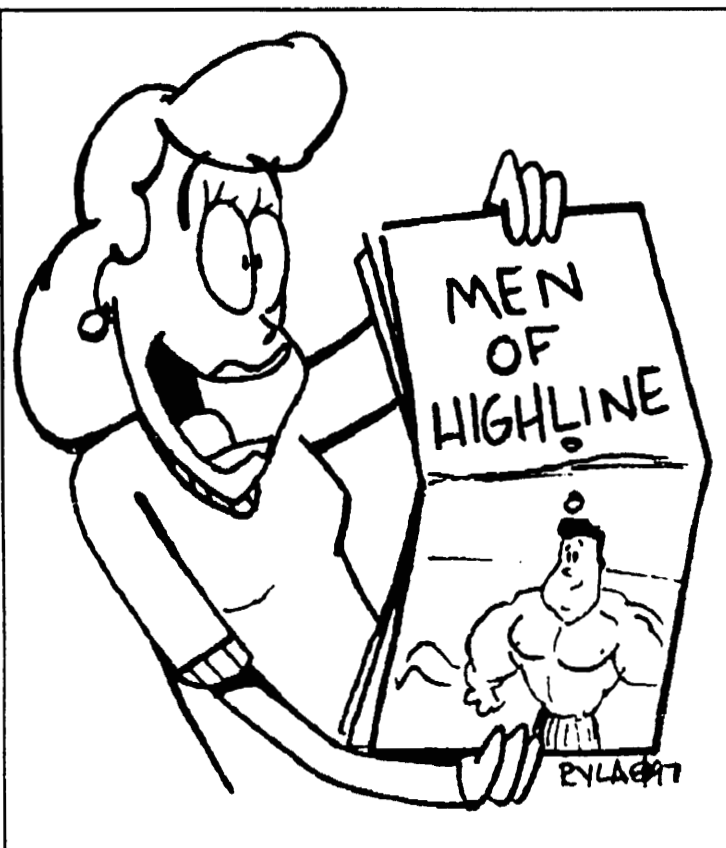
But wait, it gets even better. KUBE's morning show co-host Terri Free, and Amanda Loring, a Highline student as well as a scout for the Emerald City Model and Talent Agency, will be the event's judges.

Many students around campus are roused by talk of a pageant for men.

"I think it would be funny to see guys in something like this," said student Brianne Nohra.

Some men seemed to be skeptical, however, when they were asked if they would participate in a pageant such as this one.

"I'm not really into that sort of thing," said student Mike



Graphic by Jake Dill
The winners of the Men of Highline fashion show will be featured in a 1998 calendar.

Firestine.

This may very well be a typical reaction for many men, but it won't stop the 30 guys already signed up to do their thing on stage.

So scoot your rear over to

Building 8 and watch this showcase of Highline's finest beefcakes, Wednesday Nov. 13.

If you, too, would like to be a Man of Highline, please contact Touraan Smith at ext. 3537 as soon as possible.

Bands pack house for rousing fun

By K. M. Petersen
Staff Reporter

764-Hero celebrated the release of their new CD, "We're Solids," on Sunday night by playing to a packed house of 160 at the Old Firehouse in Redmond.

Bunny Foot Charm was originally scheduled to play first at the concert, which highlighted three bands.

Concert organizers, however, announced to the crowd that the band was eating dinner and had not arrived yet, so 764-Hero would play first.

764-Hero delighted the crowd with songs from both of their CDs.

The two-piece band, consisting of singer/guitarist John Atkins and drummer Polly Johnson-Dickinson, played an emotionally charged set.

Atkins' stage presence was intense, as he would routinely lean his head backwards and scream into the microphone, while Johnson-Dickinson's drumming was methodical and steady.

Bunny Foot Charm was

available to play after 764-Hero finished. Unfortunately, their cookie-cutter guitar rock was far too boring for the crowd. Many of the audience members decided to spend the duration of the Bunny Foot Charm set in the area outside the Firehouse building.

"We liked it that way, so we kept it."

--Johnson Dickinson

Olympia-based Unwound finished the concert. They were unable to perform for about 15 minutes because the guitar player's amplifier was broken.

"It worked last night," he said before apologizing to the crowd.

When Unwound finally started playing, the crowd was treated to a mixture of tight, unconventional rhythms and well-utilized effects.

The concert was the last local one for 764-Hero before they leave for a national tour with Modest Mouse.

Their new CD arrived in record stores October 7.

"We're happy with it," Johnson-Dickinson said, "Phil Ek recorded it and he did a really good job, we like it a lot."

The new release is quite a bit faster than their previous releases, and in their live set, they speed up their slower, moodier songs. Johnson-Dickinson said, "It kind of happened that way. We liked it, so we kept it that way."

The Mercer Island-raised Atkins wore a faded red T-shirt which displayed his slightly sizable stomach, and sported ill-fitting pants which seemed as if

Hendrixes tell sad tale

By Jenna Burkard
Staff Reporter

Rock and roll wasn't good to Jimi Hendrix, family members said to a group of students at Highline on Tuesday night.

The guitar legend, who died in 1970, grew up in Seattle. His father, Al Hendrix and younger sister, Jamie, spoke to 43 members of Stephanie Haigh's History of Rock and Roll class.

The Hendrixes' two-hour presentation answered questions from the audience, during which the two often disagreed about the details of Jimi's life.

Al Hendrix recalled that he bought Jimi's first guitar for \$5 from Fred Meyer Music.

The Hendrixes said that Jimi did not die of a drug overdose, and that he rarely touched drugs. They said his managers had often placed drugs on him to get him arrested.

Hendrix died choking on his own vomit after having some wine and sleeping pills.

Al and Jamie now spending most of their time working on getting a museum started.

Fuego

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spot in one of the three main lots."

Flashing my watch at the offender, he witnessed the truth of the matter.

It was 9:15 a.m., and the spot stealing creature apologized for a momentary lack of intelligence, and slinked back to his car.

Pulling out, he waved apologetically and drove into the sunset that was Midway.

As the annoying television chanted "Go Ricki! Go Ricki!" and awoke me from my daze, I realized how strange my dreamstate was.

But I wanted to have super-instantaneous flying powers, by gosh! And a furry footed talking Swamp Bunny as my trusty sidekick!

So maybe working, taking 20 credits, and being on the T-word staff is proving to be a time of trials and tribulations (or was that finals and sleep deprivation?)

But with Chica del Fuego lurking in my mind, I know we'll get through it. HEEEEEE YA!

Lisa Curdy is Arts Editor, and is currently facinated with eating her weight in the cafeteria's taco salad bar. Bring it on!

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T-Bird hoop star Wilder chooses USC

By T.M. Wyse
Sports Editor

One of Highline's most talked-about athletes has taken a giant step in his basketball career.

Quincy Wilder verbally committed to the University of Southern California last Sunday.

Wilder received a full-ride scholarship to the Los Angeles school.

Even though it was only a verbal commitment, Wilder said he is 100 percent sure that this is where he wants to go.

He recently visited the campus and had nothing but good things to say.

"The campus was nice, the



Quincy Wilder

coaches were nice, and the players were nice," Wilder said.

Last season, shooting guard

Wilder played a huge role in the T-Birds' season, leading them to a 31-1 record and first ever NWAACC championship. He was named most valuable player of the conference tournament.

Wilder says that he cannot wait to play for Henry Bibby and get a shot at winning an NCAA championship.

"The coaching staff down here is great," said Joe Callero, HCC men's basketball coach, who will leave Highline this season to take an assistant coaching job at USC.

"That is the main reason I chose USC. Their coach played for five championship teams and coached for another," Wilder said.

He also explained his interest to continue to play for Callero and alongside former Highline post player Brian (Red) Scalabrino, who also has accepted a scholarship to the USC.

"USC is getting two top players who play well together. They both work very hard," Callero said.

"I will give USC two years, 110 per cent of myself, academically and on the court," Wilder said.

He chose from many other colleges. When he narrowed it down to Arizona, Oregon, WSU, Nevada-Reno, and USC, he chose USC because he saw opportunities there that he didn't see at the others.

"USC hasn't won a NCAA championship yet, and I felt that I can help them do that," Wilder said.

He said that the University of Arizona didn't seem to really care about his needs.

"My mom and dad are happy for me, they are in full support of whatever I do and wherever I go," he said.

Callero said he excited about advancing his own career as well, but has more immediate challenges ahead.

"I am looking forward to expanding my coaching career at USC with Red and Wilder, but I am concentrating on winning another NWAACC championship this season," Callero said.

Soccer team suffers second loss of season



Photo by Bruce Jarrell

Highline men's soccer player waits to kick the ball down field.

By Nathan Golden
Staff Reporter

Despite a great effort by the HCC men's soccer team on Friday, Oct. 11, the "Rippers" fell short of a victory.

The team lost to SWOCC 2-0 in what was called a great game by head coach Jason Prenovost.

"We knocked the ball around well," Prenovost said.

Highline had several opportunities to score, but couldn't convert. According to Prenovost, the other team had the momentum.

The following day, with a 2-1 victory over Shoreline, the "Rippers" redeemed themselves.

"It was a bruising game," said head coach Jason Prenovost.

Shoreline took an early 1-0 lead, but that didn't stop Highline. Our boys quickly responded with a goal scored by Randy Rolewicz, assisted from teammate Gerry DiPietro, to tie the game at 1-1. Tony Rolewicz secured the win with a penalty kick that also scored.

During the Shoreline game, Highline's Steve Mullinax, caught two cleats in the back of his right leg as he tackled a Shoreline player and stabbed the ball away from him. Mullinax had no choice but to finish the game off the field.

Mullinax has been recuperating from pneumonia for most of the season. Shoreline was only his third game this year. He felt good about the way he played and described it as his "first real game."

"I felt my touch and endurance was back," Mullinax said.

He was disappointed that he was forced to leave the game before it was officially over, but expressed that he should be back to normal within the week.

Defender Jeff Chamberlain was also forced to exit the game due to hip-flexor problems.

After such a well played game, Prenovost gave his team Monday off to relax and heal.

Highline plays again on Saturday Oct. 18 against Tacoma.

Off-season helps prepare softball team for spring season

By Brian Scalabrino
Staff Reporter

Fall softball has been going on for the past three weeks and going into the last week, the Thunderbirds have a 4-3 record.

"Things are really going well," said Head Coach Cara Hoyt.

In fall softball, the team plays every Saturday. They play three to four games in one day. "It's kind of hard to play four games in one day. We usually struggle in the last one," said T-Bird player Carrie Rhodes.

They play four -year and two-year colleges. Victories this fall included a 5-3 win over

Washington State University.

Coaches and players say the playing fall softball is really important to their season.

"I think the team is coming together, and we learn how people play," Rhodes said.

This is very important when it is time to play for keeps in the spring, she said.

The team really has fun playing together.

"I think we are going to have a great season," said player Tai Mansign.

The T-Birds have one more weekend of fall ball, when they play Skagit Valley Community College in Mount Vernon.



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Cross-Country suffers injury to top runner

By Westley Young
Staff Reporter

Sophomore Brian Smith finished first among the college runners at the Seattle Pacific Fort Casey Invitational in Whidbey Island last Saturday, leading Highline's cross country team to a second-place finish.

Highline was edged out by Western Washington University, 37-52. Cross country is scored in reverse; the team with the lowest overall score wins.

Smith finished fifth overall, beaten only by four professionally sponsored runners. He finished two seconds behind fourth place with a time of 21:07.

"I visualized the race before it began and ran my race," Smith said. "I just had a great race."

"Brian sets the best example for the team. He is at every practice in the morning and in the afternoon giving all he has," said teammate Prahlad Friedman. Freshman Andy Gist,

from Kent-Meridian, ran a 21:47, establishing fifth place.

Highline placed second overall, placing higher than Simon Fraser University, Seattle Pacific University, and Seattle University.

Sophomore Frankie Ceniceros was injured during the meet.

"I was in a tight pack of runners going a round a sharp turn, there was a log that suck out and I hit it with my shoulder," Ceniceros said.

Highline's next meet will be the Western Washington University Invitational at Lake Padden in Bellingham on Saturday, Oct. 18 at 10 a.m.

Women's soccer team battles through not so "key" injuries

By Michael Stampalia
Staff Reporter

Suffering from injuries, the Lady Thunderbirds lost for the first time this season, 5-3 on the road against Lower Columbia.

"They're a good team. We controlled the game, but every time we shot the ball they countered," Coach Shari Andersen said. "It seemed like everything they shot hit the post and went in and every shot we took hit the post and bounced out. It was frustrating."

On Friday the thunderbirds played Southwest Oregon at home.

Confusion on defense in the first half had them trailing 1-0 and screaming assignments at each other. They were able to regroup at halftime and quickly scored to earn a 1-1 tie.

On Saturday the team went on the road to Green River who they defeated 1-0 as Jaime Johanson scoring the T-birds only goal.

"We controlled the game, but we played right into their game plan," Andersen said.

Eryn Redmon earned her third shutout of the season.

After scoring four goals in each of their last three games the team lost Tracy Wilcoxon, Chrissy Keeley, and Maria Sutter.

This weakened an offense that had only just recently gotten untracked, having scored just one goal in their first two games.

"We have a lot of new people, who maybe aren't as experienced, who have had to step in," Andersen said.

Wilcoxon and Keeley are expected back next week, while Sutter was expected to play yesterday against Skagit Valley.

Overall seven starters have missed the last four games with injuries.

"We have not played with all of our starters healthy all season," Andersen said.

The Thunderbirds overall record now stands at 5-1-3 as they hit the road for games at Columbia Basin, Walla Walla, Wenatchee, and Spokane.

"These next two weekends are crucial," Andersen said.



Photo by Bruce Jarrell

Lady T-Birds battle Southwest Community College for a header in a game last week.

Volleyball team drops two matches, still struggling

By Jennifer Francis
Staff Reporter

The women's volleyball team is coming off a rough weekend but have plans of coming back strong this week and feel they will be at full strength by Friday.

Last week the girls had a tough match against Bellevue, but were defeated in four games, 2-15, 15-13, 5-15, 14-16.

Last weekend the lady Thunderbirds participated in a tournament being hosted by Bellevue Community College. The lady Thunderbirds battled through five matches but fell short in all five.

"The scoring system was not the regular system, it was very weird," head coach Tanya Burkett said of last week's tournament.

In this tournament, every match is played to 50, instead of the regular 15.

If you would score on a serve you would receive two points, but if you would score on a side out you would receive one point.


"We are really starting to play better. We are starting to lose our attitude and play together," coach Burkett said.

"I think we will have everything pulled together and be ready to play well on Friday," she said.

The lady Thunderbirds had a non-league match against Green River on Tuesday October 14, in which they lost, but scores were unavailable at press time.

Results weren't available for the October 15 game against Skagit Valley.

The team is looking forward to a match they are hosting on Friday October 17 in the Highline pavilion versus Edmonds Community College.



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Students seek higher office today

Editor's Note: Ten Highline students are hoping to fill two student-at-large positions. Brief profiles on each of the candidates are located to the right.

By W.B. Heming
Staff Reporter

Student-at-large elections will be held today upstairs in Building 8 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.

Students wishing to vote must show a valid Highline student ID card before they are given their ballots, said Paul Gerhardt Jr., vice president of administration for the Associated Students of Highline Community College (ASHCC).

Two student-at-large positions are open thus students will be able to vote for two candidates.

There are a total of four student-at-larges in the ASHCC. Two of those four are elected in the spring.

The current election is for the two remaining positions. Ten candidates are running for the two open spots.

A student-at-large is required to work on at least one project during each quarter as well as being a representative of ASHCC on campus committees.

Money

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The Foundation was originally started back in the '70s. Coincidentally, its first president was Mark McKay.

The institution faded into the woodwork throughout the '80s before being resurrected back in 1991.

Since 1991 the Foundation has done well in making itself known throughout the college and surrounding community. Its net assets barely exceeded \$14,000 in '91 and as of 1997 it is worth just over \$260,000. This includes in-kind gifts of goods and services in addition to monetary donations.

Both Command and McKay said that the organization does an excellent job of reaching the college and surrounding community.

"Oh yes, absolutely. Its (the Foundation's) success depends upon the community," Command said.

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By Andy Johnson
Staff Reporter

Walter Greer

Greer is a 19-year-old student at Highline. He feels that he has a great personality, and is dedicated to doing whatever it takes to accomplish his goals. "I want to be remembered as someone who did something," Greer said.

In high school, Greer was a ASB senator, and participated in leadership camp. He is focused on getting more money for students and intested in starting Highline's own radio station.

Khong Zia Christina Ly

Ly is starting her first quarter at Highline, and is studying

criminal justice. She was a vice-president her sophomore year in high school, and plans to put her experience to good use. She is a member of the Asian Pacific Islanders club, and is ready to see more school spirit.

"I would like to see more participation and involvement," Ly said.

Jon Rugan

Rugan's main goal at Highline is to find something for everyone. He is involved in wrestling, and believes that every student should be as involved as possible. "I can de-

vote a huge amount of time, and I would make student government my number one priority." He was a member of Key Club, and different youth groups, which he believed have increased his skills for the position.

Santana Villa

Villa is a 22-year-old student in his first quarter at Highline. He is currently involved in Key club, Wrestling, and International Student club.

Last year he was involved in the Diversity Dance Workshop which traveled around the U.S.

"I represent a diverse group from all over the world," Villa said. He believes that his ability to relate to all sorts of people will enable him to fill the position successfully.

Jenna Burkard

Burkard is a 17-year-old freshman. She was involved in cheer, cross country, and swimming, and managed track for four years in high school. "With all the sports I have done I've learned how to speak with people and how to get people involved." Although she is not currently involved in any clubs, she is interested in starting a swim club.

Burkard plans to donate at least 25 hours a week to the position, and is ready to get down to business.

Nashonne Watkins

Watkins is a first time student here at Highline and has a 3.5 GPA. He is not only concerned with helping our students, but wants to give back to the community also. Watkins has considered a food drive and an AIDS walk, and is doing interviews to get ideas from other students. "I have great ideas to offer that would help Highline become a better place," he said. He is currently playing volleyball, and plans to be a part of the black student union.

Domenic Cubella

Cubella is a 19-year-old freshman. He is willing to go "the extra mile" to help Highline and its students. "I would like to see Highline become the best community college."

Cubella wishes to make Highline the best community college for everyone.

Raul Sepano

Sepano is enrolled in his fourth quarter at Highline. He was a high school wrestling team captain and a member of the academic national championship wrestling team.

Sepano is interested in more student participation. "I would mainly like to see a rise in school spirit, unity, and event attendance." Having fun, and improving student experiences here at Highline are two of his goals.

Jessica Barber

Barber is an 18-year-old student in her second quarter at Highline. She was an officer in her high school's girls club and drama club, a member of the year book staff for four years, and an editor her junior and senior year.

"I'm a person who blazed my own paths, not a follower," Barber said.

She plans to make Highline a fun and safe place for students to learn, and looks forward to getting involved and having a good time.

Michael Thompson

Thompson is a beginning student at Highline, and has a 3.45 GPA. He was Senior Patrol Leader of a 60-person Boy Scout troop in '95, student body vice president his junior year in high school, and president his senior year.

Thompson plans to major in psychology at Highline, and is looking forward to getting involved. "I want people to have fun." He wants to use his experience to make Highline as relaxing and exciting as possible.



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