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CWU West

Central to move westside campus to Highline

By Alex Credgington Staff Reporter

Highline will soon be reunited with a long lost companion. After two decades, Central Washington University has decided to relocate its SeaTac branch back to the Highline campus.

"This is the first and most important step in a long process to co-locate this CWU branch here on our campus - back to where they belong," Highline President Edward Command said in a recent memo to faculty and staff.

"I believe a partnership will be best for our two colleges and provide the best services for the citizens of our area," Command said.

The decision to relocate was made last week by Ivory Nelson, president of Central, after consideration of 35 possible

With a current lease on the SeaTac branch due to expire in fall 1999, Central hopes to receive legislative funds to construct a 30,000 square foot building here

The plan calls for a completion date of 2001, Command said.

The new building will house the 600 students and 40 faculty that occupy the partnership with Central," Saunders said. sity building will be located where the recommendation to the Board of Trust-SeaTac branch, as well as ease the transition for Highline students wishing to attend the university.

campus will make a better educational two," said Robert Edington, west-side



Photo by Bruce Jarrell

Highline's pool is a likely casualty of Central Washington University's decision to move its westside campus here. College officials say the pool costs too much to maintain and would cost too much to completely repair. Details,

opportunity for students.

"We look forward to establishing a

The partnership will enable students to Highline College pool now stands. Laura Saunders, vice president for two years of a bachelor's degree pro- costing around \$2 million. Though it is Command said. administration at Highline, said that the gram, without even leaving the campus. incorporation of CWU onto the Highline "We will continue to be a two-plus-

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administrator for CWU.

Last lap for track?

Cross country and track programs may be cut for next year

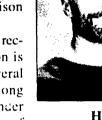
By Alex P. Hennesy Staff Reporter

This year may be the last for track and cross country at Highline.

At the Students and Activities budget meeting last week, Athletic Director Fred Harrison proposed cutting the teams after

"It's not an easy decision to make," Harrison

Harrison's recommendation is based on several factors. Among them are gender



Harrison

equity, number of competitors and retention of athletes. Harrison found fault with both teams in all of these areas.

Harrison indicated that the idea to eliminate track isn't a new one. He said that this is something the athletic program has been looking into for some time

"Every year we evaluate all the athletc programs," Harrison said.

The process that will turn Harrison's proposal into reality is already under way. The S&A budget will be finalized no sooner than May, and based on the budget committee's decisions college President Ed Command will make his ees, who will make the final decision.

The pool, which was built more than "It is very unlikely that I will recomyear program to CWU for an additional 30 years ago, is in need of major repairs mend different than the committee,"

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College steps up advising

By Anna Hackenmiller Staff Reporter

The Educational Planning Center wants to help undecided students save time and money by having them declare their major as soon as possible.

"Even if they're not sure of a major we [the staff] can help them focus in on an area," said Kay Balston, Educational Planning Center director.

Why is it so hard to decide? "There are so many different choices, and I like so many different things," says Highline student Juli Rasmussen.

Students are taking six years to finish college because they are taking classes that aren't prerequisites of their major, Balston says.

The center recently had Project Declare week where they encouraged students to meet with an adviser to get started with the process of declaring a major.

A poll was also held, asking students what the most popular majors and four-year colleges are.

The results, will be used to help the center focus resources where students need them most.

For example, they have found that psychology is a popular major. This causes psychology teachers to be overloaded with advising requests.

One plan to solve this is setting up group advising sessions where a teacher can answer everyone's questions at once.

Student can declare their majors any time just by dropping by the Educational Planning Center in Building 6.

"Project Declare was just a way for us to get students more focused on this," said Balston.

Hack it up while it's warm



Photo by Bruce Jarrell

Students hacky-sack in the Building 8 courtyard and take advantage of this crazy weather of ours. Spring fever is rising as spring break approaches, leaving instructors relieved and students numbly gasping.

Students get math reprieve in philosophy

By Daniel Apoloni Staff Reporter

A misunderstanding about transferring policies almost cost some Highline students their spring graduation.

Eighteen students from the Philosophy 120 class wrongly assumed they had permission to waive the prerequisite, Math 97, and suddenly found themselves in danger of not graduating.

The Graduation Review Board wasn't going to count the philosophy class as a quantitative skills credit if the math prerequisite had not been met.

The situation began when some Philosophy 120 students planning to apply the class as a quantitative skills credit received a letter from the Registration Office telling them they couldn't do so.

Philosophy 120 can be applied toward either quantitative skills (if the Math 97 prerequisite was met) or humanities distribution of an Associate of Arts degree.

The rule was unknown to students and even to some faculty advisers.

Students involved wrote individual letters to the Registration

Office and the Graduation Review Board, explaining their situation.

Affected students then faced choices like taking Math 97 Summer Quarter, or getting a score of 45 in the intermediate algebra section of the ASSET tool.

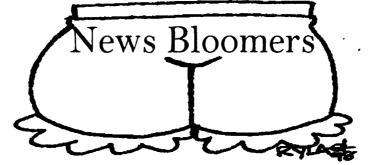
The Graduation Review Board decided to allow the affected students to keep the Philosophy 120 class as a quantitative skills credit.

The board will send letters to every student explaining the peculiarity of this one-time decision, and recommends that they fulfill the math requirement.

Philosophy instructor Lorrain Stowe said "the school is just beginning to implement this requirement policy. The main objective is try to help students get a better transferring degree."

"The problem is that some four-year schools will look for Math 97 or above when you apply for graduation," said Denny Steussy of the Educational Planning Center.

"Future editions of school planning materials like quarterly schedules will have better information about the subject," he said.



Drama production takes the stand

Highline's drama department presents Kafka's "The Trial" today, tomorrow, Saturday, and next weekend, as well. In a surreal drama of modern life, a man is accused of a crime

which is never explained to him. Tickets are at the door, and are \$5 for students and \$6 for everyone else.

Bring the family.

Hey kids: Get jiggy with it in your pj's

The BSU-sponsored Jammi Jam is tomorrow.

You can get your booty shakin' in Building 8 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. for \$5.

Beware, those in inappropriate bedtime attire will not be allowed inside.

Beat those math blues into a pulp

A workshop is here to rescue the student who is floundering in math, or is avoiding it all together.

Workshop sessions meet at 1 and 6 p.m. on Tuesday, March 3 in the upper level of Building 8.

Find the job of your dreams here today

Leading employers will be on hand today from noon to 1:15 p.m. in Building 2.

Correction

A story on page 4 in the Feb. 19 issue of the Thunderword incorrectly identified Gina Erickson as Science Adviser to the drainage project.

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NOMY LAMM WOKE UP ONE DAY AND KNEW SHE WAS BEAUTIFUL. NOW SHE'S TELLING EVERYONE.

By Tracy Wilcoxen Staff Reporter

Nomy Lamm has high selfesteem and is very happy about the way she looks.

Lamm, by her own admission, is a fat woman. She grew up feeling ashamed of being fat and always wanted to lose weight.

Lamm will talk about fat oppression at Highline Tuesday, March 3, at noon in Building 7.

The presentation is free to anyone who wants to listen.

"Fat oppression is a system that tells... people that there is only one body that is OK. The system tells fat people they are ugly, lack will power, are unhealthy, are lazy, etc.." said Lamm.

After reading "Shadow on the Tightrope," edited by Lisa Schoenfielder and Barb Wieser, she became involved with Riot Grrls, which she described as a support group and networking organization.

"Reading 'Shadow on the Tightrope' opened my eyes about fat oppression and made me be more open to talking about it and how to feel good about myself," said Lamm. At 17, she began a selfpublished magazine, "I'm So Fucking Beautiful," in 1993.

Lamm constructed the 'zine to induce what she calls "a fat grrl revolution" and to demystify some of the myths and lies about people who hate fat.

Lamm is coming to speak about how she feels society views beauty and weight and how they are interconnected with society.

Fat oppression, she said, "is one step above prejudice."

"I'm going around to colleges to make people start thinking about assumptions about fat people and try to get them to start opening up and getting educated about it," said Lamm.

"I have such high self-esteem because I have done so much work on issues about fat oppression and going through steps accepting it by being open about it," said Lamm.

"My goal is not to always get people to agree but to open up and have them start questioning their assumptions about fat people and hope to find others that agree," said Lamm.

Tax help comes to Highline

By Paris Hansen Staff Reporter

Current and former accounting students will offer income tax help to Highline students, family members, and the community starting March 2 in Building 8.

In its second year at Highline, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) will offer its services to the campus community.

Accounting students will receive training through the Business 115 income tax class or through review sessions.

Testing and training will also be provided by the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP).

AARP, a group of retired people who had been involved in accounting and taxes, volunteer their time in libraries each year to provide public tax help. Again this year, s o m e Highline students will be assisting AARP on Saturdays with the



with the **Pitts** tax help at the various public li-

Fifteen students, former and current, will be involved in the tax assistance.

Every hour, at least three people will be helping with taxes. Two current accounting students will be doing this for the first time, and one former accounting program student will supervise.

"This is also being done in cooperation with cooperative education," said coordinator Cathy Pitts. "The students that participate get cooperative edu-

cation credit. In a way it's a little bit like an internship."

Income tax help is open to Highline students and their family and friends.

The service is free to everybody involved and tax forms are provided. Anybody interessed must remember to bring their W2 and 1099 forms and two pieces of identification.

"We don't have a lot of people...connected to Highline coming here," Pitts said. "One of the reasons for this is that we limit what we are doing to filing the 1040A and 1040EZ. We are basically doing the short forms."

"The students are not only getting some additional business education, but they're also doing a community service, which I think is important," said Pitts.

Income tax help will be offered between March 2 and April 15, Mondays and Wednesdays from 2-6 p.m. in Bldg. 8.

Women's Day Celebration lifts off with aviators

By Ijeoma Agu Staff Reporter

Come hear about the women who have broken historical ice.

The International Women's Day Celebration is Wednesday, March 4 in Building 8, and will broaden your view of women.

Building on the theme, "Women Who Soar With Eagles," a panel of women aviators, including Highline instructor Marian Carter, will talk about their careers, how they made it happen, and answer questions from the audience.

Discover Bessie Coleman, the first African American to earn her pilots license, as well as Pancho Barnes, the woman who broke Amelia Earharts's speed record, Valentina Tereskova, the first woman in space and many others!

"Bring your children, especially your daughters so they can see the possibilities," said Pat Flores from Women's Programs

In addition to the speakers, there will be books and videos showing all day in Building 8, and a scrap book will be on display.

It will be from noon-2 p.m. on Highline Campus. For further information, call Women's Programs at 878-3710, ext. 3340.

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Editorial

Men, women hoops teams make playoffs

Both the Men's and Women's Basketball teams have made it to the playoffs this year and are seeded first and fourth respectively.

Despite the teams' dual successes the paths they traveled to get there are very different.

The Men's basketball team seeks a repeat of their last season record.

The Men's lost only one game last year and as the season nears an end, the team, with only one loss, looks as though they may do it again.

But more important than any record is the title they hope to retain, North West Athletic Association of Community Colleges Champions.

The women's team, on the other hand, did not make the playoffs last season.

At the beginning of the season it did not look like the women would come any where near the payoffs.

The women's team lost nine straight games early in their season.

However, the team turned things around and are now off to face the top seeded Skagit Valley tonight at 7 p.m.

Both teams deserve to be told congratulations and good luck in post season play.

Highline choir still looking for voices

Dr. Victoria Kincaid-Theriault hopes that college choir, a two-credit course being offered Monday-Thursday from noon-1 p.m., fills up.

Kincaid, musical director, also hopes to find a bass singer for the Jazz Ensemble soon.

Unfortunately for Kincaid, Highline students don't seem to feel that choir is a worthwhile activity. The choir currently consists of 25 people, but 40 students are needed, Kincaid said.

Students should join "for the joy of singing," Dr. Kincaid said. Apparently only 10-11 students wish to experience that joy so far next quarter.

Music is important to culture. Ballads, hymns, and even musicals have helped cultures around the world express who they are. A strong choral program at Highline can express what kind of school Highline is.

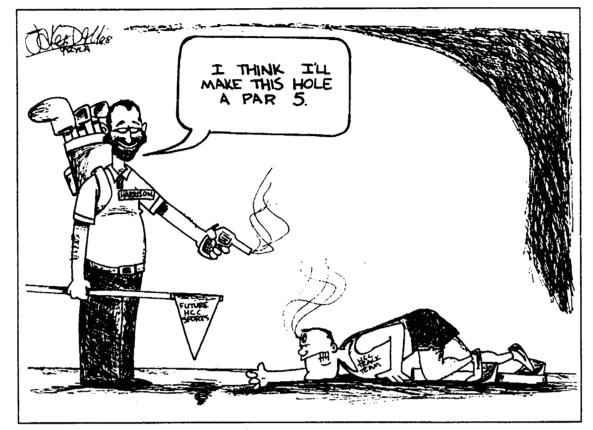
Dr. Kincaid hopes to take the Jazz Ensemble to Victoria B.C., but won't be able to do so unless she a bass singer joins the group. The trip to B.C. is a way for Highline to promote the college.

Beyond expressing culture, singing is just fun. Making music is a lot more rewarding than humming along in the car to the latest Spice Girls song.

Students interested in joining the choir should sign up for college choir in Spring Quarter. If credits are a problem, students can contact Dr. Kincaid at (206) 878-3710, ext. 3346.

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Men can be sorted like socks

From the diary of Wanda Hickey, Highline freshman:

Men, men, men, so many types of men. As I was organizing my stocking drawer by texture this weekend, I thought about how many different kinds of guys there are.

The Nice Guy: This guy can be either the genuine article, or a delinquent in nerd's clothing. You can identify him by the nice things he says to you when you see him, like "my, that's a lovely shade of purple nail polish, Wanda." Usually, he's too darned shy to make any moves. This can be a set back. The Nice Guy tends to be a bit more insecure, and is susceptible to becoming a Score Keeper.

The Score Keeper: Oh yes, he'll ask you your favorite foods, your favorite music, your favorite colors, and what animal you would want to be, and why. He devises in his head a scale ranging from "dogmeat on a stick" to "I've found The One." You are unknowingly judged on

Lisa's World

By Lisa Curdy

each answer, and you're doing well when he starts to say things like, "No way! Me too!"

The Asexual: Sure, you may like him, but he doesn't like you. Or her. Or him. You got it, sister, he likes nobody, and just as hap hap happy as could be being solitary. Forever.

The Too Sexual: Oh baby, he wants it all the time. He's the "jig" in getting jiggy, the "grrrr" in grind, the "ax" in wax. He lets you know just how you can get your swerve on with him. Beware, oh yes, beware. For he tends to be the wham, bam, you-can-name-the-child-Sam kind of guy. No, not intrinsically evil, just a bit unfocused on the more important things in life.

Mister Funny Guy: These ones are fun. They'll make you laugh so hard you lose bladder control and begin to snort. Perhaps they're hiding some freakish personality flaw behind jokes and meaningless fodder. Perhaps they are attention fiends. Perhaps they have more wit than a rap song. If you can get through the deep sea of sarcasm, maybe you'll find out.

The Brother: You could never ever date him. You can hang out with him and make fun of Mentos commercials, you can go out to dinner with him and not worry about looking like an underfed barbarian, you can talk about religion and politics. But never could you ever date him. You feel so close, you could be related. And that makes it illegal in every state but Kentucky.

But not to worry, the dating pool would be a mere quagmire of ineptitude if these six weren't squirming around in it.

Lisa Curdy has no proverbial feminist chip on her shoulder.

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Still searching for the punchline in 'Titanic.'

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Mr. Stinky needs to go easy on the atomizer

There's a basic rule when going to a theater; go easy on the

Unfortunately, just like at the theater, students tend to pour it on when coming to class.

I understand that it may not

be easy to find time to shower in the morning, but that is never an excuse to bathe in perfume or cologne instead.

Just the other day I was sitting in class trying desperately to pay attention. All of the sudden the door crashed open and in stepped Mr. Stinky.

I have no idea what scent he was wearing nor do I think it really mattered. Whatever Mr. Stinky was wearing, he sure didn't leave much in the bottle.

Mr. Stinky wafted over toward me and took the empty seat just in front of me.

The rest of class passed in a noxious haze.

On the Wild Side With W.B. Heming

The worst part of the whole situation is that I was too polite to say anything to him.

It doesn't end there. I came back the next day and expected that Mr. Stinky would have cleaned up his act. Instead, Mr. Stinky was back in full force.

That guy must have a 50 gallon tank full of that stuff.

Odors can be just as distracting as noises. Beyond just being distracting, some people are sensitive to the chemicals in perfumes in cologne. So next time, Mr. Stinky, please just go without. You can't smell that bad.

W.B. Heming is Opinion Editor and totally odorless according to Lisa Curdy.

Sporty, Crazy demonstrate road rage

By Zac Bedell Staff Reporter

Road rage seems to be plaguing this great city of ours.

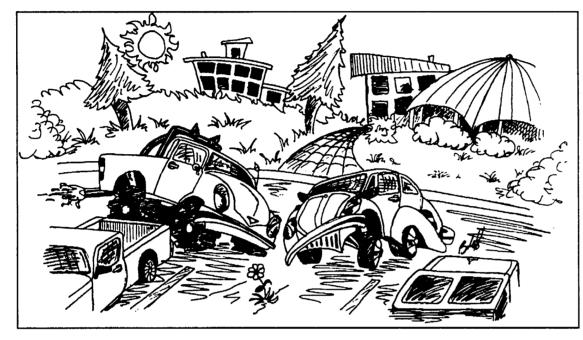
Shootings on the highway, fist fights on the streets, and parking space assaults. It has become a disease to which we seem to have no cure, no way of "curbing" these violent outbreaks. We must know the disease before a vaccine can be produced, we must make ourselves aware of the circumstances from which these rages stem.

Recently I was witness to one such torrid affair involving a Highline parking space and two desperate pursuers.

A friend and I where walking up the hill in the south parking lot when our deep conversation was interrupted by some commotion ahead. Before us was a vehicle we will label Sporty Spice (for pending legal safety) fully parked in a space with another car, Crazy Spice, pulled up bumper to bumper with Sporty.

The driver of Sporty was soon attempting to lock his door and continue on to class hoping that Crazy Spice would grip her flailing anger and move on to any number of open spaces. Sadly though, Crazy Spice too left her car and approached the much younger driver of Sporty.

An assault followed as Crazy



breaking the key chain, scraping the fine sporty paint and mangling the door lock. Exclamations were exchanged, as Crazy Spice ordered Sporty to "get out of my spot!" Sporty replied, "if I had my keys I'd move!"

Crazy then dashed back to her vehicle with intent to flee. Sporty Spice then leaped in front of Crazy Spice's car stopping her retreat. Crazy bumped Sporty with the bumper as he demanded his keys.

Crazy replied with more screaming and bumping, driving Sporty to record the license number and make of the Crazywagon. Crazy Spice knew she would be caught if Sporty suc-

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she gave the throttle more weight. Sporty then bounced up onto the hood and pounded the driver's side wheel well of Crazy's car in with his fist.

Sporty rolled off the hood leaving just enough time for him to slap the window and kick at the air as Crazy sped away with the Sporty keys. Sporty then remained on vigil at the Sportyride as I and my co-witness succeeded in reporting this gross display of animalism to campus security.

Amidst our return, Crazy Spice verbally assaulted us as grabbed the keys from Sporty, ceeded in his record keeping so we made our way back to the that of a raging driver.

scene of the incident. With the proper law enforcers now arrived statements were taken, driver's licenses recorded, and witnesses questioned, order had returned to a land so recently wrought with conflict.

The moral here is simply this; are we so truly as civilized and human as we hope do be or are we nothing more than bipedal hyenas?

This, my friends, is a question that must be answered inside everyone of us before fits of rage, like this example, can possibly begin to decline. For I have seen that any man, woman, or child can be reduced to the most carnal of human existence,

Letters to the Editor

Discrimination also works in reverse

Dear Editor:

Isn't it discrimination to deny hiring a teacher because they are a white man? Because they are not ethnically qualified? Because they don't look like "me?"

To the student who said "non-white students need more role models among Highline faculty," okay fine, hire "nonwhite teachers, but I have hazel eyes and I think that if you are going to hire "non-white" teachers then you should hire hazel eyed teachers too. And when these "non-white" teachers are hired then will you only take classes from these teachers in hopes of finding a role model?

Another student said, "I want to be able to see a familiar face, someone that looks like me, someone that can connect with me on a personal level." First of all a person doesn't have to "look like me" in order for me to connect with them on any level. In fact, it is nice to have diversity in my life. It is a great learning experience for me personally and culturally to learn about others growing with our common interests and exploring our differences. Second, I don't go to school to find teachers that look like me. I go to school to learn what they have to offer academically, if we connect-well then it is a bonus deal for both of us.

If I wanted to see people who look like me all I have to do is go home, travel to Nevada or even to the Basque lands in northern Spain. My dad's side of the family all look similar. We all have dark hair, brown or hazel eyes and olive skin.

If I want to be with people with my common interests all I have to do is find a soccer field or my Tae Kwon Do class.

Granted, a familiar face is always nice to see, especially in a sometimes uncomfortable or stressful situation. However, I don't believe that Highline Community College should hire teachers based on their color or cultural background. They could possibly be cheating out a teacher who is ten times better for the position, only because they born to a white family.

Eryn Redmon **Highline Student**



Diagonal crosswalk from Midway would save time

By Nathan Golden Staff Reporter

The jaywalking problem on the way to the Midway parking lot is getting out of control. Not only is it highly dangerous, it's illegal!

Have no fear, the solution is here. I propose the addition of the "Slant," a diagonal crosswalk from the northwest corner (Highline's side), to the southeast side of the intersection, (Midway).

Not only will it get students to the drive-in parking lot quicker, but it will be more safe than walking across the street from side-to-side

Looking at it from a walker's perspective, it seems to be the perfect way to avoid excess waiting, but what about the drivers?

One might draw the conclusion that all cars would have to come to a complete stop while the flood of students walked to their cars, but this is not so.

While you walk, cars would be able to turn left from either side of Pacific Hwy.

Right now, if Dick and Jane want to cross the intersection, cars zooming to try to make the light before it turns red have a higher probability of flying out of control and killing the lovely couple likely.

Cars turning couldn't reach the rate of speed that a car going straight could, therefore, if hit, Dick and Jane would have a better chance of being injured, not killed.

The only addition besides the white paint, is a posted sign that would let walkers know they need to push a newly installed magic button, to use the "slant."

Think about it and discuss.

Thunderbird men eye another championship

Team goes undefeated in league play for the first time since 1982 as Ball reaches for Callero's record

By Michael Stampalia staff reporter

Highline's men's basketball team finished the regular season by defeating Bellevue on the road last Wednesday and Shoreline at home on Saturday. The victories upped the Thunderbirds overall mark to 27-1 and makes them 16-0 in league.

The Shoreline Dolphins came to Highline on Saturday looking for an upset.

Led by the duo of Kevin Bradley and Alastair Faux

Highline jumped out to a 14-7 lead in the first five minutes before Shoreline went on a 10-0 run to take a 17-14 lead with 13:40 left in the first half.

The Thunderbirds were down 10 points 26-36 with 8:14 left in the half before going on a 15-0 run in the next three minutes to take a 41-36 lead.

Reserve guard Gabe Ladd ended the first half by making two free throws to give the Thunderbirds a six point advantage 54-48.

Highline extended their lead early in the second half to a game-high 12 points, before Shoreline came back to make it as close as five points with 12 minutes remaining.

The Thunderbirds held off the dolphins to eventually win 95-87.

Highline came out in the second half and shutdown Shoreline offensively, holding them to 38.2 percent shooting after the Dolphins shot 51.4 percent in the first half.

"They are a very difficult team to guard. They have a lot of perimeter players," Head Coach Joe Callero said.

Shoreline could not get penetration against Highline's defense in the second half, as a result 19 of their 34 shot attempts in the second half were from beyond the three-point arc. The Dolphins made only 26 percent of their three-pointers in the second half after shooting 50 percent in the first half.

Highline's Quincy Wilder led all scorers with 29 points. Garrett Miller added 12 points and nine rebounds while shooting 66 percent from the field.

Shaun Madsen scored 19 off the bench as Highline's bench outscored Shoreline's 34-8.

Faux and Bradley led Shoreline with 28 and 26 points respectively.

Last Wednesday the Thunderbirds took to the road against Bellevue Community College,

whose 4-10 league record had them in eighth place in the northern division.

Bellevue came out looking for an upset of the defending Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges champions, keeping the game close for most of the first half.

The Thunderbirds went into halftime tied with Bellevue 44-44 in a game that had no impact on the division standing of ci-

"We played uninspired and tired basketball," Callero said.

Highline came out in the second half and outscored the Helmsmen 57-39 to win by a 26 point margin 101-83.

"We were able to put together a nice second half and win the game. We have to come out and play inspired basketball," Callero said.

Highline held Bellevue to just 39 percent shooting from the floor, compared to the Thunderbirds 56 percent.

The Thunderbirds clinched the northern division against Edmonds a week earlier.

"We were probably a little more tired," Callero said about his team's sluggish play since clinching the northern division.

Highline's undefeated league season is the second in school history, the 1981-82 team also accomplished the feat.

Last season the Thunderbirds were 31-1 with a loss to Everett Community College keeping them from going undefeated for the first time in school history.

Starting point guard Reggie Ball is on the verge of setting Highline's mark for assists in a season, the record is currently Marty DeLange launches a hook shot against Shoreline.

held by Callero at 240. He set the mark during the 1982-83 Ball has 234 assists entering

tonight's playoff game against Shoreline, which leaves him just seven assists shy of setting his fifth individual record at Highline.

Ball also holds the records for three-point field goal attempts in a season (175), threepoint field goals made in a season (69), steals in season (96), and steals per game (3.0).

Highline now plays at home tonight at 7:00 p.m. against Shoreline in the first round of the northern region playoffs.

The winner goes on to the final to play the winner of the Olympic vs. Edmonds game.

Callero expects his team to come out with a lot of intensity

"They're gonna be ready," Callero said. "I expect them to be excited, crisp, and enthusiat-

Garrett Miller isn't worried about teams trying to knock the Thunderbirds off.

"I'm focusing more on us knocking ourselves out," Miller

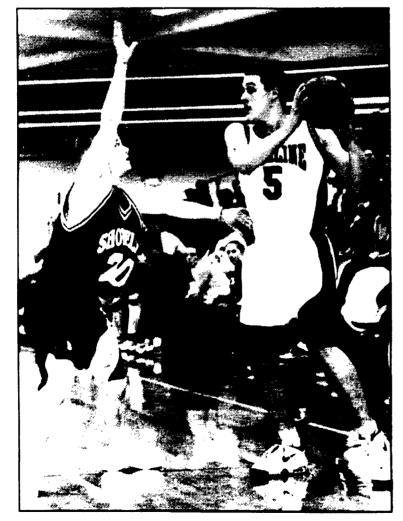


Photo by Bruce Jarrell Todd Watts handles the ball on the wing while withstanding pressure applied by Shoreline's Mark Fritzler.

Highline Thunderbird Regional home playoff games:

2/26: Highline vs. Shoreline 2/28 (With Highline win): Highline vs. Olympic/Edmonds winner Both games are at 7 p.m. and are free to Highline students with Student I.D. or \$5 general admission.



Photo by Bruce Jarrell

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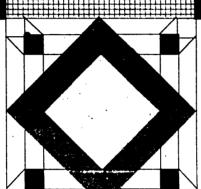
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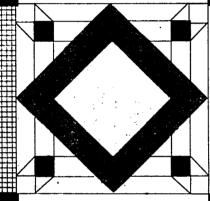
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"I have had personal experience with homelessness and I remember all of the help I got. It meant a lot to me and now I want to give back."

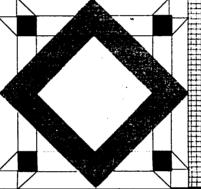
--Thomas Briley president and founder of SWASH Club



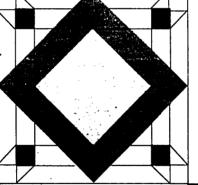


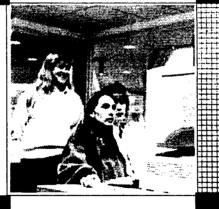


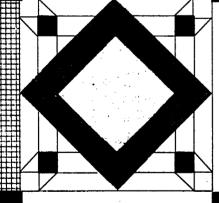
Highline students give hope to the homeless. Page B7







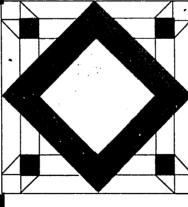




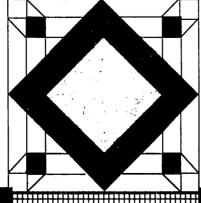
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United Chicano Latino
Association Advisor







Hispanic students create a community on campus. Page B5

Highline

Black Student Union attempts to overcome racial barriers at Highline

By ALYSSA PFAU Inside Scoop

The Black Student Union at Highline strives to continue the dream of Martin Luther King Jr. by educating the campus about African American and African cultures.

President Kris Daniels says that as an African American student, he feels well accepted at Highline. He describes Highline's campus as being moderately tolerant of African American students, but says that prejudice is still a problem at Highline.

"I think prejudice is as much a problem here as it is anywhere else," Daniels said. He hopes to break some of the barriers that exist through educating more people about the African American community.

Menna Tesfatsion, a representative from BSU, says that the problem lies on everyone's shoulders.

"The burden should not just be on BSU it should be on every member of the HCC campus," Tesfatsion said. He adds that prejudices are formed and broken through our everyday interactions with people.

"Every person inherently knows the ideal; however, not all people are willing to act on that ideal," Tesfatsion said.

Daniels has high aspirations for BSU, he says that he would like to see the club get more involved in campus life and that he would also like to see an in-



Photo By Bruce Jarrell

The Black Student Union celebrates Black History Month with a soul food festival.

crease in membership. Currently there are about 25 members, he said.

BSU won't go unnoticed during the remainder of the school year, said both Daniels and Tesfatsion. The club is planing a full itinerary with more lectures and events throughout the rest of the year.

Through the club's success, Daniels hopes to increase both awareness and involvement from all students at Highline.

Behind the scene of BSU is Kayleen Oka, the club's adviser. "I like a lot of the work to be

initiated by the students," Oka

Black Student Union

said.

Oka says that her job as BSU adviser is to guide the club by making suggestions and comments, and to support the decisions they do make.

Considering the new membership and leadership, the club is doing well, Oka said. She sees room for growth in both the club's membership and involvement on campus.

"The African American population is the second highest on campus so I would love to see them increase there mem-

bership and take more of a leading role," Oka said.

According to the Registrar's office, 543 African American students attended Highline in the fall of 1997, and only a handful were involved in BSU.

Through the club's predicted success, BSU hopes to increase awareness of African American issues and also hopes to increase it's membership.

The club meets every Thursday at noon in Building 8 upstairs.

For more information about BSU call Kayleen Oka at 206-878-3710, ext. 3904.

Flavor of the week

Clubs give students a reason to be at Highline

As the newly appointed Club and Organization Liaison, I am very happy with what I have seen accomplished.

Clubs have been very active this quarter with their involvement and activities.



Raul Sedano

The second week of this quarter many clubs and organizations attended a clubs fair. Since then clubs have kept busy.

A few weeks ago the International Club hosted the International Food Festival. Several different clubs participated and many students attended.

The various dances presented helped attract many people to several food booths.

API club was one of the clubs in attendance and they also visited a retirement home over the holidays to bring happiness to elders.

Also the Computer Club attended Comdex in Vancouver several weeks ago.

These are just a few of the many recent activities coordinated by clubs here at Highline.

Clubs are an excellent outlet for leadership and also for the development of skills necessary in the work-force. The involvement of students in clubs aids in the learning process as much as

any curriculum here on campus.

It is my opinion that every student should be affiliated with at least one club or organization for personal growth.

Not only do clubs bring people with similar interests together, but they also teach you how to work in groups. This is an important skill that many value, but few people actually have.

A lot of people do not know how easy it is to be involved with clubs.

If you are interested in starting your own club or simply joining an existing club, contact me in the Student Government office at ext. 3215 or pick up a clubs directory in the Student Programs office.

Raul Sedano is the Student Government club liaison / treasurer

Start your own club: The possibilities are endless for persistent students

By ALEXIS EASTERBROOK Inside Scoop

OK, you have looked at all the clubs available, and still feel like they aren't for you. What are you going to do?

Why not create your own club or organization?

In three simple steps you can form a club.

The first step is to stop off at the Student Programs office, located in Building 8, and get a Associated Students of Highline Community College (ASHCC) policy letter and Clubs and Organizations form.

The second step is to get together with at least five other people -- your best friend with the multiple personality disorder does not count -- and come up with a clear purpose for a club. Fill out the Clubs and Organization form and get it ap-

Requirements for starting a club

- ★ Clubs must show interest by at least five current HCC students
- ★ Membership must be nondiscriminatory
- * Membership can be limited only by class standing, academic standing, or major.
- ★ A statement of purpose must be submitted to ASHCC
- Non-HCC students can participate in clubs if it does not limit student involvement
- ★ Recognition can be terminated by failure to comply to the above criteria

proved by student government.

Not too bad so far. However,
the last step is a little more complicated.

The third and final step is to present your club idea and propose it to the Associated Council. This does involve speaking

in front of a group of people.

When your club is approved

the only thing you need to do is maintain it.

A \$100 can be given by the Services & Activities Fund to help keep the club going, as long as politics and religion are not involved.

Other services that the Student Programs office provide the clubs are mailboxes, photocopying, facilities on campus to meet in and a big old tank of helium (for balloons) to help promote the club or organization. If an adviser is needed Student Programs will help find one.

"We try to help out as much as we can, because we know a \$100 does not go far," said Kayleen Oka, Multicultural Student Program Coordinator.

So start thinking of a snazzy name for your new club.

Nursing students get a boost on their careers

By RACHEAL WATKINS Inside Scoop

If you're headed for a career in nursing and enjoy community service then the National Student Nurses Association (NSNA) is the club to join.

NSNA has been running nationally since the mid 1960s. It has been a club at Highline for four years.

To have an NSNA club, a chapter needs to maintain 12 students and an adviser. Currently, Highline's chapter has 25-30 members enrolled.

To be a member, a yearly fee of \$38 is required. The fee is minimal compared to the benefits attained through membership, members say.

Julie Yancey, club representative, encourages students to join NSNA. She says that NSNA gives nursing students a boost on their career, and also that involvement shows that the student is serious about nursing.

"Health care is changing and growing. We are being asked to show our value," Yancey said.

The goal of the club is to get students ready for a career. They spend a lot of time visiting professionals and listening to speakers, as well as learning how to present themselves for interviews.

The club is trying to arrange visits to local hospitals such as Harbor View's burn center to see different aspects of the

Along with the learning experience, the NSNA comes with a lot of benefits, members say. With the membership fee. members will enjoy many discounts such as airfare, hotel, and printing fees.

These discounts are also useful in affording the conventions the NSNA holds.

Yancey attended the convention in Phoenix last year and said, "It's fun. It puts you in touch with nursing on a national level."

This year the national convention will be in Cincinnati on April 15-19. In September the

The Highline Artist Guild:

Nurses Association

international convention will be in Jerusalem.

"It's fun to get together with other professionals and see how things are done differently," said Mary Fondy, club treasurer.

Community service is also an important part of being a member. Members help out with Northwest Harvest and the Chicken Soup Brigade.

"NSNA is not time consuming it you are serious about nursing. The community service is fun," said Fondy.

The club also does fund-raisers. The money earned goes toward new equipment for the nursing program and funding for the graduating classes.

The club is open to anyone, and pre-nursing students are encouraged to join. This quarter the meetings are every other Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.. For information. Call Mary Newell at 206-878-3710, ext. 3462.



Photo by Michael Stampalia

Nursing student practices changing a patient's dressing.

Computer Club boots up knowledge and pizza

By NANCY MILSTID

Inside Scoop

Talking about computers, working with computers, and fixing computers is not the extent of Highline's Computer

Although the club's purpose is to learn more about computers, they also take field trips, and eat pizza.

"The Computer Club provides a place for students to have some fun and continue to learn and get involved with computing," said Geoff Wennes, club adviser.

The club recently took a field trip to Vancouver, B.C. where they attended the Pacific Rim Comdex, a computer confrence. About 30 members attended this event. The Multimedia Club was also invited to attend.

In addition, representatives from computer companies such as Intel are often brought onto campus by the Computer Club

Highline Computer Club

The club does many fundraisers to support its activities, and to help them get to computer events outside of Highline.

Car washes, tutoring,, and disk sales are just a few of the fund-raisers the club has held in the past.

Pizza meetings are held once a month. The purpose of the meetings is to eat pizza and have fun, but more importantly to organize events and fund-

The club consists of around 30-50 members.

Most of the club comprises people who are in the computer department, but you can join if you like computers and are interested in learning more about

The club is all about having fun while learning about com-

For more info, contact adviser Geoff Wennes at 206-878-3710, ext. 3457.

promoting creativity in the artisic student By ALEXIS EASTERBROOK Inside Scoop A revamped Highline Artists'

Guild is out to promote, educate and support the artistic students of Highline.

"[I've got a] great group of people working hard to make

Highline Artists'Guild

this the best club on campus," said L. Daye Roberts, newly elected president of the Highline Artists Guild.

It looks like Roberts is working her way to her goal with upcoming events like field trips to the Seattle Art Museum and a Friday the 13th party in March.

Currently plans for a newsletter to help promote Highline's artists to the community and to provide guest speakers is also becoming a reality.

Also in the works are dis-



Photo by Bruce Jarreli

The Artist Guild recently visited a packaging plant.

counts at local businesses for members and recruiting companies to develop art scholar-

The group meets on the first and third Thursday of every month at 11 a.m., and on the second and fourth Thursday at noon in the conference room in Building 16. At these meetings, artists are

encouraged to support each other, network, learn how to be self promotional and sometimes just paint.

A calendar of events for the Artists' Guild is available in Building 16.

Focus on family: students, parents, educators, and kids

By NANCY MILSTID Inside Scoop

The SPEAK Club is focusing on the family here at Highline. The club, which stands for Students, Parents, Educators, and Kids, has done many things to make the campus more family friendly.

"The SPEAK Club is designed to make the campus SPEAK Club

more accessible for families," member Mark Koontz said.

The club was started because there weren't enough resources for parents on campus. Many students here have children, and the club has made them feel more welcome.

"The original members (of

the club) were involved in starting Parents Place," Adviser Carolyn Davis said. In addition to working with the Parents Place, SPEAK is affiliated with the Child Care Center, and the Women's Center, she said.

The club has arranged a special campus parking area reserved for parents who need child care. They also set up a kids waiting area near the registration window in Building 6, and bought high chairs for the cafeteria.

SPEAK co-sponsors a Fam-Stress Management Playshop for families once a month in Building 2. It's free.

At the beginning of Fall Quarter, the club hosted a teen parent tour of Highline. The teens got an introduction to student services, and also got to meet staff who can help them, Davis said. The tour was a success, and the SPEAK Club plans to do it again.

There are no requirements to become a member of the SPEAK Club, and there are no charges. They hold meetings once a month, usually on Thursday mornings. Contact Carolyn Davis at 206-878-3710, ext. 3030 for more information.

Asian **Pacific Islanders** Club shares ethnicity

By IJEOMA AGU Inside Scoop

The Asian Pacific Islanders Club wants to be here long after its current members have left Highline.

"We want to set a tradition." said club Secretary Yenerma De Las Alas. "We want the officers of tomorrow to stay active, promote our ethnic background, and welcome anyone to join our

"It is also important you bring your enthusiasm, good attitude, and your optimism.

The club wants to expose Highline students to the varied cultures of the Asian-Pacific islands. The club is successful with 15-20 members at present.

"We want the club to continue once we graduate," member Jeffrey Crisologo said. "We first began with \$50 last year, and everyone's opinions. Everyone 872-7069



API club: back row from left to right: adviser Barbra Hunter, Jayson Medina, Richie Nguyen, and adviser Kayleen Oka, front row: Frances Yumo, Margie Macam, Yenerma De Las Alas, and Jefferey Crisologo.

Asian Pacific Islanders Club

now we have \$900. We are making great progress! Members think that the club is

beneficial to students. "Hook line and sinker, the club pulled me in! It made

Jayson Medina, president of the Asian Pacific Islanders Club,

is welcome and discrimination is not tolerated. Being president is time consuming, "hard work, and it pays off," Medina says.

"We are the foundation setters!" At a recent meeting, members praised each other and commended their efforts with feed-

adviser Kayleen Oka at 206-878-3710, ext. 3904. Club President Jayson said it's important to respect Medina can be reached at 253-

For more information, contact

CULTURAL CLUBS BRING DIVERSITY TO HIGHLINE



Members of several different cultural clubs worked together to bring a taste of international food to Highline.

Hispanics create a community at HCC

By IJEOMA AGU Inside Scoop.

Fedrico Olivas speaks of creando communidad. That's Spanish for creating

community. Olivas hopes to help bring the group to a new level.

are interested in learning more about the beauty of the Hispanic culture, in meeting new people, and exploring new ideas.

"This club brings me connections. We have people from Bolivia, Salvador, and many more. We are a very diverse group,' Olivas said.

The diverse group participates in ethnic events on and of

tended a conference entitled lounge in Building 8. Manana Coalition, Breaking several workshops and gave formation on club activities.

United Chicano Latino Association

some club members the opportunity to share there own experi-

Association is a club that has more than others, so it helps to been inactive for a while, but recognize that there are groups united to create positive change," said Denise Gloster one of the The club is open to all who advisors of the club.

> Like the conference, the club' aims to overcome struggles and obstacles; however, "we are also about having fun," Gloster said. Making friends and meeting new people is part of the fun.

"I like to get to know people from all different countries,'

The United Chicano Latino Association meets on Mondays Just recently the group at- at 3:30 p.m. in the student

Contact club advisers at 878-Boundaries and Creating Com- 3710 ext. 3296 Toni Castrol and munity. The conference included ext 3987 Denise Gloster, for in-

Club aims to promote tolerance

International

By JENNIFER TARBET and IJEOMA AGU Inside Scoop

Understanding and bringing "People of color often have to together all different cultures is The United Chicano Latino struggle and overcome obstacles what The International Club is

The International Club here at Highline was founded several years ago, but was an "on and off" kind of club, said International Club Adviser Micheal

International Club

Gruberg. It was only around if there were enough students to join, he said

Due to Highline's rapid explosion of cultural diversity, this club has officially been thriving for the last five years.

"The purpose of this club is to create a multi-cultural environment on campus to share different cultures," Adviser Marika Fujiwara said. She added that the international students will get to know the American culture as

Last month students from Highline's International Club went to a party at South Seattle Community College to socialize with international students from and make opportunities for gay all over. The dancing party gathand straight people to work toered international students from four community colleges: South The club not only provides Seattle, Seattle Central. Bellevue, and Highline.

> The president of South Seattle's International Club said to maintain the strong camarade rie between community college' international students.

The party was sucessful for a first time event. About 300 students attended the party said Leah Satriawar, a Highline international student.

"It's great to join the club, because you meet a lot of new people, talk to them, and share new experiences," she said.

The International Club is constantly putting together activities to introduce and learn the differences of all cultures.

The club hosted an Interna-Japanese and American "would like to find more native tional Food Festival at which several cultural clubs sold traditional foods from their countries.

Fujiwara encourages interna-

"I want international students The Japanese-American to explore American cultures grown to 26 members strong this pancake party. They also held a Friendship Club meets upstairs while they are studying in year. Not surprising for a club Japanese curry party and are in Building 8 Wednesdays at 1 America and study with friends, be aware of American culture,"

Vietnamese create home away from home

By MATT JULIAN Inside Scoop

The plane just lands at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport; the old home of Vietnam is miles away but not forgotten. A Vietnamese immigrant looks out the tiny oval window while thinking about the upcoming education he is about to endure at Highline and gets a painful butterfly in the center of his

The Vietnamese Student As-

sociation is a club at Highline that tries to ease that pain of integrating with the surroundings associated with college life.

One important way of doing so is by connecting the Vietnam- dent center ese culture with themselves and

ture abroad.

timing reasons, the Vietnamese tural display, was the current In- an event.

Association sold egg rolls, fried

Wednesday, Jan. 28, was the Another example of an activ-quarter." Dinh said. An average glish language. "I'm trying to Vietnamese New Year. Due to ity which had a purpose of cul- of 50 members turn out for such learn all the time from T.V., radio Meetings usually are held on

Mondays 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. and have an average attendance of 70 of Washington and dreams of to 100 members.

planner here at Highline and also business and I want my own," adviser for the Vietnamese Stu- Dinh said. dent Association, oversees the Dinh does miss Vietnam but

"What I do is I meet with the of letters and e-mailing friends club officers to review and dis- and family. cuss upcoming activities," One current goal of the Viet-

advocate," said Steussy, who Vietnamese population. takes a very hands on approach "No matter where you are you with the club, and tries to deal have to make yourself comfortwith the members on a different able," Dinh said. level compared to other advisors.

sociation is one of the highest the world. recognized clubs on Highline's If you are interested in joining campus. This is so by the ex- the Vietnamese Student Associatreme participation of the club's tion, contact either Han Dinh in members.

The club does a number of Building 6.

fund raisers which create financial growth for the club. Last the Vietnamese Student Associa- Christmas, the club did a gift

Dinh, a second-year president and a 24-year-old Vietnamese The club also has activities student at Highline, has lived in

> "It's very hard," Dinh said, referring to adapting to the Enand books."

Dinh plans on earning a degree in business at the University owning his own business. "All of my family was in

keeps in touch by sending a lot

namese Student Association is to

He added that one must get

the Student Programs Office in "This club wants to do building 8, or Denny Steussy in the Educational Planning Center,

Rainbow Pride shines over campus

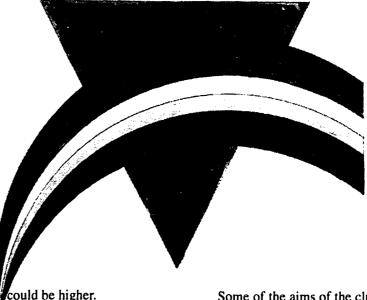
By LIZ DOOLITTLE Inside Scoop

Students involved with Rainbow Pride club feel that they are well received on campus.

"I think this campus is very open," said Michael Wong a member of Rainbow Pride

Rainbow Pride Club

Rainbow Pride is a club for gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people and their friends. The club creates a fun and safe environment for their



Some of the aims of the club munity as a whole.

In general the club feels that "Most of the campus is not are to educate the community Students with any questions, they are supported, however even aware that we're here," said about alternate lifestyle issues, feel free to contact Allison Green awareness of the club's existance club coordinator Jim Spack. set up tables at campus events at 878-3710 ext. 3535.

time to plan involvement in events, but also provides support

"Social support is the most important thing," adviser Allison that the purpose of the party was

Rainbow Pride will be an active part of diversity week in April at which they will have a panel of club members speaking about various issues concerning not only them, but also the com-

Sharing culture: give a little, get a little

Japanese-American guage. club helps east, west bridge language gap

By OSCAR TIGLAO Inside Scoop

The Japanése-American Friendship club wants you! minded, English speaking stu-month. dents to help them better their English speaking skills. You can Yamamoto this past fall, the ticipate.

"Americans can practice their Japanese and Japanese can prac-

The brand new club had 10 The club activity for January Japanese culture and language." members last year and has was "Okonomiyaki" a Japanese The club is looking for open that plans at least one activity a planning a trip to a Seattle dance p.m..

Friendship Club

tice their English," club member culture, and at the same time abmeetings and activities.

club later this month.

even pick up some of the lan- clubs goal is to share Japanese Member Yumi Akuwaki 3537.

Japanese speakers to share the Japanese language."

Akuwaki also stressed that Jon Walker said. Walker added sorb American culture. The club "All cultures are welcome. You tional students to be confident that being in the club was better eases this difficult exchange of can come just to make friends or and socialize with more people than only trying to learn the lan- culture by having open, relaxed just hang out. I would like to while they are studying in a formeet people interested in the eign country.

To find out what a Japanese she said. Founded by Takayuki All students are invited to parpancake or curry party is contact

If you are interested in joining the club at 206-878-3710 ext. this free club, contact Fujiwara at 206-878-3710, ext. 3725.

Vietnamese Club: back row from left to right: Heip, Adviser Denny Steusy, Quynh Tran, Judy Nguyen, Thao Le, Diem Le, Trang Hoang, and Van Thai, front row: Tong, things!" Steussy said. President Han Dinh, and Joy Armstrong.

Vietnamese Student Association

Student Association held a cel- tion sold food pertaining to their wrapping fund raiser, in which ebration on the 23rd in the stu- culture. The Vietnamese Student they did very well.

Club members held a dance rice and noodles. in recognition of Vietnamese to and introduce Vietnamese cul- Dinh, President of the Vietnam-

ese Student Association said.

International clubs including

The club has a list of activities culture. "A lot of people turned for the members themselves the United States for a little over that's main purpose is to hold on out, even nonmembers," Han from sport activities to camping. three years. "We might be going camping

Denny Steussy, an education

Steussy said. "I try to be somewhat of an promote Highline to the outside

The Vietnamese Student As- involved to adapt and succeed in

Students find hope in Real Life

By DANIEL APOLONI
Inside Scoop

Have you ever wished that "real life" wasn't so hard?

If the answer is yes, perhaps you should try Highline's "new and improved" version of Real Life, the Christian Fellowship club that meets at Highline Community Coilege every Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. on the second floor of Building

Real Life Club

The Highline chapter of Real Life is part of a nationwide community of Real Life groups.

The main reason for the creation of this group was to help students, giving them the necessary support system to make it through the grueling years of college. The club provides an enviorment where students can meet new friends, relax., and more importantly learn about the Bible.

"This is a place where we can get together and worship," student Kelly St. John said.

Real Life meetings usually begin with a prayer, in an effort to get everybody involved in the worship.

Spiritual teachings extracted from the Bible are practically applied to real life situations, and this, along with the group dynamics that characterize every session, makes everybody feel as if they are part of a family

Besides the weekly meetings Real Life also organizes retreats, and excursions as another alternative for its members to relax and try to grow spiritually.

Student Sharalee Frater noted that Real Life is a place where she can be herself, "especially after a hard day of classes, something that can be a really draining experience."

For people interested in additional worship hours members of the group also have informal get togethers on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Building 19, room 109.

Tom Sill, the adviser of Real Life, invites everyone to check out the club, even those who aren't "Christians."

Some people, who don't agree with Christian beliefs, do so "without even taking time to hear our side of the story," Sill

For more information about the club meeting times call Tom Sill at (206)878-3710 ext.3053 or visit the website at www.everystudent.com.

In-Liners explore outdoors in style

By TRACY WILCOXEN

Highline In-Liners is the club to look into if you're interested in exercising in the fresh air and meeting people with the same desire as you.

That desire is to rollerblade.

Taking field trips in the great out doors is the plan for the Highline In-Liners Club. President Dorothy Scott said that the members usually skate in and around the Seattle area, skating the trails of the River Road, Harbor Avenue, Green Lake, and Burke-Gilman.

The members are excited to burn some calories and have a great time. In addition they also enjoy the opportunity of skating with people of all ages.

"My intent is to expose as many people as possible to a fun way of staying in shape. Rollerblading, as it is commonly called, is becoming the first choice of sports for children and adults of all ages," Scott said. "It's a great way to meet people."

In-Liners will gladly help



anyone who is interested in learning how to skate.

"Anyone can do it if they have the desire," Scott said.

In-Liners is planning to bring corporate sponsors to Highline's campus. K2, the ski and roller-blading company, could make a visit to demonstrate its products.

The club bulletin, on the wall in Building 8, is where the In-lin-

In-Liners Skating Club

ers will post the club's information telling you when, where, and what time events will be held. For further clarification a map is posted with directions to all club events.

When the weather is wet

skating will be canceled.

"Rollerblading brings a sense of camaraderie," Scott said.

If you are interested in joining, Kristin Baldwin, the club's adviser, will be glad to tell you what's happening with Highline In-Liners. Call Baldwin at (206) 878-3710 ext. 3342.

"This is for purely fun," said Baldwin.



Photo by Bruce Jarrell

Water Polo Club will pick up again Spring Quarter.

Water Polo Club splashes back to life

By W.B. HEMING Inside Scoop

Highine's Water Polo Club has been reinstated this year.

The purpose of the club, Adviser Sam Shabb said, is "to promote the sport of water polo and have fun."

The club meets Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m.-noon in the pool.

Beyond just promoting the sport, the club also participates in water polo tournaments. "We play primarily universities that also have club teams," Shabb

Water Polo Club

said.

The only requirement for membership in the club is the ablility to swim.

"We have some talented people from beginner to expert," Shabb said.

The club is rather inactive during Winter Quarter, but it will pick up again in the spring, Shabb said.

"It's pretty informal, but it's fun," Shabb said.

Christian club caters to all students

By LUKE BARNETT Inside Scoop

Baptist Student Ministries is for both the committed Christian and the curious student.

"It's a time to meet with and be one with people, to meet with the Lord, by studying his word, tell the group members about Him and tell each other what God is doing with their lives," said Kelly St. John, a member of BSM.

Tom Sill is the adviser for BSM. As adviser, he monitors the club by giving the group members fun ideas. He also helps them schedule rooms for meetings.

Baptist Student
Ministries

Sill started BSM two years ago with other interested students.

"Building positive relationships with the group as well as the new people who come in are my responsibilities this quarter," said Sill. "We're doing some good social activities like rollerskating, we also have game nights every two weeks where we play ping-pong, and read scriptures aloud," said Sill.

The pleasure of setting up positive social activities is the fun of getting to know people's "It's time to meet and be one with people, to tell each other what God is doing with their lives."

> --Kelly St. John, BSM member

lives, said Sill.

Finding, developing, and keeping key leaders is a large part of Sill's responsibilities.

An obstacle that looms is the departure of Vanessa Vaughn, a group leader who will be leaving after Spring Quarter. Sill is also an adviser for Real Life, another Christian club on campus.

Having something in common with the students has led to him succeeding with these clubs.

Baptist Student Ministries meets in the Student Lounge conference room every Thursday at noon.

Real Life meets Monday at 10 a.m. in Building 19, room 109.

There is also Baptist Student Ministries meetings Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. For information on the Tuesday location as well as other information, dial ext. 3053 for Tom Sill.

Veterans Club brings peace to Highline

By ALYSSA PFAU Inside Scoop

Hundreds of veterans attend Highline, but only a handful are involved in the Veterans Club.

The club's main purpose is to provide a network for veterans.

"We are here to support all veterans with or without problems," President Eric Hawthorne said.

Hawthorne retired from the U.S. Army after serving 13-plus years.

"If I had to do it all over again, I would," Hawthorne said, "I loved it." He added that as a young black man out of high school, the army opened a wide array of opportunities.

The Veterans Club ensures that veterans at Highline receive their full benefits. They work with disabled veterans, reserves, and the siblings of veterans to make sure they are receiving full benefits.

The Veterans Club, which was reactivated this quarter, plans to meet regularly to plan fund-raisers for the needy.

"We especially enjoy helping the needy children," said Melvin Williams, club vice president.

Williams served in the Navy



Highline veterans, R.B. Green, Army ROTC, left; Ted Benning, Army; Kevin Gunderson, Marines; and Melvin Williams, vice president of Highline Veterans Club, Navv.

Veterans Club

for six and a half years, and has a bullet scar on his right arm to prove it.

Unlike Hawthorne, Williams attended college out of high school and paid for it with scholarships and financial aid. However, due to Reaganomics, his funding was cut. Williams joined the Navy as money got tight, but wishes he would have

stuck it out.

"If I could do it over again I would [either] suffer it out and get an education, or get a job," Williams said.

One positive aspect of Williams's experience in the Navy was the opportunity to meet people all over the world.

"We are all the same," Williams said. He added that to obtain world peace, "We should focus on our similarities rather

than our differences.

"The Veterans Club is centered around this same concept, world peace," he said.

"Not only do we care for veterans, we care for those who are not in the service as well," Williams said.

The desire to help others has lead the club to participate and organize charity events. Club members like to fill in where they can, to care for and support people in the community.

In the past, the club held a charity auction to raise money for needy children, and has also held other fund raisers to help a woman with cancer.

A small part of campus is dedicated to veterans. Students and faculty walk by the small plot of land in front of Building 5 on a daily basis. Even so, the area often goes unnoticed, said Williams. The fountain that once marked the spot was dismantled in the 1970s.

Sometime before Fall Quarter 1998, a new fountain will replace the large rock that sits in the center of the peaceful parklike setting. Members of the Veterans Club hope that the new fountain will bring more attention to the area.

The land dedicated to the veterans is very symbolic, said Williams. The wooden mushroom is a symbol of the atom bomb dropped in Hiroshima during World War II. It is supposed to be a reminder of all the people who died during that time, he said

If you are interested in being a part of the Veterans Club contact the club officers at the registration office, Building 6, or call them at 878-3710, ext. 3285.

Phi Theta Kappa rewards scholarship

By CHAD CORNISH Inside Scoop

With more than 250 members, Phi Theta Kappa is the largest international organization at Highline.

The goal of Phi Theta Kappa is to recognize and encourage scholarship among two-year-college students.

"We're looking for students who will be here next year and are interested in running and holding an office," said Bettina Casad, president of Highline's chapter.

Members of PTK are eligible for a variety of two-year transfer and national scholarships. An increasing number of universities are offering scholarships that are available only to members of the organization.

All students eligible are encouraged to join because of the benefits, such as community service, which can enhance a student's resume.

The focus of PTK's community service this year is to clean up a two-mile stretch of I-5 freeway between the Kent-Des Moines Road and 272nd Street exits.



Photos By Bruce Jarrell

Phi Theta Kappans Valerie Kite, left: Keith Meir, Bettina Casad, advisor Tim Morrison, and Sheila Thayer

Phi Theta Kappa

Meetings are held on the fourth floor of the Library on the first and third Thursdays of the month at 1:15 p.m. The requirements necessary to join PTK are a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better and at least 12 completed credits at Highline. Letters are sent to students who meet the requirements.

"It's an honor to be a part of Phi Theta Kappa," Casad said. Members first receive a certificate, ID card, and lapel pin with the Greek letters on it. At graduation they wear a stole and tassel to show their status.

PTK has chapters across North America and Europe. It was founded in the 1920s. Highline has had a chapter since the 1960s, making it one of the oldest continuously operating clubs on campus. Several Highline students have been elected to national office.

"There are a couple openings left for the international convention in Nashville," Casad said.

The convention will be held during the first week in April and will entail social events and an opportunity to travel.

To learn more about Phi Theta Kappa, contact the club's adviser, Tim Morrison, at 878-3710 ext. 3852.

Club bringing hope to homeless

By MEGAN MOOERS
Inside Scoop

Students Who Are Showing Hope is a club with the goal of helping those less fortunate.

Their purpose is to get involved with the community by helping out wherever there is a need.

"A lot of homeless and poor don't have hope. When I named the club I wanted to include the words students and hope to show them that," said Thomas Briley, president and founder.

SWASH was founded Fall Quarter, making it one of the newest clubs at Highline. Since forming, the main focus has been recruiting new members.

"We welcome anybody who has the desire to help others. All it takes is a good heart," Briley said.

Members of SWASH are currently working on several community service projects. Participation in outreach services such as making and distributing lunches to the homeless and accepting donations of used clothing for local shelters are a few of the projects they are planning.

SWASH is hoping to sponsor a rematch between the staff and the lady T-Birds basketball team

Students Who Are Showing Hope

with the goal of collecting food donations.

A campus toy drive is tentatively planned around Easter and SWASH will ask local businesses to get involved. The toys will be donated to local women's shelters.

"I have had personal experience with homelessness and I remember all of the help I got. It meant a lot to me and now I want to give back," Briley said.

Briley created SWASH during his first quarter at Highline. The 19-year-old has been active in community service projects with his church for several years. Briley hopes SWASH will continue on long after he leaves Highline.

While SWASH is about helping others, they are in need of some help themselves. They currently have no faculty adviser.

"If any staff members are interested, we could really use the help," Briley said.

SWASH meets on campus every other week. Students and staff who are interested in being a part of the club should contact Thomas Briley at (253) 859-4403.

Highline clubs offer diversity



Adviser Marc Lantini, president Debra McDaniels and members of the Interactive Multimedia Club admire their web page.

Multimedia Club collaborates ideas

BY LISA NOVAK
Inside Scoop

The Interactive Multimedia Club caters to those students entering the growing field of interactive multimedia. The club provides an environment in which students can learn by sharing ideas and knowledge.

Interactive multimedia is computer delivered text with sound, music with action, and more

Interactive Multimedia Club

Jobs relating to multimedia are in growing demand with the salaries to prove it. A webmaster can start anywhere from \$40,000 to \$60,000 a year. Various production jobs including writing, graphic arts, music, and project management positions don't start at less than

"These aren't \$7 an hour jobs," said club Chairwoman Deborah McDaniel.

McDaniel was one of the students who started the club in fall of 1997 so first and second-year students could collaborate. The club has grown to 15-20 active members.

"We need people at each end—technical and artistic," McDaniel said. She added that students' talents range from a variety of writers, graphic designers, artists, musicians, gamers, computer programmers, and people with or wanting a website.

The club plans to take field trips, have speakers, and would love to work with other clubs.

The plan is to serve as a multimedia ambassador for other clubs to help them with multimedia tools such as setting up their own web sites.

The club is seeking individuals with good ideas who want to build their portfolios, both written and digital, as well as develop the important skill of "learning how to learn," McDaniel said.

The Interactive Multimedia Club is open to everyone interested. Meetings are 2 p.m. in Building 10, room 105 every other Wednesday.

The club's website is www.highline.ctc.edu/home/sthayer/irnc.htm

If you want to talk to the club adviser, Marc Lentini, he can be reached at 878-3710

College in a College Club

The College in a College program began in the fall of '96 to help its students form a sense of community with others in the program as well as instructors on campus.

What most students don't know is that there is now a College in a College club that started this last fall.

The club consists of about 20 members and five members of a leadership team headed by Rachel Thorne.

Adviser Laura Westergard, said that the club goals include fundraising for scholarships, development of leadership skills, and having fun building a sense of community.

While the club was founded by and for College in a College program members, it is open to anyone.

Anyone interested in joining the club or the program contact Laura Westergard at 206-878-3710 ext. 3135 or leave a note in the College in a College box in the Student Programs office.

Environmental Club

The Environmental Club is looking to save the world says Adviser Gerry Barclay. This club has been a part of Highline off and on in the past and is currently looking for students to help with its reorganization.

"You can put in as much time as you want to give, there's always something for someone to do," Barclay said.

Bringing awareness about environmental problems to our student body is one of the clubs' key concerns. They want to work on and off campus to improve our surroundings Barclay said.

Last quarter the Environmental Club went to the Old Growth Forest and Bellevue Botanical Gardens. They plan to naturalize parts of campus, pulling weeds and putting in native plants.

Anyone interested in joining can contact advisers at 206-878-3710 Gerry Barclay ext 3522, or Ken Shroeder ext. 3487.

Ping Pong Club

The Ping Pong Club is promoting a stress-free environment. It is a fairly new club and hopes to expand it's membership.

"We are trying to create healthier lifestyles for students," said Toni Castro, Adviser for Multicultural Services.

This first year program is available for all students who are interested. The club has ordered ping pong tables which will be set up in Building 8.

"The club currently consists

of eight students, who are seeking more students for play," Castro said. There is no cost to join.

Also, Team Highline will be sponsoring the Battle of the Paddle Tournament sometime this month.

Call the Multicultural Center at ext. 3296 for more information.

Outdoor Sporting Club

The newest member of the club scene at Higline is the Outdoor Sporting Club.

Helen Lau, club president, started this program to encourage individuals with similar interests to spend time together enjoying life out of doors.

"I want to get people together for outdoor activities, not just talk about doing things," Lau said

Her proposal to start an outdoors club was approved on Feb. 9.

The club held its first meeting on Tuesday, (which moved outdoors for the second half of the meeting) to encourage the participants to share ideas and plan trips. Snowboarding, skiing, kayaking, hiking, camping, cliff diving, surfing and even spelunking (exploring caves while roped together), are all possible events.

During the brainstorming session, Mike Armstrong, the club's adviser, suggested starting with something easy like hiking Tiger Mountain, then working up to more extreme activities.

"This club is wide open to do whatever," Armstrong said.

The club plans to go hiking on Saturday, March 7. They will meet at 9 a.m. at Highline.

Lau encourages all who are

interested to join the fun
"Anyone is welcome," Lau

said.

For more information call 878-3710, ext. 3535, or drop a message in their box in the Student Programs, Building 8.

H.E.A.R. Club

Helping hands, Educate, Advocate, Resource is what the initials HEAR stand for.

The HEAR club is focused on repairing the campus to make it more accessible and user friendly for disabled students.

"It's an ongoing process to make the campus as accessible as possible," said Jim Field, adviser of the club. He added that Highline's campus is an older one and needs a lot of attention.

The club, in its first year, has high hopes for the future.

HEAR plans to meet with Pete Babington, head of facilities, to address issues about making the campus more accessible. One issue they plan to address is more disabled parking.

The club also wants to expand technology for disabled students.

There are about 155 disabled students registered with access services at Highline, Fields said, a percentage that he says is probably consistent with other community colleges.

If you are interested in getting involved with the HEAR, contact club adviser, Jim Fields at 206-878-3710, ext. 3857.

Roles 'N' Cards

Roles 'n' Cards is a club for those individuals obsessed with playing fantasy card games and role playing games.

The club is focused on providing a stress free environment for students to relax and interact with other students.

If you are interested in being a part of this club contact the representative Eric Wise at 253-852-3431.



Environmental club member puts up posters in Building 8 to promote and increase awareness of the club.

mside scoop

Regional foes prepare for playoff battles

By Nathan Golden and Frankie Ceniceros Staff Reporters

Opposing coaches agree that Highline is still the team to beat going into this weekend's regional tournaments.

Olympic College is set to play Edmonds today. If the Rangers win, the team will play the winner of tonight's Highline-Shoreline game.

"Our chances are really good against Edmonds," said Olympic Head Coach Barry Janusch. "We have beaten them twice this year."

Olympic began the year 13-0, but couldn't keep that level of play, suffering major injuries to several key players.

Only eight Rangers are physically able to play, with four to five guys capable of scoring, making their bench weak, said Janusch.

Olympic has competed against Highline twice this season and fallen short in each meeting. In the first game, Highline broke the Rangers' undefeated season, crushing them

Men's Basketball

Standings

Players to Watch

Alastair Faux - Shoreline - 6'1" Shooting Guard - Freshman: During his stay at Crenshaw High School in Inglewood, Ca., Faux was part of a team which finished 12th in the USA Today national basketball poll and won a state championship. He intended to play at Minnesota, but was academically ineligible and instead went to Shoreline. For the Dolphins, he has stayed near the top of the NWAACC scoring charts at about 30 points per game and also adding 6 rebounds. He is a deadly outside shooter with quick moves to the basket. In two games against Highline, he scored 40 and 28. His major weakness is his noticeable attitude problem. He is often like a time bomb, waiting to explode with either a scoring outburst or a temper tantrum.

Kevin Bradley - Shoreline - 6'0" Point Guard - Freshman: Also from

Crenshaw, Bradley was considered one shooter. He poses match-up problems of the top recruits on the West coast last year. He signed with Pepperdine out of high school, but like Faux he was declared academically ineligible. He is almost impossible to defend, with great handles and extreme quickness. Physically, he may be the best point guard in the NWAACC. However, Highline's guard combination of Reggie Ball, Quincy Wilder, and Gabe Ladd has been effective, forcing 11 turnovers in the two prior match-ups, and an attitude problem similar to his teammate's has followed him throughout the season and has probably cost his team some wins.

Billy Landram - Olympic - 6'6" Guard/Forward - Freshman: A redshirt freshman from North Mason who has been looked at by Division I programs, Landram is a rarity: a 6'6" sure-handed

for many teams, as his quickness and athleticism can only be matched by smaller guards, while his size forces teams to match bigger, slower players up on him. He is among the NWAACC leaders in scoring, rebounding, and three point shooting. In two previous match-ups against the Thunderbirds, he has averaged 21.5 points and 7.5 rebounds, and also has shot 44 percent from three point range. A stress fracture has forced him to miss time this season, but he may be back for the first playoff round, and coaches say he will then rest during a possible match-up with Highline.

Mikael Moore - Olympic - 6'2" Point Guard - Freshman: From Ingraham High, Moore possesses good point guard skills and is not shy when it comes to firing away. He is very aggressive offen-

sively, not only shooting outside, but also penetrating often and effectively. In a Jan. 31 home game against Highline, his aggressiveness earned him nine trips to the free throw line as part of a 20 point effort. He also had 20 points in the first match-up at Highline.

Mike Jones - Edmonds - 6'10" Center - Sophomore: A solid big man from Cascade in Everett, Jones has a decent touch around the basket. The best player on a team with a balanced attack, in the first game against Highline he scored 21 points on 7-9 shooting. His aggressiveness around the basket also earned him 12 trips to the line. An injury limited him to only 18 minutes in the rematch at Highline, but he managed to score 10 in that time. His team also brings size off the bench with physical 6'11" freshman Meshach Williams.

by 17 points. Paul Felker, arguably Olympic's best player, went down with a season-ending injury early in that game.

Olympic also lost the second game, but only by four points.

Olympic's opponent, Edmonds, relies on their strong interior. Coach Keith Kingsbury

said "We have two big kids, 6-10 and 6-11, and they give us an advantage in some situations.

Kingsbury thinks his squad may have lost a couple games they should have won. "We had nine freshmen playing," he ex-

Everett Coach Larry Walker,

whose Trojans were the only team to beat Highline last year, said this year's team is better.

"They're a better rebounding team," he said, although he thinks Highline is vulnerable to hot shooters on the perimeter.

He expects Highline will be ready. "Joe does a real good

League

11-1

9-3

8-4

6-6

Overall

24-3

21-7

16-11

19-9

8-17

Eastern

Spokane

Big Bend

Blue Mountain

Wenatchee Valley

job," Walker said of Highline Coach Callero.

The NWAACC tournament will be in Moses Lake on March 5-7. Jansuch said he will be there even if his team is not.

"I plan to be there either playing or waiting to play," he

Scoreboard

Walla Walla 88, E Oregon JV 69

Non-League

2/21

Standings		
North	League	Overall
Highline	16-0	27-1
Olympic	10-6	21-6
Edmonds	10-6	14-15
Shoreline	9-7	15-13
Peninsula	7-9	11-16
Skagit Valley	7-9	16-12
Everett	6-10	13-15
Bellevue	4-12	11-17
Whatcom	3-13	9-18
West	League	Overall
Grays Harbor	12-2	19-7
Lower Columbia	10-4	20-8
Centralia	10-4	13-13
Tacoma	9-5	21-7
Clark	7-7	11-16
Green River	3-11	3-24
Pierce	3-11	6-19
S. Puget Sound	2-12	3-23
East	League	Overall
Yakima Valley	9-3	19-9
Columbia Basin	8-4	20-7
Wenatchee Valley	7-5	15-13
Big Bend	7 - 5	18-10
Walla Walla	5-7	16-12
Blue Mountain	3-9	8-20
Spokane	3-9	11-16
South	League	Overall
Lane	12-2	23-6
Mt. Hood	11-3	20-8
Chemeketa	10-4	22-6
Linn-Benton	8-6	15-11
Clackamas	5-9	14-15
Umpqua .	5-9	14-14
SW Oregon	3-11	9-18

Highline 95, Shoreline 87 Shoreline (87) Portland 2-12 8-20 **NWAACC/Horizon Air Final 1998 Top** 8 Coaches Poli School Votes Pvs. Highline (95) 1. Highline 27-1 90(9) 1 2. Lane 23-6 72 2 3. Grays Harbor 19-7 46 4. Yakima Valley 19-9 31 nr 5. Mt. Hood 20-8 16 nr 6. Olympic 21-6 11

7. Tacoma 21-7 4 8 8. Chemeketa 22-6 3 7 Others Receiving Votes: Big Bend (18-10), Lower Columbia (20-8), and Columbia Basin (20-7).

Regional Playoff Schedule 2/26 (All games at 7:00 unless noted) Shoreline at Highline Edmonds at Olympic (8:00) Tacoma at Grays Harbor Centralia at Lower Columbia (8:00) Big Bend at Yakima Valley Wenatchee Valley at Columbia Basin South Linn-Benton at Lane Chemeketa at Mt. Hood Regional Finals

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Bradley 9-17 8-11 26, Chinn 2-4 2-2 6, Fritzier 1-4 0-0 3, Harris 4-10 2-2 13, Faux 11-24 1-2 28, Yates 3-7 1-1 9, Birae 0-0 0-0 0, Givens 1-1 0-0 2, Purkis 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 31-69 14-18 87. Ball 1-8 0-0 3, Watts 4-7 0-0 9, Ladd 2-6 2-2 6, Miller 6-9 0-0 12, Wilder 12-20 3-5 29, Enfield 1-3 0-0 3, Madsen 7-15 5-6 19, Guy 1-2 0-0 2, DeLange 4-8 0-0 8, Johnson 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 40-81 10-13

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North Skagit Valley 75, Bellevue 54 Everett 59, Edmonds 44 Peninsula 81, Whatcom 76 Highline 68, Shoreline 74 West Centralia 80, Tacoma 54 Lower Columbia 90, Clark 60 Green River 93, Pierce 53 South Puget Sound 92, Grays Harbor 59 Big Bend 80, Spokane 60 Wenatchee Valley 75, Columbia Basin Yakima Valley 73, Blue Mountain 68 South Umpqua 79, Chemeketa 66 Clackamas 87, Lane 55 Mt. Hood 92, SW Oregon 79 Portland 49, Linn-Benton 43

Lady Thunderbirds soar into playoffs

Victories over Bellevue, Shoreline send Highline to regional playoffs

By K.M. Petersen Sports Editor

For the first time since 1991, the Highline Lady Thunderbirds are playoff bound.

Another three game win streak, combined with a Whatcom loss to Peninsula, gave the team sole possession of the fourth and final playoff spot in the Northern Region.

The squad's league record to finish the season was 9-7, an unexpected result after an 0-5

After their President's Day victory at Peninsula, the Lady T-Birds hit the road to face lastplace Bellevue, winning 68-52.

Unlike previous games since the turnaround, Highline didn't play a first half to stay in the game before shutting down the opposition's offense in the second half.

Instead, they limited Bellevue to 17 percent shooting in the first half, only allowing 20 points - 10 of which came on

The defensive stand gave the

halftime lead, which they would never relinquish, eventually winning by 16.

Valerie Nater scored 19 points on 8-11 shooting, and had seven rebounds and nine blocks

"I made a bunch of post moves...and they just went in," she said.

Kristi Duggan added 13 points, including a 3-5 performance from long range, and seven rebounds.

Suffering from a 3-16 shooting slump, Karen Nadeau compensated in other areas, grabbing 12 boards, dishing six assists, and snatching five steals.

Despite a 1-16 shooting performance, Alecia Rochelle led Bellevue with 11 points thanks to 12 appearances at the charity stripe.

Teresa DeDonato also had nine points and 10 rebounds for the Helmswomen.

Following the victory, the Lady T-Birds played host to Shoreline, a team they had beaten in overtime in their prior meeting.

This time, however, no extra Lady Thunderbirds an 11 point time was needed as Highline put



Photo by Bruce Jarrell Tracy Wilcoxen fights for a loose ball against Shoreline.

away the Dolphins, 68-54.

Although Shoreline resided near the bottom of the standings, the game was of utmost importance to the T-Birds.

A loss would have meant that if Whatcom won, the season would be over for Highline.

'We should have never been in that position. We should have killed the Orcas the first time," Tarbet said.

Instead of finishing their sea-

son, the game turned out in Highline's favor.

After dominating the game's opening moments, the Lady Thunderbirds let Shoreline back in, but still managed to control the game's lead, extending it to nine points just before halftime.

In the second half, Shoreline's hopes for a comeback were sliced by the very passes which exposed holes in their defense.

Highline attackers routinely cut to the basket, where welltimed passes were completed for easy layups.

"Shoreline was thinking about tight defense and stealing passes, which made those available," Coach Dale Bolinger

Sophomore Tracy Wilcoxen, playing in her last home game at Highline, delivered many of the passes, finishing with eight as-

Duggan benefitted the most from the passes, finishing with 22 points to go with her 8 rebounds.

Nater barely missed a tripledouble, finishing with 12 points, 10 rebounds, and nine blocks.

Effective from the perimeter for Highline was Nadeau, who had 17 points and five steals.

"We knew how important this game was to us," Nadeau said.

Shoreline's lone offensive threat, Rickesha Beavers, scored

Following the game, Highline coaches received word that Peninsula had defeated Whatcom, meaning no Monday tiebreaker game would be necessary and the Lady T-Birds would travel to Skagit Valley on Thursday to take on the topranked, undefeated Cardinals.

In two prior meetings, Highline lost by 14 in Mount Vernon and 33 at home.

If the Lady Thunderbirds win tonight, they will travel to face the winner of tonight's other playoff game, Olympic versus Everett.

Ladies prepare for top-ranked team

By Garrett Miller Staff Reporter

the show.

With some luck and some hard-nosed basketball, the Thunderbird women are back in

Highline still has a tall task - taking on unbeaten, topranked Skagit Valley in tonight in Mount Vernon — but the women are glad to be still play-

It is the team's first appearance since Dale Bolinger resigned in 1992.

Bolinger, called out of retirement last year to resurrect the program, has helped bring back some of the winning tradition that was so common back in the '80s, when they were consistently near the top of the NWAACC, winning the championship once and routinely finishing on top of their region.

The Lady Thunderbirds started off league play by loosing five straight. They have, however, managed to turn the season around and clinch fourth place in the league to give them a playoff birth with a 9-7 record (10-15 overall).

"The difference between finishing third and fourth is huge, but the difference between fourth and fifth is radical," said Bolinger.

Whatcom was tied with Highline until the last game of league play, when Highline beat Shoreline and Whatcom lost to Peninsula.

"I was relieved to find out that we didn't have to play on Monday against Whatcom for the last playoff spot," Co-Captain Rachael Watkins said.

Now they have to get by Skagit, who they played tough at Mount Vernon but not so tough at home in the Thunderdome. Highline lost the two games by an average of 23.5 points.

"We have the most difficult assignment in the entire conference," Bolinger said.

Many players on this team have had playoff experience and said that the key to winning in playoffs is to "stay calm and play like we did during league," said forward Amie Johnson.

"We need to stop their threepoint shooting to beat them," said sophomore Tracy Wilcox-

The Lady T-Birds will get to play the winner of the Olympic-Everett game on Saturday, if they can upset Skagit Valley. The women think they can.

"Heck yeah, we're going to beat the Cardinals," said freshman guard Karen Nadeau

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Runners deserve another shot

Why would you cut the entire track program?

Dropping cross country by itself would be marginally acceptable, but cutting the entire program?

It all leaves me asking why? Why track and cross coun-

Why now when Highline has one of the NWAACC's best teams?

If Highline's talented runners bring home the NWAACC title they won't even be allowed to defend it.

On top of that, the athletic department presented to the S & A budget meeting last week that they would like to add golf and

Spin On **Sports**



By Michael Stampalia

tennis next year.

Golf.

I don't know that I want to go to a college (even a community college) that has a golf or tennis team and not a track team.

Harrison looks at the track team and sees a lower turnout compared to other schools.

I look at the track teams and see a lot more coaches on the the other teams.

More coaches means more recruiters, which is why other schools have more athletes on their track team.

Sounds basic to me.

It's not a stretch to say that most if not all of our track team members will qualify for the NWAACC tournament.

While those other schools will be lucky to qualify 20 of the approximately 70 student-athletes on their teams.

Why did we build all of the new track equipment if we are not going to use it?

The way some people tell it, sounds to me like this plan has been in the works for a long time.

Did you really think that no one would find out, when you tell the S&A committee that you were going to cut track and cross country?

Couldn't you have taken some time out of your busy schedule and tell all of the track team members what you planned to do?

There are so many questions. Mike writes more than he runs.

Highline runners react to news

By Todd Watts Staff Reporter

Highline's track and cross country athletes are angry about the possible end of their sports here.

"The whole situation baffles me. I really don't understand why track would be cut, it's become such a popular sport," said sprinter Niki J. Sylve.

Track members have drafted a petition that has been passed out all over the campus. With enough signatures they are hoping it will help prove the student support for track, and maybe even save it.

"We have had a huge success with the petitions. I can't remember any student not wanting to help us out. I really hope there's still a chance," said distance runner Frankie Ceniceros.



Photo by Bruce Jarrell Demonne Taylor works out with Dominique Demouchet.

quently involved when this subject is brought up, leaving many curious if the decision will be Money has been a word fre- based on track and cross country's lack of revenue.

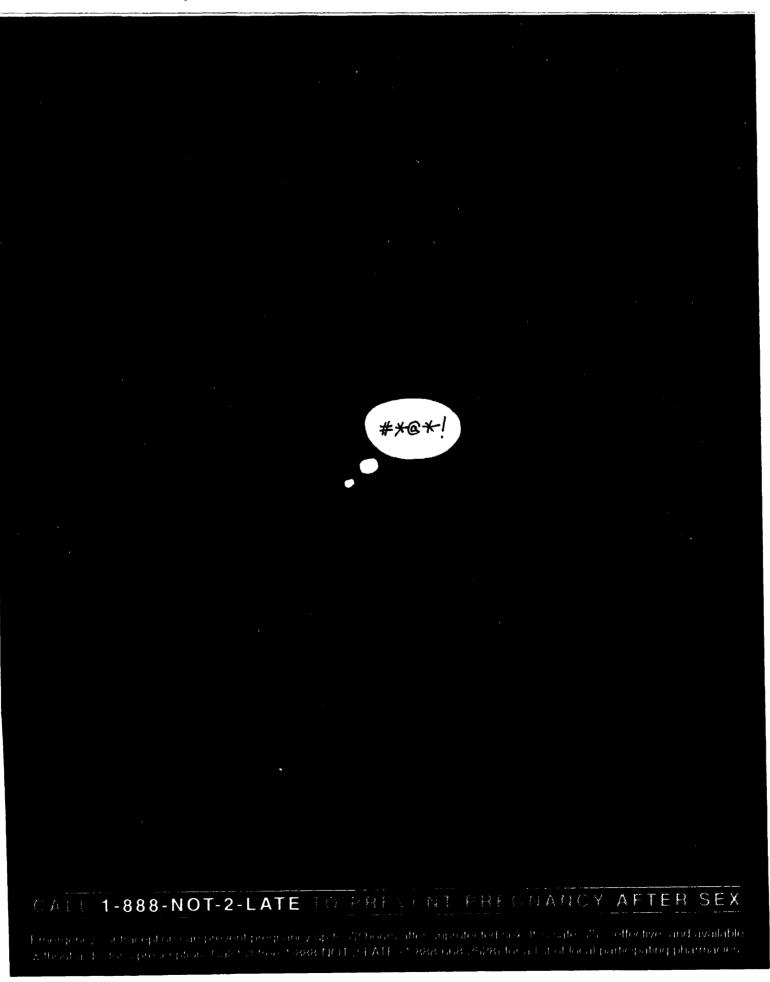
"Athletics shouldn't be based on money. Track is a great team sport that unites quite a large number of students here at Highline," high jumper Wes Young said.

"Even though track is not a big source of revenue, it should be used to diversify the school," long jumper Paul Davenport said.

"It doesn't really affect me (because I'm a sophomore), but I do feel for the freshmen who will need somewhere to go next year," Demonne Taylor said.

"Although I came here for academics, I do run track, and it really disappoints me that a school would give up on programs that easily," said decathlete Osman Munroe.

"Lucky for me this will be my last season to compete here at Highline, but I will still feel sorry for those who are freshmen and now must find somewhere to run for next year," said high jumper Garrett Miller.



Oscar is a man I'd love to date

Ah, the Oscars. You gotta love 'em, don't ya?

All the superstars that you thought couldn't get any more glamorous find a way to do it on this night.

It's that time of the year when I, as well as most of the women in America are painfully reminded, while eating a Snickers bar, that they are not a slim 5'10, and they don't have that dreamy Wonderbra status that most men drool





By Christi Croft

over.

It's also the time of year when the majority of the men in America look at those Fabio looking studs, and actually ponder, "Hey, would I look like that if I lost 30 pounds and dyed my hair blond?" Keep dreamin' pal!

Ah. but let's not overlook (even though it is quite hard) the true essence of the Academy Awards, whatever it may be, for I cannot tell you.

Instead of taking time to honor these brilliant entertainment superstars that we all could never live without, I embarrassingly admit that I usually keep an eye out for the foulups during the presentation.

Women who trip on their \$500,000 gold beaded, only wear once gowns, while treking up the stairs.

Winners who make a fool out of themselves while making their short (eh, ehm!) acceptance speeches ("And lastly, I'd like to thank my dog for making this happen. Bowser, this one's for you buddy!")

It's a sad reality, I know.

The one thing I am curious about this year, is how many times I am going to hear the theme song from "Titanic." Obviously an Academy favor-

Believe you me it better do good, knowing that it has half of my tiny bank account swimming in its huge profit pool of moola!

It's too bad "Spiceworld" didn't get nominated. Im cryin ova here!

Christi Croft is the Arts Editor of the Thunderword. She is currently crying over the love theme of "Titanic," again.

The Oscars are back with more movie bang than ever

By W.B. Heming Staff Reporter

The nominations are set for the 70th Academy Awards, to be unveiled March 23 at 6 p.m. on ABC.

Unlike last year's independent film fest, this year's best picture nominations come mostly from the large studios. "Titanic," leading the pack with 14 nominations, is the prime example. The other nominees are "As Good as it Gets," "The Full Monty," "L.A. Confidential," and "Good Will Hunting."

While "Titanic" is a good film dealing with the tragic 1912 disaster in the North Atlantic, it has a canned lovestory that is hard to swallow.

It deals with the classism of the day fairly well, however, and it has shockingly grand special effects.

"Titanic" walked away with the Golden Globe for best drama and is likely to take the Oscar as well.

"Titanic" may be the favorite to win, but it pales in comparison to the other films in its category, especially "L.A. Confidential."

Eerily real, "L.A. Confidential" was released during the Summer and memories run short in the movie biz.

In 1995, "Braveheart" took the best picture Oscar Nicholson playing a crazy man has to turn some heads (such as "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" in 1975).

"Good Will Hunting" are films worth seeing, but neither stands a strong chance of taking home best picture honors.

home with a golden statue for his role in "As Good As It Gets." Again, a split in the

The statues Bonham Carter ("The Wings of the Dove") or Julie Christie ("After-

Dench is drawing fierce

competition for Oscar and

may fall to either Helena

glow"). Helen Hunt may still be in the running as a strongwilled New York City waitress in "As Good As It Gets."

Thankfully Kate Winslet stands little chance for winning a best-actress Oscar for "Titanic."

In every other category "Titanic" is an otherwise appalling picture, but James Cameron deserves recognition for his vision in the bestdirector category. Cameron carefully constructed one of the most expensive and one of the most successful movies of all time.

The other nominees can't even touch the plateau Cameron has secured for himself.

Damon and Ben Affleck ("Good Will Hunting") may be able to grace the fire place with a golden guy for bestscreenplay directly written for the screen.

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faith in "The Apostle."

Hunting").

Dustin Hoffman won't be

adding much to his mantle

pieces for "Wag the Dog," nor

will Matt Damon ("Good Will

a bit more difficult to predict.

Judi Dench is slated to walk

home with the Oscar for her

portrayal of Queen Victoria in

"(Her Majesty) Mrs. Brown."

The best-actress category is

The boys face competition from Mark Andrus and James L. Brooks for "As Good As It Gets."

Simon Beaufoy's "The Full Monty" is the dark horse in the category, but Woody Allen's "Deconstructing Harry" and Paul Anderson's "Boogie Nights" are both well written scripts.

Best-adapted screenplay will go to Brian Helgeland and Curtis Hanson for the cop drama "L.A. Confidential," as it should.

Strike aga because the popular vote split. "As Good As It Gets" is in an excellent position to do him and Peter for "Ulce's Gold" is likely. Besides any film with Jack Put money on Robert Duvall for a man regaining his

Both "The Full Monty" and

Nicholson is likely to walk

Highline actors go on trial this weekend

By Lisa Novak Staff Reporter

Highline's Drama Department presents Franz Kafka's "The Trial," Feb. 26-28 and March 5-7 at the Little Theatre in Building 4. The show starts at 8 p.m. and tickets are \$6 general admission, \$5 students and seniors, and \$4 for high school students.

"The Trial," performed by the 14 member cast under director Chuck Hudson, is anything but conventional.

"The play is about a man who goes on trial for a crime, and he doesn't know what it is," said Carolyn Bing, who plays the characters of Mrs. Grubach and the judge.

"It's like a nightmare," said Brandon Felker playing the lead

role of Josef K.

Many of the drama students agree this play is unlike anything they have done at Highline.

The Trial can be described as dreamlike where the main character Josef K. wakes up on his birthday only to find himself arrested.

He is forced to go on trial for unknown reasons and spends the time during the play trying to figure out what the charges

"Josef comes to conclusions about the legal system instead of why he's on trial," said Rick Lorig, the show's set director.

"The very weird, really interesting, unusual elements make the play worthwhile to see," Bing said.

One of the unusual elements



Photo by Bruce Jarrell

Left, Brandon Felker and James McCartney in "The Trial."

of the show include Hudson's use of movement. This highly stylized choreography tells parts of the story through movement.

In addition to the physical orientation, Hudson's high expectations makes the performance more difficult.

"He (Hudson) expects a lot, but makes me want to produce, makes me want to work," said Leilani Wollam who plays Ms.

Come see "The Trial" and let your fellow students display their talents.

Italiano, mamma mia!

Mr. Food's choice this week was Vince's Italian Restaurant located in downtown Federal Way 32411 Pacific Hwy. S., kitty corner to Seatac Mall. Their phone number is (253)-839-1496.

Mr. Food's grade: 4.0 stars

Vince's Italian Restaurant and Pizzeria, sized up in four words: excellent!, excellent!, excellent!, and excellent!

I was sadly devoid of my eating entourage this time around, as I so look forward with earnest longing to eat with at least one of them everytime. So, I went all by my lonesome self, (sigh, hum) to Vince's. Please don't pity me.

Vince's was spacious and

Mr. Food



By Scott C. Murray

comfortable. I was seated and right away I was brought a jar filled with crunchy breadsticks and butter, and a glass of ice water.

I ordered the eggplant parmigiana, which had close to ten slices of fried eggplant, each piece about a half of an inch thick cooked together with provolone, fresh basil, mozzarella and marinara sauce.

I ate the eggplant very slowly, tasting and relishing every bite of my dinner as a wine connoisseur would savor a fine wine. This dish came as either a two course dinner priced a little over \$8, or as a four course dinner priced close to \$10. The food I ordered was toothsome, delicious, and accurately priced for what I received.

The mocha decadence cake is a must if you like scrumptious, indulgent desserts that make you feel as though you disobeyed one of the ten commandments.

Gather yourself for a joyful interlude into a realm of chocolaty, fudge-like, bliss, and ec-

Try all of it at Vince's Italian Restaurant and Pizzeria "Buon Appetito!"

Yep, that is some authentic Italian. Truthfully, I really don't know Italian, so I got the phrase from Vince's menu.

Scott C. Murray is Mr. Food, and loves to do his own Mexican cha-cha ritual everynight before he goes away to sleepy land.

A dramatic celebration for women

Highline helps to recognize voting rights for women

By Ijeoma Agu Staff Reporter

Drop in to see a short play, free of charge, about two women who led the women's suffrage movement in Washington state.

"May's Vote," by Toni Douglass, will be performed Monday, March 2 from 11a.m.noon in Building 7. The play is

Women achieved the vote in 1920, and Washington became the fifth state to win the vote in the United States.

"May's Vote," has toured throughout Washington since 1989, and will tour throughout 1998 in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the first Women's Rights Convention in America, which was held in Seneca Fall, NY, in July 1848.

This play features Barbara Callander, who's performing as "prim and proper" Emma Smith DeVoe.

She has been a professional actor for more than 20 years.

A graduate of Oberlin College, she has appeared with theaters nationwide, including Tacoma Actors Guild and Jane



Photo by Warner Munroe

Barbara Callander left, and Douglass in "May's Vote."

Doe Theater.

Barbara Callander received a "Write Women Back Into History Award" for her contribution to the 75th Anniversary Celebration of the 19th Amendment, at the Seattle Center last August.

Playwright Douglass, who will portray May Arkwright Hutton, has 26 years of experience in theater.

Parker," on Friday, Feb. 27 at

door. For directions or informa-

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African-American women in

8:30 p.m.

tion call (253) 922-1930.

She has appeared at numerous theaters nationwide.

Some of those theaters include the Arena Stage, the Folger in Washington, D.C., The Intiman, and A Contemporary Theatre in Seattle.

She is a past winner of the New City Theatre Northwest Directors Festival and currently teaches at Seattle Children's Theatre Drama School.

The Group Theatre's premiere of Nikki Nojima and Jacqueline Moscou's "Keepers of the Dream." This presentation will open March 11 and will run through April 5 at the Group Theatre located in the Seattle Center House. For ticket information call the Box Office at (206) 441-1299.

Planet Hot Rod in Fife presents the "Seattle Slim" CD Release Party on Saturday, Feb. 28 at 9:30 p.m. "Seattle Slim" is an up and coming blues and rock guitar band. Tickets are \$5 at the door. For directions and information call Jim Basnight or Jim Hargrove at (253) 922-

Come and jam in yo' iammi's

By Alex P. Hennesy Staff Reporter

Have you ever wanted to roll out of bed and come to school in your pajama-? Well here's your

The Black Student Union is hosting their first Jammi Jam tomorrow night.

"It's a light-hearted pajama party," said Kristopher Daniels, President of the B.S.U.

The event is part of the B.S.U.'s celebration of Black History month.

Other events like the Soul Food Festival and the speech made by Dr. Emmanuel Chiabi about W.E.B. Dubois and Booker T. Washington, have been focused on creating an awareness of black history on campus as well.

"The idea with the Jammi Jam was to lighten things up, and to wrap up Black History Month on a light note," Daniels

The B.S.U. has hired a DJ for the event, which will be much like a dance.

Festivities will include a dancing contest with possible prizes from local companies.

Although dances at Highline don't traditionally draw big crowds, Daniels has been promoting the Jammi Jam at other local schools and hopes to see a lot of people.

"I'm hoping for a big turnout," Daniels said.

Daniels also said that he hopes that there will be all kinds of people there.

"The dance is for everyone, not just black students," he said. The B.S.U. Jammi Jam starts

Friday night at 9 p.m. in Build-The cost of admission to the Jammi Jam is \$3 in advance at the Student Programs Office, or

\$4 at the door if your wearing your favorite pajamas, and \$5 for those of you who chicken out. "I want to have everyone come join us to have fun,"

Daniels said.

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Get out of the house

The Black Student Union presents the Jammi Jam dance 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$2 at the on Friday, Feb. 27 from 9p.m.-1 a.m. in Building 8. Ticket prices are \$3 in advance at the Student Programs Office, \$4 at the door with pajamas, and \$5 at the door without pajamas.

Come celebrate the anniversary of women's voting rights during the play "May's Vote," by Toni Douglass Monday, March 2. The play stars Barbara Callander and Toni Douglass and will be held from 11 a.m.noon in Building 7.

Highline's Drama Department presents Frank Kaftka's production of "The Trial," Thursday, Feb. 26 through Saturday, Feb. 28. All showtimes are at 8 p.m. in Building 4 (The Little Theatre). Tickets are \$5 for students and \$6 for the general public.

The brand new Mothership Concert Club in Milton, off of Pacific Hwy. S., is presenting a 21 and over rock show featuring the bands: "Loser," "Just Plain Bill," and "Ripple and Peter

Pool to be replaced **CWU**

By Osman Munroe Staff Reporter

Water and time are running out for the Highline pool.

The 35-year-old facility will be closed by the year 2005, maybe sooner if plans come together to turn the site into a new classroom building.

College officials say the pool needs too much repair work for too much money, and the college needs the space for other purposes.

"The pool building consumes way more energy to operate compared to other buildings at Highline," said Director of Facilities Pete Babington.

The amount of money it takes to maintain the pool increases every year because the pool is so old.

"We just spent \$10,000 the past six months to replace some of the things that needed to be replaced on the pool," Bab-

The pool site could become part of what could be a building housing Central Washington University's local campus and additional space for Highline.

"The Health and Physical Education department at Highline doesn't like the idea that the pool will be closed," said Pool Manager and PE instructor Shannon Slish. Slish said she would rather see the pool stay open.

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one of the original buildings on the campus, it holds little sentiment, said Vice President Saunders.

Instead, the college is looking into demolition and removal of the pool at a cost of \$400,000.

"I encourage people to use it while it's here." Saunders said.

Barely keeping its head above water. the pool operates mainly on rentals and a small selection of classes. "It doesn't seem to be a central core

facility," Saunders said. "There are other pools in the area much newer."

Highline administrators are also con-

sidering discussions with the City of Des Moines for a possible community center adjacent to the CWU building.

"The college is interested in pursuing a community recreation center to make the campus a center of community life," Saunders said.

Some discussions have taken place, though nothing is currently in the works.

"There are a lot of issues to be settled still," Edington said. "The only thing that has been decided is that we will

Saunders agrees that administrators from both schools have "a lot of hard work in the next couple of years," and a lot of details to cover.

"We're just very pleased that Central has chosen us," she said.

Plagge provides students with the joy of mathematics

By Prahlad Friedman Staff Reporter

With a long gray pony tail, bearded face, and tattered jeans, Dick Plagge appears cool, calm, and relaxed. In his 31st year, Plagge brings unbridled enthusiasm to math students at Highline.

"He is the best teacher I have ever had. Extremely enthusiastic. He knows almost every aspect of mathematics. He is God," student A.J. Feroe said.

"He has the hippie look, but explains math in a modern sense," said another student, Tyler Hearst.

Plagge talks freely and his students respond. He engages his students, their eyes glued to the board and his every

Sometimes he gives the impression that he isn't sure what to do next, so that students brainstorm for answers on their own, and they do. The learning is an active experience.

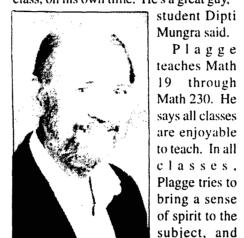
As long as he can remember, Plagge says, he wanted to become a teacher. He grew up on a farm in Illinois 30 miles from Chicago.

He attended a small high school where keeps him busy at home. the math offerings were limited. He did Plagge once asked his Math 105 class master's degree at Western Washington why not." University, both in mathematics. A Na
He threw a penny on the floor next to

have many more responsibilities, such as said, "I love this guy."

balancing jobs, families, and school "Students should be admired for their achievement," Plagge said. Many students admire Plagge for his

love of teaching. "He has helped (us) a lot outside of class, on his own time. He's a great guy,"



Other than teaching math, Plagge enjoys playing the blues on his harmonica. "I like to jam every once in a while," Plagge said.

subject, and

have fun with

a lot of catching up in college, getting his if they wanted to earn \$36 an hour, partbachelor's degree at Illinois State and a time. A student curiously said, "Sure,

tional Science Grant paid for much of his him and he picked it up. He asked how long it took for him to pick it up. The He says that some faculty feel that the student said one second. Plagge told him math students aren't as dedicated to that a penny a second is \$36 an hour, but learning the material as they once were. of course only part-time. The whole Plagge feels that the students of today class laughed and a student next to him

Track

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Harrison's opinion on the subject isn's

shared by everyone, however. "I think it's absurd," said Head Track Coach Frank Ahern.

Ahern has been coaching track at Highline for the last two years and he believes there is no reason to cut the pro-

Harrison admits that Ahern has done a great job with the team, but the program may have been doomed before Ahern ar-

Plagge rived. Participation in track has been declining steadily in recent years, not only by athletes at Highline, but also by teams in the NWAACC athletic conference, Harrison said. He also said that historically the track team has had a hard time keeping students enrolled for two quarters before they compete in the spring.

As for gender equity, Highline is required by federal law to provide equal opportunity to both men and women, but Highline doesn't have women's track or there's a solution."

cross country teams.

"[Our goal is] a quality, balanced athletic program," said Vice President for Students Jim Sorensen.

Many students at Highline also feel strongly about the subject. More than 650 people signed a petition to save track and cross country in the last week.

"Everyone is getting heated about it," said Prahlad Friedman, a member of the track team who circulated the petition.

Friedman noted that the cross country team took third in the NWAACC this year, and said that the track team should challenge for the conference title this

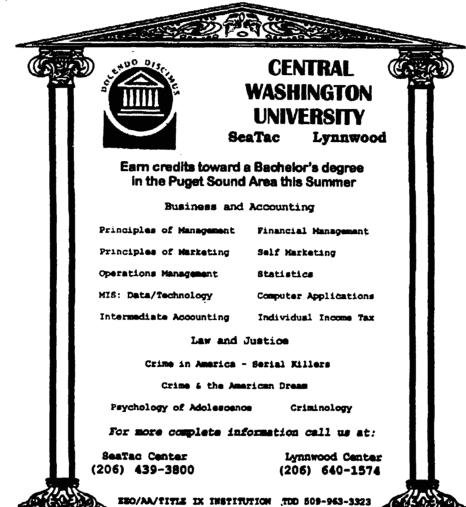
The track team is scheduled to present its petition before the S&A committee on March 10, but members have already begun lobbying the committee. Friedman said that three of the seven voting members of the S&A committee have already signed his petition and have expressed support for the track team.

"I don't want to see that happen," S&A committee member Moira Windon said of ending the program. "I think

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