Budgeteers save track

By Paris Hansen

The budget is built and track is built.
The Service & Activities Committee hammered out a final 1998-99 budget. As advertised, the final tally is $671,000 of student money for everything from athletic scholarships and child care to the Thunderbird and a writing center.

And track. After months of meetings, the cross-country team held a final meeting of motions. Faculty and staff discussed to keep the team’s track team, as cross country and all women’s track and cross country, was allowable by the district. Track was evaluated also could not be realized.

Students don’t feel harassed

By Nathan McMann

Sexual harassment is not a problem on campus. Highline students say.

A survey splitly between the two sexes, 12 percent of men thought harassment is a problem, versus 28 percent of women.

100 students, 80 percent said harassment very serious.

"Men don’t realize how subtle sexual harassment can be," said student Pam W.

"Students should be aware of the sexual harassment," said an anonymous student.

"I sexual harassment very seriously," said student Seonok Kim.

Some students don’t take sexual harassment very seriously.

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Grounds for celebration

A student walks past Highline’s well-manicured flowerbed full of Callas outside Building 7 during this week’s lovely spring weather. The flowers don’t grow here wild, however, they’re the work of Highline’s grounds crew. See story, photos, page 10.

Homework: MIA excuses

By Zac Bedell

With all of the different things that Highline student’s life, sometimes assignments are the last thing. The reason? As some instructors in this campus know, there are many.

Forget the classics, “dog ate it,” because HCC students are far above and beyond such clichés in their quality of lies.

“I’ve heard every conceivable excuse there is,” said one writing instructor. This is a common excuse, with varying sociopolitical directions. Here’s the homework of another student.

I built a fire, it was such a pretty fire. It was so warm, so we got naked to drink wine, and couldn’t get my homework done,” was an excuse given to one writing instructor.

Sometimes a student’s bad luck.

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Students to vote via ‘net

By Jake Iwen

Highline students are being invited to sign on, log in and vote.

Highline’s student government elections on May 11-12 will see a new voting method to increase the amount of students who participate in elections.

The election page will be located on the Highline servers. On the main page will be a link that will take voters directly to the student government election page.

All voters can first browse through candidates’ profiles and biographies then cast their votes on an electronic ballot.

All votes will be compiled in a file and tabulated by the registrar’s office. All voters will need to give their Social Security numbers to the registrar’s office then sent to student government.

On the main page will be a link to the student government election page.

All voters will meet in give their Social Security numbers and the registrar’s office will use those to ensure that all voters are actual students.

“Choosing is paralyzing,” said Ballew. “We will catch you.”

Electronic voters will also be held in the current registrar’s office.

Paper and pencil ballots will also be available.

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Ride with a smile: Go Pass in the works

By Alexis Easterbrook
Staff Reporter

Highline may be on its own in trying to get a low-cost Metro Go Pass for students and staff.

Metro Transit doesn't have the money to pay for route changes in Southwest King County. That leaves Highline to pay for the discounted price of the Go Pass.

As of now, Jeff Wong, market development planner for King County Transit, has not received a formal application for the Go Pass, which would allow students and staff unlimited bus travel for one low, quarterly fee.

Go Passes at other colleges range from $27-$45. "[The] Go Pass is still in the initial planning stage," said Virg Staiger, Highline's director of public relations.

Staiger said he is planning to focus on the Go Pass during Summer Quarter, in hopes that the program will be available for fall students.

Money is expected to come from the school to help offset the Go Pass price. Discussions are planned to start in early May on how to support the project. Possible avenues include increasing the parking fee, publishing the carpool option to open up more parking spaces, and surveying students to find out who would ride Metro to school.

Dr. Laura Saunders, Highline's vice president of administration, also plans an open forum in which students will be able to voice their concerns about transportation issues.

Parking funds are low (since the ending of the North lot) We need an increase in revenue," Saunders said.

In 1995 the Go Pass system was introduced at North, South, and Seattle Central community colleges, helping to ease a parking problem.

According to Bob Hester, director of facilities planning and projects at Seattle Central, use of the transit system has grown since the Go Pass was first introduced.

The students at the Seattle Community Colleges are currently charged $45 for a quarterly pass.

Considering Metro's retail price of $109 is expected to increase to $124 in June/998, this provides at least a $64 savings. To help offset the cost of providing this service, the Seattle Community Colleges charge everyone a $10 transit fee.

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Local author will speak about finding and living your passion

By Kelly Delong
Staff Reporter

Cecile Andrews believes that people are sometimes so busy trying to get ahead, they are simply doing what's put in front of them, and fulfilling other people's expectations.

Andrews, author of the book, "Circle of Simplicity: Return to the Good Life," will speak here on campus, Friday, May 1 from 7:30 p.m. in Building 7.

Her goal is to explain how to find your passion, and live it. "Finding passion is the real goal of education," Andrews said.

Andrews said her book teaches people how to sit back, and reflect on their experiences, while still living out their passion and dreams.

One of the biggest influences on Andrews' life was the death of her father. His death taught her to take advantage of life, and to not take anything for granted.

The death of Andrews' father left her mother widowed and her family poor; however, Andrews remained happy. Her early experiences in life didn't need a lot of money to make you very unhappy, she said.

"I don't think of myself as a writer, I think of myself as a community educator," Andrews said.

Growing up, Andrews wanted to be a teacher. She worked as director of Women's Programs, where she worked as director of Highline's Women's Programs.

Andrews focuses her time on helping people find the happy medium, by answering questions like: How do you make a comfortable living doing what you love while still making time for your family, your friends and yourself?

"I don't think of myself as a writer, I think of myself as a community educator," Andrews said.

Growing up, Andrews loved to play the flute, read mysteries, and go on walks with her friends. She also loves being with her dog, Maggie.

"Talk about simple pleasures," she said happily.

Tickets to Cecile Andrews' presentation are $10. To reserve space, call Outreach Services at 206-787-3710, ext. 3935.

Hoop it up at Spring Fest

By Jason Johnson
Staff Reporter

Outdoor Fun is a group of free sporting activities that will take place during the Spring Festival. Outdoor Fun will take place on Friday, May 1 at 10 a.m.-2 p.m. outside the Pavilion.

The events range from a high jump exhibition to soccer penalty kicks vs. Highline goalie. Short three-on-three basketball games will be held between faculty and students. Outdoor Fun will have volleyball nets set up and batting cage pitching fastball softballs. "It is going to be picnic-style; you can come and go as you want," said Je Calero of Outreach Services. "We don't want a lot of structure since everyone has different class schedules."

Food prizes will be donated by Frito Lay and other small prizes will be given for some of the winners of the games. You don't have to sign up for any of the events in advance, and it is not limited to just Highline students, so bring a friend and come down whenever you can. All of the events will take place on the grassy area right outside of the Pavilion.

If you have any questions about Outdoor Fun contact Outdoor Fun contact Outreach Services at 206-787-3710 ext. 3935.

Scope out your career options

By Tyler Horst
Staff Reporter

Starbucks, 107.7 The End, and Horizon Air Airlines will be just a few of the many businesses at this year's Career Fair.

Highline's third annual Career Fair will be a part of the Spring Festival, held on May 1. A total of 50 employers will be on hand to present to students in the Pavilion.

This event will be different than years past, more emphasis will be on helping students find careers, not just jobs.

"It will also be very interactive," Director of Cooperative Education and Internships Carol Stiefer said. "Not just a bunch of people standing behind booths.

Those attending will have a chance to get blood pressure checked, find out body fat percentages, and interact with employers. The Museum of Flight will be giving out passes to fly an Alaska Airlines flight simulator, and The End has a number of items for free.

Many employers will be offering part-time jobs, so if you're looking for nice clothes and a few resumes would probably be a good idea.

Jobs, however, will not be the main focus of the fair.

Businesses attending are planning to talk about building careers and internship opportunities for the students. Many of them will also explain to those attending about networking within the fields in order to find out more about interesting different career choices.

"Networking within a career field is an important step," Stiefer said. "It allows them to find more about what's out there."

Workshops on topics from the benefits of community college to financing your education, nontraditional careers for women, and environmental careers will also be offered. These workshops begin at 9:30 a.m. with the last workshop starting at 11:30 a.m. Classes running from 20 to 45 minutes. Lunches at all employers attending are available in the Career Center in Building 19, or they can be found in the Spring Festival flyers circulating around campus.

"This Career Fair is an important step for students looking for college," Stiefer said. "It will allow students a chance to get a foot in the door."
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Editorsials

Unity Through Diversity
Week is on the right track

Highline's first ever "Unity Through Diversity Week" has come and gone. As it was the first time that the event had been put on it was as successful as anyone could have hoped.

The high caliber of speakers and guests was one of the most impressive aspects.

The syndicated columnist Sean Gonsalves spoke in a lecture titled "Keeping it Real: The Bold Truth About Inequality and Family in America."

Gonsalves was well received by his audience and will set a high standard for future speakers brought to campus.

Another positive aspect of Unity Through Diversity Week was the range of events offered throughout the week. Everything from Gonsalves' lecture to a performance of world drumming to the one range of events offered throughout the week. Everything from Gonsalves' lecture to a performance of world drumming to the one

Another thing that might help is to offer programs at different times for those with classes in the early afternoon.

Letter to the Editor

Thanks for Diversity coverage

Dear Editors:

As a student and member of the Unity through Diversity Week's Planning Committee, I have never experienced such pride and appreciation towards, not only the faculty, staff and fellow students of Highline, but toward the Thunderword and Highline Community College as a whole. The April 23 edition of the Thunderword is by far, the most enlightening and colorful edition thus far. Your focus on Unity Through Diversity Week activities exemplified true reporting of issues which are at the forefront of Highline's campus life.

The articles were in-depth, insightful and perceptive. Through reading the articles, it was apparent that the Thunderword's staff believes in true and accurate reporting and is led by a team of talented individuals who have a passion for reporting issues of substance.

The photographs of Unity Week participants captured their dedication and energy that surrounded each activity. True reporting accompanied by artistic images makes for a fine publication in my opinion. Thank you Thunderword for giving the planners, participants and observers our "props."

One comment though. One of the most important objectives the planning committee wanted to accomplish was for students, faculty and staff to work together in the planning and follow through of the week's events. As a student who helped in the planning of Unity Week's events, I was disappointed by the lack of faculty and administrator presence in the planning and participation of Unity Week. I would publicly like to thank all the faculty members for their participation in Unity Through Diversity Week's events and programs. The faculty members who participated demonstrated their commitment to Highline through their active and visible support.

Believe it or not, faculty and staff presence at functions and events is recognized and respected by myself and other students as well. I would imagine that as a faculty member, staff and administrator, becoming more visible and accessible to students and each other, is a criteria in fulfilling your commitment to the students of Highline Community College.

So again, to Michael Allen, Stephanie Delaney and the other faculty members who became actively involved in Highline Community College's First Annual Unity Through Diversity Week, thank you! Your generosity with your time, inspiration and talents was recognized, appreciated and shall be remembered.

Theresa Guerrero, paralegal student

Consider the gravity of the situation

Lisa's World

 Really, who needs that pesky AA degree, anyway? I mean, Einstein didn't finish elementary school, so missing one day of class wouldn't be too terribly bad. Besides, Professor Pig Man probably enjoyed a day or two in the sun before he crawled under that rock and became the most boring person in America.

That seals the deal. You've now convinced yourself that it's OK to skip class because your professor probably did, one fine day, 300 centuries ago.

So off to the beach you go, where you learn plenty about the importance of sunscreen's role in the union of ultraviolet rays and pasty white skin.

Then the next day comes.

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The Pomos are coming! The Pomos are coming!

By Charles Stores
Special to the Thunderword

Oh, hell, they're here!

Lonely, I thought they were only on university campuses, today's only safe refuge for Marxism and other species of intellectual folly, and that Hightline was safe. But, alas, no. Like the plague-infected rats coming off that infamous ship in Genoa to spread the pestilence throughout Europe, the pomos have brought the pathogen of postmodernism, deconstruction and political moralism from the Marxist dominated universities to our gentle campus.

Don't worry, kids. You should be OK if you trust your science and math teachers and don't brush too deeply near the social science and humanities faculty. Not all the social science and humanities faculty are pomos. Many still show signs of having good sense and the ability to think critically. But consider how affectionate and intellectually incestuous they are with one another, and how virulently the one outside. It could spread.

"But tell us, please Sir, what's a pomo?"

OK, kids, listen up. Pomo is intellectual folly, a species in the taxonomy of fools, charlatans, philistines and assorted anti-intellectuals which threatens to destroy western civilisation as we know it. They are the barbarians at the gate and it looks like a few have slipped through onto our campus here at Hightline.

Postmodernists reject as naive the major values of the Western Enlightenment including all conventional notions of truth, fact and objective reality independent of human perception. They assert that all facts, including scientific facts, are mere social conventions, not empirically discovered but "constructed" by those who use such "facts" as tools to wield power and maintain status while busily raping the planet and, incidentally, oppressing women and other minorities.

I'm not kidding. Pomos really say this. They teach it in their classes. There are no facts. There are no truths as we naively used to think. You know this thing we call "pravity?"

Forget it. It is true. We made it up. Physical reality, too. If a tree falls in the forest and there's no one there to hear it, not only is there no sound, there's no tree. Trees, along with the squirrels that live in them and the physical, chemical and biological principles that govern their activities are all just social constructions like everything else we used to call "facts." We made them all up.

Makes you wonder, though, when you trip over a rock in the dark, who socially constructed that rock?

While pomos sound too silly to be believed, they need to be taken seriously. They have enormous influence on college and university campuses where they conspire to effect the ruin of contemporary tertiary education. They have been very successful over the past two decades. The temporal extent of their success will be short, of course, because foolishness ultimately defeats itself, but - and here's my point - it is occurring now, in your time, so you need to pay attention. You can no longer trust your teachers.

Unenlightened as they are by their subject knowledge, kill themselves emasculated by the pomos seek the remedy of making science and scientists seem less important. To do so, they trivialise science by the expedient of relegating the scientific method to a political means by which western beings, bent on control of the world and of those dark, who socially constructed that rock?

But, the pomos are correct when they insist that we never encounter the real world but only the world filtered through our sensorium. They believe that there is no necessary correspondence between that mental construct and physical reality. But there is a correspondence - there has to be - and we've known about it since 1859, the year Darwin published The Origin of Species.

The arboreal primate ancestors of man, swinging and leaping from branch to branch survived to have babies and pass on their genes because their perception of branches and the distances between them were accurate, i.e., their perceptions corresponded to reality. Ditto for the food they ate and the enemies they fled from.

Now the pomos, you must understand, are massively ignorant of Darwin and quite deliberately so. They deny his important insight and so they live in a pre-Darwinian world that doesn't make much sense (especially when it comes to understanding human behavior, which is supposed to be their job). But you see, it isn't understanding or learning that's important to them. It's politics. They have made the university an arena for their politicisation of everything from physics to philosophy. Education is to be sub-ordinate to considerations of race, class, gender and social and economic injustice.

But wait. Aren't race, class, gender and social injustice only social constructs, too? So why pay any special attention to those - unless, of course, they are..."facts." Now that you see how the pomos' moral smugness substitutes for thought, repeat this mantra, until it's embedded in your wits. "Pomo bullshit will wither your wits."

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L.A. band herds its way onto campus

"The Zookeepers," a three-member band from L.A., conquered Highline's busy cafeteria Tuesday, April 28, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

With Doug McCowan on drums, Albie Dunbar on the mean bass, and Patrick Vernon on guitar and vocals, the group was an awesome combination for playing their smooth, mod-rock style.

By Christi Croft

Arts and Croft

Highline College

Comedy Cafe is back, and boy, is it gonna be a hoot!

By Jen Hemling

Staff Reporter

Comedy Cafe's weekly offering of cheap laughs returns this Friday, May 1, at 8-10 p.m. in the lower level of Building 8.

That's cheap as in the ticket price: $5 in advance and $7 at the door.

Teena Manu will open Friday's show. Manu has performed with many notables such as Dennis Miller, Tommy Chong, Paulie Shore, Jimmy Walker, Tommy Davidson, and Carl Lewis.

Manu's act is billed as "America's Funniest People" and "Comic View," as well as many clubs, colleges, and private functions.

The featured comedian is Darryl Lenox. Lenox has performed at the Comedy Underground, Last Laugh, Comedy Works, Punchlines, and many other clubs.


"The featured comedian is Darryl Lenox," Dunbar said.

"He's Alright" was the second song performed by the group, which featured a strong Tom Petty feel to it, a big plus in my book. This piece made me tap the floor enough of that!

Another tune was "The Spice Song." No, they didn't transform into any spicy, tight leather groups, a big disappointment for me!

Though there wasn't a big turnout, the group still made well with the crowd that was there. Vernon made his way into the audience more than a few times making the girls blush. As the music went on, and the crowd interaction was evident, more people started streaming in to hear the catching sounds.

Team Highline herded the Zookeepers into town.

"We saw them at a recent NACA conference, and decided to book them," said Touran Smith of Team Highline.

Vernon started "The Zookeepers" six years ago and they have toured since 1994.

Their fourth CD will be out very soon.

To put things short, "The Zookeepers" rocked the house in a serious way, and to my boy Letterman, if you're reading this, you had to book these guys while they are here!

Chris Croft is the Arts Editor of the Thunderword, and would like to say: "Thanks for the birthday card Touran!!"

By Liz Doolittle

Staff Reporter

After serving as Fine Arts coordinator for nearly two years, Dr. Sydney Stegall resigned as of Spring Quarter.

Stegall has been replaced by drama professor Christie Taylor. The resignation came a quarter before his two-year term would have ended.

A combination of factors contributed to Stegall's resignation. Within Fine Arts are four sub-departments: art, drama, music, and jewelry. These virtually function as separate departments, yet within the administration, they are viewed as one.

As coordinator, it was Stegall's duty to organize and run the curricular activities, schedule, and budgets of the four programs. It wasn't that easy, however.

By Jessica Bruce

Staff Reporter

Stegall hangs up his fine arts baton

Photo by David Yamamoto

Former Highline fine arts coordinator, Dr. Sydney Stegall, resigned after nearly two years. Now, he said he will focus more on his students.

Four people, one from each "division," would fulfill the duties of coordinator for his or her specific area. Then the paperwork would make its way to Stegall and he would fill in the blanks.

"The amount of paperwork is just unbelievable," Stegall said.

"It's a great division, not one department," Stegall said.

Another issue that arose was the department's review. If Fine Arts is one department, why is jewelry reviewed separately?

"I find the program review document to be linguistic tripe beyond the pale of logic and comprehension, an obtuse paradox, i.e. doublespeak," Stegall said.

Stegall has mixed feelings about resigning.

"I have more time for students, and I am able to develop more new courses," he said.

Stegall would like to compose a cyber opera for the World Wide Web.

"If I ever get the time there are some books I'd like to write. One is about my intellectual hero," he said.

Faculty and students turn into a temporary Van Gogh

The Second Annual Student Fine Arts Juried Exhibition, the centerpiece of the student show, is seeking entries. Entries may be submitted 9 a.m. to noon, Tuesday, May 5 and Wednesday, May 6, in Building 5, Room 103.

For more information on the upcoming art shows you may call 878-3710 ext. 3442.

By Chris Stegall

Staff Reporter

The art of Highline will be on display in two upcoming shows next month.

The Art Faculty Show will be May 1-15, with an opening reception noon-4 p.m., Friday, May 1 in the Art Gallery in Building 3.

The annual Student Art Show will run May 23 to June 5, at 5-8 p.m., also at the gallery.

The shows are a chance to see some indication of what art the faculty and students here to exhibit through fine art, photography, sculpture, painting, drawing, and ceramics.

"The faculty show will include work by Highline art teacher, Misha VanDeVeer, VanDeVeer says people should visit the art exhibits not only for the quality of the work, but also because of what art has to say about life.

"Art gives a sense of where we are going in life in a larger sense as a species, and the sense that art is a part of history," he said.

The featured piece was reviewed separately.

"It's a great division, not one department," Stegall said.

Another issue that arose was the department's review. If Fine Arts is one department, why is jewelry reviewed separately?

"I find the program review document to be linguistic tripe beyond the pale of logic and comprehension, an obtuse paradox, i.e. doublespeak," Stegall said.

Stegall has mixed feelings about resigning.

"I have more time for students, and I am able to develop more new courses," he said.

Stegall would like to compose a cyber opera for the World Wide Web.

"If I ever get the time there are some books I'd like to write. One is about my intellectual hero," he said.

Faculty and students turn into a temporary Van Gogh

The Second Annual Student Fine Arts Juried Exhibition, the centerpiece of the student show, is seeking entries. Entries may be submitted 9 a.m. to noon, Tuesday, May 5 and Wednesday, May 6, in Building 5, Room 103.

For more information on the upcoming art shows you may call 878-3710 ext. 3442.
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In a recent interview, Wong said the script was very original, and that's a quality that he needs for his work.

Christina Applegate also showed she is not just a funny from "Married With Children," as she played a pretty decent part as Pam, Mel's fiance. She had some good lines, and it was nice to see her as something other than her usual blond bimbo character.

Lela Rochon also stars in the movie as Mel's mistress, who takes his money and runs.

If you are interested in seeing "The Big Hit" go ahead and try it during the day, preferably because it's cheaper. Remember, it's rated R so I don't suggest you take your kids.
Track places third at CWU meet

By Reginald T. Ball
Staff Writer

Highline track team placed third at Arts Invitational last weekend at Central Washington University.

Their next meet will be at Highline on Saturday, May 9 at 6:15 o'clock.

Micah Adams and Dominique Demouchet will be competing in the NWACCC decathlon meet April 26-27 at Linfield College in Eugene, Oregon.

"The team is running well, and we look to win the track meet at home," said track coach Frank Ahern.

At the meet, Sean Steele broke the school record in the high jump. The height of 6'10" set in 1974 by Rick Teller and equalled in 1997 by Tom Bakken seemed unreachable, Steele jumped 6'10 1/4".

Garrett Miller and Chris Urba each cleared 6'6 1/4" to qualify for the conference meet.

Niki Sylvie placed first in the 400 meters and anchored the 4x100 meter relay team which finished first.

The team's time was just .4 seconds off the school record of 41.6. Other members were: Demouchet, Justin Clark, and Tom Keah. Clark also finished second in the 400 meters.

Third in the meet, Sean Steele

Vaulters combine experience and youth

Highline's Adams, Costello vary in age, not ability

By Casey Hughes
Staff Reporter

A decade separates Highline's two pole vaulters, Micah Adams and Regis Costello.

But their connections are a lot closer than their differences in age.

Both are alumni of Kent-Meridian High School, where they started their pole vaulting careers.

Coached by Roger Erickson, they acquired a nervous adrenaline rush of pole vaulting. "This just shows how small the world is," Costello said.

Costello, who last year rejuvenated his vaulting career, is 20 years old. To see him in person you would never guess.

Costello's road to Highline has been a long one. He injured his knee at the end of his high school years.


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Sports

Fastpitch keeps hold of first place

By Daniel Richert
Staff Reporter

Highline’s fastpitch softball team had a 15-game win streak snapped, and had a double-header canceled, yet still have a hammerlock on first place in their division. The Lady T-Birds, with a 20-4 league record, remain solidly in first place in the Northern Division of the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges.

The Birds swept a double-header against Yakima Valley on Friday April 24.

Tia Manisig led the T-Birds to a nine-inning, 4-3 victory in the first game of the double-header. The game proved to be a defensive struggle. Walla Walla proved too tough for the T-Birds in the second game. The T-Birds lost 4-3; eight innings.

Manisig pitched all eight innings but took the loss. Saw had a double however the T-Birds could only muster five hits in the ballgame.

“Last couple of games we haven’t played as well as we should have. The loss should help us regroup and get us focused on our goal of winning the NWAACC championships,” said Amott.

We can’t play over 41 games, so if we would have even suited up and played a practice game, it may have counted against us. Plus we didn’t want to risk injury in a practice game,” said Coach Cara Hoyt.

Highline has only six games left in league. They travel to Skagit Valley on May 1 for a double-header, then they host Edmonds and Spokane in consecutive double-headers on May 5 and 6.

Soccer coaches optimistic about future

By Rochelle Bernard
Staff Reporter

Soccer season is four months away, but the coaches of Highline’s men’s team already are excited. Next year’s team looks promising with a solid returning squad, “a good nucleus,” said Assistant Coach Keith Paton.

Around 11 or 12 players will return, including Gerry DiPietro and Dusty Richardson, both of whom made the all-star team last year as freshmen. Paton said it’s unusual for first-year players to make the all-star squad.

Highline’s Coach Jason Prenovost also feels that next year really looks promising with all of the returning players, but it’s up to the sophomores to work hard on the off season and also to provide leadership to the incoming freshmen for them to be a championship team.

“Tia’s really looking forward for my sophomores to take the next step,” Prenovost said.

Currently most of the returners are in Paton’s weight training class and are on other recreation league teams.

Most incoming freshmen who are interested in playing soccer don’t realize that the turnout for soccer in August, a whole month before school starts, is which why they are bus now recruiting, Prenovost said.

“We are always looking,” he said. The main position the team is recruiting for is the forward spot.

The coaches say that last year’s strong showing has made recruiting easier this year. On Aug. 21 it is all up for grabs on the first day of try-outs the coaches make their final cuts.

Next year’s team has the potential to be the best team ever at Highline and for their first game of the season will be on Sept. 9.

Enjoy the vacation, Sonics

This was supposed to be the year. The Sonics were going to go all the way. They traded for Vin Baker. Traded away Shaw Kemp. Team chemistry has never been better. I have one question.

Why are they losing to the Timbertots in the playoffs? Get it Timbertots. Pretty funny huh?

Like good old Arsenio Hall I can just see that “mommy what is happening to my team?”

Through 11 games the Sonics have a winning streak. “I’m really looking forward to seeing our sophomores take the next step,” Prenovost said.

But if it were, it would be fetching great results.

After all, it’s in the Highline Thunderword Classifieds! To place your ad, call the Thunderword Newsroom at (206) 878-3710 ext. 3291.
Careful hands, ample blossoms

Campus gardeners keep Highline green year-round

By Jennifer Bettana
Staff Reporter

Highline's 80 acres of land is cut, pruned and hoed into shape by hand.

Oak, dogwood, hollyhock, junipers and other umbrellas over freshly dug green grass. Irises, moss flocks, bluebells, lilies, and periwinkles line the sidewalks and buildings. The stripes, a dark purple bearded flower, are scattered all over Highline.

Whether it is rain or shine Highline's gardeners are outdoors working hard with steady feet and shining against their backs as they shovel soil and rocks into a wheelbarrow.

The three year-round gardeners are sometimes joined by two part-time gardeners in the spring due to the busy schedule.

Chris Britney, supervisor of grounds, has been at Highline for 18 years and a supervisor for approximately 15.

All of the grounds department has a say in what shape the landscaping will take. They meet every morning, and may the best idea win. The grounds department highly emphasizes "team effort," Britney said.

"They do an excellent, excellent job. I would put them up against any other college," Britney said.

The gardeners work on campus from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Just a few of these daily routine duties include: pruning, mowing, planting, picking weeds, and cleaning up litter. Every day each gardener spends at least two hours cleaning up litter on campus.

Dr. Laura Saunders, Highline vice president of Administration, approved the addition of colorful plants when she came to Highline.

"When she first came she said "Where is all of the color?"," Britney said.

Highline's grounds has a small budget but with the help of private donations, and contributions from students, faculty and staff. Together, they round up plants, flowers and bulbs.

"We do a lot of trading and get some very nice plants," Britney said.

The hardest time to keep the school maintained is during the spring, especially with graduation, Britney said.

Grounds sets up for Highline's graduation ceremony and those of many local high schools. Federal Way, Decatur, Thomas Jefferson, Mount Rainier, Highline, Tye and Evergreen high schools all come to the Pavilion for their commencement exercises.

Dave Kress is the lead maintenance worker for Highline's grounds.

"I like the people I work with and being outdoors when it is nice," Kress said.

Each gardener works the whole campus and also has his or her own individual sections.

Soon the trees will be sprayed for preventive maintenance to keep the insects from spreading. This happens between two or three times a year.

William Smith has been a gardener at Highline the last ten years. Smith tells the story of his first campus sighting. "I passed by campus and I knew I wanted to be here. I knew it," he said.
Officials express concern about distance learning

By Julia Beach
Staff Reporter

Imagine earning an Associate of Arts degree and never having to set foot on a college campus. Highline may make that possible for students with the new Distance Learning Program. Some classes have already started and others will start Summer Quarter.

Courses included in this program will be on-line courses and more telecourses. Some of the on-line courses offered are Math 95 and Math 107. Telecourses will range in variety from science to history classes.

This program will offer opportunities to students who find it hard to get to Highline, allowing them to work from the comfort of their homes.

Some faculty members feel differently about this upcoming change.

Ruth Windhover, an English professor and president of the faculty union, the Highline College Education Association, said faculty are concerned about maintaining quality. She also has a concern that some students will not get the help they need with basic skills due to the lack of teacher interaction.

"Colleges have to be certain that the courses offered are what we want," Windhover said.

Bob Hughes, Dean of Instruction for Academic Transfer Programs, said that this program will bring a great change to the campus and provide more people with the opportunity to learn. He said distance learning won't compromise quality.

"Why would we choose to offer this program if it won't help academicians at this school?" Hughes asked.

According to both Windhover and Hughes, the students taking these courses have to be self-motivated and comfortable with the method of distance learning.
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