Ex-mayor to join Board of Trustees

By Michael Stampalia

Highline loses a publisher

Jhaveri was the first mayor of Highline's Board of Trustees and gained a former publisher Jerry Robinson, who served the city of Butte, Montana, from 1992 to 1997. His new role for the U.S. Department of Energy as a Technology Engineer is very satisfying. He said he always enjoyed working on the Board of Trustees and felt it was a worthwhile cause. Robinson also continues as chairman of the school's computer center that he helped to create.

"Highline is a vital force in the educational community," he said. "I always look forward to working with a group of my peers." Jhaveri has completed his term as the head of the college.

Part-time teachers file claim

By Alan Westberg

Highline is a vital force in the educational community, and its Board of Trustees and teachers have been excellent. A claim that has been submitted against the Education Department of Washington for unfair treatment of community college instructors who have not been excluded from receiving retirement benefits.

The instructors say they should have been in the retirement system beginning in 1991. Every pay period, 10 percent of an instructor's wages are set aside for a pension fund which the state matches. Before 1991, instructors who worked less than 40 hours per week were not eligible for this fund.

The instructors say they have been unlawfully denied their fair share. They would like to purchase a new sign kit and that it is available in a variety of colors. They would like to purchase a new sign kit and that it is available in one color or organization can use the sign kit and that it is available in.

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Committee names new chairman

By Michael Stampalia

Highline's Student Government and the athletic department are the most frequent users of the sign kits. The sign kits are used in a variety of colors and shapes, which are pink. And it only works on white or yellow paper. Stevenson said.

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OLDER AND YOUNGER

Students feel age difference is good

By Sandra Kruize and Aaron Johnson

Highline seniors are working in class with older and younger peers helps them learn more. The majority of younger students enjoy having older students stretch the olders," Hofmann said. "I like the fresh, new look," an older student said. Don Sagmo, a 40-year-old student, learns from younger students' ideas. "Some of the ideas are ingenious," Sagmo said. Some young students proposed a new sign kit and that it is available in.

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New senators have big plans

By Stacy Nelson
Staff Reporter

Lighting and security are the first concerns that Liah Walker, evening student senator, plans to address.

Mydung Tran, the new international student senator, says she’s still getting to know her constituents, but promises to give international students a voice.

Walker has concerns about the campus at night. "Lighting is very poor," she said, adding that there needs to be "mandatory security" during the evening hours.

Though this is only her second week as evening student senator, Walker has big goals for the future. She wants to plan more programs and events for evening students, including a support system for the deaf, hard of hearing, and deaf-blind.

Another major interest for Walker is American Sign Language, which she hopes to see entered into the educational program this year. Walker is currently working on her Sign Language Certification, and plans to be an ASL interpreter.

This is Walker’s fourth quarter here at Highline, and she plans to stay two more quarters before transferring to Seattle Central.

Student Senators Mydung Tran and Liah Walker promise to give students a voice.

In her spare time, between being a mother of three children, tutoring ASL and being a teacher’s assistant; Walker enjoys singing for the Total Experience Gospel Choir of Seattle.

Walker’s office hours are 2-3 p.m. daily, and she is an evening student, so she will be around at night too. Though Walker is new in Student Government, she is enjoying it.

"The members of Student Government and Student Services have made me feel very welcome and very comfortable and I feel very happy and very blessed to be here," said Walker.

Tran is not an international student, though she is Vietnamese-American.

Tran said she is currently familiarizing herself with the college’s international programs and people. Her goal is to "see international students feel more comfortable with voicing their opinions."

Tran is a part of many multicultural clubs and events. She is a member of the Vietnamese Students Association, the Asian Pacific Islander Club, and she participates in the International Table.

This is Tran’s first year here at Highline, and she plans to remain here and earn her AA before transferring to a four-year college where she will major in pediatrics.

Tran’s office hours are 9-10 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday; and 11-noon on Tuesday and Thursday.

"Feel free to come and talk to me, I want to meet new people," said Tran. "Don’t be afraid to say ‘hi,’ I won’t bite!"

Employment lecture to be held

James Lockhart, chairman of the South Puget Sound Taskforce will be on campus today speaking to the job club.

The talk will be held in Toad Hall (Building 7), noon-1:30.

Pool party

Team Highline is throwing a pool party on Friday, Nov. 13 from noon-3 p.m. in Building 29. The purpose of this event is to get students, faculty, and staff to use the pool while Highline still has one. For more information contact the Team Highline office at ext. 3537 or 3905.

Highline faculty recognized

Congratulations are in order for the following faculty who have been listed in the 1998 Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers: Rosemary Adang, Barrie Alhoff, Angie Caster, Barbara Clinton, Phil Drake, Sharon Hashimoto, Elles Nofmann, Lommy Kaneko, Susan Landgraff, Cathy Pitts, Vicki Ropp, Joy Smucker, Norman Sosang, Sydney Stagg, Charles Storer. These faculty members were nominated by students on The National Dean’s List.

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Make your mark
Free local telephone arrives in Building 8
Kirk's enterprise finally lifts off

By Paris Hansen
Staff Reporter

A new free phone has been added to the facilities of Build-
ing 8.

The new phone was installed two weeks ago by Kirk Elliott, a Student-at-Large in last year's student government.

Elliott got the idea for the student phone from a survey that was circulated two years ago.

"I looked at the list and decided to work on getting something off that list," Elliott said. "I saw it on the survey and said 'Hey I'm going to do it.'"

Elliott first had to get permission from Laura Saunders, Highline vice president of administration.

He then had to take a proposal to the S&A Budget Committee asking for $706.23 from the contingency fund. The committee liked the idea so much that they inquired about installing more than one phone.

For now there is only one phone because the school's phone system needs to be upgraded.

The new phone is an opportunity for students who do not have access to on-campus phones to contact teachers and administration easily and to make local calls for moderate to minimal emergency.

The phone is also to keep students from asking to use the phones in the Student Government and Team Highline offices.

The phone has a few rules that should be followed. Calls should be limited to 3-5 minutes in length and should be only local calls.

Elliott feels that the new phone was worth all of the time and money put into it.

"It's kind of a material object that students can see what Student Government is all about," said Elliott. "Last year, Student Government did a lot that is hard to see or you could hold in your hand. The phone is a mark Student Government left."

Sliger engineers new possibilities

By Matt Kling
Staff Reporter

Following in your father's footsteps is not always an easy task, especially when he has a Ph.D. in engineering.

A new Highline engineering instructor knows exactly how it feels.

Rebecca Sliger says her dad has been very supportive throughout her quest to earn her engineering Ph.D.

Sliger's classes prepare Highline students for engineering programs at four-year universities. There was an opening after engineering instructor Ken Schroeder quit in the middle of last year.

"So far I have had a positive experience with both students and faculty," she said. However, she does have one concern with Highline. "I would like to see more women in my classes," she said.

Sliger explains that there are far more men entering the engineering field than women. "There still tends to be a gap between men and women," she said. "But I think that's changing."

Her advice to women who may be interested in engineering is, "stay with math and science classes and go talk to engineers."

During this past summer Highline held an interchane called Future Faculty, where Sliger discovered the job opening.

Workman installs new phone in Building 8.

By Stacy Nelson and Morgan Fernandez
Staff Reporters

The idea to promote clubs and services by way of television was a new idea first broached at the ASHCC meeting.

"It would be cool if we could utilize [the media services]," Watkins said.

There are televisions in Building 8 that are rarely used, and Watkins believes that they might be able to create commercials that would air on these televisions.

The next ASHCC meeting will be on the fifth floor at 2 p.m. in the Library board-room on the fifth floor.
Editorials

Honoring promises of R-49 is key to success

Just because Referendum 49 found its way into law doesn't mean it is worthwhile policy. The voters of Washington listened to the political promises and more importantly listened to their own pocketbooks when approving R-49.

The supporters of R-49 made a couple of promises about the new policy. First they promised that R-49 would save you $30 bucks a year in vehicle tax, which is true. Then they promised that even though R-49 raids the general fund, there will still be enough money to support education. This promise still leaves itself to be proven.

The lawmakers claim that with the state budget surplus, and some creative number crunching, that there will be plenty of education funding, even after they dip into the money normally allotted to schools.

If the politicians who made these promises can't back them up, it will cost you. Sure, we’ll save $30 on tabs, but what it will cost us in quality education is still unknown.

Colleges state that if this legalized robbery of the general fund could cost them $137 million next year. The already under-funded education system can’t stand to bear this loss.

There has already been talk of programs at Higline suffering as a result of underfunding, and with R-49 on the books the situation doesn’t look to be getting any better.

The citizens and voters of Washington need to demand that the politicians own up to their promises. If R-49 ends up placing a burden on education, then someone has to call them on it.

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Robinson: Thanks!

This week brings the passing of a legend at Higline. Northwest publishing pioneer and honored citizen Jerry Robinson is leaving the Higline Board of Trustees.

After 10 years of faithful and tireless service on the board, Robinson is stepping aside and leaving a hole that will be hard to fill.

In his years at Higline, Robinson has been an ardent supporter of the college and the community.

Robinson’s seat at the trustee’s table will be taken by former Mayor of Burien run Jhaveri.

Jhaveri’s accomplishments as the mayor of Burien lead us to believe that he will do a fine job in service to our college.

Thank you and good luck Mr. Robinson, you will be missed.

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I had this story problem in math today and it's really bugging me.

If you took math 97 and math 107 at Highline, what would you have at a university?

Zero.

Well, what was the answer?

Hmm. If you were a little classie, you'd have math 107 there.

It's supposed to be funny

By Mike Stampalia

Dating tricky in these parts

The following was collected from the upcoming redneck masterpiece, Men are from Green River, Women are from Bellevue.

Chapter One: First Impressions

How to impress a Green River man: Wear a little clothing as possible regardless of the current climate.

You get extra points for wearing cutoff jeans and a see-through blouse in the snow.

The ability to spit chewing tobacco juice great distances is highly regarded in the Auburn community. A man whose woman can spit chew juice longer than four feet is envied greatly among his peers.

The male population of Green River aren't too particular about looks, only requiring that a woman wear at least a pound of makeup and hoop earrings.

The woman also must at least

To any woman, money is important to Bellevue women. It's all that matters, other than when their next makeover is. You must demonstrate your enormous bank account at every possible opportunity.

Drive an expensive car. If it's built in Europe and costs more than $40,000 you will pass the test. Jet black sports cars will get you bonus points.

Carry lots of cash and pay for everything. No matter how much she insists you must pay for everything. When she offers, it's only a test to see how tight you are with the dough.

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Opinion

Thinking out loud

By Tyler Hurst

I love pretzels.

Why do I love pretzels? I have never really given it a lot of thought. I think it is because of the crisp crunch and the flavor. The salt has to go, though. The worst thing that ever happened to pretzels was that Rold Gold took over the market. Rold Gold took over the market. Pretzels? Gone, just gone. Disappeared like New Coke.

I watched Goldencyme for probably the 20th time last night. James Bond movies have to be the best story in the world. It has sex, guns, cool gadgets and weird bad guys trying to take over the world. The best Bond ever is Pierce Brosnan. My dad would say Sean Connery, but he's old. The memory goes.

Brosnan's Bond is the epitome of cool. He has an English accent, wears French cuffled shirts and always carries a gun. The man has a License to Kill. Man, that would be cool. Could you imagine walking around knowing you could kill anybody who pissed you off? If I had Bond's license, a lot of people would be dead right now. Would James Bond drink Diet Coke? Is Diet Coke cool enough for Bond? Sadly, I could not imagine any worthy Bond sipping on a red and white can of cola with Nutrasweet.

The only drink for Bond is a martini. You know how he likes it. I think I could star in the next Bond movie. I have yet to have the pleasure of trying a martini shaken, not stirred. I wonder what the bartender would say if I ordered one? Probably tough. That's OK, because I could then punch him in the face, toss him over the counter, shoot the two bad guys in the corner, and kiss the nearby girl with the sexual innuendo for a name.

Getting information for my stories would be easy. I could break in, steal the files and make my getaway in a Cushman. Could you imagine the crime cart trying to chase me down? I would just shift into high gear and see if the cart could follow me around corners at breakneck speeds of 7 miles per hour.

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Bond, James Bond.

Man, I have always wanted to type that.

Tyler is Projects Editor of the Thunderword and this column actually makes sense to him.

I could be 'The Editor with the Golden Gun'

Dr. Love says: Sixty-Nine just doesn't add up

Sex, sex, sex.

Let's talk about sex. Because sex is a great thing to do. Talking about sex is actually one of my favorite things to do. It's almost as great as actually having sex. Maybe almost is too strong a word. All right, so it's not only to close to as good, but I still like to do it.

And so I shall.

What I want to address here is Dr. Love's First Law of Sexual Phenomena: The Half-life of 69.

Please don't mock my use of the alias Dr. Love as it is an important part of a very fragile male ego.

I am just going to assume that you all know what 69 is and recommend that if you do not, you go and ask the high school counselor who recommended that you sign up for Running Start in the first place. Also, chemistry majors take note: this column has nothing to do with the element Thulium.

The Half-life of 69 works this way: To engage in a 69 is to do two things simultaneously, giving and receiving. Now, let me assume that the "pleasure quotient" of standard oral sex is at 100 percent.

When partaking in a 69 you are splitting your efforts between two tasks. Therefore, it is impossible to give your full attention to both. As a result you are only providing 50 percent of your potential pleasure output. Of the 50 percent that you are providing, the person you are with is only receiving half because they too are splitting their efforts. This brings the total to 25 percent. The amount of pleasure that you and your partner are actually experiencing is a pathetic one-fourth of the pleasure quotient.

While the logic of this law holds very true the numbers are inexact. For one thing the final quotient of 25 percent will be modified by an extra 20 to 45 percent of pleasure being reaped from the fact that you are engaged in a kinky sex act.

Also, most people have the ability to do two things at once with some degree of proficiency so it is possible that the math actually works out closer to 75 percent or perhaps 69 percent.

Working with these figures the final total is actually 56.25 or 47.61 as opposed to 25. These figures would also have to be modified for the kinky sex act factor.

The true beauty of 69 is that it is one of the most perfect innoculums of all time. The 69 innoculum pops up almost every time, you are sitting in math class and the instructor asks you to turn to page 69 or announces that he will now go over the answer to problem 69. You know what I'm talking about. Everybody is in the room trying to show that they're not in high school anymore by resisting the urge to look around the room to see who is snickering.

Everybody's trying to play it off like they didn't notice. Except for course for the running start student in the back of the room who says, "Hey, bobs, 69." The way people talk about 69 you would think it's the freaking national past time. But it's not.

I think most people come to understand Dr. Love's First Law of Sexuality on their own.

Sixty-nine is sort of like that new movie Waterworld. You try it once, which is all it takes to realize that it is about 99.9 percent hype and really wasn't worth the money you paid for it.

So, if you should hear someone talking affectionately about 69, it is fairly safe to assume that they have never done it and the near future isn't looking to good for them either.

Aside from being Dr. Love, Andy is the Managing Editor of the Thunderword and is barely old enough to be a Running Start student himself.

If you would like to ask a question of Dr. Love please contact the Thunderword at ext. 3525/320 or stop by the office in Building 10, room 106.
The salad of life is wilted at 4 a.m.

It’s almost comical, the colorful array of jobs college students have.

Getting paid the least to do pretty much the crappiest jobs there are, seems to be something we are well suited for.

We dominate jobs which entail food preparation, customer service and manual labor.

I am no stranger to these things. I roll out of bed some hours mind you, but I go so that to work at a grocery store.

Being awake while everyone else in the world is sleeping that pushes a person to the brink of insanity.

Often times as I am chopping various fruits and making salads topped with various pesky foods, I ponder what life would be like if I got more than five hours of sleep.

Or if I got paid what I deserved.

At just about this time, the floor guy, let’s call him “Les,” sweeps his way toward my bicycle of fun, twitching and mumbling to himself.

“Les” is a man between the ages of 30 and 40 who works diligently through the night, sweeping and cleaning the floors of the grocery store.

I found myself hoping he would stop to chat. And low and behold, he did.

He walked right up to me and said, “The medication I take is my business and no one else’s.”

He then promptly walked off and resumed his sweeping.

Not too much later as I was making yet another of my culinary atrocities, I turned to find “Les” standing there with a dazed expression on his face.

“People just don’t understand what this type of medication can do to a person,” “Les” said.

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“Les” is a fine guy, but I don’t want to be “Les.” I’ll talk about my medication during normal business hours.
By Derek Roche
Staff Reporter

Controversy surrounding a film's release usually means a strong opening weekend.

Beyond this, success hinges upon that Tinseltown rarity, quality.

The new thriller The Siege, opened relatively strong with a $14 million gross. Prior to release, the Edward Zwick-directed film was dripping with controversy over what the Middle Eastern community considers an offensive depiction of Muslims. This free publicity will probably in no way damage the movie financially.

Instead, many will flock to theaters simply to see what all the fuss is about. And this film should be seen. It's grippingly entertaining, suspenseful, and most importantly, thought-provoking.

The film opens with the actual Oklahoma Federal Building bombing (news footage, not a recreation). Sure, this may not be entirely in good taste on the filmmaker's part, yet the movie's crucial point is made: terrorism in America exists, and is a threat.

The film's subsequent events are, of course, fictional.

Terrorists begin wreaking havoc on New York with a string of bombings, none entirely ingenious. Remember this isn't escapist fun like Speed; no digital readouts or highly intricate explosive devices. The film's obvious intention was realism and to instill an "it could happen" type feeling.

It succeeds.

Denzel Washington, as talented and charismatic as any actor working in Hollywood today, plays FBI agent Anthony Hubbard. His partner, Frank Haddad, played by Tony Shalhoub is a Lebanese-American - a plot point that will have a pay-off later in the film.

Middle Eastern immigrants are suspected in the bombings, and CIA operative Ellise Kraft (Annette Benning), who is knowledgeable in Muslim tradition, joins the investigation.

Bruce Willis rounds out the cast as the shifty Deputy Director. Though given limited screen time, Willis, in more or less a character part, is very good.

With hopes of flushing out the terrorists, the president declares martial law on New York City and the Armed Forces, led by Willis, infiltrate Brooklyn, and place all Middle Eastern males, including Haddad's teenage son, between the ages of 14 and 35 in camps — disturbingly reminiscent of the internment of Japanese-Americans during World War II.

The film is persistent, however, in pointing out that people of Arabic ancestry or the Muslim community are peaceful, non-violent people. I failed to find offensive material in the portrayals of Middle Easterners within the film, but perhaps I missed something.

The action, refreshingly not the film's only attribute, is extremely well staged, wonderfully paced and often, eerily authentic. The sequence with a passenger-filled city bus rigged with explosives, is evening, exciting, and highly suspenseful. 

The Siege works.

Kenneth Branagh, Leonardo DiCaprio, Grettchen Mol and Adrian Grenier in a scene from Celebrity.

Branagh has 'Celebrity' status

By Marta Pelayo
Staff Reporter

America's favorite pedophile is back with a topic everyone loves. Not sex, violence, or beauty, but fame.

With an all-star cast that includes Kenneth Branagh, Judy Davis, Leonardo DiCaprio and Joe Mantegna, Celebrity takes a head-first dive into Andy Warhol's prediction that every person will experience fifteen minutes of fame in their lifetime, examining the fishbowl lifestyle that is Hollywood.

Shot in black and white, Celebrity follows the journeys of a freshly split couple as they venture into single life, both seeking fame.

Davis plays the insecure Robin Simon who finds love and a career in TV, then feels unworthy of her fame. Branagh plays Lee, a Woody-esque novelist/screenwriter who leaves Robin to the his shamelessly seek out the fast life. Newly single, Lee hopes from stardom to stardom, finally settling on a young book editor in France, Jassen, and then only to dump her for an even younger aspiring actress, played by Winona Ryder. Lee is captivated by their fast-track lifestyles, as evidenced by this exchange:

"Lee to a supermodel: "Do you have any flaws?"

"Supermodel: "... Physicality"

"Ahh, life on a pedestal. Fresh and humorous. Celebrity doesn't take itself too seriously, most evident at a movie screening of some obscure art film where a viewer dismisses the director as, "A pretentious asshole who shoots everything in black and white."

Also featured are Melanie Griffith and DiCaprio as Hollywood heavyweights Branagh attempts to align with in hopes of getting his screenplay bought. Celebrity challenges the viewer to consider the very moral question of how to respond when you have any flaws?"
Staff Reporter
Thunderbird volleyball team, themselves a place in the Regional Tournament this Friday, Nov. 13. The team's record of 5-7 was good enough to keep them in the running for a two-way or three way tie with Edmonds or Bellevue. The ladies face ultimately depends on the results of the Edmonds vs. Bellevue game on Wednesday. The results of that game could plummet the ladies standing in the league to a disappointing fifth place. That match will also determine the location of the regional tournament. The winner will host the tournament, and the Thunderbirds will play at 6 p.m. if they win, they'll have to play another game 30 minutes later. The ladies won both games to go on to NWAACC, which will be the following week at an unscheduled location. If they lose, this turbulent season will be over. Their last couple of games have been discouraging. They lost their Nov. 4 game against Bellevue, (scores were unavailing at press time). They went on to win only one of the day's regional matches, giving them a seventh-place finish out of eight teams. The Thunderbirds also had to face the number one ranked Skagit Valley team on Monday, Nov. 9. They lost in three matches, 6-15, 9-15, 15-17. Overall the Thunderbirds have fared well this year, considering the fact that they are under the direction of a new head coach, Shama Shagooli, and that they only had two returning players, Angie Burgus, and Nashonetta Gilmore. They nave made a huge comeback from being last in the league last year, to being able to compete in NWAACC this year. They've taken huge strides this season, and they still going.

Highline's Brian Barkley goes against Northern Idaho's Justin Springer

Wrestling opens new season
By Kevin Winterstein
Sports Editor
Highline's wrestling team competed in its first meet of the season last weekend in Cour D'Ailene, Idaho. In the dual meet, Highline faced off against Northern Idaho and lost 28-12. But, in spite of the defeat Coach John Clemens was pleased with the results. "Overall, for the first time being on the road it was a good showing," said Coach Clemens. The Thunderbirds wrestled 3 out of the 10 matches. In spite of the team score, the individual results were surprisingly good. "We weren't bad, we had some close match-es," said Clemens. Aaron Hall, 125 lbs; and Ken Diosetti, 149 lbs. were ranked number one in their weight classes. The coaches were also heart-broken by the job their fresh-die. "We were pleased with our freshmen," he said. Highline's next match is a dual meet versus Coos Bay at 4:00 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 14. The meet will in Coos Bay at 4:00 p.m.

Their parents don't like them either

I hate people. No, not every-one, just the people I'm forced to sit next to at sporting events. I hate all those people. Don't get me wrong, I wasn't always like this. I used to look for the good in the fellow next to me. But, after having season tickets to two pro teams, and going to whenever many high school games, you begin to change.

This particular rant stems from the lovely weekend I had watching the Seahawks dismantled the Chiefs last Sunday. In spite of the fools watching with me.

Regardless of how many times you politely correct them they continue to spout every incoherent thought that jumps into their heads.

Stone Cold Sports
By Kevin Winterstein
My torture each Sunday usually begins with the smell of the pine woods behind me. Because they're wearing the pine woods, from the blazer orange baseball cap to the wood-chip and gasoline smell in the world's most unnecessary beard. Once the game begins their banter goes something like this: "All you guys suck! I want my money back!" Now, I've offered to buy each of their $10 tickets back if they promised to shut up and leave, but they always turn me down. Apparently not going would ruin their night out of the cabin. After Joe Bob and Cleatus take their portion of my sanity, it's the hood rat's turn. Dressed in their full regalia of Nike, Lotto, and LRG, as well as their sharp wit, it's tough to miss these two winners. "Man, Galloway ain't dat fast, he's nuttin' but a bichon!" To which the second patriot responds: "That's real, dog." So real indeed, biatch!

Their spit generally grew older about 3 minutes after they find their seats. Luckily, sometimes they can't find their seats. Not to say socio-economic status has anything to do with it. You being a doorknob, far from me. As I call him, is the pastrami- and onion-loving fellow who sits on the other side of me. Screaming comments only intelligible by a bipolar crackalack head he rambles on. "Er...Erickson, you goddamn dipshit score...Friends to engulf kingbeer...touchdowns, now!" As greedy as he is loquacious, he goes on unended.

If it wasn't for my superior tolerance and compassion for my fellow human beings, I'd have to do something drastic. Like get a job, and buy a luxury box.

Next week, Soot and Martha Stewart explain new ways of panning out your servants when they misbehave. Later Soot and Julia Child show you exactly how a Kansas City Chef looks like.
Cross country teams finish with respect

By Diana Ruggiero
Staff Reporter

The Highline men's cross country team took fourth place in the NWAACC Championships last Saturday in Spokane. Both the men's and women's teams placed eighth in their first-ever conference meet, finished eighth.

The T-Bird men were two points away from the third place team, Clackamas, and so from taking home a trophy.

"I was a little upset not being able to place at the meet but she was hanging on to my tank-top and I was trying to get her off me," said McKenzie. McKenzie came to Highline because she wanted to continue to run and the college is close to home.

"I enjoy running because it gives me a sense of accomplishment," said McKenzie. McKenzie was excited to be one of the first women to set records for Highline.

Sophomore Karla Booth stepped up for the women in order to help out her team. Head Coach Tracy Brigham.

"It was a nice thought to be one of the first women runners but I don't really think about it," said Booth.

Women feel good about tough first year

By Diana Ruggiero
Staff Reporter

The first women to run for Highline have no regrets.

"I needed to work but now that I came back to the sport after taking a brake I lost my competitive edge," she said.

Stevens had attended Green River Community College, but transferred to Highline when she heard the team needed runners.

"I like to run because it's relaxing. I feel in complete control, it gives me a chance to appreciate nature and keeps me in shape," Stevens said.

The women's team cleared many hurdles in its first year. Despite its status as a club, the women's team was excited to be running and the college is close to where they live.

"I would like to see more funding for our team because we are involved at Highline just like all the other sports," said Stevens.
Women's faculty face off again

By Wally Monroe
Special to the Thunderword

The NBA is on extended vaca-
tion, but the hottest game in
town is back.

The annual faculty versus women's basketball game re-
turns this Friday the 1th, 1:30 p.m. in the Highline Pavilion.
The game has a long and storied tradition dating back to well be-
fore most of the women's team was born. Both teams this year
will have a few new wrinkles to show the other, with Dennis Ol-
sen the new head coach of the Lady Thunderbirds, and Phil
Droke the new head coach of the faculty-staff team.

Contrary to popular belief, former coach Robin Buchanan
voluntarily stepped down. He was not sacked by team man-
agement.

Buchanan will be replaced by noted economics Professor Phil
Droke.

"Droke knows nothing about basketball, which should help
him communicate with Fred Harrison," Buchanan said of the
game's longtime ref. "Coach? I thought he said he
wanted a grouch." Droke said in between bites of a sandwich.

Still, he said he was ready for the task, which has seen the fac-
ulty-staff team come close but never win the coveted Recycled
Aluminum Cup trophy.

"My undefeated record as coach should help," Droke said.
Harrison could not be reached for comment. In the past, however, he has frequently
said he must work hard to protect
the women from the facul-
ty's raw athletic skill and so is
forced to call a tight game to prevent injury and violence.

"It's a tragedy in two acts," said an unnamed faculty-staff
player. "Harrison is like 'Dirty
Harry' in stripes."

Proceeds from the game go to benefit the Des Moines Food
Bank. Admission is $1 or two cans of food.

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Women's soccer season ends

By Tyler Hurst
Staff Reporter

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Photo by Kirk Elliott

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Shoreline 3-4
Olympic 1-5
Highline 3-4
Edmonds 2-5
Bellevue 2-5
Everett 1-5

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W-L-T Pts GF GA SO
Northern Division
Edmonds 13-4-2 41 65 33 5
Shoreline 12-3-1 39 61 20 1
Linn-Benton 11-2-1 27 46 16 2
South Whidbey 10-7-3 32 42 21 3

Western Division W-L
Everett 6-0-0 12 15 4 0
Lake Washington 5-1-0 10 16 2 1
Edmonds 4-1-1 9 14 3 2

Scores
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Clark 9-3-1 21 36 7 2
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game," said Andresen.

It was the second year in a
row in which the T-Birds nar-
mowly missed the playoffs.
Armstrong finished the sea-
son as keeper for the T-Birds,
playing up to Andresen's expec-
tations. "She did excellent,"
the coach said.

As for next year, Andresen
says she will be happy if she has
six players come back, estab-
lishing a good core group.

Diana Ruggiero capped off a
good season, and has stepped up
her game over the past couple
years, says Andresen. Ruggiero
will be heading to Western
Washington University.

"We have the talent to do bet-
ter," said Andresen. "We have
a lot of good young players."
Students get a 'Real Life'

By Bekah Johnston
Staff Reporter

Walking into a Real Life meeting you would see 25-30 students deep in prayer. No, it's not a religion class, it's a student run Christian club.

"Real Life is where students can meet Jesus Christ face to face by digging into the Word of God: the Bible," a student said.

Every Tuesday, Highline students meet together to read from the Bible, talk and encourage each other through prayer. The main purpose of the group is to encourage Christians by helping them with their needs and to share Christ with other people on campus.

"I think that Christian clubs like Real Life are greatly needed on college campuses," said student Michelle Morinrad. "When students’ lives begin to unravel and go downhill or their thinking in an authentic way for truth, joy, peace and love. "They're thinking in a real way," said Tom Sill, accounting instructor and adviser to Real Life.

"Jesus is my closest friend. He has helped me the most in my life," Sill said. "He has helped me a hundred plus times more than any other people have in my life. He's taken the punishment of my sins away and he’s brought me into a personal relationship with God. It began when I became a Christian and will continue on forever."

In every meeting there is always a chair open for anyone to join.

"We're always looking outside the group, not just at one another," said John Piatt, resource for Real Life and Campus Crusade for Christ.

Real Life has a retreat coming up where students can focus on Jesus and learn more from the Bible.

"The time with friends and the focus on Jesus is a lot of fun," said Kelly Griffin, Highline staff.

Adviser Tom Sill and other members of Real Life say their faith helps them through school.

Their fall retreat was at Lakeside Bible Camp on Whidbey Island with Campus Crusade for Christ from Nov. 6-8. The winter retreat is Connection in Pendleton on Dec. 28-31. If you are interested call Tom Sill at 206-878-3710 ext. 105.

In the past Highline had two Christian clubs. The other club, Baptist Student Ministries, dissolved after the leader of the group, Vanessa Vaughn, married and moved to North Carolina. BSM may be back and active this Winter Quarter.

The doors of Real Life are open for anyone and everyone, Griffin said.

Real Life meets on Tuesdays at noon in Building 10 room 205 and at 7 p.m. in Building 10 room 101.

Marketing class driven to succeed

By Aaron Johnsen
and Janelle Marsh
Staff Reporters

Highline marketing students are designing and implementing a promotional campaign for Glen Grant Chevrolet in Butte, Montana while serving as interns for General Motors.

"The students can now say that they have done an internship for the world's largest corporation," said Meg Tigard, business instructor.

The internship was designed by EdVenture Partners, which acts as an educational liaison between the class and the dealership.

Business 138 is structured to provide the opportunity for students to gain real business experience in advertising, public relations, budgeting, marketing, and event planning.

"The program offers the opportunity to acquire real business skills while still in the classroom," said Chris Ott, a representative for EdVenture Partners. "Once the students are able to step into the role of a marketing agency then the real learning takes place."

Glen Grant Chevrolet has provided the class with a $2,500 stipend for the campaign.

The class has been broken down into six business departments which includes research, advertising, public relations, budgeting, reports, and two student coordinators.

"I don't think the students have realized how much they have actually learned yet," said Tigard. "They have really learned how important serving the client's best interest is."

It is a good learning experience, because the class is so original. It is structured so people know their roles, and have defined positions," coordinator for the class, Philip Fleming said.

Sean Gibson, Head of Public Relations for the class, said he started with a strategy.

"I contacted all forms of media and got as much attention as possible," Gibson said.

The event will take place on Nov. 19 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Building 8. It is free and open to all students, faculty and staff. There will be catered food, live music, and a display of cars from Glen Grant.

Anyone who brings a non-perishable food item for Northwest Harvest will be entered into a drawing for movie tickets, and restaurant gift certificates, among other prizes.

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Garcia emigrated from Panama to Washington with her family in 1979. Her move was intended to be temporary.

"I came here thinking of taking advantage of the economic opportunities, to work and save money, then go back," she said.

She found it difficult to leave after her family settled down.

"I didn't want to uproot my children from their school and friends," said Garcia.

She decided to attend Highline to further her education. It was difficult for her because she did not speak English very well.

"I started from ground zero," said Garcia.

Garcia was successful at Highline and earned her Associate of Arts degree. After Highline she attended the University of Washington, earning her bachelor's degree in mathematics and her master's degree in literature.

She is currently working on her doctoral dissertation at the UW.

Garcia has no plans to leave Highline in the near future. "I am really happy here," she said.

"I had a lot of questions ...."

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Spanish instructor Garcia finds home at HCC

By Aml Westberg
Staff Reporter

Arline Garcia, a Spanish instructor at Highline, loves to teach.

She welcomes her classes every morning with a cheerful, "Hola clase!"

Her enthusiasm, she says, comes from her commitment to teaching.

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