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Pollution foils college plan

By Martin Smith
Staff Reporter

The corner of Pacific Highway and South 200th was going to be opening a new BP gas station by early 1996.

Highline looked at preserving the site about four years ago, but it would have involved walled areas and would give the school some visibility.

"It would enhance the entrance to the campus, giving it a better front door," said Laura Saunders, vice president of Administration.

But environmental concerns kept the college away, or any state agency, as the state wouldn't let the college, or any state agency, buy property with potential environmental liability.

Drilling samples found contamination extending down in 1988, 3,000 gallons of unleaded gasoline were spilled with the cost typically shared by both new and previous owners. A drilling rig was seen on the site last summer, several tanks led the state to require cleaning work did happen.

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Another method of security is the Systems Operator, who is responsible for monitoring the network's security capabilities, including a computer network, such as not having a computer that you have logged into.

Highline's computer guru does not say a lot about the network's security capabilities, doing a hard, generalized on-campus network.

Highline, union reach impasse

By Ami Westberg
Staff Reporter

"I am not at liberty to discuss details," said Frank Cunningham, head of Systems Services, which manages Highline's computers.

The college and the WPEA have held three meetings in an effort to hammer out an agreement regarding parking fees and fines. The last discussion was held on Nov. 3, where, according to Bruce Winoroosn, the college administration made a final offer to increase parking fines from $25 to $50 per vehicle.

"We think the amount is excessive. They could have set a lower rate," said Norma Finster, head of the WPEA.

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According to Winoroosn, the college administration also proposed charging a higher rate for parking violations. They were in a state of rushing fines from $25 to $50. They also want to implement a system of credit points for vehicle owners. By law, the site could not be sold to private owners.

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According to Cunningham, the Systems Operator is aware of who is accessing what level of the network.

Highline says computers safe from hackers

By Nate Patterson
Staff Reporter

Highline's computers systems are secure, college officials say.

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Career Center's Gintz is gone

By Bekah Johnston
Staff Reporter

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Students still paying at BCC

By Stacey Nelson
Staff Reporter

Bellevue Community College students have been paying for seven years for their new student center.

Highline, with half as many students, could be paying twice as long.

Highline has recently been considering remodeling the aging Building 8. Though many are in favor of this change, the funding could be a problem. One solution could be to have a self-imposed fee like Bellevue did.

"The recent addition to their center was a necessity," said Bellview's student government vice president. "It was a large addition." This included a new student center.

"Thanks to the student center, we have a common space for students," said Bellview's student government president.

"The students are really enjoying it," Martin said.

Head of College in a College leaves for UW

By Erick Goyll
Staff Reporter

Laura Westergard, Highline's College in a College program coordinator and student advising counselor, spent her last day at Highline Tuesday.

Westergard has left to pursue an advising position at the University of Washington-Tacoma. Westergard took the job so she could continue working with students.

"I just love working with students, I'm just going to be doing it at a new location," said Westergard. Westergard previously had worked as an event planner for trade shows as well as other student advising positions.

Westergard has been an inspiration to many students, her colleagues and her coworkers. Offering guidance and direction, she has helped students accomplish their academic goals, said Educational Planner Stew Lal, who westergard

Laura Westergard

One student agreed. "I went to Laura not really knowing what classes I wanted or needed. After talking with her she helped me decide the classes as well as offer a long term goal," said freshman student Sam Boozinagai.

As well as working with students directly, Westergard also worked with programs. She was the coordinator of College in a College, a program she helped build.

"As coordinator of College in a College program, Laura has helped build the program from the very beginning and been able to provide students with support they need," said Lilley.

College in a College is a three year old program which tries to offer a more collegiate experience for students who intend to transfer to four-year schools.

Classes the students take are held primarily in the afternoon and students stay with a core group of people with whom they share their college experience.

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"Laura Westergard"
Editorials

Reclaim the meaning of holiday season

’Tis the season. Problem is, it seems no one knows what exactly the season is for anymore. In recent years it appears as though people tend to view the holidays as a bother. The holiday season, as clichéd as it sounds, should be a time for rejoicing in the harmony and giving spirit of humanity. It appears however that the holidays have become a time more to celebrate the latest sales and coolest toys than the true spirit of the season. The season begins with outrageously large crowds of shoppers heading to the mall. The countdown to Christmas has changed from tallying the 12 days, to keeping track of the shopping days left. Instead of being the outright happiest time of the year it is the season with the highest suicide rate.

People really should spend time this season enjoying the holidays and getting in touch with that little bit of holiday spirit that is inside of each of us, no matter how buried it has become. Instead of spending your time hunting down that Furbie your little sister just has to have, maybe you could spend the money doing something a little more meaningful with her. And with the time you save by not fighting the crowds you could take some time to do something nice for someone in the true spirit of the season.

If you need help coming up with an activity that fits the true holiday spirit look to the Inside Scoop in this issue. If we all do our best to catch the real spirit we can make this a season to edit for style and length.

Charles Stores leaves void in Highline’s space

For the last 28 years, Charles Stores has been a staple at Highline. Unfortunately that time is near its end.

After this quarter science instructor and Highline landmark Stores will give up his full-time position at the college. Since Stores began teaching at Highline in 1970 he has made his mark. It has been the unwritten rule for years that a Highline education wasn’t complete until you had been bellowed at by Stores.

Stores’ flagrant and unique classroom teaching style has endeared him to students and staff alike. Even in his disagreements and ongoing battles with other faculty members Stores has maintained a level of respect and professionalism virtually unheard of today. No other teacher has affected the campus in quite the same way.

It’s obviously time for Stores to hang up his tie, and an assortment of other things that don’t fit the rest of my life. Which by all accounts won’t be very long after I told select wrestlers that their sport was just an excuse to get fresh with other guys.

One thing that’s good enough for Derek Greenfield is good enough for me. Does he really wear Tommy Hilfiger, Polo Sport, Nautica or any of those other Macintosh computer for the rest of my life. Which by all accounts won’t be very long after I told select wrestlers that their sport was just an excuse to get fresh with other guys.

I love Christmas time. At what other time of the year do you get to ski, give gifts and expect something in return, and not go to school? I can think of none, and that is why Christmas is so special. The following is a slightly humorous rendition of my Christmas wish list, all of which I’m not sure Santa can deliver on. Enjoy and have a happy holiday.

• A date with that special someone I’ve had a secret crush on all quarter. It would probably help if I asked her out.

• A car that doesn’t need a windshield defroster, and an assortment of other things that are wrong with my current transportation unit. While you are at it, how about a couple of elves who could wash my car whenever it was the slightest bit dirty.

• Days that have 25 hours instead of the standard 24, because you can never have enough time. Except when you have to edit for style and length.

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All I want for Christmas is a lot

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The Thunderword
More drama than the WB.
Some of us need a good guide

A few weeks ago in the Thunderword newsroom there arrived a book. Now this was not a book as you might think. This was The Guide to Getting It On!

Now, I have been looking at this book for a while and have read almost all of it. And do you know what? It's a really great book.

The best thing about this book is that it covers everything. It has something to say on everything from anatomy to romance and everything in between, all you could want to know and more.

One of the best things about the book is that it presents sex in a light and humorous but still perfect way. The book's biggest failure is that it presents sex in a light and humorous but still perfect way. The book's biggest failure is that it presents sex in a light and humorous but still perfect way.

One of the shortcomings of the book is that the illustrations, while amusing, seem largely extraneous. The drawings mostly fail to support the text.

Another thing about this book is that it teaches everything over the course of 664 pages which means that nothing is dealt with very deeply. Most topics are dedicated only a paragraph or two. This is probably the book's biggest failure.

Fortunately, the author realized that this was the case and included references on almost every topic addressed.

So while "The Guide" may not be the perfect sex book it is definitely the perfect place to start.

The Guide to Getting It On! was written by Paul Joannides and is available from Goofy Foot Press P.O. Box 69365 West Hollywood, CA 90069-0365.

The phone number at Goofy Foot is 1-800-310-PLAY so order yours today for $20.

Most men grope for chivalry

By J. W. Carver

Staff Reporter

Remember the good old days of dating? When Jimmy Joe would ask you out for a Friday night? He'd show up in his Sunday best and meet your parents. Then he'd whisk you off to a flick and to a bite to eat. Afterward you'd reward him with a kiss on the cheek, because you're a lady and you don't kiss on the first date. Remember that? Me neither.

Jimmy Joe has been replaced by J-Dog. He won't come in because he "doesn't meet the 'rents." The movie is now a Blockbuster rental, (not even a new release) and that bite to eat is from the 99-cent menu at Wendy's. As far as the kiss afterward goes, we all know what's up with that.

I know that I'm supposed to be a self-sufficient woman of the '90s. But a part of me wouldn't mind having guys demonstrate some old-fashioned manners.

I'm not saying that guys should give a girl the shirt off their back, or carry her off into the sunset, but a little chivalry now and then would be appreciated.

There, I said it. The dreaded word that men thought they buried when women turned their back.

Chivalry: the noble qualities of a knight was supposed to have such as courage, honor, and a readiness to help the weak and protect women.

It's not that there aren't any "knight" on campus, I believe there are, they're just hiding themselves very well.

I don't get upset guys. This story is backed up by scientific facts (sort of).

Before I decided that chivalry was dead on campus, I gave out a couple of surveys on the topic. Most of the men surveyed thought that holding the door open and offering to help a woman with her bags was the gentlemanly thing to do. "It's the way women should be treated, at any age," one male student responded.

Another guy said "it depends on who you are around." The women felt that acts of chivalry weren't outdated, but admitted that they rarely received any.

"Some guys are considerate, but some are just chauvinists," one woman said.

"It should be brought back, it's nice and shows respect," said Alleyse, an 18-year-old student.

A couple of people responded with a blank look and asked "what's chivalry?"

Chivalry seems to have gone out of style. Most women my age don't even know what they're missing. And a lot of young guys weren't brought up to open doors for anyone besides themselves.

Maybe it stems from a lack of father figures for young men. Or perhaps from movie images of the rough, crude guys always getting the girl.

My No. 1 theory is that men of the '90s have gotten lazy. They aren't expected to go out of their way for the opposite sex, and women no longer expect them to either.

I guess you could blame the "absence of gallantry" on every- one. Although I've gotten used to the fact that chivalry may be buried and gone, a part of me still thinks it can be resurrected.

If bell bottoms and afros can come back, why can't chivalry?
**Arts**

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**The Nutcracker**

Timeless classic returns for annual Seattle holiday run

By Sarah Song and Jennifer Young

Staff Reporters

Fairies and toys come to life on stage when the Pacific Northwest Ballet presents their annual winter production, The Nutcracker. There will be 40 performances of the Nutcracker from Dec. 3 through Dec. 28 at the Seattle Center Opera House.

This Nutcracker will be PNB's 15th anniversary, using the same choreography and sets as when they began in 1983. The Nutcracker has 374 roles in two casts, featuring the entire company of professional dancers, students from across the country and as well as over 170 Seattle holiday run. One set designed by Sendak has a huge Christmas tree constructed by Boeing engineers in a hangar.

"The tree grows from 17 x 17 x 24 x 24 feet," said Essinger. "More than 150 props and 180 costumes for the production with approximately 700 different pieces to them are used for every performance. "The costumes are really cool," said 12-year-old Shannon Mitchell, a seven-year PNB student. "They’re colorful and well-made."

"Going to The Nutcracker has become a tradition in many households," said Essinger.

The tickets range from $14 to $70 and may be purchased at the PNB Box Office at 301 Mercer St., Ticketmaster on-line at www.ticketmaster.com or by phone at 206-292-ARTS in the Seattle area or 253-677-TIXS in Tacoma. For group sales information call the PNB Box Office at 206-441-2424.

**Picasso showcased at local museum**

By Jennifer Young

Staff Reporter

At the Tacoma Art Museum, Picasso's works of art emerge from the ground like a Zen garden, comprised of fire and clay. "Picasso: Ceramics from the Marset Picasso Collection," and "Picasso's Studio," is currently on view at the Tacoma Art Museum now through Jan. 10.

Well-lit and presented, the exhibits achieves a state of quiet minimalism. The objects are the main focus of attention, yet they're not obtrusive or pretentious.

Know when to say when.

*It is generally not accepted for you and four of your friends to register for your classes as a team.*

On a related note, you know it’s your last quarter when asked if you’re going to class your response is “Class? It’s not my turn, I already went to class once this week.”

Liz secretly wants a DeLorean.

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**Picasso showed at local museum**

*Photo courtesy of the Pacific Northwest Ballet*

Clara and the Mouse King in the Pacific Northwest Ballet’s The Nutcracker.
1998 HOLIDAY SURVIVAL GUIDE
**Strollers, Screaming Kids and Long Lines Await**

**BY TALITHA VANZO**

**Inside Scoop**

For those wanting to lay down a ton of cash, Pacific Place, with stores such as Tiffany’s, will take your money and run with it. The Cartier’s, J. Penney’s and Victoria’s Secret also tempt shoppers with high end goods at even higher prices. Sure, this place does offer casual dining for beer and burger crowd. Its new cinema, with eleven screens, all-digital sound, and a bountiful bar to top it all, makes the trip downtown worthwhile. The theater itself should be able to draw weary shoppers in, and hopefully make a couple more purchases on their way out.

Southcenter has everything from baby carts to ice cream, personalized shot glasses and glow in the dark Yin Yang signs that spin. It is an everyman’s mall that is within short driving distance of South King County residents. The food court tends to disappoint, with fast food dominating the choices. A few small eating areas also tend to make for a less than enjoyable experience.

Theater, which is located in the parking lot, tends to be disappointing. It looks like an old short wave radio. The choices range from one movie to one movie.

Northgate is a great mall if you want to drive a few miles north, park a couple miles away, and backpack in with a couple of hundred bucks and nothing more. It offers a night out in a limousine to people who are interested in the sexual fantasies of many people to perform various sexual acts in the car. Unfortunately, have never been witness to any such acts in my two years of driving. If such acts have occurred while I was driving, I’m sure everything was wonderful. As a chauffeur, I pride myself on always delivering to my clients a smooth ride, minimizing all unnecessary jostling.

**View from the driver’s seat: bungee is not a crime**

**BY JOE McLAUGHIN**

**Inside Scoop**

If you have a few friends, a few hundred books and nothing to do on New Year Eve, may I suggest a night out in a limousine. I’m sure by now at least half of the people on campus have been in a limo for a homecoming, prom or a wedding. Believe me, it is not all that bad. I do go to the races and entertain an out of town guest. It is one of the smallest malls, meaning you don’t have to spend an entire day just to see the stores. The Monorail also stops at Westlake giving those who don’t like walking a couple of miles of quick trips downtown.

On the top floor of Westlake there are a wide range of foods to pick from and surprisingly enough they are all not fast food. You have Italian, Greek, Mexican, Thai, and so on. Once you are done with the main meal you can end it by going one of two ways, to the cookie counter for some fat loaded cookies or to the yogurt stand for something good to think about when you get a little more friendly. While they were inside I stood outside of the car and chatted with people passing by. I saw a man vomit on the sidewalk, and I counted at least fifteen people who are already downtown. It is only 10 p.m. and this night was going to be long. After everyone was safely inside the car I pulled out of the driveway headed toward Seattle. On the way to the first stop, which was dinner at The Radisson, I was asked every possible question in the book. "How do you turn on the radio?" said one passenger who was sitting directly in front of the stereo with her finger on the power button. Another started asking questions about every button and gadget in the car. Eventually they found the little window button and proceeded to raise the glass. I will let you in on a little secret. The driver can hear every word you say when that window is up. As we drove I savoured the conversation. This is when you truly get to know your customers. We finally made it to the restaurant and they all filed out of the car. As one of the female passengers climbed out of the car she felt it necessary to tell me what she thought of me. Let’s just say that she gave me something good to think about as I waited for them to finish dinner.

Two hours later they came out of the restaurant, having probably drunk of good deal of their dinners. By now all of them were sobbing drunk. At this point, it is only 10 p.m. and I started to realize exactly how long this night was going to be. On the way to The Romper Room the girl who shared her feelings with me earlier began to get a little more friendly. When you ever tried to drive with a pair of breasts staring at you in the rear view mirror? Got to admit this may sound, believe me, it is not all that spectacular. Besides, as a professional chauffeur it is my responsibility to remain focused on the road and to see the safe delivery of my passengers to their destination.

They stayed inside of the club past the stroke of midnight. While they were inside I stood outside of the car and chatted with people passing by. I saw a man vomit on the sidewalk, and then I made a game out counting the amount of times that I saw people step in the pile. I counted at least fifteen people. One woman wearing open-toed shoes was especially upset after wading through the chunky slop. Pardon me for not being a gentleman and warning people of the hazard on the sidewalk. I was feeling blue. There I was, stuck in the cold with nothing but a black suit and caterer to the needs of a bunch of rich bastards on the best party eve.

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Holiday Survival Guide
One man's shopping advice: go really, really early

BY JOE McLAUGHIN
Inside Scoop

Like it or not, the holiday season has landed on us. Time for all of those endless trips to the mall to do some serious hunting for parking. When you finally park your car two miles away, it is time to enter the madness.

Experienced shoppers know what to expect year after year. A gift is found, which probably was $10 cheaper a week prior. This does not deter anyone. Hell no! This is a mission.

A small vendor carts in the 1900's.

"Parking is tough. It might get boring pushing the car," a couple of deep breaths later, but for now the small vendor carts are owned and operated by one or two workers and I enjoyed the calm before the storm.

As I made my way through the nearly empty mall I noticed something that I never had during holiday seasons in the past. The small vendor carts in the middle of the mall. You know the ones. They sell various items. I know that those places are there throughout the year however I thought they were not out during the holiday seasons. I had never noticed them before. I guess I just couldn’t see them through all of the shoppers. Most of the people

working at the carts were very friendly. The majority of these carts are owned and operated by people just trying to make a living. Some bigger stores such as Wilson's Leather have carts also, but the majority are original, self-run businesses.

A note to all of you seasonal employment seekers, I do notice that the Hickory Farms cart is hiring. What a great gig. Sure it might get boring pushing smoked cheese and sausage all day, but at least you get all of the free samples Erin, could possibly want.

For those of you who are parents of young children the mall still has all of the hot items. In the center of the mall is perhaps the hottest of all. The Beanie Baby store. You can buy a three inch tall stuffed flamingo for $3.50 or if you really love your kids, you can spend $300 on a first edition bear made out of silk. The reason why these things cost so much is beyond my comprehension. To all of you people who just love those little Beanie Babies, they are just fabric with some stuffing inside. They are not made of gold and your child will live if he or she does not get Crush the Shark in their stocking this year.

The makers of last year's hottest ticket item, Tickle Me Elmo, are at it again. This year they have re-introduced many of the Sesame Street all stars in the Tickle Me style. They have Rubber Ducky Ernie, who sings the ever popular Rubber Ducky song when you squeeze his hand. They have a Big Bird and a Cookie Monster baby toy as well but some kids were hogging those so I couldn’t get close enough to see what they did.

If you are looking for a way to avoid all of the merriment, which can only be found in the malls than, the information super-highway is the place for you. Everyone knows you can find just about anything on-line. What people might not realize is that most of the stores in the malls have very few exceptions. Most of the stores will ship the gift pre-wrapped if you request it. Unfortunately, many people have a phobia of shopping over the internet. I do admit it can be frightening if you don’t know exactly what you are searching for.

"If you shop on-line make sure that the sight you are buying from is a Socket Secured Layer," said local Internet vendor Robert Nelson. "The SSL sites basically ensure that your purchase will not be tampered with and that your credit card information will remain confidential.

The decision is yours to make. Do you want leave the mall behind and shop at home in the comfort of your own home by simply pointing and clicking? Could you really give up all of that excitement of the season?

If you want to get a head start on the next holiday season. Just find some fabric and some beans and see what you can come up with because apparently the American public is really stupid and they don’t care how they spend their hard earned money. Here's a tip: do not go to the T.G.I.Friday's.

Good luck and Happy Holidays!

Party the night away at these popular spots

BY JOE McLAUGHIN
Inside Scoop

In the words of The Artist (Formerly known as Prince) it is time to "Party like it's 1999".

If you are anyone over 21 and are in the questing age there are numerous opportunities to party the night away in the Seattle area. Pioneer Square will be catering to the needs of the city’s drinking population. The joint club cover, which features one charge for seven clubs in the area will be in effect. One of the joint cover clubs, The Pent, will have four bands playing on two separate stages. On the above ground stage, The Pleasure Elite and Marginal Prophets will play, while on the underground stage, notorious party band Jumbalassy headline with the Diblonettes. If you do plan on going downtown this New Year's Eve, bring plenty of money and patience.

"It is just a mass of humanity down here on New Year's Eve," said one Pioneer Square area club bouncer. "Parking is tough to find and the crowds can get a little out of control but for the most part everyone has a good time."

If you are under age and you still want to be part of the action this year, perhaps the bowling alley is the place for you. Hi-Line Lanes in Burien is having a big party featuring music, food and of course, bowling. For $30 you receive dinner, those stylish multi-colored bowling shoes, all the oldies music you can handle and colorama bowling. $20 buys you bowling and sodas.

No matter how old you are, the Space Needle's New Year's Eve fireworks display will impress.

"The scaffolding that you see currently on the Needle is for the nearly completed painting project," said Space Needle representative David Dixon. "The project will be completed in plenty of time and the New Year's Eve fireworks will go on.

The Needle will be having three parties going on inside on the various levels. The prices of the parties are $60 for the two lower level parties while the restaurant level party will cost you $150. Tickets can be purchased through Ticket Master.

Another idea is to get a group of friends together and go to one of the Queen Anne neighborhood parks and watch the display from there. The view is better and you spend more than $7 at the grocery store, the champagne is better too.

Every year thousands of people go out on New Year's Eve and without fail many of those people drive drunk. Please choose a responsible designated driver and most importantly, have fun.
Helpful hints for to get rid of last year's cake

BY TALITHA VANZO
Inside Scoop

Do you remember that weird mess that people call a fruitcake that your Aunt sends you every year along with those pink-footed PJ's, with a fluffy white bunny tail?

Here is a helpful list of things to do with this toxic waste. But first you want to read these notes of caution so as not to cause bodily harm.

- Be careful, it might be an explosive.
- Wear gloves when handling.
- Keep away from children, it might cause a rash.
- Keep away from eyes, it might cause blindness.
- If you have read and understood and followed these tips to help you save your life, you may proceed with mutilating an already mutilated piece of food.

One idea is to use it as spackle. To do this you must first take the cake and place it on a cutting board. You proceed to take a sledgehammer and mash it into mush (if possible).

Once this is done you can add a little water to it if it is dry, but you can then use it to cover any hole, crack, or what-not. You can also use it as a door stop. This is an easy process. All that you have to do is wrap it in plastic wrap or wax paper or it will start to emit a horrible smell that reminds you of your old gym socks that have been under your bed for three or more years. Place in front of any door and presto: Instant door stop.

You can take a saw and slice the cake into even pieces and freeze them to use as teething rings for those little rugrats that won't stop screaming just because it hurts.

For all you handymen or women you can just take the cake as a whole and use it as a hammer. This method dates back to the stone age when they used rocks as hammers.

Pyromaniacs, you will like this. Take the fruitcake and pour gasoline on it. Chuck it as far as you can throw it as soon as you light the end of it.

Now for all you pranksters. Carefully place the cake in a lunch sack. Twist the top close so as to make it a point. Place it on someone's door step, light the point, and run for your ever lovin' life.

Kiddies don't try this at home or even in your own neighborhood. Not a good idea, for they know where you live.

All of those people who feel the need to give around the holidays this might work for you. Ever heard of the gift that keeps on giving? Well that takes care of that cousin that put honey on you when you were camping, hoping that bears would come and attack you so that he might get your share of the food.

Lights, camera, action. It's the premiere of "Attack of the Killer Fruitcake." If you feel the need to scare little children you always can make a movie out of it that is about fruitcake and staring fruitcake.

Fruitcake has been haunting us for years. This is the classic way to get ride of the unwanted, unused, and hideous waste of good flour. First take the fruitcake and insert a piece of dynamite, making sure that it is well hidden. Attach a long fuse to the end of the dynamite. About 20 yards will do fine for you want to be far enough away so as to not blow yourself up. It also might be good to do this in a open field far away from civilization so as to not worry the authorities. Now want to light the fuse, and as before with the fruitcake in the sack joke, and run for your ever lovin' life. Then comes a bang and boom and bye-bye fruitcake.

This also works with those pink PJ's with the fluffy little bunny tail. But don't try it with your Aunt.

Gifts for the giving challenged

BY DIANA RUGGIERO and JAMIE KIRK
Inside Scoop

During the Holiday season it always seems like you're tight on cash. Finding the right gift to fit something that they like, Every mall in the area offers books, McDonalds even has books of five dollars worth. This is the perfect gift for anyone who is tough to shop for or if you just can't decide between things. But watch out, don't give a gift certificate to a significant other, they may think you took the easy way out. Certificates to Gene Juarets for a day of beauty are acceptable to most women, however.

For family members you can make a chore coupon book, including such things as washing the car, doing the dishes or your siblings chores for a day. You can always bake home made treats, people love goodies during the holidays.

For that special someone, taking a special picture and framing it is always a nice gift, or you could take it one step further and make an entire photo album.

Now that recordable CD's have been released, making a CD of person's favorite music is possible. Of course, finding a CD recorder may be a challenge, so check that computer or stereo buff that always has the newest and most expensive hardware.

If you know someone who is home from college for the holidays, a great gift for them is a care package of there favorite soap and other bath and body supplies. Just fill a small basket with lots of stuff that will make them feel at home.

For example, since the holidays are in the middle of winter a nice scarf or gloves with a cap of those thoughtful yet inexpensive gift. Or if your really low on cash and nice romantic dinner with a little bit of cooking works just as well. Candles smell good, they're festive and they come in a variety of style for any occasion. You can also make a trip to the ever popular dollar store, which obviously has low prices. Be prepared to search, it may take time to find something of gift giving value.

For those seriously cash strapped or the extremely lazy, just pick up something kind of new from your house and wrap it up. Make sure the other party involved both didn't give you the gift, or has seen it around your house.

To find that perfect gift, you don't necessarily need to shop at Nordstrom, the Bon Marche, or Tiffany's. The key isn't how much you spend, but how much you care that matters. How much you pay for a gift is just it's perceived value by some outside party. A gifts real worth is only determined in the eye of the beholder. So make sure you size up who you're shopping for, think about it a while, and give it your best shot. Even if you screw up, it is always the thought that counts. Just make sure it's from the heart.

Illustration by Zac Badell

Each fruitcake comes with an assortment of items in them, some more interesting than others.

Bad present? Here's how to respond

- I'm allergic to Chia Pets.
- Sorry, I only wear American-made.
- Is that fruitcake fat-free?
- Darn, I just bought the exact same lighted Rudolph sweatshirt.
- I live too far from Value Village to redeem this gift certificate.
- Thanks for signing me up, but I already have a long-distance carrier.
- You look so good in that, maybe I should just borrow it sometime.
- Second hand clothes give me rashes.
- It's against my religion.
- Did you keep the receipt? I need a different size.
- My mom won't let me keep it.
- I already have a pair of thong underwear.
- I already have a tree for this year.
Holiday Survival Guide

Try a Chilly Willy or Mr. Hyde this drinking season

BY KEVIN WINTERSTEEN
Inside Scoop

After weeks of worrying about what to buy for who, you'll need some help measuring your holiday cheer. So if you'll need some help recapturing sentiment and mirth in a bottle, or many bottles, for that matter.

With any medicine cabinet, any good liquor cabinet will have numerouselixirs to make all your pain go away or just make you real warm and fuzzy inside. If you don't have your own cache of booze don't worry. Your friends, parents, or friends' parents are sure not to miss a fifth or two.

Just remember to bootleg some replacement booze before your victim notices. If you're in a pinch you can fill the bottles with an equal amount of water. Unless you're stealing from an alcoholic, they shouldn't know the difference.

Now, the obvious holiday drink is eggnog, not quite the climate that fraternize it: but it's close. Basically, spiced rum and cream, eggnog is usually just potent enough to give you a mild buzz. Unfortunately, you'd need to consume a small dairy's worth of cream to hammered, which isn't exactly feasible.

For those of you who drink simply for the purpose of getting drunk, it's best to stick to straight shots. It's quick, and by far the most efficient means short of snorting the booze (we will discuss that later.)

For this assignment, boys and girls, you'll need a shot glass (if your friends have their flu shots you can share), a towel and a bucket.

We're partial to Sky vodka, Bacardi 151, and Jose Cuervo 1800. Yes, they're expensive, but it's well worth the effort. While at the University of Midway we've learned one hard and fast rule: Buy the good stuff.

In our many non-scientific studies it's been made pretty clear to us that less impurities in the booze, the less of a hangover the next day in class.

In no particular order here are the T-Word's favorite recipes:

- Doctor Pepper: 3/4 oz. amaretto, 1/4 oz. Bacardi 151, and one shot of beer.

Fill with Bacardi then follow with the 151, light the shot, drop it into the beer and shug it. Keep the bucket handy after more than three of these concoctions.

- Mr. Hyde: one shot Sambuca, Midway we've learned one hard lesson that there's always mom and fast rule: Buy the good stuff.

Yes, they're expensive, but you might taste it later. Stressed out? You aren't alone.

The 1998 Fall Quarter is near the end and students agree that being stressed out is an understatement.

With final projects due, final exams swiftly approaching, and worrying about winter quarter classes, the candle is lit at both ends.

"I stress about things that I have put off until the last minute," said Melissa Morton.

Staying up late to work on homework and wakening up early enough to find a parking are a small part of the end of the quarter blues that Morton and many other student say adds to the stress.

Other things that stress Morton are being short on money during the holidays and her mom, who lives in Oregon, always calling to find out how she is doing.

There are many different parts of the body and the mind that are affected from stress. "Chronic back and neck pains as well as feeling fatigued and not being motivated," said Morton, "These are some of the ways that stress makes me feel."

"I am stressed with the fear of not knowing weather or not I am passing or failing my classes," said Hyong Kim. "The other half is when my friends or family stress me out by asking how your grades doing and you don't know for sure, so you say pretty good."

These next two weeks are when students find out if they live up to their own reputation.

"Once you get behind your always trying to get caught up," said Kim.

"Stress makes me mad, depressed, and wears me out by making me worrying about stress," said Kim. "I am stressed from jugglign my roles and responsibilities of being a student, not having assignments in time, being an officer of student government, working three part time jobs to support myself, paying rent on time, preparing for boot camp, learning another language, having some kind of social life, and managing to get enough rest to do these things well," said Kristi Neiser.

Stress makes different people feel it in different ways, because there are good and bad stress.

"On one hand I am learning how to deal with the easier it is to handle," said Neiser. "On the other hand I am learning how to deal with more adult responsibility."

Some ways students deal with stress are exercise, meditation, party, go out of town, relaxing, rolling around in their car, listening to music, basketball, playing video games, reading a good book, hanging out the friends, smoking a cigarette, indulging in self, or doing something intense or stressful.

Find the best way to relieve stress and go with it.

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The celebration of Christmas time means many different things to people. A time of giving to family, loved ones and others that are less fortunate than ourselves. For younger children it is receiving presents on Christmas morning from Jesus Christ the Messiah. Whatever Christmas means to an individual, and however each person celebrates it, or doesn’t celebrate it, we can see and feel the festiveness of the time, and the warmth that grows in our hearts to give and love others.

A child at Christmas time is excited to find all the presents under the tree. I remember opening one brightly wrapped present on Christmas Eve, and then waking in the morning to find even more left by Santa Claus.

When the tree is decorated, presents are below, and all the Christmas lights are shining, do we ever ask ourselves how this celebration came about? Every-thing has an origin, a beginning.

When did Christmas start and why? Christmas started with the Christians. In Israel, about 2,000 years ago a baby was born. Not just any baby, according to the Christian Bible, but Jesus Christ the Savior.

Why was he born? God had made a covenant with man to restore man to the state that Adam gave up, the fellowship with God himself.

Man did not have the ability to keep the covenant, “since man is imperfect and God is all holy. In order to cut an everlasting covenant, God cut one between himself and man, all in one person; the Lord Jesus Christ, who was all man and all God.”

Jesus was placed into the womb of a virgin, Mary, in the form of a human baby. Jesus lived and died to fulfill the ultimate covenant between God and man, in his own human body in his death, burial and resurrection. Jesus Christ came to destroy works of the devil and to set people free.

Mary was a young woman, who loved God with all her heart. At first Mary was troubled, disturbed and confused about this, as anyone would be. When an angel explained God’s plan for her life, she unhesitatingly allowed God to have his way.

A star was placed in the sky to lead the wise man and shepherds to the birthplace of Jesus, so that he could be worshipped and adored.

What about the star? Modern astronomers are able to turn back the cosmic clock to ar rangements of the stars in the exact position they were in 2,000 years ago.

On Dec. 17, 1603, astronomer Johannes Kepler recorded that Saturn and Jupiter moved so close together in the constellation of Pisces that they had the appearance of a brilliant, single star.

Looking back at his notes, Kepler remembered a rabbinc writer noting an unusual influence that early Jewish astronomical wise men had, a conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in the constellation of Pisces. This was seen as a sign of the coming Messiah.

Kepler made thorough calculations and observed that the same thing happened almost 2,000 years ago, when Jesus Christ was born.

Most everyone knows that Dec. 25 is not Jesus’ actual birthday. The date was founded to be not misinterpreted by a Roman monk. It has been calculated since, that he was born in the spring, when shepherds would be out in the fields. Dec. 21 is the shortest day of the year. Pagans would celebrate festivals at this winter solstice. Most of the festivals had to do with worshipping the sun. They used yule logs, candles, bonfires, greenery, mistletoe, holly and ivy in the festivities. This was all used to ward off winter and to remember that spring would soon triumph.

This festival was celebrated on and around Dec. 21 to 25. As the pagans celebrated the sun, the Christians chose this time to celebrate the Son. They called it epiphany, which means “the appearance of the true Son of God.”

Illustration by Zac Bedell

Most believe Jesus was born in a manger like this one.

Christians used this time to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Because the pagans were so busy celebrating and drinking, it was the safest time to celebrate without being noticed and then persecuted.

What about the Christmas tree? In Germany, they would ship the oak tree as a symbol of their god. A Christian missionary in Germany replaced the oak tree with a fir tree, because in those days it represented resurrection and new life.

Tradition says that Martin Luther cut down a fir tree and placed it in his house, decorating it with candles. The candles represented Jesus, the light of the world. The new custom to come about was the hanging of bread wafers on the tree, representing Jesus, the Bread of Life. The star at the top of the tree was the star of Bethlehem and Jesus, the bright and morning star.

What about great Saint Nicholas? Saint Nicholas was a very godly man who was born into a religious family in Turkey, around 280 AD. He was called into the ministry and it was said that he would study the Word of God all night long. He was known for helping the poor, for fasting, praying and standing steadfast in faith and goodness.

St. Nicholas became very popular following his death. The day of his death, Dec. 6, became a gift giving day in France. This tradition spread all across Europe. With the Protestant reformations in England in the 1500’s, the worship of saints was denounced and St. Nicholas was no longer celebrated.

St. Nicholas’ role then became a mystical character called Father Christmas, who came from the Roman god Saturn, the god of peace and plenty. In Holland and Belgium, Sinter Klaas rode down the streets on a white horse giving presents to good children.

The American Santa Claus came from a mix of Old World cultures: ‘The Dutch Sinter Klaas, the German Kris Kringle, and the Russian Santa with a team of reindeer to accompany him on his journeys.

The story of the true St. Nicholas is a great picture of the giving that Christmas is all about. Our Father God is a giver of good gifts, the greatest gift of all being Jesus Christ the Savior. He is the meaning of Christmas. “Christ mass” means “assisting celebration.”

This year, when we celebrate Christmas, no matter how and why we do it, we need to remember the past, the history behind the celebrating. We must look at ourselves and ask: What is the true meaning of CHRISTmas to me?

Holiday giving tree helps those less fortunate

Season full of helping those in need

BY TINA MACDONALD

Inside Scoop

Every Christmas most people think of beautiful decorations, heaps of food, and pretty trees with tons of presents underneath, but not everyone enjoys this elaborate holiday dream. In fact, there are people at Highline who suffer Christmas alone, without presents, a tree, or even a holiday meal. These are people in need.

This Christmas season, Student Government, the Bookstore, and Women’s Programs are co-sponsoring what is called the ‘Holiday Giving Tree.’

The purpose of the Holiday Giving Tree is to help students at Highline who are in need of financial support or an inspirational boost during the upcoming Christmas season.

Each child or family requests what gift they want for Christmas. These requests are then put on an ornament that is placed on the Giving Tree. Then the group or organization that has signed up to be a sponsor picks an ornament off the tree and gets the child or family their requested gift.

“As a student senator it is my job to help students at Highline know that people on campus care about them and support them,” said Chris Ly, Student Senator at Highline.

Multiple departments, clubs, and organizations will be involved in supporting children or families for the Holiday Giving Tree.

“My goal is to get at least 40 groups involved with the Giving Tree this year,” Ly said.

Kelly Johnston, Director of Women’s Programs, recognizes that there are many, single mothers, low income students, and even families on campus that are in need of help this holiday season.

“We know that this isn’t going to meet all of their needs, but it will at least help out and let people know we are there to help,” Johnston said.

Johnston is currently identifying people who are in need of the Giving Tree, while Chris Ly in Student Government is gathering the sponsors.

“The Giving Tree is a really neat opportunity for people who want to help out during the holiday but don’t know how, and for them to know that they are helping someone within their community,” Johnston said.

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**Holiday Survival Guide**

**Area charities looking for a few good volunteers**

BY JANIELLE MARSH

Inside Scoop

For those still searching for the perfect Christmas gift, charities around the area are in need of volunteers willing to give their time to benefit the less fortunate.

Northwest Harvest is a non-profit community outreach program that is dedicated to providing food to hungry people throughout the state. They operate the state’s largest food bank, located on Cherry St. in Seattle, and provide food to 280 hunger programs.

According to Ellen Hansen, director of Community Relations, Northwest Harvest operates without using any tax dollars and no fees are charged to recipients.

“We rely heavily on volunteers,” said Hansen. “Last year volunteers donated over 23,000 hours.”

Northwest Harvest depends on food and cash donations from the community in order to provide to hungry people.

“What makes us unique is that we don’t ask recipients for proof that they are in need,” said Hansen. “We don’t believe that people should have to jump through hoops if they are hungry.”

Mail Boxes Etc. and Bon Marche are official drop off sites for Northwest Harvest.

“We are only able to distribute as many toys as we receive from the community,” said Sgt. Douglas Wood, program manager. “Local businesses, sporting figures, radio personalities, and individual citizens are all a part of the giving.”

Toys for Tots accepts new unwrapped toys for children of all ages. You may donate at regional JC Penny stores, Seattle fire departments, or anywhere that has a barrel intended for Toys for Tots.

Toys are collected by the marines and then distributed to non-profit and social service agencies throughout the Puget Sound.

“We are only able to distribute as many toys as we receive from the community,” said Wood. “Each year the need for toys is greater than the last.”

Special fund raising events throughout the season provide funds to purchase toys. A benefit concert will take place at the Phoenix nightclub on Dec. 6. Entertainment will include the 80’s sound of the band Toy. Cover charge will be $5 at the door, or a new unwrapped toy for Toys for Tots.

“Anyone who donates during the holidays should feel proud knowing that they did something for someone that they do not even know,” said Wood.

For those with less time on their hands to shop for food or toys, the Salvation Army could use some spare change.

According to Lt. Col Chris Buchanan, Salvation Army divisional commander, the demand for holiday support programs will be higher than ever this season.

“We have already seen initial results because of the weather this year,” said Buchanan. “We had a rocky start and applications for help are higher.”

Just look for the red kettle with the workers ringing their bells, which are located throughout the community.

Cash donations are used to support programs that provide food, clothing, rent and utility assistance for families in need.

Anyone interested in volunteering should ask their local Parks and Recreation program about charities. Happy Holidays to all!

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**Holiday season full of festivity and criminals**

Thinking out loud

By Tyler Hurst

Traffic... could I go on and on. The holiday season is full of many things, some bad, hopefully some good. All that matters is what you make of it. For anyone who has seen National Lampoon’s Christmas Vacation, they know that making the best of it is the only sane way to survive these holidays.

Isn’t it strange how the biggest vacation of the year ends up being the most stressful? I work in the mall, so the holiday shopping will be hell. Kids wanting to try on every pair of sunglasses, parents too tired or obnoxious to stop them. I have seen kids play with a $200 pair of sunglasses and then deep them on the floor. My parents would have killed me, but somehow this kid didn’t seem to have parents around. Lucky kids.

Of course, no one buys. They seem to spend the first two and a half weeks looking, although most stores don’t change anything after the first. Then the last three days before Christmas Eve, everyone and the family dog rushes to stores and buys everything at once. My mom used to do this, but now she buys gifts in August. Which should be the biggest party of the year. If you do have to be home that early, maybe you should hang out with my ex-girlfriend, who still has to be home by midnight.

I eat chilli on Christmas Eve. Well, my family does, because I can’t stand home made chilli. I don’t like those huge chunks of tomatoes. I munch on Chef Boyardee Beefaroni, which is very, very good. More people should eat Beefaroni. No wait. There won’t be any left for me. Stay away from the Chef Boyardee aisle. They’re all mine.

I used to wake up at four a.m. on Christmas Day to go search for my presents. My dad would stand at the top of the stairs to stop my siblings and me from running downstairs to see what we got. I usually tried to sleep again. It took me years to realize that was probably because he hadn’t set the presents yet. Oh I mean Santa hadn’t set them out yet. I’m sorry, you thought Santa Claus was real? You must be in Running Start. Speaking of a crime, the worst thing about the holidays are criminals. Fake credit cards run rampant, people steal from stores, and cars get broken into. Some bastard ripped off my car stereo last week, probably to pay for his heroin habit. But hey, if the guy was half noble, or a screwed up version of Robin Hood, he stole it to pay for presents for his family. So if someone you know shows up with an unexplained $200 this season, just remember, the presents were on me. Don’t worry, I won’t expect a thank you card.

Tyler has to sing to himself in the car ‘cause he don’t have no tunes. Anyone wanting to donate to his car stereo fund can call 311 for more info or just to send condolences.

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Humbug! Holidays no time for cheer

By Jack Harton

Christmas within him every day of the year. Maybe in 19th-century England. These days, if someone has the Christmas spirit all year long, all it means is that they go to the Bon or Nordstroms every weekend and run up their credit cards. The Christmas season. Did you realize that Thanksgiving is just a speed bump on the road to Christmas maldom? (maldom is not a word you would be heard, so beware. It involves lots of people acting like idiots in a Darwinistic give without expecting a thank you note from Wal-Mart in Knoxville, Tennessee at 6:30am on the Friday after Thanksgiving. We all know that Thanksgiving isn’t a day to give thanks. It’s a day for people to load up on carboarden for the shopping mara- drom the next day. The day after Thanksgiving is the busiest shopping day of the year; the retailing industry refers to it as Black Friday because of all the sales they make, (you know, black ink for profits, red ink for losses). I also refer to it as Black Friday, but for different reasons.

Commentary

By Stu Dent

Have finals at the beginning of the quarter. That way teachers could spend the entire quar- ter teaching us everything we obviously don’t know. I could also skip class at will without having to worry about missing something. This smoking thing on cam- pus bugs me. I smoke, so what if you don’t. I have a solution for your: Don’t breathe around me. I can hold my breath, even in intense situations. it should be a simple thing to hold someone’s breath for a few sec- onds. Christmas always means so much to me. I always clean up at Christmas. Tons of presents, tons of money. I also never write thank you cards. The way I figure it, I was given a gift. A gift requires no thank you. A favor requires a thank you. I give without expecting a thank you in return. Anyone who ex- pects something in return for a gift is missing the entire point of Christmas. I am also tired of these fake gift giving games for money out of malls everywhere I go shop- ping. A hobo in a red suit and a big house don’t inspire much of a festive mood in me, no matter how loud he rings those damn bell. Speaking of things that are fake during the holidays, I refuse to watch the commercials in July to the last alter- nation now. Wake me up in April. Do you know what the Christmas spirit all year is about? Christmas is a time I

Hot holiday vacation spots

BY AARON JOHNSEN

Inside Scoop

Warm sun is shining on you as you listen to the sound of the waves crashing on the beach. Your toes are in the hot sand and the smell of tanning lotion fills your nose. You reach to grab an ice cold tropical beverage, and deep, deep. You can not help but sneeze again because you are running late. You rush off to class and think of how nice a vacation really would be.

There are ways a college stu- dent can afford to go on a vaca- tion if you have the time be- tween quarters. Southern Cali- fornia is warm and sunny this time of year and besides the drive through Relay O- renge, you can fly for less than $120 if you book your tickets in advance or find the deal with the air lines.

Hawaii is a dream paradise for you and people with spe- cials like $250 round trip and hotel for 4 days & 3 nights per person, you could go there on a student loan and still have enough left to pay tuition for winter quarter.

Las Vegas is all so warm and if you are 21 you could win mil- lions or lose every cent you have. Check out a time share presentation and you can re- ceive a free trip to some tropical paradise. You could enter a contest and win a trip to the Marbactor ranch in Arizona, which is warm this time of year too.

Join the Marines and you could travel the world inter- esting people and kill them.

Call the air lines and check the news papers for deals, or search the internet at sites like, www.cheapertickets.com and you too may get a way on that vacation you were dreaming about.

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night of the year. My friends were at a party less than a mile away and I wanted to be there in the worst way. It wasn’t all that bad. The bar is located in the shadow of the Space Needle, so at mid- night I got to see the fireworks and my friends call me from the party to wish me a Happy New Year.

As sh in the car, my pas- sengers came out and we went off to another club. This time I took them to The Carwalk. The Carwalk is a fetish bar located in Pioneer Square. At this bar you can see just about anything imaginable. They were inside for only a short time. One of the men in the group was slapped by a cross-dresser and kicked out of the club. One of the people in the group was part owner of another club in the city so that was our next destination. While inside the group as a whole gained their second wind. Before I knew it, two guys pulled up in a pick-up and knocked on my window. They asked me if I was Joe and when I answered yes, started handing me all of their money. The whole way there, I was only going to drop them off mid-bridge and then they were supposed to call me when they were ready to be picked up at the end of the bridge. I would be well hidden on Queen Anne Hill, with good visibility of the action. To be honest, I was not at all worried for their safety. The two guys from the pick-up group were part of their own bungee company. Time for action. I screwed up and dropped them off a little bit away from the spot they wanted to jump from. Due to all of the adrenaline rushing through everyone, they didn’t even care. They started running toward the launch site high above the water. I sped away and drove into a position on the hill. I reached my perch just in time to see the jump. I stood there in awe as I watched the guys fall from the bridge. It was a pretty sight. The jumper later claimed he yelled “Happy New Year” on the way down. As the rest of the crew pulled up to the surface of the bridge a police car pulled up with him lights flashing. Nod- less to say I was nowhere around. I saw the lights coming and took off over the hill. It was agreed that if I saw trouble I would call the police. As I watched the group pull out, I thought to myself that I would tell them they were not ready to be picked up. As I pulled up to the north end of the bridge the group was waiting. No cops in sight, I con- tinued toward them with amaze- ment at what I had witnessed. The cop let them go with a “Warning” Because we know what we were doing” said one of the bungee masters.

Nothing could stop this feat so it was time to take them home. As I let them out of the car each one of them, men and women alike gave me a hug or a hand- shake. A bond was formed. We had all witnessed something that will never be repeated.

As I pulled away from the house (with my pockets full of money) I thought to myself “Happy New Year, Indeed.” Joe believed it is okay to see the back of the time. He does not want to be warm to be quiet, though, be- cause the driver is listening.
Children's show entertaining for entire family

By Derek Roche
Staff Reporter

The holidays are upon us and Highline is geared to celebrate.

From 11 a.m. to noon, on Friday, Dec. 11, Building 7 will play host to the family centered performance of Tickle Tune Typhoon.

Tickets can be purchased in the Student Programs office for $4 a person, but only 25 are available to Highline students — families, particular children being the show's target audience.

However, Dennis Westphall, director and co-founder of Tickle Tune Typhoon has found that grown-ups enjoy the show as well.

"We like to do it (the show) for all ages," Westphall said. "We get people dancing and moving. We get the people excited."

The extremely popular event, sponsored by Texas Highline and The Parent Education Department, has been a Highline tradition, going back 18 years.

"It's a tradition for us," Westphall said. "It's something that you can look forth to every year."

"Tickle Tune Typhoon is a way to get the entire family involved," Westphall said.

"Tickle Tune Typhoon in full performance garb."

"We teach things with our music, from science to reading and writing to physical fitness," Westphall said.

"Tickle Tune Typhoon is more than just child's play."

'Tune' offers holiday harmony

Tickle Tune Typhoon in full performance garb.

By Jennifer Young
Staff Reporter

When you step off the elevator at the Seattle Art Museum, and enter the "Egypt: Gift of the Nile," exhibit, brace yourself.

The pictoral scenes of small children resound in a room full of ancient artifacts.

"This is a time designed for children. Don't get too close! Yes, it's bright isn't it kids?" says a frazzled, middle-aged woman.

Heroes of people crowd and ogre at exquisite pieces of art, while flashes of light appear and disappear in perpetual rhythm.

"The exhibit, which features 130 objects, is divided into four galleries. Religion, philosophy, and government are key elements found in each room."

One gallery displays objects found in wealthy homes, such as make-up and wine jugs.

Another gallery showcases objects found in temples and tombs, including portions of a funerary chapel wall. Jewelry, carvings of deities, a sarcophagus lid, and an elaborately painted mummy case are several highlights.

The relics are well-presented and are marveled to look at. Yet, the number of museum-goers exceeds the amount of space available.

The noise-level can be decreased though. The Seattle Art Museum offers free use of a CD-ROM audio tour.

School groups tend to view the exhibit in the afternoon, so early mornings and late evenings are ideal times to wander around.

Aside from the disturbances, the exhibit is a spectacular sight. "Egypt: Gift of the Nile," is on view until Jan. 10. The museum is open Tuesday-Sunday. Museum hours during the exhibit are 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Tickets are sold world through Ticketmaster and discounts are available the first Thursday of the month.

Admissions for children 6 and under is free. Adults are $10 and students/seniors $7. For more information call 206-634-3100. The Seattle Art Museum is located at 100 University St. in downtown Seattle.

A Bug's Life' fun for larvae and pupae alike

By Marta Pelayo
Staff Reporter

For most families, Thanksgiving is a time of tradition. A time to consider our family dynamics. For my family, however, Thanksgiving is a family gathering.

"Armageddon" is the time to consider our family dynamics. For my family, Armageddon is the time to view movies.

Perhaps it says something about us that we've seen every holiday release, whether it be "Armageddon" last Fourth of July, or "Men in Black" the Fourth before that, on the first day of its release. There's just something frightening about spending an entire day together that sends my family scattering for the holidays.

This year we partook in the ritual by viewing the new Disney/Pixar release, "A Bug's Life." Both films have parallel elements, from the worker ant/princess ant romance to the insect stuck in a drop of water scene.

Although the story elements are similar the overall tone of the movies are completely different. Where Antz is dark, violent, and brooding, "Bugs" is enlightening, charming, and far more appropriate for children.

With its loveable characters, namely Pullega Tuck and Roll and young princess Dot, Bug offers original fun that does not insult the intelligence of its adult viewers.

Another bonus is the under-rated Dave Foley as aningenious hero Flik, a bumbling inventor with a love Jones for Princess Atta. Although the casting of Foley is a plus, the casting of Julia Louis-Dreyfus as Princess Atta is a total waste. The former Seinfeld star has supreme comedic talents, but the writing offers her no opportunity for laughs. Dino for John Razzano in the beginning. One highlight is the grasshoppers' drunken version of "La Cucaracha," which offers a glimpse of what people like me endure every time someone tries to prove they're bilingual.

Like Pixar's first full-length feature, "Toy Story," "A Bug's Life" has the drawback of failed additions of different species to the film. Just like the plastic looking humans in "Toy," the birds look similar to real-life wildlife footage edited into those old cartoons when the cartoonists run out of ink.

So now that my family has been given A Bug's Life their stamp of approval, swallow your pride and go see it. You won't be disappointed.

"Bugs is en-lightening, charming, and far more appropriate for children."
At Tokyo Japanese Steak House in Federal Way, you will find flying shrimp tails, flaming food, and chefs that put on a captivating performance right at your table.

After driving by the restaurant for a few months, we decided to go in to see what it was all about.

Our server was wearing a Japanese kimono and greeted us by saying, "Konnichiwa," which means good afternoon in Japanese.

Tokyo Japanese Steak house is a family-owned restaurant that has been open for only seven months.

The tables are in the shape of a horseshoe with a Tepan yaki grill in the middle that is used to cook your food on.

"Come in and enjoy our special concept of a restaurant," said Ho Joo, restaurant manager. "Our chefs cut, dice, season and fire your food right before you eat.

We found more than just dining and chopping, our chef created a very entertaining experience.

It was hard not to laugh when he called our zucchini, Japanese french fries and drew a smiley face on the grill with cooking oil.

According to our waitress Grace Kim, in Japan the chefs do not enter the dining area while they prepare your meal.

"This way is American modified," said Kim, "we laugh here, they are serious when they cook in Japan.

Menu specialties for lunch range from chicken yaki soba, to steak and seafood.

All lunches include soup, vegetables, hot tea and rice and prices are $5.95 to $8.95. Dinner entrees range from a vegetarian platter to scallops and lobster.

Dinner prices are $22.95 and you will also receive salad, a shrimp appetizer and a dessert.

A chef at the Tokyo Japanese Steak House exhibits his culinary skill.

We decided on Teppan Yaki steak and shrimp for lunch. The price was reasonable at $8.95.

Every one of the six chefs are experienced in cooking and entertaining with their own unique methods.

"All chefs are different; they each have their own style," said Joo. "It takes about six to nine months to learn.

Their experience was obvious to us, every knife that flew through the air landed safely in our chef's hands.

It was hard to keep up with everything that was going on around us. While our chef was lighting our shrimp on fire, Andre Son, a chef from another table, was joking with his customers. "If you want me to come to your house and cook, call 1-800-I-COOK4U!"

"My job is to make the customer happy," said Son, "even if I am having a bad day.

When our meal was served it was hot, fresh and delicious.

The steak and shrimp was served with vegetables, rice and two flavorful sauces.

Dining at Tokyo Japanese Steak House is truly an enjoyable experience. The prices were affordable, the service is noteworthy, and the food was fantastic.

As we were leaving the manager said, "Arigato," thank you in Japanese.

If you are looking for a place to take someone for a special occasion, Tokyo Steak House is the place.

The staff will help you celebrate with a unique Tokyo touch.

You can order a special side order of a cake and a song for $47.50 or add a photo for a total of $51.

Tokyo Japanese Steak House is open seven days a week for lunch and dinner.

This local culinary extravaganza is located at 1404 So. 320th St. in Federal Way.

Attention sheep: 'Bald Haggis' a tasty treat

By Ben Olson
Staff Reporter

If you thought the Seattle rock scene ended with Nirvana and Soundgarden, that perhaps local music has given in to the more popular, trendy bands such as Harvey Danger, you've never heard of Bald Haggis. Haggis? Isn't that a Scottish dish full of sheep entrails? Yes, but Bald Haggis is an up and coming local band you may want to go and see.

Last Saturday at The Extreme in Pils 1 had the pleasure of attending my first Bald Haggis show. Full of dark deep notes, at first I expected to sound like another stereotypical metal band, but as the set went on, I actually heard intelligent lyrics and original music.

Despite the crowd being more friends and family then fans, those present got a taste of what the four could do, if only they had the right settings.

The Extreme, formerly know as the Java Jump, has its heart in the right place, giving local bands a chance to perform in front of a fresh audience, but its location is too isolated to attract anyone who isn't prepared for a long and confusing drive.

Chad Wells, the lead singer and backup guitarist says, "The kind of taught us a lesson about playing so far from the city." Until I visited the band's practice studio a couple nights before the show, but in the comfort of their studio, with their equipment, Bald Haggis almost made me want to start a one man show pit.

One of the 10 foot long walls in the square, value decorated room, is covered to the shoulders in speakers. The wall of sound, as it's called, resonates every corner of the washed ceiling, and shaves the sofa like a bumper car ride.

Chris Zombro, the band's lead guitarist, and his brother Ben Zombro went to the same high school as Chad Wells, while drummer Jamie Capini attended another local school.

The four went in and out instrumentally, while Wells adds in the perfect voice and emotions to music.

Sometimes the feelings get so intense you could almost swear there are 100,000 raging fans out beyond the walls, screaming them on.

And that's what separates Bald Haggis from others. They truly care about their music, their lyrics, and on top of that they don't pretend to be full of attitude.

They know who they are, what they want to play, and they don't mind of trying to duplicate someone else's sound or style they perfect their own version of each.

So the next time you hear Bald Haggis, don't think of sheep guts, shite of going to the show.

Ben secretly eats haggis while wearing a kilt.

Art show a really big success

By Talitha Vanno
Staff Reporter

The Really Big Art Show, a Team Highline sponsored event, was a big hit.

"It was extremely successful," said Rachel Thorne of Team Highline.

There were about 70 pieces of work entered in the show within four different categories.

With an average of 250 people that went each day, there was a total of 273 votes.

The effect of these votes in the Misc. category placed Umberto Rodrigues in first with Thief, Sherlyn Shars in second with "Black is Beautiful", and last but not least, Amy Studley in third place with her candle entitled, "Everlasting Rose.

In the Photo category, Lori Mullin placed first with In Another Perspective; second place went to Molly Reitz for A Special Journey. There was a tie for third place going to Toni Weller with Untitled, and Kirk Bill's glorious photo, Balancing Rock.

Sculpture and pottery had highline ceramics instructor Mark Horinek in first place with Fruit Bowl, Second place went to Josh Monderville with World Hunger; and third place went to Phil Drive with 7aw Thik.

Mike Rimbeys make a clean sweep in the drawing and painting category With Coming Out Of The Cold in first place, Our Daily Bread in second, and Past, Present and Future in third.
Women's basketball shortchanged

The Highline's women's basketball team is now seven eligible players for the start of the season. Because of a multitude of problems ranging from grades, player apathy, and lack of recruiting the team is rail thin when it comes to athletes, talented or not.

Because of the late hiring of Head Coach Dennis Olson there was an appalling lack of time for recruiting.

After former coach Dale Bolinger was fired in the spring, in the end they had to convince Olson to fill their void. Because of the timing of the firing, in the height of the recruiting period Highline basically threw away a season. "We're dealing with what we have, we're bringing in people to practice. But, if anyone gets sick or hurt we're in trouble," said Olson.

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Stone Cold Sports
By Kevin Wintersteen

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Wrestlers split matches on road

Shaun Madsen throws in two of his 33 points Monday against Green River.

By Kevin Wintersteen
Staff Reporter

Highline's wrestling team was in Susquenita, Calif, over the weekend competing in the Lasen Tournament. The team continues to make progress but is still being challenged.

"We didn't do as well as we hoped, it was a much more difficult and challenging," said Head Coach John Clemens.

Highline wrestled as a team Friday and as individuals Saturday.

"We actually started out great, we beat Clackamas 23-16 and every wrestler won except one," said Clemens.

The second match on Friday was versus Ricks College, and the third and final match of the day was against Lasen College, a perennial power and host of the tournament. The match, though, was cancelled after only six matches because the gym lost power.

Saturday the wrestlers competed individually, and Highline had two wrestlers reach the finals. Trevor Howard took third place at 197 pounds, while Anthony Lathan took fourth place at 133 pounds.

"For us it was a really good test," said Clemens. "The important thing we emphasize to the guys is that up to the fifth of February we want them to build their skills.

February fifth is when the regional tournament begins for all the National Junior College Athletic Association member colleges.

"Win, lose or draw it's more about improving," said Clemens.

Clemens believes as long as the Thunderbirds keep their attitudes solid and work ethic high good things are in store for the team.

"Overall this group, they're a little bit fourteen," he said.

"They're competing at a new level and it's frustrating not being able to jump right in," said Clemens.

Madsen makes strong showing

By Michael Stampalia
Staff Reporter

The Thunderbird men's basketball team destroyed a weak Green River unit 111-60 on Monday in the Pavilion. In Highline's first game of the season they played a GCCC team that had been soundly beaten by Chemeketa last Friday by more than 50 points.

The game got off to an ugly start with both teams struggling to score points. With nearly two minutes gone in the quarter the score was 2-0 in favor of the Gacons.

With both teams missing from outside, it wasn't pretty. Highline scored its first two points of the game at 18:00 when Brad Heppner tipped in a missed three-pointer.

"We were nervous," T-bird Head Coach Jeff Albrecht said. "You could tell we were rushing our shots."

Apparently, the Thunderbirds were only suffering from first-game jitters. It wasn't close for very long as Highline went on to establish a 14-5 advantage in the next three minutes. They eventually opened up a comfortable 15 point lead with 10:00 left in the first half.

"We got more comfortable as the game went on," Albrecht said.

The Thunderbirds lead grew to as much as 19 points before they ended the half leading 45-27. Forward Shaun Madsen carried the Thunderbirds on his 6'6" frame, scoring 24 of Highline's 45 points. He was 10 of 14 from the field while hitting 2 of 4 three-pointers. The next highest scorer was center Tom Hubbard with six points, no one else had more than four points in the half.

"Shaun Madsen stepped up his game," guard Marcus Mosby said. "He took his toll on Green River with his scoring."

"I had tons of room down low so I could do my moves," Madsen said. "I was in the zone. I was just puttin' it up and in and it went in."

In the second half Madsen was tripped teamed by the Gacons everytime he touched the ball as he managed only five shot attempts the rest of the way. But the Thunderbirds dominated Green River in the second half with Pat Elvidge and Adam Enfield finding themselves open on the perimeter. They finished with 18 and 10 points, respectively.

"Adam and Pat finally hit their threes," Mosby said.

Albrecht credited his team's scoring success to easy baskets that were created by the T-Birds' defense. On defense Highline forced 29 turnovers and had 18 steals to go with a 52-44 rebounding edge.

"Our goal was to hold them under 65," Albrecht said.

Madsen's scoring binge wasn't totally unexpected from a player who was third on the team in scoring last year. He finished with 33 points, his highest total in a Highline jersey.

The Thunderbirds will face a tougher test of their basketball skills when they face Centralia and Grays Harbor. Results for last night's game against Centralia were not available at press time. Highline will be playing Grays Harbor at the Pavilion on Friday at 8 p.m.
**Women's B-ball goes without**

By Diana Ruggiero

Staff Reporter

The Highline’s women’s basketball team continues to struggle through its lack of players. The team is now down to seven eligible players, but will be getting two more players Winter Quarter. The Lady-T-birds are looking for a good few players.

"It’s frustrating and hard to practice when you don’t have enough bodies," said Head Coach Dennis Olson. "If one player can’t make it to practice, we can’t work on our offense and that hurts us."

The players have noticed the effect of it on the team.

"It’s frustrating because we have no competition against each other and we can’t feel the pressure," said Highline forward Kristi Duggan. "We have to deal with it because we have no choice."

Highline opened its season Wednesday night against Centralia, with results unavailable at press time. The T-birds took on Grays Harbor 6 p.m. Friday in the Pavilion. They face Green River next Tuesday at 6 p.m.

They travel to Grays Harbor for a rematch Dec. 11, followed by the Clark Crossover Tournament Dec. 17-19, before visiting Centralia on Dec. 22 and Green River on Dec. 23.

Highline finishes the winter break at the Lower Columbia Tournament Dec. 29-31.

League play begins Jan. 2, at home against Skagit Valley, again at 6 p.m.

Even with the lack of women it doesn’t seem to affect all of the teammates.

"I figure the players that really want to be here are here and that’s all that really matters," said T-Bird Mollie Rutter.

The team has to work hard together to make up for the short bench.

"I commend the effort of the players now because they have to work twice as hard," said Assistant Coach Janelle Oakley.

As soon as grades come out, which will be official on Dec. 16, one of the two ineligible

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**Water polo surfaces**

By Jamie Kirk

Staff Reporter

The water polo team returned from the Northwest Collegiate Water Polo Championships not fulfilling their expectations.

"They played really well," said Advisor Sam Shabb.

"The team played above expectations," Shabb said.

Highline competes against many four-year universities such as the University of Washington; Western Washington University; University of California Maritime; and Oregon State.

Water polo is a coed club at Highline and ranges from the experienced to just novice beginners.

The team captain Ron Granquist is an experienced player and led the team this past season. The most experienced women’s player is Becky Ceteri.

"She helps guide players," says Shabb.

"The players we have work hard, but we don’t have height at all. We can’t play teams where our tallest player is 5-8," said Head Coach Olson.

"It’s quality not always quantity," said White.

Most of the girls who dropped just didn’t have the talent, weren’t having fun, or they needed to work.

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The T-birds are hoping this is a turning point.

"We’ll get tired but we’re mentally there," said forward Karen Nadeau.

"We are a competitive team. We will surprise a lot of people," said Oakley.

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Child daycare during the night time

By Tami Stuart
Staff Reporter

A proposal for evening child care at Highline has been submitted to the State Board of Community and Technical Colleges.

Evening child care is in high demand. Eleven other community colleges have also applied in Washington state.

"The staff and I am anxious to implement the much needed evening child care, to accommodate the families of Highline Community College," says Joyce Riley, Program Director of the Child Care Development Center.

Highline has about 2,000 evening students. She said evening child care would allow people who have day jobs and families to continue to attend college.

The proposal will be reviewed by Rachael Langen, a Department of Social and Health Services staff person, and Rhonda Coats from the State Board. They will review all 13 proposals, but only those to six colleges will be funded. Highline's proposal is for $23,392.88 for partial funding for six months. The rest of the funding will come from parent fees and DSHS funds for welfare recipients who are attending Highline.

Highline's program is the only one in Western Washington that offers evening child care.

The establishment of the program results in more people passing the drug test, paid in full for the evening child care over the regular child care.

"I think it's all because of the evening setting. Dinner will be included and will meet the requirement of an evening setting. The evening setting will improve the quality of life for some families," said Huber.

Despite the perceived demand for evening child care, enrollment is down for the daytime program. The program currently cares for about 52 children a day, versus a normal load of more than 90.

"Evening child care will be available starting Winter Quarter 1999. There are currently 15 children in the evening program. To start a new program like Highline's, the proposal must be approved, evening child care will be available starting Winter Quarter 1999. We get a lot of requests for evening child care, but it only has few students in its program. It's a lot of work," said Huber.

Highline's program is the only one in Western Washington, yet not enough people apply for evening child care.

The purpose of the survey was to find out what people knew and didn't know about earthquakes and their hazards.

Survey shows students aren't prepared

By Tina M. McDonald
Staff Reporter

Say you're sitting in your Political Science class, listening to your teacher talk about the evils of free trade, when suddenly the entire room begins to vibrate. For a second you think maybe it's just a huge plane actually close overhead, but then it doesn't go away and the room starts to sway back and forth. Then you realize you're sitting in the middle of an earthquake.

Would you know what to do?

In a Geology survey done during Spring and Fall Quarters at Highline, 16 percent of the 142 students surveyed did not know what they should do during an earthquake.

"The purpose of the survey was to find out what people knew and didn't know about earthquakes and their hazards," says Bonie Baer, Geology instructor at Highline and advisor to the Geology Club.

Of the students surveyed, 25 percent were not aware of any type of earthquake hazard in Washington State and 84 percent were not aware that Washington's earthquakes are more hazardous than California's earthquakes.

Most people surveyed were found to have only basic awareness about earthquakes and their hazards in Washington, yet not a lot of specific knowledge.

"We wanted to do two things: number one, find out what we need to teach and what people need to know," said Huber.

H. Eley, Highline hopes to use the book as a model for other occupations: Optician, Library Technician, and Early Childhood Education.

In its fourth year, the program aims to attract more students, who can take advantage of the many jobs. "I hope to have a waiting list like the Nursing Program," said Huber.

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The Geology Club hopes to continue from page All

The new station's design will be a clean "brick and mortar" new station," Baer said. "We want teachers to be aware of what to do in case of emergency, but only 47 percent of the students surveyed told us how to do if there was an earthquake," Baer said.

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We thought the lower rate would attract more people to participate," said Brek. The WPEA has brought on a legal case to protect them against this kind of discrimination and the college proposed raising the monthly charge to $40.

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