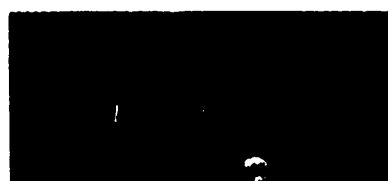




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## Does Highline make the grade?

Highline is a good school, say students and faculty

By Rachele Corella  
Staff Reporter

The majority of Highline faculty and students think that Highline is a good school, but some things may be worth changing.

Recent interviews with dozens of Highline students show that the overwhelming majority of students feel that the college's classes are at a good level and that they will be well-prepared for the future.

Course material was not a primary worry for students, but a few did express concern over the attendance policies of certain classes and the time period allotted for each class.

One student said that she found Highline's classes to be "too intense" due to the length of a quarter. She felt that there was too much information to take in in such a short period of time.

Others felt that the quality of classes was largely dependent on the instructor.

"I have had great instructors, but I have also had instructors that were not so great," said another student, who felt that her math instructors were unable to relate to her.

"A lot of the instructors I have taken have a lot of real world training and excellent educations," said another student.

Though variety is said to be the spice of life, many students felt that the effectiveness of a class was unnecessarily too de-



pendent on the will of the instructor.

**"I have always felt that grade inflation is harmful in that it obscures the meaning of grades."**

- John Pfeffer

greater standardization of difficulty and grades were in order.

"There is considerable variety among the opinions of individual faculty, departments, and divisions about academic standards and the interpretation of grades," said chemistry professor John Pfeffer.

Faculty members seemed to share this concern, saying that they thought measures toward

Pfeffer also felt that grade inflation is a problem at Highline and at other schools across the country.

"I have always felt that grade inflation is harmful in that it obscures the meaning of grades," he said.

"I feel our grading scale is too lenient but since that may be true for many schools, I feel the greater concern is the inconsistency between departments and instructors within our own campus."

Chiropractic professor John Huber seems to share Pfeffer's opinion.



"I feel we should do more to mediate the highs and lows here at HCC," said Huber.

Variation between instructors aside, students and faculty alike seem to see Highline as an excellent community college.

"I feel the structure of the classes and the level are geared toward a university level," said one Highline student, who also liked the fact that many Highline professors have their doctorate.

"I think students sometimes get more of an academic workout at Highline than in some four-year classes," said Susan Landgraf, who teaches journal-

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## Graduation speaker chosen, Kenfield named

By Jaime Ducharme  
Staff Reporter

Pamela Kenfield is no longer afraid of college.

Kenfield will talk about this as the Class of 2000 commencement speaker. Graduation ceremonies will be 7:30 p.m. Thursday, June 8.

Chosen from among several applicants, Kenfield is a 30-year-old single mom who decided to go back to school after 10 years away.

Kenfield was involved in many student programs, but the one that stands out the most is the mentoring program. She really felt a connection with the students and that is why she wanted to be the speaker at this year's commencement.

"I was so scared when I first came to Highline and I wish that I had a mentor to help make things a little easier," said Kenfield.

Kenfield believes that the element of fear is something very powerful. Fear is the topic of her speech.

"Fear can hold somebody back, but at the same time it can drive a person," said Kenfield.

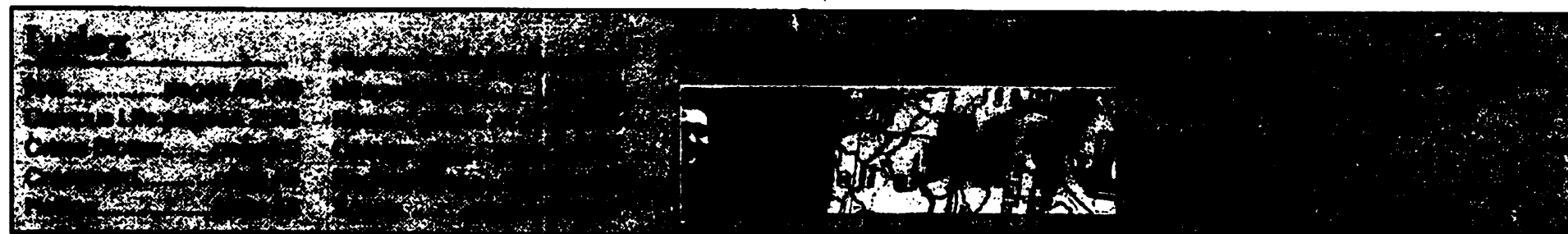
Kenfield, who will be graduating with a paralegal degree, will start The Evergreen State College this fall to work on a bachelors of arts degree.

"My possibilities are endless," said Kenfield. Her positive outlook on life is one of the reasons she was chosen to be this year's speaker.

"Pamela is a very genuine person and that shows through her speech," said speech instructor Shannon Proctor, a member of the committee that picked Kenfield.

Kenfield feels that her connection with the students is something that helped her write a more powerful speech.

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### Crime Blotter for May 19-24

#### Students shoes the culprit in accident

A student tripped outside of Building 23 on May 24 causing a small scrape on her right pinky finger.

Student said that her sandals were the cause of her falling.

#### Backpacks are no longer safe anywhere

A student reported on May 24 that his backpack had been stolen from either the top of his car or from inside on May 23 sometime between 8:58 - 9:35 a.m.

#### Student avoids being another hit and run driver

A student reported that a fellow student had hit her car on May 26 and left a note on the window stating what had happened and how to reach her.

#### Miscommunication lead to a complete runaround

A car was reported stolen from the upper south lot on May 26 sometime between 10-11:50 a.m. DMPD arrived on the scene at 12:30 p.m. It was declared that there was no case at the time and that the mother of the student the car the whole time.

#### Always remember to use your rear-view mirror

A student parking in the east lot on May 25 backed into a stall hitting a Nissan causing damage to his passenger side rear bumper and to the Nissan's passenger side rear quarter panel.

#### Emergency brakes are there for a purpose

A car parked in the south lot rolled back hitting a Nissan and a Ford on May 30.

#### Video projector stolen

Between May 24-25 a video projector was stolen from Building 13 room 105.

Compiled by  
Talitha Vanzo

## Students present speeches at final colloquy

By A.K. Cords  
Staff Reporter

Speech Slam 2000 ended the Honors Colloquy series, "The Millennium: The Past as Prologue" Wednesday May 31.

The Speech Slam is a quarterly event put on by Phi Theta Kappa, a two-year college honor and service organization. Wednesday's forum was the second phase of the two-part competition. When the three finalists concluded their speeches, the audience was given ballots to vote on the speakers. John Kim, was the winner for his speech entitled "MP3: The Digital Revolution."

The audience was asked to judge the speakers on four aspects of their speech; organization, evidence, creativity and delivery and how well they related to the theme of the spring 2000 Honors Colloquy. Shannon Proctor, Phi Theta Kappa's adviser, collected the ballots and tallied the results.

Au Nguyen presented "STD: Waging Battle in the New Millennium" was clear and poignant. It drove home the reality and urgency of the



Photo by Connie Harshman

#### Speech slam winner John Kim dazzles the audience with his speech about MP3s.

crisis this country is facing in the form of STDs. Nguyen was awarded third place.

Amber Basler's presentation of "Prostitution in the U.S.: Past, Present, and Future," the second place winner. Basler illustrated how the world's oldest profession has been both the saving grace and ultimate destruction of so many women.

In the 1800s when the west was still wild, women had few options when it came to supporting themselves. Women

turned to prostitution to make a comfortable living and own land. They did this at the expense of their dignity and respect within the community. This is still true today.

Basler intimated that there is a debate over making prostitution a legalized profession, regulated by the U.S. government. She illustrated the positive and negative points of the issue.

Basler also shared some statistics in the form of a pie chart

illustrating the changing face of prostitution. The tide is turning to not only younger participants in this profession but also an increasing amount of male prostitutes. The Internet is putting a new spin on the world's oldest profession.

The final speaker was John Kim, the winner of Speech Slam, who briefly explained what an MP3 is and how it works. The MP3 was a piece of technology born in Germany, and introduced to the U.S. to the dismay of many record companies and recording artists.

This new piece of technology gave the public the ability to record songs off the Internet, with the digital quality of a CD. Herein lies the problem: the record companies are not seeing the profits from people enjoying music recorded on MP3.

Record companies and artists have filed multi-million dollar lawsuits charging the promoters of MP3 technology with committing piracy.

Kim showed an example of a portable MP3 player. An object no bigger than an archaic audio-cassette, it has the capacity to hold up to 13 songs of your choice.



#### Fore! Team Highline holds crash course in miniature golf

Team Highline is holding a crash course in miniature golf on Thursday, June 1.

Perfect your swing or putt. The event is free and is held in Building 8 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

#### Congratulations Kat

Congratulations to Kat Chappell who was elected Vice

President of Phi Theta Kappa's Greater Northwest Region.

The vice president plans regional meetings, and serves as a parliamentarian among other things.

#### How to get those friends in high places

Job Connections is presenting a workshop entitled The Power of Networking: Network your way into the "hidden" job market.

The workshop will be presented in Building 13 from noon to 1:30 p.m.

#### Learn a quarter's worth of material in one night

Time to study for final exams.

Team Highline and College in a College is holding Cram

Night this Sunday, June 4 from 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m.

It will take place in the Library, Building 25.

Refreshments will be provided.

#### Last day to vote in student government elections

If you haven't voted yet today, June 1 is the last day to vote in student government elections.

Students can vote online via Highline's homepage [www.highline.ctc.edu](http://www.highline.ctc.edu) or in Building 8 next to the Student Government office.

#### Final exam schedule

June 5  
All 8 a.m. MW and daily classes- 8-9:50 a.m.  
All 11 a.m. MW and daily classes- 10-11:50 a.m.  
All 1 p.m. MW and daily classes- 12:30-2:20 p.m.

June 6  
All 7 a.m. MW and daily classes- 8-9:50 a.m.  
All 10 a.m. MW and daily classes- 10-11:50 a.m.  
All noon MW and daily classes- 12:30-2:20 p.m.  
All 2 p.m. MW and daily classes- 2:30-4:20 p.m.

June 7  
All 9 a.m. MW and daily classes- 8-9:50 a.m.  
All 10 a.m. T-Th classes- 10-11:50 a.m.  
All 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. T-Th classes- 12:30-2:20 p.m.  
All 3 p.m. T-Th classes- 2:30-4:20 p.m.

June 8  
All 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. T-Th classes- 8-9:50 a.m.  
All 11 a.m. and noon T-Th classes- 10-11:50 a.m.  
No exams scheduled- 12:30-2:20 p.m.  
Reserved for unscheduled and conflicts- 2:30-4:20 p.m.

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## What's up, dock?

Highline's band of intrepid scientists have big plans for the college's Redondo pier

By Aidan Martin  
Staff Reporter

There's nothing like spending a sunny day down by the Sound, surrounded by the assorted smells of the sea while looking over the beach.

If you agree, did you know that you can actually earn college credit while enjoying some of the most beautiful beachfront in our region?

Highline has its very own dock down on Redondo Beach, right next to Salty's restaurant.

Up until 1994, the dock was used for the Commercial Diving program. The old program used the dock for teaching deep-sea diving, saturation diving, and underwater welding.

"That was what the dock was used for up until about ten years ago," said Bob Maplestone, chairman of Engineering and Applied Sciences Division. "Ever since then the pier has basically been empty."

Once the rights to the dock

were transferred from the Division of Occupational Programs to the Division of Transfer Programs, oceanography courses were the only ones that used the classroom there for its lab days.

The problem was that the building itself was left damaged by the removal of the equipment that the old program used. A lot of the damage made the room unsafe to be occupied by students and faculty alike.

"It would be like trying to do a class in your garage," said Kaddee Lawrence, Biology professor. "There was a lot of junk. It hadn't been cleaned in a long time and there was pigeon poop everywhere."

"We've been moving towards getting it to be a place where the first time we bring students down there, we don't have to apologize."

With this in mind, the Highline Dock Committee has come up with a plan for repairing and renovating the facility, creating the Highline Marine

Science Center.

"We have three new marine biologists. I think with their interest in the dock as well as the people that are currently here, we now have enough interest to say: 'Let's go big time and try and do something that will really benefit students, the program, and the community as well,'" said Maplestone.

The obstacle set before them is getting funding. In order to get the money they need from the state or the school, the committee must prove that there is interest in the facility and that it will be used.

"It's kind of a catch 22," says Lawrence. "The facility is not in perfect condition ... but we can't get it into perfect condition unless we can show that we're using it."

As of right now, only about 70 students use the dock per year, all in oceanography classes. The plan is to hold numerous science classes down at the dock.



Lab space on the dock may soon get more use.

"We live on the Puget Sound ... why not be down there and actually looking at things," said Lawrence. "If you're in Kansas taking marine biology, OK, you look at pictures in books and preserved specimens. But we have the world's best aquarium less than a mile away."

The committee estimates that after renovations, Highline alone will have over a thousand students using the center each year. Other area schools have shown interest in using the dock too. And with the pedestrian traffic that goes by the site, the committee would like to get them involved as well.

"Our goal is to have this not only be a teaching facility, but also have some community involvement," said Maplestone. "So that people can actually come onto the dock and see what we're doing. To get people's interest as they're walking by, we were talking about having a data monitoring system."

The display would include information about the tides, wind movement, and the temperature among other things.

They've also proposed putting in a concrete tank at the front of the dock. This tank would hold animals and organisms found in the area that people could touch and explore.

The committee would also like to have classes or field trips for kids in grades K-12, and summer programs.

"What we're trying to do is set it up so that we spark

people's interest in the natural world," said Lawrence.

By opening things up to passers-by, the committee is hoping that the city of Des Moines might be willing to help with funding issues.

They also hope to get some grant money from the National Science Foundation. The availability of these funds is limited though.

"There aren't very many facilities on the water like this, so having the facility is a big plus," said Maplestone.

A lot of progress has been made in the recent weeks though. Between clean-up parties and donations, the dock now has running water (courtesy of the Facilities Department), and new tables and chairs are on the way. The floor is going to be polished, and a new dry-erase board is being brought in to replace the undersized chalkboard that is in the classroom now.

Also, the Highline Foundation recently donated the funds to purchase a teach-cam. This consists of a video camera attached to a microscope, and the image is projected onto a television set. This will save instructors a lot of time that can now be devoted to more lecture or lab.

The possibilities are endless as to what the dock can be turned into. The only limit is the depth of the pocketbook. The more students who sign up, the more the Highline Dock Committee can prove how valuable the property actually is.



Kaddee Lawrence, Sam Shabb and Bob Maplestone get busy on the dock.

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## Community college experience is good

When coming to community college after high school, some students feel embarrassed, as their friends go away to four-year universities. Staying home isn't what anyone wants to do.

It doesn't help that community colleges have the stigma of being the lesser choice for continuing education, saved for those students who couldn't make it into "real colleges." This is just not the case.

There are a multitude of reasons why Highline is a better place to begin your college education.

Let's look at No. 1: People around the country pay thousands upon thousands of dollars to go to private universities where they can experience smaller class sizes than can be found at the public state universities. At many universities the freshman level general education classes have hundreds of students in them and lack any one-on-one communication with the professor.

At Highline, the biggest classes hold no more than 60 students while they average only 25-35 students per class. Believe it or not, having your teacher know your name is truly a luxury in higher education. That's right, you're getting the benefits of private education at bargain basement prices.

Some poorly informed individuals argue that the quality of the teaching staff at the community college level is not like that which can be found at universities. Every student at Highline would surely have to disagree with this. Whereas we've all had teachers we didn't care for, none could venture to say that every teacher at this institution isn't 100 percent informed on the topic they teach. For the most part requirements to teach at the community college are not any different than those at the university level.

We should definitely further explore that whole cost factor. A quarter at Highline is \$528 for 10-18 credits. A quarter at Western Washington University costs close to \$1,000. General education requirements are pretty much the same anywhere you go, so paying more just doesn't make sense.

As far as transferring goes, the degree you receive in the end is going to say the name of the university you transferred to, you will still get all of the prestige of that school, at a fraction of the cost, and you will probably learn more at a community college.

After attending community college for two years the educational level students are usually at is as good as, if not higher than that of students who've spent two years at the university.

There is also the idea that good grades at the community college will boost your transfer ability, allowing students to apply to Universities that their high school grades wouldn't have made possible.

Beyond just transfer student education, Highline and many other community colleges offer so many more services. School to work training for those who need more education in their field and don't intend to attend a four-year university is one of the greatest assets community colleges have to offer.

Highline also offers continuing education classes for people who weren't able to complete high school on time. Community colleges are often the last hope people have of getting their high school diploma. That is an excellent service to provide.

Aside from all of the educational and monetary benefits, community colleges also hold many social benefits.

For the high school athlete, for instance, it is very difficult to get recruited straight into a university team. Playing at the community college level gives those athletes an opportunity to hone their skills, and often gives them more exposure to the university recruiters. For those athletes who will never have the opportunity to play at higher levels, this gives them another couple of years to play the sports they love.

Opportunities for social interaction can appear to be limited at community colleges, with many students just staying on campus for their classes then leaving. One venture up to Building 8 though shows a different story. Many students hang out on campus all of the time and there are often activities around campus which are open to all students.

Highline has an open door policy, this brings a wide variety of students to our campus. The students at Highline are from different ethnic backgrounds, are of all ages, have many different intelligence levels, and have many different current situations. Day to day interaction with this eclectic mixture of students gives perhaps the best education, as it more accurately represents the real world.

So, next time someone asks where you go to school, say it with pride, Highline is a great institution that anyone should be proud to attend.

*Thunderword editorials represent the opinions of the Thunderword Editorial Board, which includes: Heather Baker, Derek Roche, Evan Keck, Lora Curdy, Paris Hansen, Ericka Wood and Talitha Vanzo.*

AS I LEAVE YOU, OH FAITHFUL FANS (ALL THREE OF YOU) FOR THE SUMMER, I CONTINUE IN THE TRADITION OF MY PREDECESSORS. SO HERE IT IS FOR YOU, A BEHIND THE SCENES LOOK AT THE INSANITY THAT IS THE THUNDERWORD STAFF. I SHALL RETURN NEXT FALL (DON'T LOOK SO DISAPPOINTED)



## The Thunderword

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# Next group of student leaders must do more

The organization of this year's Student Government elections has been the worst thus far. The current Student Government has done little to promote a greater voter turnout and student participation in the election, which was one of their goals in the beginning of the school year.

I must concede that in the past few weeks Student Government has actively recruited students to run for office. But this was after several postponings of the filing date. Why did they not do this to begin with?

Now they expect students to vote for these unknown candidates.

During an editorial board meeting, Thunderword editors pitched their endorsements for candidates. Consensus was not made because of the lack knowledge of the candidates.

In the end, I could not make up my mind. I didn't have an adequate amount of information to base a decision.

These candidates are literally unknowns. That is just so disturbing to me. The disturbing part is that my decision is based on the spin the Student Government gives me, which is basically a one liner about how each candidate has the drive and enthusiasm to be in Student Government. Uh huh.

Nothing about campus issues. Nothing about how they will affect change at Highline.

Another scary aspect is that students don't even know if the candidate knows the responsibilities that go with their position. Last year students found out during the candidate forum that some candidates had little or no clue of what they were running for.

It was a big popularity/ talent show contest. This year it will be the same because when we vote the candidate's picture will appear next to their name.

Likely students when confronted by this will vote based on looks alone.

The candidate forum is something I definitely miss this year. One Student Government member said the reason there was no forum was because there was not enough time to stage one. So a week before elections is not enough time, but I feel an impromptu forum is necessary and vital for students to make an informed decision.

Hopefully luck will be on my side this Election Day and I will be able to choose the lesser evil.

## It's My Turn

By Heather Baker



It is important that students vote even if there is not enough information available. Like it or not these students represent us in the school by participating on campus committees such as Service and Activity budget committee, new student center and recently the presidential search committee.

Student Government members also represent our school to other schools and to the state legislature.

The next Student Government should take this experience and learn that this is not how governments should be voted in. Next school year they should make their presence known to the campus instead hiding in the shadows of committee work, which for the most part is invisible to the student body. They should make it their No. 1 priority to increase student involvement in activities and in next year's election.

For the most part the work that student government does is important and their participation on committees is important. They should relay what they do to the student body. The student government had an opportunity to write about campus issues and things they were working on, weekly for the Thunderword. Instead they let that opportunity fall to the wayside. They used that spot to write about cute girls, perils of a stolen car and news that was about a month old. In the end the commentaries stopped coming and we stopped asking. To quote one Student Government official, "There are no issues."

Even though most students will not cross paths with student government, they should still conduct business with repose and be examples for students.

I can understand why students mix up Team Highline and Student Government because it seems that Team Highline does more. Maybe they should be combined - but that is another commentary.

*Before becoming an editor, Heather Baker covered Student Government for the Thunderword in Spring 1999.*

# Congratulations class of 2000

## Guest Commentary

By Derek Greenfield

I love this time of year. As we awaken from the inexorable dreariness of the "non-Summer season" in Des Moines, we are treated to so many pleasant experiences that uplift the soul. The smell of the backyard barbecue. The NBA playoffs. That heat-producing yellow matter in the sky. But most importantly, Highline's graduation ceremony.

I find myself getting more and more excited as commencement draws nearer. While this event is always cause of celebration, it holds special meaning to me these days. During my three years at HCC, I've had the pleasure of working with so many outstanding students, and I consider myself fortunate to have a career that I truly love.

I've watched some of you gracefully handle life challenges that would have knocked most people down and out. I've witnessed countless students juggle spirit-draining jobs as well as a second shift at home, yet still manage to produce quality work in my demanding classes. I've seen first-hand the transformative powers of education and hope — with many of you entering our institution convinced you wouldn't make it, but through perseverance and a few magical moments of self-discovery, blossoming into talented and confident individuals. You have inspired us, touched

our hearts, and taught us some valuable lessons. And sometimes, while we're busy critiquing your essays, demanding your paperwork be turned in to a different office, and nagging you about getting more involved, we forget to stop and let you know how important you are to us and how proud we are of you. For these reasons, we all need to take the time next Thursday night to celebrate your success.

I am extremely honored to teach at Highline. We have talented and dedicated folks throughout the campus, as well as tremendous opportunities for you to grow intellectually, socially, professionally, and personally. Thus, your accomplishments reflect positively on the work that gets done here and validate the vital role of community colleges in this nation. I hope that you'll remember the good things and stay in touch with us. I'll presume to speak for everyone when I state that we'd even like to hear your suggestions for how we can enhance the quality of services provided to you.

So in the midst of taking final

exams, planning for "what's next," and exclaiming to the world, "I'm finally outta here," maybe you can find a few minutes to engage in the following activities. Reflect back upon what you have discovered along the way and hold onto those images and lessons. Congratulate yourself on your achievements (but never think that your learning has concluded). Tell the people who made a significant difference in your life how much you appreciate them. Commit to honoring those individuals by using your knowledge and passion to make the world a better place each day. And yes, get a few hours of much-needed sleep.

When Toni Castro and I read your names on graduation night, we'll be sure to complete the task with gusto, so that we can properly recognize each and every one of you (but please help us out with the pronunciations so we do it right). If you haven't picked up your cap and gown because you're thinking about skipping the event, I encourage you to join us. Let us all come together as a community to celebrate.

Some people cry at weddings. I'm not ashamed to say that I'll probably tear up a little bit on June 8th. Thanks and good luck.

*Derek Greenfield is a sociology professor at Highline.*

# Student says thanks to Highline

## Guest Commentary

By Shannon Alton

leave without a special thanks.

Cathy Pitts, whose courses are strenuous to say the least, challenged and pushed us and has, no doubt, better prepared us for university life. And to Phil Droke, who, in addition to educating and humoring us while applying classroom experience to real world events, always had an open door for advising and reassurance when the stress became overwhelming.

And for Richard Plagge (my Math dad), Terry Meerdink and Helen Burn, I would be here another year still waking up in middle of the night from those math nightmares without the extra support and encouragement that I received from you. And to Pat Bille, your personal interest in me has truly touched me and helped me to find faith in myself. Thank you for never allowing me to give up and for preventing me from killing my computer. And to you, Charles Stores, you have convinced me that my education will never

end. I will build my library and always remember your passion for knowledge.

Lastly, for two very special people who always had an open door and plenty of Kleenex, Diane Anderson and Mark McKay, thank you for your shoulder and the words of wisdom during my most trying moments. I love you both.

In leaving Highline I received what I came for but I also leave with something just as important - a profound gratitude and appreciation of the people who made my success here possible. My success is just as much your success and I again thank each and every one of you who have committed yourselves to making experiences like mine possible.

To all of you at Highline, always remember the incredible impact you have had on so many of us. You make it possible for us to achieve our dreams and, without you, we would not be celebrating next week. You are all truly a work of heart.

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You can kill on  
film -- but no  
naughtiness!

Sexual intercourse. It sounds like some sort of perverted sports coliseum. The phrase is rarely uttered in the cinema, and for good reason — it's just not that romantic. The flawless looking characters in the movies "make love" or thrash about the apartment, knocking over lamps and end tables, tripping over couches, while flinging their

### The Roche Motel

By Derek Roche

clothes across the room. The milieu is exotic and sensual — the act photographed under brilliant lighting (candle light or rays of light through the blinds of a window) reveal just enough skin — accentuated, by the way, through strategically placed clothing. All right, calm down Derek.

This, my friends, is considered gratuitous by industry standards, but Schwarzenegger using a gatling gun to shred an entire police department is perfectly acceptable.

I think The Terminator just needs to get some. He appears to be burdened by a hefty dosage of pent-up sexual frustration.

So in terms of sexuality, what is acceptable in movies? A G-rated film takes absolutely no risks. Any references towards sex is strictly prohibited.

For all his parading, Gaston, in *Beauty in the Beast*, never had a chance with Belle. PG allows little leeway for sexual innuendos. Any remark regarding sexuality must be vague enough to hold a separate meaning than the intended punchline.

For example, the famous balcony rendezvous in *Superman* has a flustered Lois Lane inquiring the Man of Steel on the proficiency of his bodily functions, i.e. can he have sex? Superman replies with a smile: "Yes I eat, when I'm hungry."

PG-13, put into place in 1987, is where nudity, in some fashion, is finally given screen time — very little, mind you, but just enough to evoke a "wow, cool" from 12-year-old boys. The R-rating allows for heavy panting, calisthenics, and nudity, in all but midsection form. At NC-17, no imagination is required.

Derek can be found at NC-17 movies tripping over his trenchcoat in the back row.

## It's a party, it's a rant, it's a...

Inside the  
rave scene;  
not your  
parents' disco

By Derek Roche  
Staff Reporter

The Ward and June Cleaver suppressed deep inside the modern parent simultaneously revealed itself upon learning, via 20/20, that the party drug, Ecstasy, was more widespread and accessible than initially believed. The rave scene, which has garnered greater mainstream acceptance of late, was, many argue, dealt a harsh, perhaps unwarranted blow from Ms. Walters and the folks at ABC.

"It's more about the music, than about getting high," seems to be the prevailing argument among rave enthusiasts. Paranoid parents, residing on the opposite side of the seemingly moral spectrum shifted into tyrant mode and confiscated their child's glow



sticks and florescent green visor. "No more drum and bass for you, sonny."

So who, exactly, is over-reacting? Well, I pulled a John Stossel to expose the accuracy of rave myths and the genuineness of their devotees. I retained the lingo, was cultured on the different types of music, acceptable dress, colorful DJs, and was made well aware of the illegal substances at an attendee's disposal.

"Raves are about having fun, meeting people, and forgetting your worries," said Sarah Gray, a long-time raver. "People, for some reason, believe those who go to raves are weird or druggies. That's just not true."

The good: Everyone is so darn nice. Being at a rave is like being trapped for six hours in a happy asylum. Of course, their kindness and emotionally revealing rants are often the result of chemical enhancement, but nevermind. You're happy, that guy over

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## Your mission, should you choose to accept it: stay awake

By Chad Kershner  
Staff Reporter

Action maestro John Woo's *Mission: Impossible 2* is the first mega-hype feature of the summer, and it's a mega-snooze.

### Movie Review

This film is literally impossible to get through without yawning.

The film features Tom Cruise as Ethan Hunt, the heroic spy-guy, Thandie Newton as Naya Nordoff-Hall, super-thief and the only female character in the film, and Dougray Scott as Sean Ambrose, the good spy gone bad.

The supporting cast consists of Ving Rhames as Luther Stickell, computer whiz-spy, and Sir Anthony Hopkins in a very limited role as Swanbeck, the head of the Impossible Mission Force.

The story must have taken all of eight seconds to think up. Basically, the bad guys steal the antidote to some mega-virus, but they can't sell it until there is an outbreak of the virus.

You get the picture; the bad guys are going to release the vi-



Actor Tom Cruise and co-star Thandie Newton warm things up in the new action film *Mission: Impossible 2*.

rus so they can sell the antidote.

Impossible Mission Force agent Cruise is assigned to the case, along with Rhames and another agent.

The gorgeous Newton is enlisted for her ties to the bad guy, Sean Ambrose.

Newton is an absolute knockout, and she plays the sexy international thief very well.

Cruise is a great actor, and he plays one hell of a hero, but this role is nothing exceptional, and his talent isn't given much chance to shine through.

This film absolutely crawls

along. Director Woo must not have much experience working with movies that have a plot, because this flick is really just a bunch of mini-naps broken up by three or four action sequences.

The music in the film is nothing special. Mostly just the *Mission: Impossible* theme music at all the appropriate moments.

The movie is not a total loss however. The filming, which was done pretty well, took place mostly in and around Sydney, Australia.

The locations were beautifully filmed, that's about all that

can be said about them.

One part of the movie that shines through all the surrounding mediocrity is the sequence toward the beginning with Cruise free-climbing somewhere in the American Southwest.

In this sequence, you get a real sense of being way, way up high with no safety line and a whole lot of open space behind you. It's just too bad that they gave up this part of the movie to make the film's trailer. This five-minute nugget is the only really golden part of the whole movie.

And that right there is where this movie experiences its biggest failure. The producers loaded up the trailers and the commercials with all the action, so by the time you go see the movie, you've seen all the money shots already.

If you've seen the first *Mission: Impossible* film, then this flick should be like paint by numbers for you. Every time they use that pulling off of the face to reveal either the hero or the villain underneath, you can see it coming from a mile away. It's just tiring to predict what's going to happen next.



# THE DAILY GRIND

## Highline students in need of that morning cup of joe

By Shawna Arnzen  
Staff Reporter

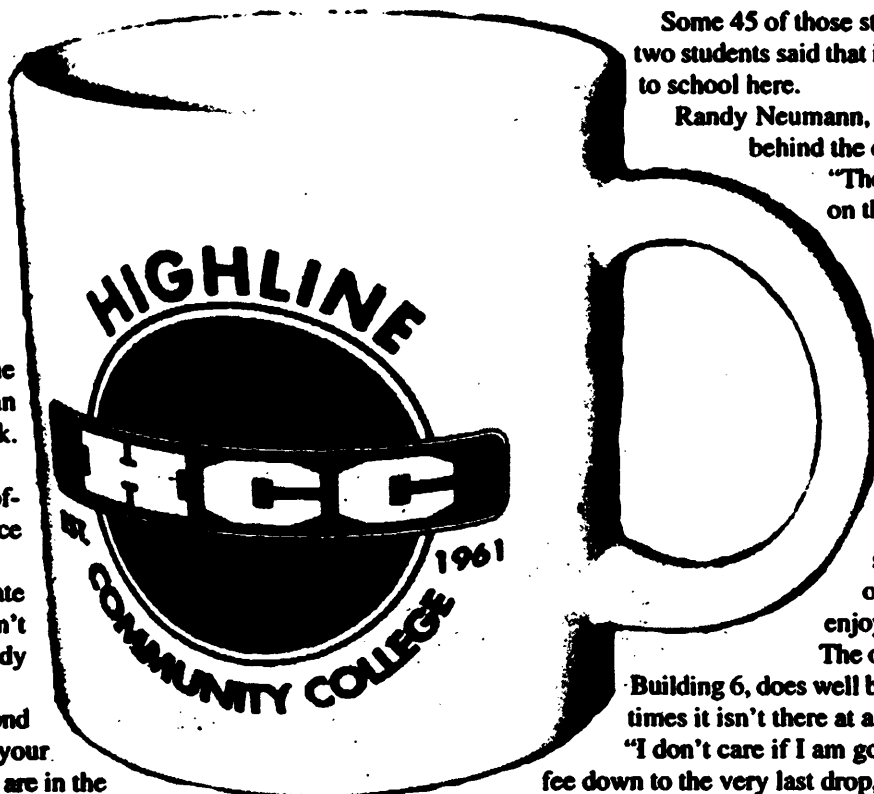
The sound of the milk being frothed, the coffee grounds being pulled from the bean hoppers, and the barista calling out your drink. Double tall mocha.

It's 10 a.m. and this is your first cup of coffee, the one you have been thinking about since your feet first hit the floor.

You don't care that you are 15 minutes late to your Statistics class, a stop off at Tazza isn't going to make you any later than you already are.

You take the first sip and savor every second of it, wishing that you could sit and enjoy your coffee along with all the other students who are in the center, lounging on the couch. You're tempted but you run off to class instead.

In a survey done on campus, 69 out of 75 students said they drink coffee everyday.



Some 45 of those students say that they are definitely addicted, and two students said that if Tazza wasn't here on campus they wouldn't go to school here.

Randy Neumann, the owner of Tazza, said he sees as much from behind the counter.

"There are definitely a lot of diehard coffee addicts on this campus," he said.

The average espresso drink costs about \$3.25, and Tazza sells on average 500 drinks per day. Most students who frequent Tazza spend \$15-\$20 on coffee a week if not more. One student, who wished to remain anonymous, said that he spends almost \$60 a week on espresso.

Neumann said that by far the most popular drink on campus is a mocha, and in second place white mocha.

Tazza's business is mostly generated from the stand inside the Student Center, because it stays open until 8:30 p.m. and there are places to sit and enjoy your coffee.

The outside stand, on the covered walkway in front of Building 6, does well but closes at 12:30 p.m., and in bad weather sometimes it isn't there at all.

"I don't care if I am going to be late to class, I'll sit and finish my coffee down to the very last drop," said Kelly Tipple.

The coffee craze has taken this campus by storm. It's apparent from the business that Tazza is generating, that students here on campus rely on Tazza to be here to get them going and keep them going through the day.

## 'Hamlet' gets renovated, a millennial interpretation

By Heather Baker  
Staff Reporter

"Get thee a Prozac Hamlet," was my sentiment after viewing *Hamlet*.

This latest version is directed and adapted by Michael Almereyda.

Almereyda is best known for his black and white vampire comedy *Nadja*.

### Movie Review

This version of *Hamlet* is set in the corporate world of New York where companies are made, merged and fall every day.

The movie opens with the announcement that Claudius (Kyle MacLachlan, *Twin Peaks*), Hamlet's uncle will be the new CEO for Denmark Corp.

Ethan Hawke (*Snow Falling on Cedars*) plays the brooding Hamlet. Hamlet is a video filmmaker who takes samples from movies, even from past remakes of *Hamlet*, to depict his many soliloquies in the movie.

"Part of the thing that excited me in doing this movie was filmmaker Michael Almereyda had a real idea for the production as a whole. So I never felt like it was about me or about my interpretation of *Hamlet*. The production, I felt, had a cohesive idea. Setting it in the modern context, hopefully allows you to experience the characters in kind of a new way...fresh



Ethan Hawke, Diane Venora and Kyle MacLachlan in a scene from Michael Almereyda's *Hamlet* which opens at the Variety theater on June 2.

and emotional," said Hawke in a conference call.

"I feel that on film, Shakespeare has the capability to be much more subtle than it can on stage. I just try to make it as much personal as possible to me and experience it like any other performance," said Hawke.

Hawke portrays Hamlet to be a depressed young man who shuts himself off from the rest of the world. He has a good reason to because his father was murdered by his uncle, who later married his mother (Diane Venora).

The depressive state of Hamlet puts moviegoers in one as well. Only because they wonder, "will this movie ever end?"

"Basically part of the ways I think you define your Hamlet is in the adaptation, elements of the character, how you cut the play, and how you shape the

character. The play is so rich and so deep and so multifaceted that there are many different elements to it. And I feel that anybody any actor who approaches it seriously at all, really has something to offer it. The character is amazingly complex," said Hawke.

Julia Stiles plays precious Ophelia. Ophelia is a rebel and an artist. She's torn between her duty to her father and brother (Bill Murray, *Ghostbusters* and Liev Schreiber, *Scream*), and her love for Hamlet.

For most of the movie her role was undermined by the overall theme of Hamlet's vengeance for his father's death. Scenes such as her death seemed unimportant in the film, but in the play it is one of the most tear-wrenching scenes.

Almereyda not only adapted the play but butchered it as well.

Everything that made *Hamlet* such a great play was missing. The "to be or not to be" scene gone. The gravedigger scene gone. The entire Fortinbras story line is half there, half gone.

Hamlet's soliloquies are portrayed through digital videos he makes. They are artsy, but boring.

Almereyda's contemporary

adaptation of *Hamlet* is lackluster. Unlike Leonardo DiCaprio and Claire Danes' *Romeo and Juliet*, the dialogue and actions do not mesh well with current times.

If you have a four-page paper on *Hamlet* due for lit class, this is not the movie to see. If you like a snooze, then this movie is just perfect for you.

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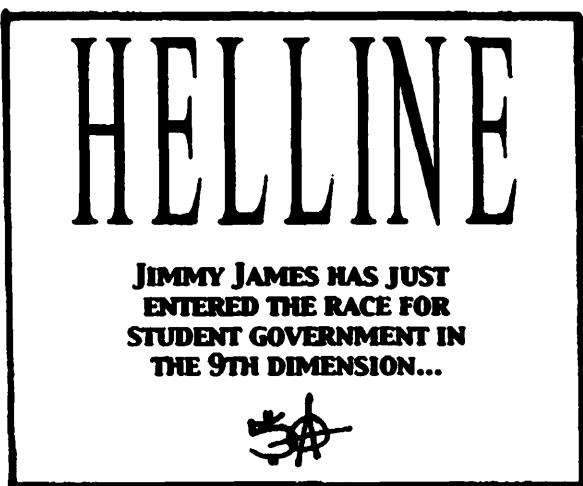
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## Rave

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there is happy, she's happy, everyone is happy. It's all good. And drugs, crushing the greatest misconception regarding raves, are not a necessity. Truth be told, the folks who religiously attend raves are usually the sober ones.

The music: It's exhausting. Not necessarily the dancing, but being schooled on the varied types of rave beats. Let's see, there's your run of the mill House music, Jungle (or drum and bass), Breakbeats, Trance, Hard-core house, Techno, just to name a few.

The dress: Uniformed and naïve, I attended my first rave dressed in garb I would feel comfortable frequenting nearly any other social function. This was a mistake. FYI: raves, for the most part, are held in dank, dirty and fairly unkept warehouses. Dress accordingly. All wear is pretty much acceptable, but hard-core ravers pull off the

"I don't care what I look like, but I really do" look pretty well.

Timing: Arrive fashionably late, or very early. Some raves are more underground than others. High Society, a promotional group who holds most of their parties at NAF in West Seattle, are entirely mainstream, and in turn, the parties are seriously crowded. The popularity of the headlining DJ or DJs also weighs into how long the line at the entrance will be, the size of your personal dancing bubble, and the ever-competitive parking arrangements.

The DJs: Their stages names lack originality (DJ Dan, Jungle Brothers), yet despite your preference in music or whether you consider the repetitive beats music at all, their skill is irrefutable. Local DJ's, such as Zacharia, and Eva are anointed celebrities, and touring DJs are rave gods.

The Bad: Drugs are bad for you, and should never be injected, snorted, swallowed, or placed up any other bodily orifice, unless otherwise prescribed by a doctor.

## Solution to last issue's crossword puzzle

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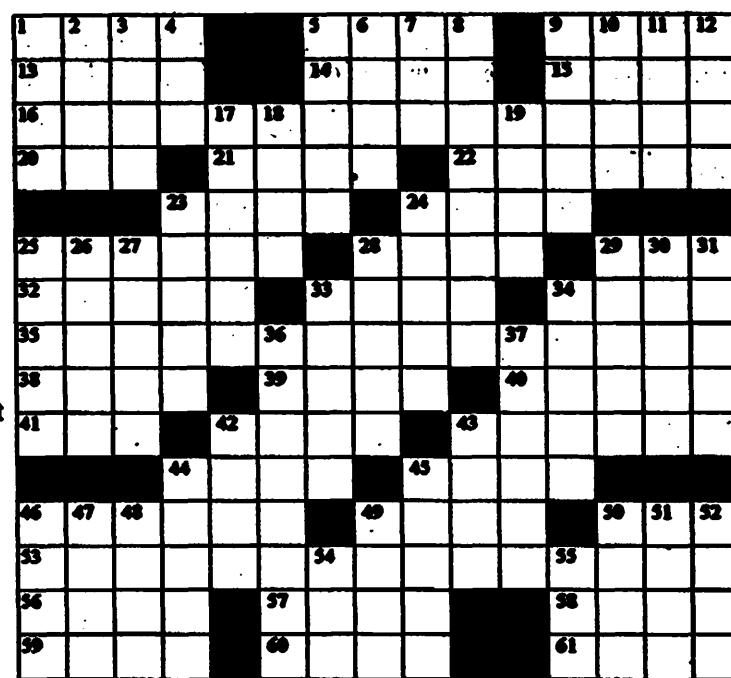
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## Crossword 101

By Ed Canty

### "80's Flicks"

- ACROSS
- 1 Boston Marathon
  - 5 Paraglider & others
  - 9 Apartment
  - 13 Heartthrob
  - 14 Kosovo champion
  - 15 Every
  - 16 Michael J Fox flick
  - 20 Body sign
  - 21 Lyric poems
  - 22 Vocations
  - 23 Pierre's pals
  - 24 Entreats
  - 25 Screwdriver specialist
  - 28 Candy walker?
  - 29 Stitch
  - 32 Walking
  - 33 Became alert
  - 34 Withered
  - 35 Paul Hogan flick
  - 36 Prefix for phone or graph
  - 39 Eye part
  - 40 King's org.
  - 41 Draft Bd. org.
  - 42 Fraction of an instant: abbr
  - 43 Sherlock's finds
  - 44 Ms. Truman
  - 45 Coal, e.g.
  - 46 Governor Whitman predecessor
  - 49 Pepsi, e.g.
  - 50 Classifieds
  - 53 Eddie Murphy flick
  - 56 Cartoonist's light bulb
  - 57 Schnitzel ingredient
  - 58 Ms. Boleyn
  - 59 Stumped
  - 60 Corn crib units
  - 61 Drove
- DOWN
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  - 2 Hebrew month
  - 3 Designer Chanel
  - 4 Big deer
  - 5 Stakes
  - 6 Cheerleader utterances
  - 7 Lunches
  - 8 Weakened
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  - 10 Praise
  - 11 Land measure
  - 12 Definite articles
  - 17 Salad ingredient
  - 18 Norse god
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  - 23 Petroleum refiner
  - 24 Uses a 48 Down
  - 25 Composer Johann's
  - 26 Hair styles
  - 27 Living quarters
  - 28 Newborn's plight
  - 29 Family car
  - 30 Build
  - 31 Cries
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### Quotable Quote

"Time is at once the most valuable, and the most perishable of all our possessions."

... John Randolph

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## Men's track team sputters in championship

By Patrick Allcorn  
Staff Reporter

OREGON CITY, Ore.- Highline's men's track team was unable to meet their full potential at the NWAACC Championships May 25-26 at Clackamas CC. The team finished seventh out of 10 in the overall points standings.

Only those men who surpassed the set mark in each respective event over the year were invited to this event.

Thursday saw the preliminaries for six of the events as well as five finals, mostly jumping and throwing events.

Djonavan Dobbins got Highline's first points when his long jump of 22'0.25" earned him a fifth-place finish and two points for the team.

Antonio Bush also competed in the long jump and his best leap of 21'3.25" earned him seventh and was 3.25 inches short of placing.

Brian Davi, Rey Nitsche, and John Fox represented Highline in the pole vault. Davi's 14'6" was the only mark good enough to earn points. He finished sixth and gave the team another point.

Highline finished the day with three points, 39 points behind Mt. Hood who finished the day in first and went on to win the overall championship.

The day's preliminaries brought unexpected joy for some and left others feeling left behind.



Photo by Petra Sokolova

Sydney Brathwaite takes the baton from Beauford Brown in the 400 meter relay. The relay team took third, though the rest of team struggled to earn points.

"Some made it through that we didn't expect, and some that we expected to make it didn't," Assistant Coach Charlie Smith said.

The 110-meter high hurdles preliminary moved Justin Broughton into the finals and ended the weekend for Danny Murphy, who failed to qualify by 0.14 seconds.

Broughton also reached the finals in the 400-meter intermediate hurdles. Joey Phillips and Chris Peterson came up short.

Manzell Blakely had the sixth best qualifying time in the 400-meter dash. He was in the same heat as teammate Tim

Richart, whose time was not good enough for a spot in the finals.

Highline was well represented in the 100-meter preliminaries with Sydney Brathwaite, Beauford Brown, Dobbins, and Aaron Reader all vying for a spot in the finals.

Brathwaite and Brown qualified with Dobbins coming just 0.8 seconds short.

"I did all right. I'm not gonna dwell on how I did, it's in the past," Brathwaite said.

"I did better than I expected," said Brown, who entered the 100-meter ranked 16th.

Brown and Broughton are

two who gave Coach Smith a pleasant surprise.

"I thought it would be close with them. They showed the amount of guts they have," Smith said.

Pat Boyd was the most impressive T-Bird on Thursday. He finished the 800-meter preliminary in 1:54.85, less than a second off the track's 13-year-old record of 1:53.91 and better than any other competitor's time on the day.

Jeff Parker and Richart also qualified in the 800 but failed to make the finals.

The last preliminary race was the 200-meter dash. Brown and

Reader each came within half of a second of qualifying, and Brathwaite was the sole Highline member to reach the finals.

Friday arrived and the T-Birds had fewer competitors left than they thought they would and had 39 points to make up if they were to win the title.

The first final to take place on Friday was the high jump.

With Antonio Bush and Peterson competing a favorable point swing looked very possible for Highline.

Bush ended up placing fourth and earned four points with a jump of 6'4". Bush was way off of his PR which would have been good enough for first.

Peterson was unable to place but the four points earned by Bush were much needed.

In the day's other jumping event, the triple jump, Dobbins took fifth with a jump of 43'02" earning his team two points.

"I was surprised. I've never jumped over 43 feet," Dobbins said.

Peterson was the other Highline qualifier in the long jump and finished in the 11th spot.

In the 110-meter high hurdle finals Broughton, added about half a second to his preliminary time, which would have placed him fifth in this race, and finished one spot shy of earning

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## Track meet was fun; hotel runaround was not

OREGON CITY, Ore.- I had never been to a track meet before and quite frankly had no desire to ever attend one.

I can only watch golf during the Ryder Cup, and I only watch tennis during the Davis Cup. Both events are based on team results rather than their sports' usual individual structures.

I don't enjoy watching sports that have no team celebration at the end, or any sense of unity throughout the battle. I had track and field pegged as one of these sports.

My ignorance of the sport had me thinking that what they call PR's (personal records) are the athlete's main goals.

On May 26 my views of the sport were changed.

I was sent, more out of necessity than my own desire, to cover the NWAACC championships at Clackamas Community College in Oregon.

The sport was far more team oriented than I had originally

### On the Rebound

By Patrick Allcorn

thought.

The T-Birds were always in one of three places: on the track competing, against the fence cheering each other on, or under the tent that was the team base.

In the men's 5,000-meter race, one Highline runner even sacrificed his own glory to aid a teammate's finish. It didn't work, but kudos to Peter Rutter for trying.

I also thought that I would find myself sitting in the bleachers waiting for the next 50 seconds of action to arrive before another 10-minute break. I was gladly proven wrong.

I arrived at the meet about 15

minutes before the noon start time and I didn't even get to sit down until the women's 5,000-meter race at 3:10.

Apparently track meets don't proceed on an event-to-event basis as I thought. By 12:30 three events were already under way, and I was frantically running back and forth keeping myself updated on the status of the Highline participants.

When I did get a second to gather myself, my event schedules were attempting to blow away from me as I crouched to break the world record for fastest eating of a hot dog. My time fell 1.4 seconds short.

My constant movement was reflective of the night before, when I should have been relaxing in my hotel room after a long drive.

When I arrived at the hotel they had my reservation but they thought I was picking up the bill.

So with no room to relax in I

decided to drive to the school and catch the last part of the preliminaries.

My bad luck continued as I pulled into the school just as the vans and charter buses were leaving. I was honestly tempted to forfeit my room and sleep right there at the school in my car.

As comfortable as the back seat looked, I thought my 6'6" frame might make for a cramped night so I turned around and headed back to the hotel.

I finally got things straightened out with the front desk and made it up to my room.

Just as I turned the basketball game on and started a pot of coffee, I was greeted by a woman who shrieked, "Oh my God," when she saw me sitting in what ended up being her room. Good thing I don't watch basketball in the nude.

The hotel computer was apparently anti-media and booted

me out of the system, giving my room to this woman.

So I was moved before I could enjoy the coffee that I made.

In my second room it was a little longer before I was visited, but it happened again. Lucky for them I wasn't rating Portland hotels.

The man who they gave that room to politely thanked me for preparing his coffee and I was sent on my way.

The third time was a charm as the third room assigned to me was mine until the morning checkout time.

So in my Oregon adventure I learned two things. Track is a pretty interesting sport to watch. And chain locks are there for a reason-USE THEM!

Patrick anchors the Thunderword's Death March to Tazza Relay, and also competes in the pole vault, the shot putt and the slipped discus. Sometimes he even wins.

# Women make progress at NWAACC meet

By Patrick Allcorn  
Staff Reporter

In only their second year of existence, the Highline women's track team took eighth in the overall points category of the NWAACC championships.

On Thursday, May 25 at Clackamas Community College the Lady T-Birds ran their preliminary races trying to gain spots in the finals that were to be held the following day.

Thursday also marked the finals in some events such as the long jump, high jump, pole vault, 10,000-meter run, and 3,000-meter run.

Highline got huge efforts from Erin Johnson and Jenoa Potter in the high jump. Johnson placed third while Potter placed fourth, each with jumps of 5'02".

The duo earned the team a total of 10 points in the event, the same total as last year's entire team at the same meet.

Another Highline jumper, Monica Angeline, earned team points, hers coming in the long jump.

Angeline's leap of 15'09" was good enough for a fifth place finish and two more points, enough to set a school record.

Karla Booth tracked 10,000 meters in 54:01 finishing the race in 13th place.

Highline had trouble qualifying for Friday's finals on Thursday. Only two women whose races had preliminaries were able to qualify.

Rachel Moyer and Vickie Upchurch were both five seconds better than the ninth place finisher, and earned the final two slots in Friday's 400-meter low hurdles. Angie Upchurch came up a little short of giving Highline three women in the event's final.

Juanita Agard, Angeline, and Susan Hansen ran in the 200-meter dash preliminaries finishing ninth, 10th, and 11th respectively.

The top eight advanced to finals.

Erin Johnson competed in



Photo by Petra Sokolova  
Susan Hansen takes the hand-off from Juanita Agard in the women's 400 meter relay. Highline's 2000 squad scored more points than last year's team but still managed only an eighth place finish.

Friday's first event, the triple jump, and broke her own Highline record by soaring a total distance of 35'3.5".

"It felt really good. I was excited but I wasn't surprised," Johnson said after receiving her fourth-place award.

Johnson's four points gave her a total of 10 for the meet, more than any Highline athlete,

man or woman.

The most participants the Highline women had in any single event Friday was two, in the 400-meter low hurdles.

Moyer and Vickie Upchurch took seventh and eighth in the event.

Karla Booth competed in the 5,000-meter race, though she finished the race, no time was

given.

Highline didn't fair well in the two relay races. The ladies finished last in both the 4x100 and the 4x400.

Highline scored a total of 16 points, 140 points behind the 2000 NWAACC champion Clackamas Cougar squad, but still better than last year's inaugural season.

## Track

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points in seventh.

Broughton finished eighth in the 400-meter intermediate hurdles.

Manzell Blakeley added a full second to his preliminary time and finished eighth in the 400.

In the 100 meters, Brathwaite and Brown finished fourth and fifth, respectively.

"I placed, so I'm happy with that," Brathwaite said. "It's not what I wanted but I'm satisfied."

"It was a very nice surprise," Brown said of his finish.

Highline earned a total of six points from the duo's finishes.

Brathwaite also took sixth in the 200-meter dash later in the day to earn another point for the team.

Pat Boyd's amazing run in the preliminaries made him Highline's strongest favorite for a first place finish and 10 big points.

But Boyd could not come through and his time was three and a half seconds worse.

Had he run the same race he did in the preliminaries he would have had an easy two-second victory.

The promising 4x100-meter relay team of Brown, Dobbins, Brathwaite, and Reader was noticeably disappointed with its third place finish, though six points was Highline's highest single event score.

Richart, Boyd, Blakely, and Reader finished fourth in the 4x400-meter relay which was the last event of the day and the season.

Chris Peterson also competed in the decathlon, which was two and a half weeks prior to the championships.

The men finished with 36 points, 116 points behind the NWAACC champion, Mt. Hood Saints.

After last year's third place finish the outcome of the 2000 NWAACCs was a bit disappointing.

## Disappointing NWAACC meet doesn't negate early season success for T-Birds

We are back from NWAACC without much good news. With the exception of Beauford Brown, who placed fifth in the 100 meters, the whole team kind of underachieved.

I no-heighted in the pole vault and was more than a little bit upset about it. I was disappointed and feeling like I didn't deserve to be down there at NWAACC until I really stopped to think about it. I wouldn't be down there unless I deserved to

## Track Diary



By John Fox

be there. I was one of the top 12 competitors in the NWAACC for the pole vault. I had a bad meet and there is no debating

that. However, that did not change the fact that I did qualify.

I hope that my teammates keep that in mind. Many of my teammates were No. 1 seeds going in NWAACC, but just didn't do as well as expected at the meet.

No one really ran horribly, but there was a definite sense of disappointment on the team as a whole.

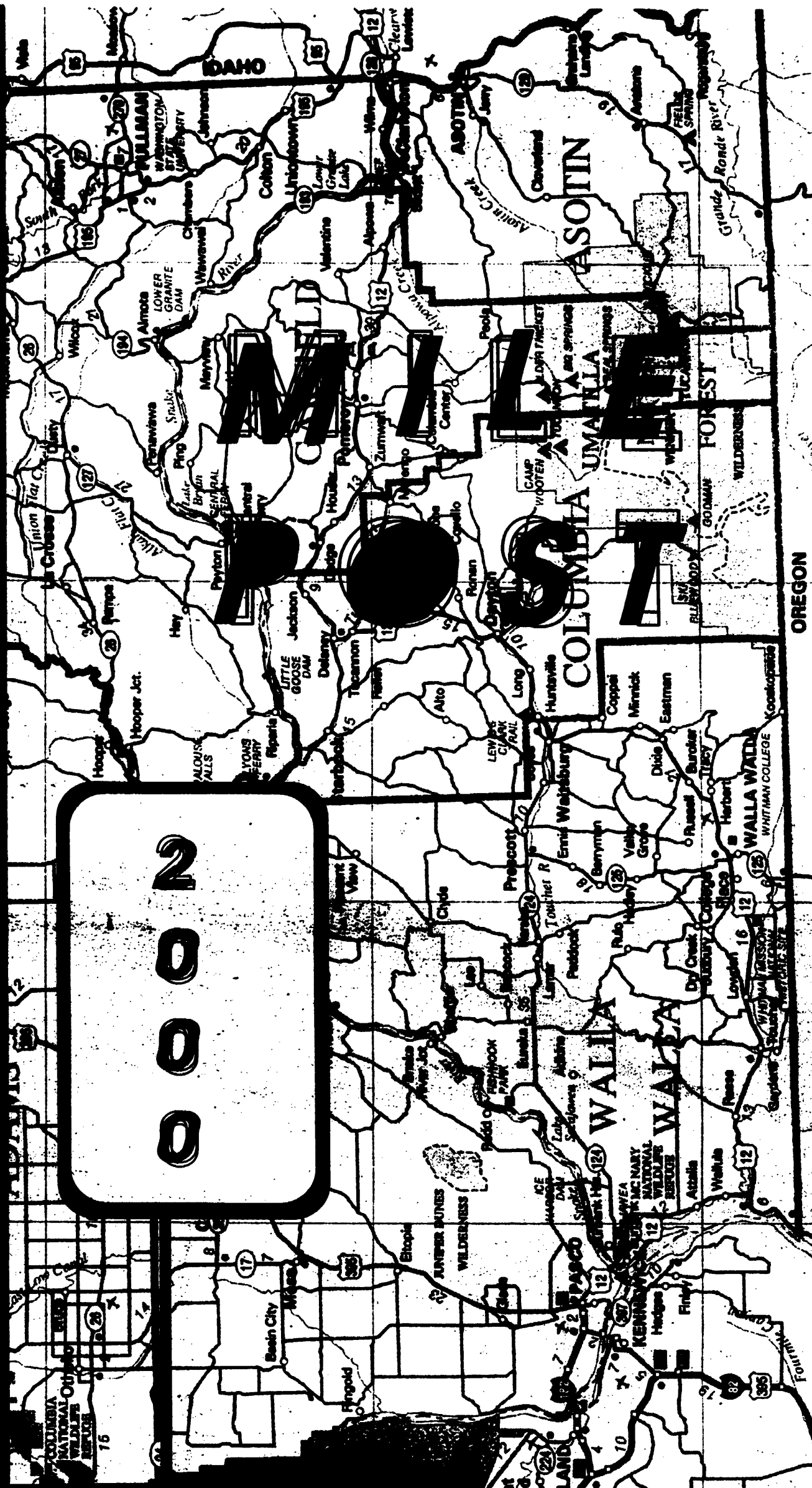
Race after race Highline sent

in some of the top athletes in the NWAACC but never took the No. 1 spot.

I must say that it was a little disappointing to see my teammates who had worked so hard all season stopped short of their ultimate goal by a bad start, or something as small as a 10th of a second. I think one of the most frustrating things might be those people who jumped the same heights but placed lower on misses. Brian Davi took

sixth place but was tied with the guy who took fifth. In the women's high jump, the competitors who placed second through fourth all jumped 5'2", but I wish that Highline could have taken home some more hardware. I want to say thanks to all of my teammates for making this season a memorable one and thanks to my coaches for all of their help and hard work.

John Fox is also a member of Student Government.



The Inside Scoop

Seven outstanding  
graduates of 2000





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By Connie Harshman  
Staff Reporter

Most of the time, Stewart Wainaina dresses like a typical college kid - sweatshirts, jeans, tennis shoes. He looks the part.

But when he speaks in his slightly accented English, he talks with an intelligence beyond his 21 years.

Wainaina is graduating from Highline in the summer. After Highline, Wainaina is going to Michigan State University at the Eli Broad School of Business.

When he talks about his family, anyone listening can tell that he deeply misses them and his country.

Originally from Nairobi, Kenya, Wainaina had to make an adjustment when he first came to the United States. He describes his transition as smooth and not so smooth because he was raised in Africa. America has a very "individualistic culture," he said.

"You have kids (in the U.S.) who talk back to their parents. That sort of thing is not prevalent in Africa at all. You would get your ass whupped," Wainaina said. "With the whole rights thing, you have kids divorcing their parents. I don't know what is up with that."

Cultural changes were strange for Wainaina to get used to in America, especially laundry and buses.

"I was living down in Santa Monica and I had laundry to do, and I bought a bucket because I wanted to put water and detergent in it and wash the clothes with my hands. My friend asked me 'what the hell are you doing?' and I said, 'I'm doing my laundry, what does it look like I am doing?'" His friend then carefully explained the American tradition of using washing machines.

"I was like 'God, I really love this country,'" Wainaina said.

It was things like that and his heavy Kenyan accent, which he tries to conceal, that he had to adapt to.

"One time I got on the bus in Santa Monica, and I walked straight past the driver and went to the back. In Kenya we have bus conductors and this is the guy with the ticket machine who walks around and takes your money and will give you a ticket.

"But here you pay on entry and I didn't know. So I walked in and I could hear the bus driver saying 'Sir, Sir' and I stopped and everyone was looking at me and I turned around and said 'yes?' and he said 'your money?' and I produced a \$5 bill because in Kenya they give you change. But here you have to have exact change. So I had to get off the bus. Everyone must have looked at me and thought 'what a moron.'" Wainaina describes it as an embarrassing moment.

"Whatever I had to make the transition from, and to, was what was difficult," he said.

Wainaina already knew some things about the U.S. from the movies; it was just the stuff that he didn't know that was hard.

He has been at Highline for two years and is majoring in economics with the hope of going to law school to study corporate law.

"I love school, I love Highline, I love coming to school, and the people I have met here," he said.

Wainaina was supposed to go to Santa Monica Community College, but came up here to be close to relatives.

Wainaina has no regrets about coming to the Pacific Northwest.

"Look what has happened to me now. I have accomplished a lot of stuff in one year," he said.

He has been vice president of Student Government for a year, won an award for best student leadership, and he has met and established ties with a lot of people.

"I look back and I think 'Did I make the right decision?' and the answer is yes," he said.

Any person who listens to Wainaina talk about

Highline could tell that he has really enjoyed his experiences.

He got to meet and serve a meal to the Namibian prime minister when the minister visited Highline in fall '99.

He got to run a Student Government Associated Council meeting and sat on the Tenure Review Committee.

He describes his Student Government experience as a fun trip.

"I learned an extreme amount of stuff in here: Delegation of duties, how to deal with the work environment, actually being able to hold your own when you've got responsibility, and leadership skills," Wainaina said.

One of his favorite parts of being in Student Government is having his own desk.

"I love having my desk and being able to have some space to myself," he said.

Wainaina says that he has received a great education and has acquired leadership skills that he did not have before.

"I have learned a lot of extracurricular stuff," he said.

"There are great people I've met over here, which obviously wouldn't have happened if I was still down in California, but maybe I would have met other people there."

When he talks about his favorite instructors that he has had at Highline, he gets a smile on his face and gets excited.

Wainaina has more than one favorite instructor, but he starts talking about Dr. T.M. Sell.

"I love his style. His style is so laid back, but at the same time it drives the point home, which is truly important," he said. Wainaina said he would endorse Sell if he decides to move to the Balkans and become a dictator.

Another favorite is Phil Droke, economics instructor. "Droke is the man. He changed my mind from computer science to economics as a major. He showed me that economics was day to day life," he said.

"I've learned a lot about American culture, to the point where people think I'm American," Wainaina said. He describes America as a big diverse melting pot.

"When you get out of college and go out into the world or whatever the environment may be, you're going to find that the skills you acquire here at Highline are going to be relevant. You are going to need them out there. This is the learning station. You learn the basics here and it is applicable in life," he said.



# Nikki Woodhouse

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By Paris Hansen  
Staff Reporter

Nikki Woodhouse didn't let bad grades and lack of money hold her back. After spending her sophomore and junior years in high school with awful grades, Woodhouse realized she needed to make a change. She figured out what she wanted to do with her life and to do it she needed to continue on after high school to college.

Upon entering Highline in the fall of 1998, Woodhouse began to realize her dream and became the first person in her family to go to college.

The second oldest of six children, Woodhouse says her family wasn't quite ready for her to go to school.

"We didn't have money for it or anything, but they are all really

around 18 credits a quarter, maintains a loving relationship with her boyfriend Jason Liberty and still finds time to play indoor roller hockey. Even after all of this, Woodhouse has managed to maintain a 3.7 grade point average and is a member of Phi Theta Kappa.

"I don't sleep much and I don't see my family very much, which I hate," she said.

She attributes most of her success to the support given to her by her immediate family in Federal Way and her second family in Idaho Falls (where she attended high school), her instructors in the Paralegal Program, and her friends.

"My mother is the all-time best role model, my idol, I want to be just like her," Woodhouse said. "Of course I didn't always act like I wanted to be. My dad and I are really close too. I am very grateful to my second family in Idaho. They gave me so much support during high school. I miss them dearly and look up to them very much. All of the paralegal instructors, they are so awesome. I am going to miss them to death -- Joy Smucker, Michael Allen and Stephanie Delaney. And Jack Harton in the library is like my best friend."

Woodhouse also says that Dave Mayes, a family friend, has been a tremendous help and a great friend throughout her life.

Woodhouse says she has had a great time at Highline. All of her instructors have become friends (except for maybe a couple) and she has felt very at home. She remembers back to her first class with her paralegal adviser, Smucker.

"We were discussing the fore fathers and I actually said 'I know who the first three are' and I listed three presidents, but I don't know who the fourth one is," said Woodhouse. "She told everybody about it, even Jack knows about it."

They always make fun of me for it."

Woodhouse sees herself passing the bar in five years, barely married with no kids. Until then.

she plans on attending either the University of Washington, Tacoma or Western. Her dream is to continue on to Harvard Law School. She hopes to coax them into giving her money to attend there.

supportive and so proud," said Woodhouse.

After paying for her first year at Highline with a student loan (which she is still paying back), Woodhouse applied for a few of scholarships from Highline's Foundation. She was lucky enough to walk away with three of them, which allowed her to continue on with her second year in the Paralegal Program.

Woodhouse plans on majoring in criminal justice and is using her paralegal courses as a stepping stone to her dreams.

For the summer, she hopes to get a job working as a paralegal.

Woodhouse says she has always loved law. Growing up she was always interested in the criminal side of the law, preferring to represent the masses rather than just one person, she just didn't know that that was what she wanted to do when she grew up.

"I would rather represent society rather than just one person, rather than just a plaintiff," said Woodhouse, who says Matthew McConaughey's closing argument in *A Time To Kill* was what made her realize that she wanted to go into law.

Woodhouse is a self described little ball of stress.

"I always have to be doing way too much," she said. Woodhouse works two jobs (The Back Steakhouse and Barnes and Noble).



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# Federico Olivas

By Derek Roche  
Staff Reporter

His gentle voice, casual laid-back demeanor, and his diminutive 5'4" stature are in direct contrast to the colossal size drive and unwavering benevolence Federico Olivas preserves day in and day out.

In his final, of three laborious years at Highline, Olivas is demonstrating little evidence of putting cease to the on-campus activities he has shaped commitment towards. His partner in crime and girlfriend of four years, Sarah Hollowell, can attest to his unrelenting, yet amiable disposition.

"He's just really nice. He's always willing to help people. His Latin upbringing makes him want to lend a hand to other people who are less fortunate than him," says Hollowell.

The varied extra-curricular activities throughout Olivas' Highline career can perhaps support an argument for official campus mascot status - he's that involved.

Aside from his status as co-president of the ULA (United Latino Association), Olivas has worked for Student Programs, is currently a Peer Adviser for Multicultural Services, and is also heavily involved in the Respiratory Care program, where he volunteers his time at Highline Hospital.

"That has been the place where I have been the most involved in and I really like it. That has showed me things that were just unexpected," said Olivas with a moderately thick Hispanic accent.

"It really allowed me to grow in many ways. I've seen some really interesting things in the hospitals that I would never be able to see anywhere else."

Olivas is also an avid supporter of Student Government, and Team Highline, where Hollowell

holds a position. Although never an official member of either of those programs (a fact he admittedly regrets) he's always quick to help out.

His future blueprints, not unlike most college students, reside in the vicinity of indecisiveness, but the foundation his hard work has thus far materialized allows slack for the comfort of uncertainty.

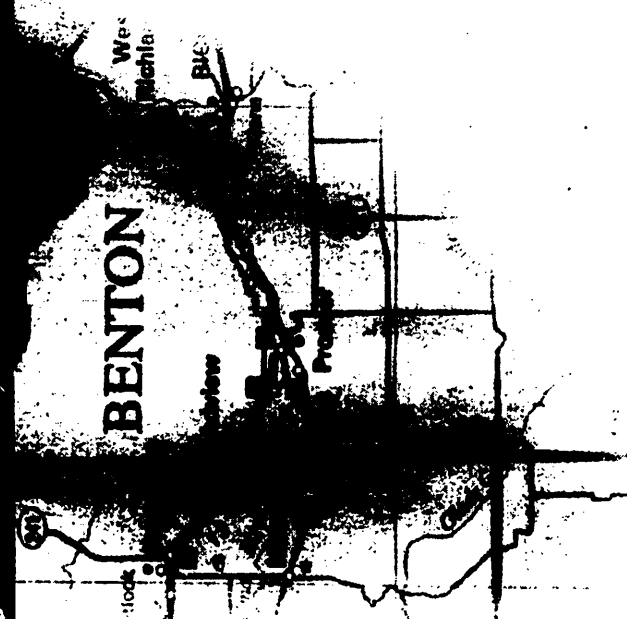
He does, however, have a notion of what his final destination would ideally entail.

"In 10 years I could see myself working in respiratory care, but if I do decide to become a physician assistant, I may hold half of that towards respiratory care, and maybe even go into massage therapy, which is only a one-year program, and possibly own my own clinic, which would be real cool," said Olivas.

Olivas's true passion lies within the world of sports; soccer to be exact, in which he used to play both in an organized setting and simply for fun.

"I really hope I can go back into it (soccer). So far I really haven't had any time, but I really hope that I will eventually end up playing sometime," said Olivas.

Being that Olivas is always willing to lend a helping hand, he surely must be a skillful goalie.





# Shannon Alton

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By Evan Keck  
Staff Reporter

Shannon Alton is not just a typical student; she is a success story. She is not just a typical success story either. This story is one that will motivate the laziest of students and will give confidence to the most insecure.

Alton dropped out of high school when she was in the 11th grade. She couldn't take the life of a student. Leaving with a "D" average, she vowed she would never set foot in a classroom environment again.

"I just wasn't into (high school)," said Alton.

So, Alton went to work for Perrier water. Like anyone, Alton wanted to climb up that ladder in a company but she was being held back due to her lack of education.

She knew what she had to do; go back to school.

At 31 years old and with two daughters, Alton came back to school but this time at Highline Community College.

Her first thoughts of college were of overwhelmment. After a couple weeks of hard work she found out she was doing well.

The end of the quarter Alton had received a 4.0. She never looked back. Alton will be graduating with a cumulative G.P.A. of 3.95 with a group of awards and other acknowledgments.

Last year Alton was the president of Phi Theta Kappa, where she won an award for excellence for outstanding contributions to PTK.

This year she is the chairwoman of the Services & Activities budget committee. She won the University of Washington Tacoma Next-Step scholarship. Alton has earned four Highline Academic Achievement awards, she also earned a math department Academic Excellence award for college algebra-business calculus, and a Scholastic Achievement award for both the writing and economic departments.

One of Alton's most esteemed awards is a certificate of recognition in appreciation for valuable services to Highline by Dr. Edward Command, Highline college president.

With all of her achievements at Highline, Alton does not take all the credit. She gives it all to the teachers who have helped her to get where she is.

"The biggest part of my success is the teachers," said Alton.

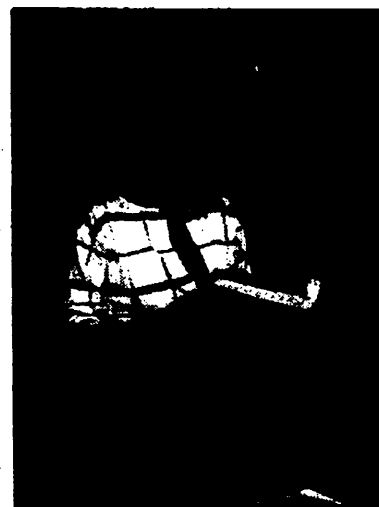
One instance of this is her Business 216 class with Pat Bille. It was the first time Alton had to use a computer.

"After three days I was ready to kill the computer," said Alton. "I went to Pat and said I need help."

After Bille talked her out of dropping the class she took special time to help her learn the computer. By the end of the quarter Alton got a 4.0.

"After I won the Next-Step scholarship Pat said 'Is that my Shannon?'"

Alton plans to use the same philosophy that has gotten her this far at UW Tacoma. To stay focused on education, meeting



friends and developing relationships.

"You have to completely immerse yourself in the educational process. The more involved you are on campus the more involved you are in education."

Though she is excited to move on, Alton is saddened by the fact.

"I am very sad to leave. This is my home. I am close to the faculty and staff. A lot of growth takes place here. They're like my family."

Where ever Alton goes, she will make an impact. Her dedication and drive will take her to the peak of success. And wherever she leaves she will be missed by the people whose lives she touched.

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# Christine Stevenson

By Rachele Corella  
Staff Reporter



If Highline were Hollywood, Christine Stevenson wouldn't be playing the honor student.

Disqualification for the role would most likely be on the basis of Stevenson's love of playing pool and hanging out with her friends, if not due to her black eyeliner and often-present spiked choker necklace.

Not to mention the noticable shortage of pleated plaid skirts and white knee socks in her wardrobe.

No matter. The 21-year-old Stevenson has proven herself exceptional

over the course of her three years at Highline, and is graduating with the glowing recommendations of her professors ringing in her ears.

"She's not just content with a 4.0; I get a sense that she really enjoys learning," said Highline Spanish professor Arline Garcia.

Stevenson's other professors seem to share Garcia's opinion. "She's at the top of the class—she's doing remarkably well," said John Pfeffer, who served as Stevenson's adviser and had Stevenson in three of his chemistry classes. "From the very get-go, she had her act together," Pfeffer said.

"(Christine) is an excellent student who demonstrates solid intellectual abilities and a true love for learning," said

sociology professor Derek Greenfield. "I was impressed by her thoughtful contributions to class discussions and her willingness to challenge herself to achieve excellence."

Stevenson, a Highline High School graduate will be enrolling at Washington State University this fall, has also been very involved during her stay at Highline. She was on Team Highline for two years and has continued to help out during her third year, and she has been an intern in the



Student Programs office for a year.

"My advice for incoming students would be to get involved at the college," Stevenson said. Through her Team Highline experiences, Stevenson has been given the opportunity to, among other things, sit on the committee for the new student center and serve as a host in the presidential search.

Stevenson has received the Academic Achievement Award and the Shirley B. Gordon Award at Highline, and will be entering Washington State University with a Distinguished Presidential Scholarship and a Science Opportunity Scholarship, and a 3.96 cumulative grade point average.

Her long-term goals include attending the school of veterinary medicine at WSU and becoming a veterinarian. At WSU, she will major in zoology and minor in Spanish.

Stevenson says that she will miss Highline, her academic home of three years. "I've made a lot of friends, and I'm used to it here," she said.

Described by her various professors as engaged, outstanding, bright, reliable, cheerful and capable, Stevenson is, indeed, the epitome of an honor student.

"She thinks about a lot of things that many students don't think of," Garcia said. "She's an exceptional student."



# David Decker

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By Elisabeth Outlaw  
Staff Reporter

You'd know David Decker by his military walk: back straight and shoulders rolled back. A military veteran, Decker sits down at the table and apologizes for being late. It's not a wonder with the hectic schedule he tries to keep.

Decker gets to Highline at 7 a.m.; from here he goes to work until midnight and doesn't go to sleep until 2 a.m. before starting the day all over again. Plus he's been married to his wife, Lea, for six years, and has a daughter Jennifer, who's almost 1.

"I don't have any spare time," Decker said.

At the age of 31, Decker graduates this year with both an associate arts degree and his high school diploma. High school was a difficult time for Decker.

"We moved around a lot my sophomore year," he said.

Attending about 10 Arizona schools his sophomore year hindered Decker's academic success. The Arizona schools had different credit systems and Decker had difficulty transferring his credits among the schools. He became frustrated and consequently dropped out.

At 17 Decker joined the U.S. Army and became a Washington resident after being stationed at Fort Lewis. He remained in the Army for 18 months. In 1997 he joined the National Guard for three years.

"I didn't learn my lesson the first time," Decker jokes.

Decker came to Highline three years ago, hoping to get an idea of where he wanted to go.

"I was working two full time jobs and I had been in the Guard. There were others making three times as much as me," Decker said. "I was just tired."

It was easy for Decker to make the transition into Highline three years ago. He quit one of his full-time jobs to be able to attend Highline, so college became his new job.

"I feel like I stole back my youth. There are people on this campus 10 years younger than me and we are in the same position. It makes me more determined (to catch up)," Decker said.

He chose Highline because of its convenience but stayed because of its clean environment and competent administration. Decker enjoys the ability to be able to talk to the staff, as compared to other colleges.

While here, Decker has become more aware of his skills and talents and their relation to his career aspirations. He has recently decided to major in computer science. He's looking to transfer to the University of Washington but might take some more prerequisite courses here.

Decker attributes his success to his focus and time management skills.

"I haven't wasted my time on a lot of silliness - I'm not drinking in a bar or smoking marijuana. I'm here to do something."

Decker will do many things. For now, he pushes himself forward until the days of sleep deprivation are a distant memory.



**"I haven't wasted my time on a lot of silliness - I'm not drinking in a bar or smoking marijuana. I'm here to do something."**





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By **Natasha Allcorn**  
Staff Reporter

Druzella (Dru) White started her journey through Highline six years ago and though she is graduating June 8, the adventure is far from over.

Having graduated from central Seattle's Garfield High in 1994, when most of this year's freshmen were just beginning adolescence, White was already confronted by tragedy.

Her father died the summer after White's graduation.

She still enrolled at Highline but her grades weren't where she wanted them to be so she decided to call it quits for the time being.

"I wasn't ready for the next step. But I promised my mom I'd finish the next level of my education because it was important to her," White said.

So four years after her first quarter White decided she'd return to Highline.

"I'm glad I came back because my first experience wasn't one that I was proud of. My grades sucked, I was just going through the motions," White said.

On Sept. 29, 1998, when White was preparing for her community college return, tragedy struck White's family again.

White's mother, after spending a week in a diabetic coma, died of kidney failure.

Having reassured her mother while she was on her deathbed that she would finish college and earn a diploma, White went back to Highline less than a month after her mother's death.

"My professors were nice enough to let me register three weeks late," White said.

Without that generosity and understanding, White wouldn't be graduating this year.

The biggest help White received, however, was from members of the athletic department.

"Margo (Buchan), John (Dunn), Coach (Jeff) Albrecht, and Coach (Dennis) Olson were awesome to work with. A lot of people don't understand the ups and downs that come with losing a family member but they did and they were there when I needed them," White said.

In fact, White wasn't planning on playing basketball at Highline but her relationship with Olson changed her plans.

"Dennis has been more like a mentor and a friend than anything else," White said.



White will be graduating with her associate of arts transfer degree, which she will take with her to Seattle University.

She is optimistic about the rest of her college career but knows that the strong student-teacher

relationships she had at Highline won't be as easy to come by at SU.

White won't be playing basketball for the university and knows that playing at Highline was a major reason she was able to develop such strong bonds.

White plans on studying physical education and has aspirations of following in the footsteps of her mentor and making yet another belated comeback to Highline.

"I'm hoping to come back here after my education and either assist or succeed Dennis," White said.

White will be coming back next year to lend a helping hand to Olson and has hopes of someday influencing women in the way he has influenced her.

"I want to teach here and hopefully be the mentor for one of my student athletes the way Olson has been for me. I want to pass on what I've learned through growth experiences," White said.

White's dreams do go past Highline. She hopes to make it big on a national level someday.

"If I maintain a strong program here I hope to move up to the next level. Until then I'll just take it step by step and do all the same things. My biggest dream is to coach and mentor the next (Women's National Basketball Association) star."

**"I want to pass on what I've learned through growth experiences."**



## SCOREBOARD

NWAAC Track  
Championships

May 25-26

at Oregon City, Ore.

Men's scores: Mt. Hood 152, Clackamas 142, Clackamas 139, Clark 69, Highline 36, Linn-Benton 3, Lower Columbia 1, Southwest Oregon 0.

Hammer - 1. Ben Snyder, Clark, 178'8"; 2. Aaron Coriell, Clark, 175'3"; 3. Sean Shull, Spokane, 171'10"; 4. Cimeron Kormend, Chemeketa, 163'8"; 5. Bryant Strot, MH, 152'7"; 6. Ryan Bruhn, Clark, 146'6".

Shot Put - 1. Ryan Gundersen, MH, 50'5"; 2. Jason Calapp, Spokane, 48'10"; 3. Joe Samuels, Lane, 47'1.5"; 4. Bryant Strot, MH, 46'6"; 5. Sean Shull, Spokane, 46'5"; 6. Ben Snyder, Clark, 46'0.5".

Discus - 1. Bryant Strot, MH, 161'; 2. Ben Snyder, Clark, 153'9"; 3. Joe Samuels, Lane, 145'6"; 4. Jason Calapp, Spokane, 142'8"; 5. Martin Roos, Clark, 137'; 6. Justin Kline, Chemeketa, 136'10"; 12. Mel Frank, Highline, 114'8".

Javelin - 1. Dustin Ampania, Clark, 197'9"; 2. Justin Scott, MH, 190'4"; 3. Jared Tippets, Clackamas, 189'2"; 4. Sam Vandagriff, Chemeketa, 186'9"; 5. David Lemen, Clackamas, 182'5"; 6. RJ Mochoric, Lower Columbia, 181'3".

High Jump - Mike Borjadur, Clackamas, 6'8"; 2. Joel Gordon, Spokane, 6'6"; 3. Ryan Schroder, Spokane, 6'4"; 4. Antonio Bush, Highline, 6'4"; 5. Martin Roos, Clark, 6'4"; 6. David Lemen, Clackamas, 6'2".

Pole Vault - 1. David Lemen, Clackamas, 16'; 2. Shawn Trimble, Clackamas, 15'6"; 3. Matt Colyar, Spokane, 15'6"; 4. Sam Quady, Lane, 15'; 5. Josh Cummings, Clackamas, 14'6"; 6. Brian Davi, Highline, 14'6"; 9. Ray Nitsche, Highline, 13'6".

Triple Jump - 1. Tyrone Wilson, MH, 49'3"; 2. Travis Elam, Clark, 46'11.5"; 3. David Lemen, Clackamas, 46'4"; 4. Nick Wells, MH, 46'9"; 5. Djonovan Dobbins, Highline, 22'0.25"; 6. Martin Roos, Clark, 43'; 11. Chris Peterson, Highline, 41'7".

Long Jump - 1. David Lemen, Clackamas, 22'8.75"; 2. Nick Wells, Mt. Hood, 22'05"; 3. Cory Wells, Mt. Hood, 22'4"; 4. Martin Roos, Clark, 22'1.25"; 5. Djonovan Dobbins, Highline, 22'0.25"; 6. Tyrone Wilson, Mt. Hood, 21'6.5"; 7. Antonio Bush, Highline, 21'3".

10,000 meters - 1. Jeremy Kirk, Mt. Hood, 32:05.3; 2. Chris Clark, Chemeketa, 32:23.2; 3. Oliver Redig, Mt. Hood, 32:38.2; 4. Jeff Camen, Lane, 32:38.9; 5. Andrew Wall, Clackamas, 32:39.9; 6. Ryan Coordes, Spokane, 32:59.8;

11. Shawn Thayer, Highline, 35:03.3; 12. Peter Rutter, Highline, 36:22.4.

1,500 meters - 1. Paul Kezes, Clackamas, 3:57.81; 2. Trevor Dodge, Clackamas, 3:58.67; 3. Jeremy Kirk, MH, 4:00.24; 4. Josh Roys, Spokane, 4:01.94; 5. Jim Marlow, Spokane, 4:01.98; 6. Andy Monhead, Clackamas, 4:05.75.

110-meter hurdles - 1. Keith Gill, Spokane, 14.83; 2. Nate Brissett, Mt. Hood, 14.84; 3. Michael Morrison, Spokane, 15.38; 4. Nate Anderson, Mt. Hood, 15.54; 5. Curtis Parrish, Spokane, 15.74; 6. M.J. Canady, Chemeketa, 15.84; 7. Justin Broughton, Highline, 16.04.

400 meters - 1. Aaron Buckendorf, Chemeketa, 48.09; 2. Ryan Hoyt, Clackamas, 48.39; 3. Mike Becerra, Lane, 48.62; 4. Ed Swartz, Spokane, 48.85; 5. Dranoel Hamilton, Mt. Hood, 49.33; 6. Tom Williams, Mt. Hood, 49.86; 8. Manzell Blakeley, Highline, 50.66.

100 meters - 1. Cory Cray, Chemeketa, 11.03; 2. Seth Morris, Spokane, 11.23; 3. Nate Brissett, Mt. Hood, 11.26; 4. Sydney Brathwaite, Highline, 11.29; 5. Beaulford Brown, Highline, 11.63; 6. Keith Gill, Spokane, 11.7.

800 meters - 1. Everardo Santillan, Lane, 1:56.81; 2. Andy Kessinger, Clackamas, 1:57.34; 3. Trevor Dodge, Clackamas, 1:57.51; 4. Kelan McKernan, Spokane, 1:57.71; 5. Pat Boyd, Highline, 1:58.17; 6. Josh Roys, Spokane, 1:59.04.

400 meter hurdles - 1. Erik Anderson, Clackamas, 52.77; 2. Nick Wells, Mt. Hood, 52.79; 3. Ryan Vise, Clark, 53.97; 4. Curtis Parrish, Spokane, 54.50; 5. Michael Morrison, Spokane, 54.80; 6. Cassidy Beaver, Linn-Benton, 54.94; 8. Justin Broughton, Highline, 57.84.

200 meters - 1. Aaron Buckendorf, Chemeketa, 21.98; 2. Seth Morris, Spokane, 22.28; 3. Mike Becerra, Lane, 22.65; 4. Ed Swartz, Spokane, 22.86; 5. Kirk Tynes, Clark, 23.02; 6. Sydney Brathwaite, Highline, 23.25.

3,000 meters - 1. Oliver Redig, Mt. Hood, 9:45.57; 2. Todd Fayant, Spokane, 9:49.01; 3. Sean McLachlan, Spokane, 9:50.74; 4. Ernie Espinoza, Spokane, 9:50.81; 5. Chris Deulan, Spokane, 9:58.28; 6. Ryan Mastropietro, Clackamas, 9:58.65; 12. Peter Rutter, Highline, 10.54.

5,000 meters - 1. Jeremy Kirk, Mt. Hood, 15:30.37; 2. Andrew Wall, Clackamas, 15:35.57; 3. Ernie Espinoza, Spokane, 15:38.44; 4. Jim Marlow, Spokane, 15:49.95; 5.

Chris Clark, Chemeketa, 15:51.45; 6. Ryan Coordes, Spokane, 15:54.69; 14. Shawn Thayer, Highline, 16:35.08.

4x100 meter relay - 1. Spokane, 41.90; 2. Mt. Hood, 42.04; 3. Highline, 42.23; 4. Clackamas, 42.83; 5. Chemeketa, 42.97; 6. Clark, 43.07.

4x400 meter relay - 1. Mt. Hood, 3:17.31; 2. Clackamas, 3:17.52; 3. Spokane, 3:19.78; 4. Highline, 3:21.99; 5. Chemeketa, 3:25.99; 6. Clark, 3:27.09.

Decathlon - 1. David Lemen, Clackamas, 2. Ricky Warrick, Lane, 3. Travis Elam, Clark, 4. Chris Peterson, Highline, 5. Justin Kennedy, Linn Benton; 6. M.J. Canady.

Women's results: Clackamas 156, Lane 110, Clark 96, Spokane 93, Mt. Hood 85, Chemeketa 69, Linn-Benton 20, Highline 16, SW Oregon 6, Lower Columbia 0.

Javelin - 1. Trina Rogers, Clackamas, 151'04.00"; 2. Kari Pruet, Spokane, 143'08.00"; 3. Earisa Makaiwi, Clark, 128'03.00"; 4. Kim Courtright, SW Oregon, 122'08.00"; 5. Lorea Jones, Lane, 119'01.00"; 6. Ashlyn Terry, Lane, 118'01.00".

High Jump - 1. Arny Hill, Lane, 5'04.00"; 2. Mary Murphy, Clackamas C.C., 5'02.00"; 3. Erin Johnson, Highline, 5'02.00"; 4. Jenoa Potter, Highline, 5'02.00"; 5. Ashlyn Terry, Lane, 5'00.00"; 6. Regan Zachrisson, Mt. Hood, 5'00.00".

Pole Vault - 1. Becky Halliday, Clackamas, 12'00.00"; 2. Amy Mortensen, Spokane, 1'00.00"; 3. Cass Smith, Linn Benton, 10'00.00"; 4. Katie Dobek, Linn Benton, 10'00.00"; 5. Amanda Weget, Clark, 9'06.00"; 6. Jaimi Laintert, Spokane, 9'00.00".

Triple Jump - 1. Regan Zachrisson, Mt. Hood, 37'01.00"; 2. Amber Millie, Spokane, 36'07.00"; 3. Rachel Johnson, Spokane, 35'08.50"; 4. Erin Johnson, Highline, 35'03.50"; 5. Heather Phipps, Lane, 35'02.50"; 6. Barbara Tyler, Mt. Hood, 34'09.50".

Long Jump - 1. Amber Miller, Spokane, 17'02.50"; 2. Amy Hill, Lane, 17'01.00"; 3. Stacey Fitzgerald, Mt. Hood, 16'11.75"; 4. Rachel Johnson, Spokane, 16'04.00"; 5. Monica Angeline, Highline, 15'09.00"; 6. Regan Zachrisson, Mt. Hood, 15'05.00".

10,000 meter - 1. Tiffany Edwards, Mt. Hood, 41:02.90; 2. Debbie McClanahan, Chemeketa, 41:07.60; 3. Stephanie Costanzo, Clackamas, 42:01.50; 4. Jenni Hardie, Clackamas, 42:32.00; 5. Posan Ramirez, Mt. Hood, 42:36.40; 6. Tyana Morales, Clackamas, 42:59.40; 13. Karla Booth, Highline, 54:01.00.

1,500 meters - 1. Crystal Glenn, Clark, 4:58.68; 2. Kendel White, Clackamas, 5:03.25; 3. Kim Patton, Lane, 5:05.72; 4. Jeziny Rodgers, Spokane, 5:07.89; 5. Alisa Rowe, Lane, 5:06.63; 6. Tiffany Edwards, Mt. Hood, 5:10.63; 9. Vickie Upchurch, Highline, 5:32.88; 11. Angie Upchurch, Highline, 5:56.80.

100 meter - 1. Mandy Samudio, Lane, 15.25; 2. Cameo Davis, Lane, 15.31; 3. Rachel Austin, Clackamas, 15.65; 4. Sharman Bartlett, Chemeketa, 15.85; 5. Halee Haptonstall, Spokane, 16.42; 6. Carly Shuman, Spokane, 18.02.

400 meters - 1. Daley Pressley, Chemeketa, 57.06; 2. Kristi Lund, Clark, 57.36; 3. Mary Murphy, Clackamas, 58.33; 4. Jennifer Hedges, Lane, 58.63; 5. Jenny Sharp, SW Oregon, 59.40; 6. Alaber Matchula, Spokane, 1:00.53.

100 meters - 1. Rachel Austin, Clackamas, 12.67; 2. Kabbiba Wincher, Mt. Hood, 12.86; 3. Rachel Johnson, Spokane, 12.88; 4. Amber Peck, Mt. Hood, 13.06; 5. Mandy Samudio, Lane, 13.08; 6. Stacey Fitzgerald, Mt. Hood, 13.21; 7. Birgitta Christiansen, SW Oregon, 13.24; Amy Hill, Lane, NT.

800 meters - 1. Lindsay Roberson, Clark, 2:14.45; 2. Crystal Glenn, Clark, 2:17.38; 3. Celina Ingalls, Spokane, 2:19.12; 4. Jennifer Davidson, Chemeketa, 2:21.15; 5. Kim Patton, Lane, 2:22.82; 6. Kendel White, Clackamas, 2:25.12; 7. Jennifer Hedges, Lane, 2:27.65; 8. Vickie Upchurch, Highline, 2:33.00; 9. Rainy Diehl, SW Oregon, 2:38.20.

1,500 meters - 1. Paul Kezes, Clackamas, 3:57.81; 2. Trevor Dodge, Clackamas, 3:58.67; 3. Jeremy Kirk, MH, 4:00.24; 4. Josh Roys, Spokane, 4:01.94; 5. Jim Marlow, Spokane, 4:01.98; 6. Andy Monhead, Clackamas, 4:05.75.

400 meter low hurdles - 1. Cameo Davis, Lane, 1:03.07; 2. Cassie Moorhouse, Clackamas, 1:03.80; 3. Halee Haptonstall, Spokane, 1:06.44; 4. Regan Zachrisson, Mt. Hood, 1:06.47; 5. Tiffany Prinslow, Chemeketa, 1:08.98; 6. Carly Shuman, Spokane, 1:09.11; 7. Rachel Moyer, Highline, 1:12.01; 8. Vickie Upchurch, Highline, 1:18.95.

200 meters - 1. Rachel Austin, Clackamas, 25.74; 2. Daisy Pressley, Chemeketa, 26.31; 3. Kabbiba Wincher, Mt. Hood, 26.40; 4. Stacey Fitzgerald, Mt. Hood, 26.51; 5. Amy Hill, Lane, 26.77; 6. Rachel Johnson, Spokane, 26.91.

3,000 meters - 1. Crystal Glenn, Clark, 10:29.97; 2. Jenny Rodgers, Spokane, 10:36.64; 3. Kendel White, Clackamas, 10:40.52; 4. Dawnita LiaBraaten, Clark, 10:49.59; 5. Alisa Rowe, Lane, 11:00.37; 6. Mandy Bates, Clackamas, 11:21.63.

5,000 meters - 1. Dawnita LiaBraaten, Clark, 19:20.68; 2. Crystal Glenn, Clark, 19:34.53; 3. Debbie McClanahan, Chemeketa, 19:40.97; 4. Tiffany Edwards, Mt. Hood, 19:45.78; 5. Alisa Rowe, Lane, 19:50.78; 6. Jenny Rodgers, Spokane, 19:54.85.

400 meters relay - 1. Mt. Hood, 48.71; 2. Clackamas, 49.01; 3. Lane, 49.06; 4. Chemeketa, 49.54; 5. Clark, 49.96; 6. Spokane, 50.11; 8. Highline, 51.31.

1600 meters relay - 1. Clackamas, 3:58.41; 2. Lane, 4:01.38; 3. Clark, 4:03.22; 4. Chemeketa, 4:04.65; 5. Spokane, 4:07.86; 6. Mt. Hood, 4:09.51; 7. Highline, 4:22.94.

### AmeriCorps Positions Available in Highline

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## Tough times, tough team

Men's basketball coach Jeff Albrecht hopes experience, depth will help Thunderbirds next year

By Yoshiaki Tamura  
Staff Reporter

Men's basketball Head Coach Jeff Albrecht looks back on last season's disappointing first-round playoff loss against Centralia as a learning experience.

"We couldn't get over the hump of Centralia. Also we missed some opportunities to win down the stretch (during the regular season)," he said.

The Thunderbirds seemed to have many talented players, more than many other teams in the league, but they ended up with a less than unsatisfying result. Coach Albrecht genuinely learned from last season that

they "need to continue to work as a team."

He will make full use of his lesson for the upcoming season. Highline expects 12 returning players from last year, including Daniel Aldrete, Carbon Argo, Adam Aziz, Yusef Aziz, Ben Beeles, Mateo Jack, Darnell Lyons, Nick McLean, Wes Newton, Ross Randleman, Jason Reed, and Jesse Rossmeyer.

Next season, you will see a couple of new faces on the team. Coach Albrecht has already signed Oscar Green and Austin Nicholson.

The 6'5" Green grew up in Federal Way and went to high schools in California and Texas but he did not play basketball



Yusef Aziz and 11 other returning T-Birds hope to lead the team to better things next year.

there.

"He's enrolled in Highline (since last year). He asked me about a try-out. And I decided to give him a shot to try for the team," said Albrecht.

The coach talked about Green's ability as a basketball player.

"He is very athletic and he jumps quick. He can play small forward and also big forward.

But he needs to work on fundamentals," he said.

The 6'1" Nicholson is from Lindbergh High School, which finished third in the Seamount League last year. Nicholson, who plays point guard and wing, averaged over 20 points per game.

"He can shoot and handle (the ball)," said Albrecht. "He is a pretty good passer, too."

Coach Albrecht still plans to have try-outs this fall but he expects to have "not too many walk-ons" this year.

"Realistically, we don't need anybody. We've got all the position filled but it would be nice to have another big kid," he said.

"The biggest problem we have is finding room for players," he said.

The coach added that if students are interested in trying out for the team, he recommends that they see him first.

In Albrecht's mind, the picture of new the Thunderbird has already been drawn.

"We are definitely going to be a defensive team next year. We are going to be a fast-break team and take advantage of easy baskets. We are going to have better shot selection," he said.

Next winter, the team will continue to play at a high level and work hard for the goal that all teams are aiming for, winning a championship.

"We will expect to compete for the division title," said Albrecht, who sees the Tacoma Titans and the Clark Penguins as the other top two teams in the league next season.

"If everything goes to right, hopefully we'll get back the NWAACC title," he said.

## Men's soccer team looks forward to strong year

By Evan Keck  
Staff Reporter

The men's soccer team is building a winning tradition at Highline.

Last year, the men went to the playoffs, losing a shoot-out in the quarterfinals. This season the team expects to do better.

With 12 returning players and several new recruits on the way, the men's team is preparing for a dominant season.

Though no recruit has formally signed a letter of intent, Head Coach Jason Prenovost is confident that everyone will be on the field come tryouts. Prenovost is looking at about 10 possible recruits for next year's team.

The coach likes to find his talent in the community surrounding Highline. He has four players coming from Highline High School: Matt McCann, Craig Johnson, Seth Fisher and Aaron Rivera. Highline High School made it to the state playoffs but lost in the quarterfinals. Four players coming from the same school team ought to help with chemistry, too.

Prenovost also has an athlete coming from Mt. Rainier High School, Jesse Pingeon.

Another hopeful is Gabe Andrews from Fife High School. Andrews is also being recruited by four-year colleges, so Prenovost is hoping to entice

him to the community college.

One other player Prenovost is looking at but doesn't seem likely that he will get is Ben Sipes from Tyee High School. Sipes is also being looked at by many colleges and is weighing his options before committing anywhere. Both Sipes and Andrews would make a direct impact on the team with their skills.

Prenovost already has a lot to work with as far as talent is concerned.

Brian Iblings is a returning all-star forward.

"Brian can be the best forward in the league," said Prenovost.

Foozi Bellal also went to the all-star game as a midfielder. Bellal might not come back because he is considering transferring to a four-year college. Whatever he decides, Prenovost will support him.

"If I can help him in any way, I'll support him," said Prenovost. "He could be a star in our league."

Another addition to the team is Rajwinder Bal. Bal could not play last year due to failure to meet credit requirements. This year he will be capable of starting and having a good year.

"He was a real nice pick-up, he just didn't make eligibility," said Prenovost.

All Prenovost needs for a

good recruiting year is five to 10 quality recruits. He also feels he definitely has that.

"I believe in competition," said Prenovost. "Every spot is

wide open. Players behind them (starters) provide help when needed. They give opportunities for the team and be a role player."

The T-Birds will be looking for a championship this year.

"We start working for the playoffs the first game," said Prenovost.

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# Olympic dreams: Highline grad kicking for gold

By Jahmal Corner  
Staff Reporter

Many accomplished people have occupied the Highline campus. But one of the biggest that you've probably never heard of is Olympian Barbara Kunkel.

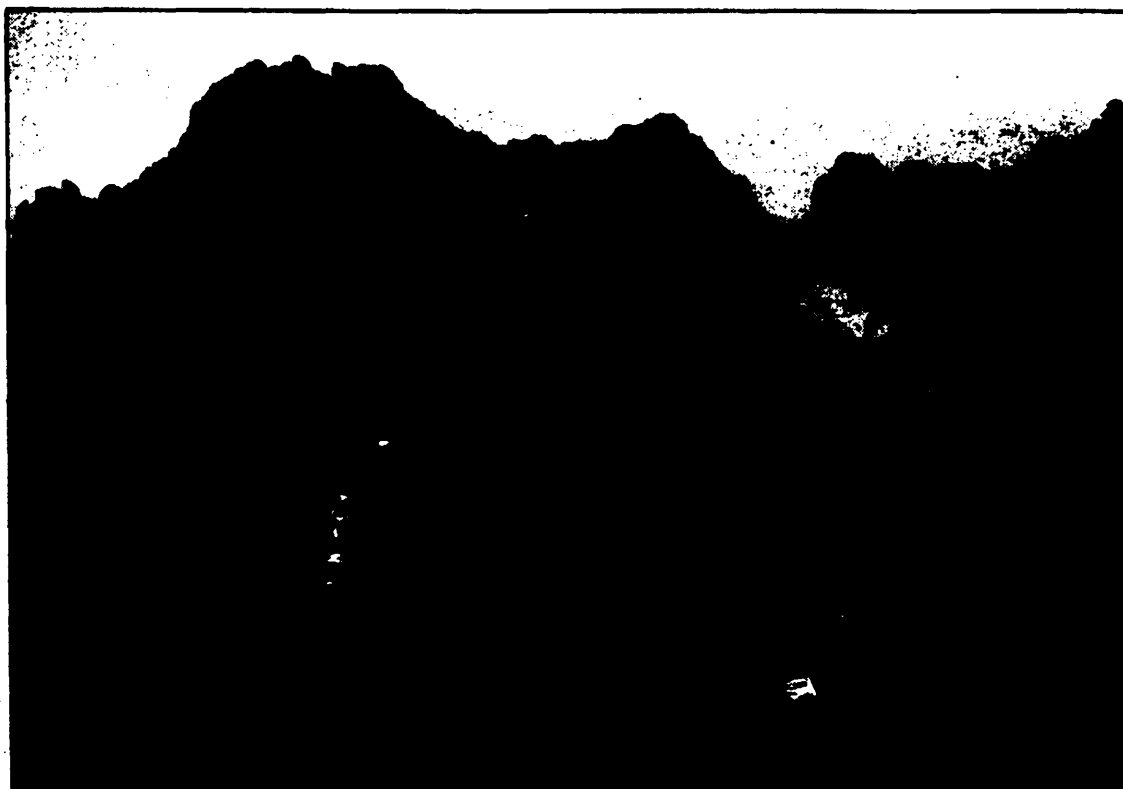
Back in 1989, few people would've expected Kunkel to ever be competing worldwide in tae kwon do, least of all herself.

The Tacoma resident was an exuberant second-year student, who studied calculus and excelled for the T-Birds in both softball and basketball.

Just one year prior she had blown out her left knee playing basketball. The next year the same injury to her right knee dampened her career. She took up tae kwon do strictly to get back into shape for b-ball.

Eleven years later, it has become a bit more serious than that. It has become a passion.

"One of the reasons I fell in love with tae kwon do is because I've been a tomboy all my life," she said. "Once I got start-



General Motors photo  
Barbara Kunkel clears a parking space for the car she was given as part of the U.S. Olympic team. Kunkel, a Highline grad, will compete in tae kwon do.

ed I learned that it's a way of life. . . . It teaches you to believe in yourself, and that really

intrigued me."

Kunkel originally started out practicing karate. But because it

uses roughly 80 percent hands and 20 percent feet, she chose tae kwon do - which uses the

opposite.

She made the National Team in 1993, which led to a head-first leap into the uncharted proximity of her dream.

Kunkel quit her job in 1995, electing to concentrate wholeheartedly on competing.

Two weekends ago she made her way into a tiny class of competitors, by winning the Regional Qualifying Trials, and going from Olympic hopeful to Olympic participant.

Kunkel left Highline after her second year, departing to Pikes Peak in Colorado.

Through chasing her goal she's seen it all and done it all. But she still remembers, and speaks fondly of Highline.

"All my memories of Highline are very positive," she said. "I really enjoyed the school."

Kunkel also greatly appreciates and values the country she's representing. "We're so blessed to live in a country where we can take things for granted," she said. "I wouldn't want to live anywhere else."

## Broken tiles lead to injuries at nearby Mt. Rainier Pool

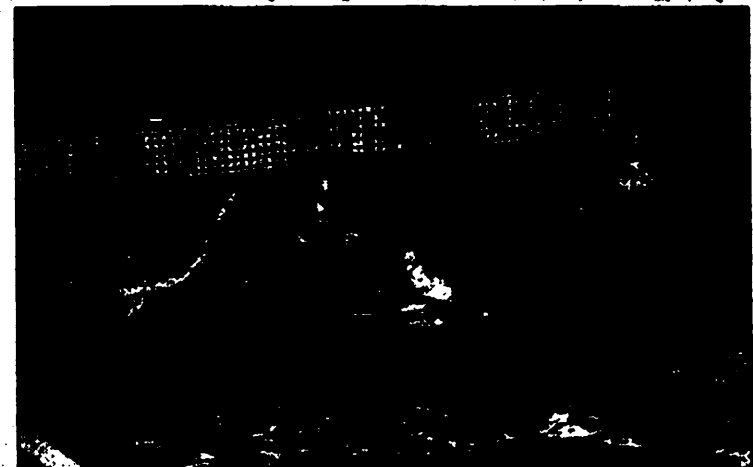
Moving bulkhead leaves eight patrons with cuts

By Jarrett Minter  
Staff Reporter

The Mt. Rainier Pool in Des Moines has been plagued with injuries due to chipped tiles on the pool's gutters.

Since March, eight cuts have been reported by pool patrons, with three of those injuries requiring stitches.

The injuries have been caused by the chipped tiles at the pool. More often than not these bro-



Pool patrons cavort and caper at Mt. Rainier Pool.

ken tiles go undiscovered until someone gets cut, pool employees say.

"It's an ongoing problem," said Steve Chavey, a King County Parks official.

A movable bulkhead that uses the gutter as a track is the major cause of the broken tiles. When the bulkhead is moved, it can come off track, causing tiles to break.

Mt. Rainier Pool, which is next to Mt. Rainier High School, is open to the

public and caters to people of all ages. With the impending closure of Highline's pool, Mt. Rainier will most likely be the next alternative for local recreational swimmers.

Pool officials said they are working to solve the tile problem. "We are continually fixing the broken tiles that we are aware of," Chavey said.

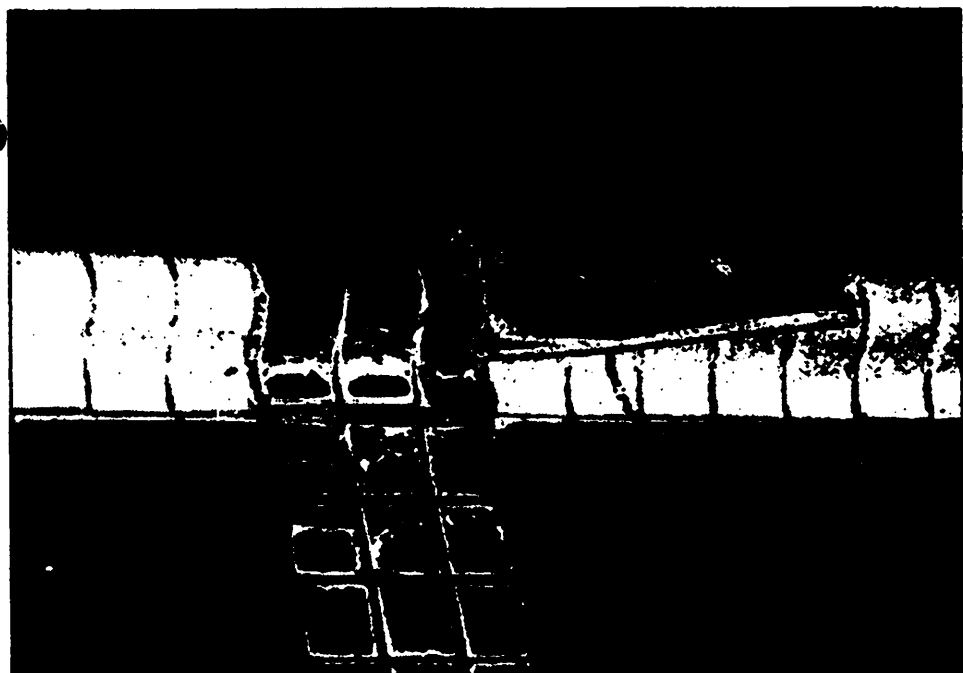
Although it has been rumored that the pool will undergo tile renovation in September, "A major repair has not been planned yet," Chavey said.

Mt. Rainier Pool recently was acclaimed for its safety record by King County Parks.

The pool had three rescues in the last month that were handled expertly by the lifeguards on duty, parks officials said.

The Mt. Rainier Pool is located at 22722 19th Ave. S. Admission is \$2.50 for lap swim, and \$1.60 for public and family swims. The pool is open from 5:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays.

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Broken tiles such as this one have injured eight people at the pool.

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Left: Triple H looks down on Kane before their match.

Photo by Evan Keck

Below: Prince Albert, Trish Stratus and Test at the Silver Dollar Casino signing.

Photos by Paris Hansen

## Takedown in Tacoma

It's true, it's true — the World Wrestling Federation has finally made its way back to the Pacific Northwest. Tuesday night as I sat in section 9A of the Tacoma Dome I could finally smell what the Rock was cooking.

The night before the event my friends and I stayed up until 3 a.m. making posters for the show. It really didn't matter how late we stayed up. I was way too excited to sleep. The anticipation was worse than Christmas.

The morning of the show I woke up after a refreshing three hours of sleep and got ready for my busy day. I was on a total body high.

The first item on the agenda was to pick up Talitha Vanzo, Andy Olson and Jenny Auditore. Because my car was the biggest, I was elected the chauffeur for the day.

After dropping Andy off at school (he didn't want to miss his Astronomy class with Charles Stores), the three of us girls and Evan Keck headed to the Silver Dollar Casino in SeaTac to meet Trish Stratus, Test and Albert. Being in the same room with my girl Trish and my ex-future husband Test was extremely cool. Trish has to be one of the nicest people ever and Test...well all I can say is WOW.

After dropping Evan off at school and picking Andy up, we were on our way. We arrived at the Tacoma Dome around 4

### Time Out



By Paris Hansen

p.m., three and a half-hours before the show was even scheduled to start. What were we to do for three hours? Hang out outside with the rest of the WWF fans.

Andy walked around proudly displaying his Chris Jericho sign. We weren't even at the arena for five minutes before we were approached by security who told Andy that he would not be allowed to bring the stick in that was holding up his sign.

After about 20 minutes of hanging around outside of the arena this really cool white Navigator limo pulled up outside the KUBE 93 tent. The ho train had arrived. The men in the audience were excited to finally get a chance to see the women that KUBE 93's T-Man had picked for The Godfather's ho train.

I have to admit that the T-man did a decent job. I have seen many of the Godfather's hos on t.v. and would have to say these hos were possibly the most attractive ones ever.

The next couple of hours passed by rather quickly, especially after we realized that the Tacoma Dome had opened up

100 more seats and we were able to buy better tickets. We spent the next couple of hours trying to find four people to come down and buy the tickets that we had originally purchased.

Walking into the arena at 7:15 p.m. I was in awe. The entire arena was buzzing with predictions of what might happen and comments on signs.

The first match of the night was a dark match (where two up-and-coming wrestlers or tag teams wrestle each other) between The Dupps and two guys whose names I couldn't hear. Chants of "You can't wrestle" and "Boring" filled the arena throughout the short match.

After that match they moved right into the taping of *Sunday Night Heat*. I know that it says *Sunday Night Heat*, but in case you didn't know *Heat* and *Smackdown* are taped earlier in the week and then showed on their respective nights (that's why I liked the It's Really Tuesday sign).

This was when the real action began and I got to see some of my favorite wrestlers. Chyna, Rikishi and Chris Benoit were some of the wrestlers that came out.

Probably the funniest moment all night was when the blonde ho in the pink dress fell on her face getting into the ring for the post match dance.

The end match for *Heat* was a King of the Ring qualifier match between Al Snow and Val

Venis. Up next was *Smackdown*.

The announcer told everyone that this was our chance for TV time so we should be as loud as possible and hold our signs up high. The arena erupted into a frenzy with everyone and their mother trying to get the attention of the camera guys.

Everyone who is anyone in the WWF was there (except for Stone Cold and Shawn Michaels). Kane who made his return from an injury Monday night was in attendance and got a huge pop (reaction) from the crowd.

My favorite tag team, The Hardy Boyz, came out first and received a great pop from everyone, not just the pre-pubescent girls in the crowd.

Our seats were great. We were sitting right behind the Ovaltron, where we could see all of the wrestlers coming up to the stage and onto the ramp.

The only drawback was that we couldn't see what the wrestlers did at the top of the ramp.

It was truly amazing seeing all of the wrestlers in person. I have been a fan of the WWF for almost 10 years now and have never been to a live show before this week. Seeing Chris Jericho, Triple H and Jeff Hardy live had to be one of the greatest times of my life.

I can only imagine that my trip to North Carolina at the end of August can only be better. I am going to *SummerSlam*, the second biggest WWF Pay-Per View of the year.

I recommend watching *Smackdown* tonight to everyone. It was a great show. I can't wait to see if I got on TV or if anyone I know did.

Tickets for September 9 House Show at the Key Arena go on sale Saturday, probably around 9 or 10 a.m. This is not a televised show.



# A pot smoker's tale: getting high in the parking lot

By Chad Kershner  
Staff Reporter

It's 8 in the morning as a Highline student rolls into the North parking lot. Time to get his "game face" on. It's time to smoke some herb.

During fall and winter quarters this year, this student wore his game face to class nearly every single day.

This guy, we'll call him Kenny since he desires to remain anonymous, was one of those students who needed a little herbal refreshment before class.

Kenny is 22 years old. He has attended Highline for two years, and other than the fact that he used to be high virtually all the time, there's not much about him that differentiates him from the rest of the student body.

Except for his morning routine.

"I'd arrive at school an hour early every day, without fail," he said. "I would park in the North parking lot at 8 in the morning, wait until I thought no one could possibly see me, and then I'd load a bowl and get baked."

Kenny kept his pipe and his pot locked in a metal box which he kept under his passenger seat. Having this box with him at all times was one of the things that made smoking before class so inevitable.

"My stash box was always in my car, so if I wanted to smoke, all I had to do was go to my car," he said. "I'd smoke before

classes, between classes, and sometimes I'd get up in the middle of class, go out to my car, take up, and then get back to class as quickly as possible."

This locking metal box was also the No. 1 source of stress in Kenny's life. "It was in my car at all times, so everywhere I went, it was with me, and I was always living in fear of getting stopped by a cop," he said.

"One of the things about me

was that if I was getting ready to drive some-

where, I'd always smoke a bowl right before I left, and consequently I was high as a kite 99 percent of the time when behind the wheel," he said.

Aside from the fact that he liked getting high, the thrill of doing something with so many potential risks was too tempting to avoid.

"I think that taking a risk by smoking on campus was very addicting to me, so it was like I was daring myself to go smoke a bowl," he said. "I knew that I could play it off (being high) in front of any of my instructors no matter how baked I was, and so any time I wanted to get high, I could."

Kenny was taking up in his car when security drove by on more than one occasion.

"One of the scariest things for me was the thought of get-

ting busted by campus security," he said. "I would always watch for the security golf cart and the police cruiser, and more than once I almost got caught by security because I was just about to light up and then the cop would drive by slowly behind me."

Kenny described the feeling of coming so close to getting in so much trouble as "that sinking, plummeting feeling you get

when you drive by a cop going 10 miles per hour over the speed limit and you wonder if you're going to get stopped."

Being such a pothead a person might think it might be difficult to maintain a good grade point average. Kenny is an exception to this rule.

Kenny has taken a full class load each quarter he's been here. His grade point average has been above a 3.4, despite the fact that almost every class period of fall and winter quarter was taken under the influence.

He's working towards completing his AA requirements, and taking all the boring classes that are necessary. Writing,

math, lab sciences, speech and history are just a few classes he's worn his game face to.

"My grades were important to me then and they are still important to me now," he said. "Back then (fall and winter quarters) I figured that as long as my grades were OK, I could keep getting stoned at school, which made the tedium of coming to the same classes day in day out a little more tolerable."

Kenny surprised himself by how well he did in his first quarter of nearly daily pot smoking.

"Fall Quarter of this year, I got the best grades I ever got in my life," he said. "I liked all my classes except one of them, and to me, the only drawback to it all was the fact that pot costs so much, and I went through it at a pretty rapid pace."

Winter Quarter was a different story, even though the grades were still pretty good.

"Winter Quarter of this year, my grades slipped a little, but not too much," he said. "I didn't really want to come to the realization that being stoned during practically every class period was not good for my GPA."

Kenny finally decided to retake control of his life before the start of Spring Quarter 2000. He realized that sooner or later, his luck would run out, and then there would be trouble.

He knew that there was only one way that he could break the cycle and take back control of his life.

"I had to get rid of my stash box," he said. "As long as I had it in my car, I'd always be tempted to go smoke whenever I had the opportunity."

So on March 26, Kenny finally reclaimed his life. He threw his box away, and hasn't gotten high since then.

"I drove to a Dumpster behind my one of my old jobs and threw my box into it," he said. "I crushed my pipe under my heel and threw everything out, everything except the key to the box, which I still keep on my key chain to remind me of how things used to be."

"I'm still really proud of the fact that I beat Mary Jane," he said. "I really don't think that pot is as bad as, say, heroin or coke, or any of those other drugs I've never tried and never will. But it became such a part of my life."

Since he got rid of the box, Kenny has been sober in class every day. His grades, surprisingly, are actually not getting better because of it.

"I used to think that if I could do so well in my classes while high, I could do that much better if I was sober," he said. "I guess that's just another thing I mistakenly thought I had figured out."

**"I knew that I could play it off (being high) in front of any of my instructors no matter how baked I was."**

- Kenny

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## New degree prepares science students for transferring

By Jaime Ducharme  
Staff Reporter

A new degree is available at Highline for all science and engineering majors.

The associate of science degree will allow science and engineering majors to get their math and sciences out of the way before they transfer to four-year institutions.

The degree was created to help those students majoring in science and engineering get admitted easier to a four-year institutions.

Students seeking an associate of science degree can focus on biological, environmental/resource, chemistry, geology, and earth sciences, or a degree in engineering, computer sciences, physics and atmospheric sciences.

Engineering and science majors need to take specific sequences of courses in math and science. If they delay these, it may take them much longer to finish four-year degrees.

The A.S. degree, which will be available starting fall 2000, allows students to focus on sequenced courses. Students will take general university requirements later, when they can be

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--Sam Shabb



spread out as needed.

Highline students pursuing an A.S. degree will have different requirements than those for an associate of arts degree. Requirements will further vary depending on a student's specific major.

For example, for the biological sciences, a student will need five credits in a Writing 101 class or any higher level of writing, and two courses -- 10 credits -- in Math 124 or above.

Fifteen credits will be needed in humanities and social sciences, plus 10-15 credits in pre-major sciences that a science major would have to take regardless.

"This degree was put here at Highline to help those students going into engineering or medical fields. This degree will help them get out of Highline sooner and make the transition to a uni-

versity a lot easier," said biology and oceanography instructor Sam Shabb.

On average, if an engineering student takes the appropriate classes in sequence, he or she will earn an A.S. in two years and then receive a bachelor's in engineering in two more years.

"This degree was designed because students were coming into a university with no math and if an engineering student is not at least up to calculus, then they are going to have to take a lot of math," said University of Washington Academic Adviser Mary Cook.

"Every school has general university requirements, so of course a student would also have to fulfill those, but with an A.S. that student can concentrate more on their major," said Shabb.

If a student is thinking about

receiving an A.S., a few requirements that must be met.

A student has to take a minimum of 90 credits total with a minimum 2.0 grade point average.

Requests and approvals are also needed for the completion of this degree.

"This degree is a way to help those interested in science and engineering degrees get started earlier on the math and sciences that a student will need to keep up the pace in a university," said Cook.

This degree is no different than an A.A., but an A.S. is an easier way of science and engineering majors to get the lower levels of math and science out of the way.

"Most engineering and science majors cannot take everything they need to take for an A.A. plus classes that they would need to take to be at the junior level at a university in two years. Most of those students are in community college for three to four years before they are ready to transfer," said Shabb.

"This is a tool, not a cure for those students struggling in math, it just pushes them in the right direction," said Cook.

**Thunderword wins award, names summer, fall editors**

The Thunderword took second place in the recent Western Washington Society of Professional Journalists competition for general excellence.

It is the third year in a row that the paper has finished in the top three of the contest, which features two-year college newspapers from across the state.

In other news, Ericka Wood has been named editor for Summer Quarter. Wood previously served as reporter and opinion page editor.

She will be joined by Rachele Corella, campus editor; Patrick Allcorn, arts/recreation editor; and Connie Harshman, photo editor.

Derek Roche has been named editor for Fall Quarter. Roche previously served as reporter, arts editor, news editor and managing editor.

Also joining Roche will be Evan Keck, campus editor; Rachele Corella, news editor; Patrick Allcorn, sports editor; Sam Abraham, arts editor; Petra Sokolova, graphics editor; and Sherry Leavens, business manager. The paper hopes to hire an advertising manager for fall.



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# Two religious clubs have a place on campus Personal computers may not be as safe as you think

Part two of a two part series  
By Perry Bauer  
Staff Reporter

Amal Mahmoud is the faculty adviser for the Muslim Student Association at Highline.

He is also an ESL instructor here, and says he finds the field very rewarding and exciting.

"The MSA has grown quite a bit in my two years as an adviser," Mahmoud said.

"We've also been very active during that period, bringing speakers to the campus to explain the principles of Islam and clear up some misconceptions about Islam that people on campus might have."

The Muslim Student Association has about 40 regular members, and arranges field trips to visit other Islamic communities in the Northwest, particularly the Islamic student group at University of Washington.

The MSA meets Tuesdays at 1 p.m. in Building 10, Room 104.

Mahmoud is also involved with an Arab students' organization that includes members of other faiths, including many Christians from places like



Egypt and Palestine.

The Muslim Student Association has a new president. Her name is Huda Noori.

Shannon Proctor, speech instructor, is in her first year as adviser for Campus Crusade for Christ.

She has been associated with the organization for two years.

Campus Crusade for Christ stages concerts of Christian music on campus, featuring the "altar call," during which people are invited to publicly give their lives to Christ.

Likewise, CCC has meetings every Friday at noon.

"The meetings are open to everyone who is interested in finding out who Christ is. All are welcome," Proctor said.

CCC has about thirty regular members.

By Elizabeth Outlaw  
Staff Reporter

Welcome to the information age where with a click of the mouse you can become a victim over the Internet.

Internet security was the focus of a presentation put on by the Interactive Media 101 students.

The group explained terms, laws and concepts relating to the issue.

"I hope our audience walked away from this presentation realizing the need to become informed and involved citizens," said Bridgette Stevens, Interactive Media student.

Stevens is referring to the laws passed concerning the Internet that the public had little knowledge of.

In 1996 the government first began passing laws but the Internet changes so rapidly that some of the laws became obsolete.

A different problem for Highline is that the college emphasizes that they are student-focused and students have

**"We (Highline) are trying to provide security and accessibility and it's really hard to balance."**

**- Borris Hodak**

access to all kinds of services and technology.

"We (Highline) are trying to provide security and accessibility and it's really hard to balance," said Borris Hodak, a lab assistant at Highline who sat on a question and answer panel after the presentation.

The panel consisted of Hodak, Dick Arbak, director of System Services, and Pablo Tellez, Powertech consultant.

Typical security problems for the public are encounters with crackers rather than hackers. Crackers attempt to "break into systems by guessing passwords," while hackers "attack security systems," said Brandon Godfrey, Interactive Media student.

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computer.

Encryption software wraps additional information around the original message, making it very difficult to get to the information in the center.

"The most advanced software available is 128-bit," said Larry Grulich.

All three of the panelists shared enthusiasm for the future of technology and Highline.

"We see stuff like this in the movies and think there's no way were we ever going to get there but really it's the next frontier," Tellez said.

Hodak agrees.

"Movies like *The Matrix* are possible. We don't know how to control the technology we have right now and we're pushing forward," he said.

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## And the survey says. . .

By Matthew Ussery  
Staff Reporter

Thunderword readers have responded - some of them anyway.

A recent, unscientific poll of 100 Highline students and faculty members was conducted by the Thunderword in an attempt to improve the quality of Highline's newspaper.

The majority of respondents were satisfied or impressed with the news coverage and overall quality of the paper.

"(It is a) generally interesting way to find out about school (and) local events," one respondent commented.

Some other respondents, however, had harsher words and criticisms.

"There is effort, but usually most pieces gloss over the story without depth," said another respondent.

Although there was a split among respondents, some trends became apparent. Survey participants were asked to rate how often they read different sections of the newspaper.

Hard news stories such as the Crime Blotter and the news section were the most popular attraction - each area attracting at least 60 percent of readers on a fairly regular basis.

"I look at the top news first to see what's going on around campus," said a respondent.

Cartoons, graphics and photographs also attract an easy majority of readers.

The Sports and Arts sections responses were virtually identical. Both sections garner about 50 percent of those who read the Thunderword.

Other sections of the paper, however, did not receive such favorable ratings. Although there were some who loved the Crossword Puzzle, 75 percent of respondents rarely or never pay attention to it.

Although opinion columns attracted about 50 percent of readers, some people had a strong distaste for them.

"(I would like to see less) stories about fashion, dating . . . and fluff," explained one reader.

In addition to giving insight into which sections of the Thunderword readers pay attention to, the readership survey also gave participants the opportunity to suggest various improvements. Improvement suggestions ranged from an increase in features on students and local activities, to adding a swimsuit section.

Due to the desire to keep from alienating many readers, some suggestions will be disregarded.

The Thunderword would like to thank respondents for their time and input.

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**H**ungry Highline early birds have probably given their breakfast order to a stocky man with close-cropped iron-gray hair and beard.

Dennis Breakfield, 53, has cooked at Highline for about two years. And he used to give orders himself.

Breakfield is a Marine Corps veteran of two combat tours in Vietnam during the 1960s.

He joined the Marines at age 19 in August 1965, four months after the first Marines landed at Da Nang.

The Marines were a tradition in his family; his uncles, father, and older brothers all served in the Corps.

After leaving 'Nam, Breakfield, by that time a corporal, served 26 months embassy duty in Australia and the Philippines, then two years in the active reserve.

After a total of 13 years in the Corps, Breakfield left as a sergeant in 1980.

Breakfield told of many Vietnam veterans becoming homeless drifters after returning, because of the uncaring climate of American society.

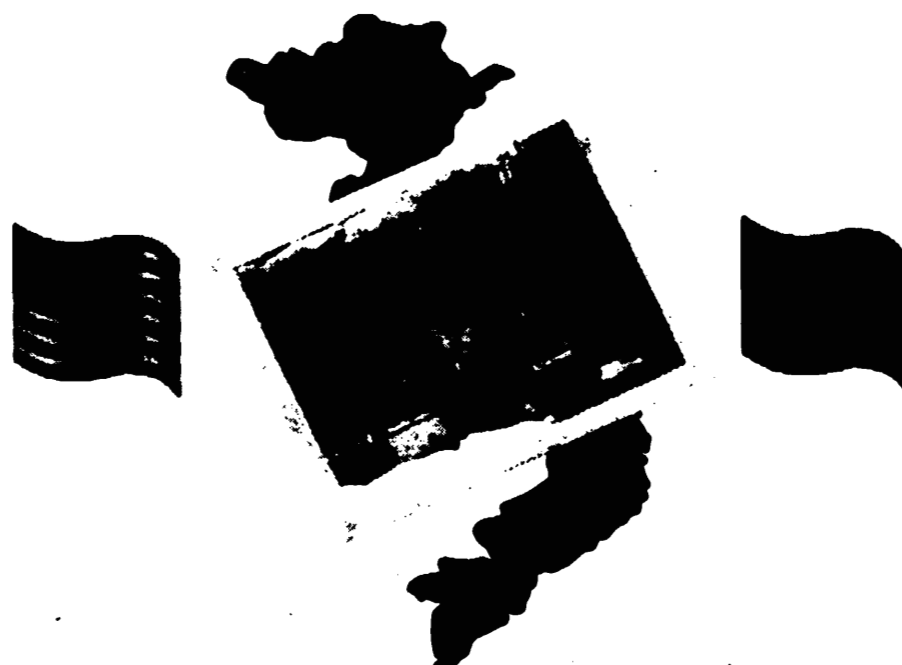
He is somewhat reluctant to tell his own story.

"A lot of us (Vietnam vets) talk about it among ourselves, but generally people can't understand," he said. "We were over there just doing a job, and we come back and get all this crap thrown at us. It was the government they should have blamed."

In Vietnam, the USMC served primarily in I Corps, called "Eye" Corps by the Marines stationed there.

The northernmost region of South Vietnam, Eye Corps witnessed some of the bloodiest engagements of the war, as the North Vietnamese Army made forays into South Vietnam from nearby North Vietnam and Cambodia.

## OUT OF THE FIRING LINE



## AND INTO THE KITCHEN

### VIETNAM VETERAN AND HIGHLINE COOK DENNIS BREAKFIELD FINDS PEACE WITH POTS AND PANS

STORY BY PERRY BAUER

Breakfield trained for 105mm howitzers (cannons firing at targets beyond line of sight) in artillery units of the Third Marine Division, 12th Battalion.

Artillery units normally didn't have to face the terror and trauma of field operations, but the trade-off was facing much larger enemy formations.

After his first tour, Breakfield rotated back to the States, but found himself unwilling to adjust to the stale routine, unfamiliar faces, and petty office politics of stateside duty.

"I'd been in combat since I left basic training. One minute you're in combat, and 24 hours later you're back in the States, and it's a big shock. I knew

what was expected of me in combat, but stateside duty had different expectations. You don't know the people assigned to your unit, and don't know what to do with them," he said.

He signed up for a second tour in 'Nam.

In 1967, at Cam Lo in Quang Tri Province near the DMZ (de-militarized Zone, the border between North and South Vietnam), Breakfield was stationed at a compound housing about 300 men.

One day, he was reassigned to a gun position a few yards from his original location.

That night, the Marine compound was attacked by a regiment-sized force numbering be-

tween 1,000 and 1,200 men, elements of a reinforced NVA division.

During the assault, an enemy sapper (hit-and-run or suicide bomber) tossed a satchel charge into the very position from which Breakfield had been re-assigned.

One of his buddies landed on the charge and was killed in the explosion.

"Nobody knows whether or not he threw himself on the charge, as Marines are trained to do in order to save the lives of their fellow Marines, or whether he fell on it by accident. But the fact remains, he was exactly where I would have been if I hadn't been re-assigned," Breakfield said with a

tone of disbelief.

Four other Marines, as well as 79 NVA soldiers, were killed that night.

It was the second attack on the compound, the first occurring in 1966. Breakfield had been there then as well.

After the Tet Offensive in 1968, Breakfield revisited the ancient imperial capital of Hue (pronounced "whey").

He went to see an old church he'd admired before the NVA occupation and the devastating U.S. counter-offensive to retake the city.

The church was a bombed-out ruin, like much of Hue. It was a heartbreaking experience for Breakfield.

Upon returning to the U.S. after his second combat tour, he faced down a "lifer" (career officer) who unsuccessfully tried to take his sergeant's stripes.

"None of his people liked him," said Breakfield. "Everybody who's ever served in the military has run across somebody like him."

Returning to civilian life, Breakfield tried his hand at fishing and logging on the Oregon Coast.

Encountering poor business prospects and militant anti-logging activists, he opted to re-enlist in the Marines, this time having to go in as a PFC (Private First Class) due to a glut of sergeants during the closing phases of U.S. involvement in Vietnam.

He recovered his previous rank of Sergeant before returning to civilian life in 1980.

Breakfield's military experience benefits Highline students and staff; he learned to cook in the Marines.

"I like cooking, and Highline is an easy place to work," he said.

Reflecting on his experience, he says, "You learn to appreciate life more when you've been through combat."

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## Student government reaches goals

Members say they learned a lot

By Susan Romani  
Staff Reporter

This year's Student Government officials say they accomplished many goals they had set for this year.

Renee Jovet, president, said her goal was "to change how students are voted [elected] in spring instead of fall. (Also) to change hours and requirements for Student Government positions."

The change took place at Wednesday's year-end Associated Council meeting when the new by-laws were approved.

John Fox, vice president of legislation, wanted to bring a change in the voter turnout.

"I wanted to raise voter turnout and learn more about the legislative process," he said.

While the voter turnout failed to increase, Fox said that he will be leaving with a lot more knowledge about the legislative process of Student

Government.

Joe Nalley and Kyle Maschhoff, student senators, planned to foster unity among the Highline students and be there to provide help for them.

"(My goal was) to be here for the students and if they had any questions, to help them," said Maschhoff.

Maschhoff also planned to develop an outreach program where the current members would get together with other community college student government officers and exchange ideas and see how they function.

While the program did not get started, Maschhoff hopes that next year's members will take further action.

"(I think) it would be easier to develop next year, hopefully Fall Quarter," said Maschhoff.

Sandra Allen, international student senator, said she accomplished "breaching language barriers and having group activities."

Nalley and Jovet, felt due to lack of time, they failed to finish their projects.

As a group, most of the members agreed that their biggest achievement was their in-

volvement in deciding the new student center design and helping to choose a new Highline president for next year.

One thing which was liked by most Student Government members was the connection they made with their fellow members.

"I am glad that I did run because of the friendships that I made," said Fox.

Fox and Jovet are glad they met Kyle Maschhoff and enjoyed spending quality time with him.

"(Being a member) just opened doors to making new friends, meeting staff and faculty," said Maschhoff.

Nalley most liked the "new experience" of being on the Student Government.

Before the current officials' term ends, they do have advice for next year's members.

"Don't be afraid to rely on each other, be creative and ask questions," said Jovet.

"Don't be afraid to question anybody — you want to explore what they are thinking," said Maschhoff.

Maschhoff and Fox both advise next year's members, "to have fun."

## Kenfield

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"Pamela is an excellent speaker, and she uses humor, and that is what we were looking at to lighten up the mood. It showed in her speech and the way that she presented herself that she really wanted to do it," said Proctor.

Kenfield has nothing bad to say about her experience at Highline.

"I like Highline because people are so personable here. You are addressed by name, not by your student ID number. I have had nothing but wonderful experiences at Highline," said Kenfield.

Graduation ceremonies will be in the Pavilion.

All graduating students should meet in Building 23, rooms 206 and 210 by 6:30 p.m. on June 8.

A reception will follow the ceremony in Building 8, where students can take time to have their pictures taken and visit with friends and family.

## Quality

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ism and writing.

"Students who come to Highline receive more than facts and information; in many classes they also receive attention and the means by which to apply their knowledge," Landgraf added.

The idea that two years at Highline can be equivalent to the first two years at many universities is substantiated by evidence, according to Vice President of Academic Affairs Jack Bermingham.

"The data shows that students who transfer perform at comparable levels in their last two years at a four-year institution as those . . . who started at the four-year college," Bermingham said.

Many believe that regardless of how good or bad Highline currently is, the college should always strive to get better.

"We certainly can and should keep trying to improve our student outcomes," said John Huber.

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**By Maggie Larrick**

...ing served as registrar, director of admissions, administrative assistant to the president and vice presi-

"I have big shoes to fill as the saying goes," Bell said.

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*Dr. Edward Command, who is Highline Community College's outgoing president, shows the incoming president, Dr. Price S. Bell, around the school's campus.*

**By Eric Mathison**  
TIMES/NEWS

The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court in Seattle, claims vio-

In the lawsuit, the Highline cities and the Highline School District which are members of the Airport Communities Coalition (ACC) are requesting an injunction against all construction activity by Port of Seattle officials on the third runway project. The ACC is composed of the cities of Burien, Des Moines, Normandy

ACC members are asking that the injunction last until officials with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) finish consultations with officials with federal fishery agencies and complete a final biological assessment of the project's impact on three endangered species.

According to the ACC claims

The lawsuit names the National Marine Fisheries Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as agencies that need to be consulted about the project's affect on the

Kirsti Dunn, regional FAA spokesperson, said FAA officials informed ACC staffers in April that the agency would not provide additional funding for any project that might violate the ESA until a new biological assessment is created. She said she does not know when the third runway project

— See **LAWUIT**, page 5

**By Ralph Nichols**  
**TIME NEWS**

"One of the things I-695 visited upon us is the need to look everywhere we can make cars," Sherman

Sharply reducing the SLU tax on eliminating the utility would slow funding availability for these projects and impact public safety, McCarty said.

— See DES MONNIES, page 18



# HIGHLINE/DES MOINES POLICE

**Drug arrest** - Three suspects were arrested on Monday, May 15 at 6:10 p.m. along Martin Luther King when they were found in possession of two types of narcotics.

A Tukwila police officer pulled over the three suspects in their vehicle after they committed a traffic infraction. That was when the officer discovered the 18-year-old and 22-year-old had crack cocaine and the 39-year-old was found with marijuana.

All of the suspects were arrested.

**Burglarized unaware** - A married couple was in the yard pruning flowers on Monday, May 22 at 3:35 p.m. when a man managed to sneak into the pair's house.

After leaving the house, the man walked through the couple's front yard and told them he was looking for the

"Millers." The suspect then continued walking east.

Ten minutes later, the woman went into the house and checked her husband's wallet which was laying out. She noticed \$250 was missing from the wallet.

She also saw the front door was unlocked when before it had been locked. The victim assumed that the suspect must have crept in through the back door and left through the front door.

Police officers arrived, but fingerprints were unobtainable due to the couple touching everything afterwards. There is no definite suspect information.

**Attempted car-jacking** - Four suspects in a car tailgated and harassed a man while he was driving through the unincorporated area north of Burien

on Monday, May 22 from 1:15-1:30 p.m.

The victim was concerned for his safety and pulled his car into a nearby Texaco station in hopes of getting witnesses to help. The four suspects pulled their vehicle over next to the victim and surrounded his car.

One man held a small black bat, while a woman implied she was carrying a gun. The woman continually harassed the victim, insisting that he hand over his car keys and stating, "I oughta cap you."

The victim recently purchased the car from a police auction. He knew the car had formerly belonged to drug dealers, and he assumed that one of the four was the former owner.

When some pedestrians arrived, the suspects took off, threatening to be back. The case has been forwarded to the Seattle Police Department.

**Abusive friendship** - A depressed woman in north Burien harassed another woman and her friend on Monday, May 22 using threatening and volatile behavior.

The suspect followed the victim, who was a friend, and threw a rock at the windshield of the victim's car. Later, the suspect called the victim's house more than 20 times in four hours threatening to come to the house and ruin her car and her job.

A threatening note was received by the victim that stated, "I will stop the madness when (the victim's friend) leaves."

The victim became fearful for the safety of her and her son and called police officers. The note was placed into evidence, and the case has been forwarded to detectives for review.

**Stolen diamonds** - While one man distracted a sales clerk in the South-center Mall, his accomplice reached into the display case and stole five diamond rings.

The two unidentified suspects entered a jewelry store in the Tukwila shopping center on Monday, May 22 at 12:44 p.m. The pair was not located, and no suspect information is known.

**Assault** - On Monday, May 22 at 2:40 p.m. a 21-year-old man came home drunk and began verbally abusing a woman who resided there.

Tukwila police officers were called to the scene, where they talked to the

offender. The man agreed to stop and go to bed, but as soon as the officers left, the man slapped the victim twice.

The officers returned and booked the suspect for fourth-degree assault.

**Attempting to elude** - A Burien police officer saw a car swerve on the road barely missing the curb on Tuesday, May 23 at 1:47 a.m. in the North Burien area.

After the officer had the driver pull the vehicle over to the side of the road, the officer was approaching when the suspect took off in the vehicle.

A chase ensued, with speeds averaging 50 miles per hour, through industrial zone. The suspect ran two stop signs, then did a U-turn directly in front of the officer, before heading down a dirt road which terminated in a dead end.

At that point, the vehicle halted and three men got out. The driver ran into the woods with his friends yelling for him to stop.

Back-up was called and officers nabbed the suspect. After a computer check, it was revealed he had three warrants outstanding for his arrest from Tukwila, plus three from Kent.

Although the suspect was arrested, the two passengers were released on the scene. The car was released to the passenger who owned it.

**Strander Boulevard robbery** - An unidentified man robbed a 21-year-old victim in a business on Strander Boulevard in Tukwila on Tuesday, May 23 at 11 p.m.

The suspect entered the business and demanded money from the victim who was working at the cash register. Although no weapon was seen, the suspect implied he had a gun.

The suspect fled with cash and is not apprehended.

Compiled by Sandra Goetz

By Ralph Nichols  
TIMESNEWS

Responding to "convincing evidence" that sexually oriented businesses have a negative impact on a community, Burien City Council members recently placed restrictions on these activities.

At their Monday, May 15 meeting, the council members unanimously adopted three ordinances that impose zoning requirements on adult-entertainment facilities, and regulate conduct in adult cabarets and panorams.

A seven-year moratorium on adult businesses in Burien expires on Tuesday, June 6.

While the ordinances note that adult entertainment includes constitu-

tionally protected forms of expression, they also state that "reasonable regulation ... is necessary for the protection of the community."

The council members determined that adult entertainment downgrades property values, which can increase crime.

Adult entertainment facilities now can be located only in industrial zones, 1,000 feet from other similar businesses and 330 feet from sensitive zones.


Among the property uses included in sensitive zones are daycare facilities, schools, parks, religious facilities, libraries, community centers, or residential areas.


People working in adult entertain-

ment will be required to have extensive background checks. Nudity will be allowed only on stages separated from patrons, and table dances will require a 10-foot separation.

In other action, the council members approved the city's 2000 contract with the Regional Council on Airport Affairs (RCAA), including \$28,000 of funding for that organization.

The council members also voted to require open applications for \$35,384 in federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) money available for human services projects to benefit low- and moderate-income persons in fiscal year 2001, rather than automatically re-funding current projects.

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## Correction

The Lazy Gardener column in the May 24, 2000 edition of the Times/News incorrectly stated the reason that the annual Aids Caregivers Network Plant Sale in West Seattle was canceled. The actual reason is that the group no longer exists.

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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by members of the Mountlake Terrace High School Jazz Band, who are recent winners of the Lionel Hampton Jazz Festival.

Also showcased at the event will be the talented Miss Burien 2000, Nicole Huling, and Las Vegas entertainer and Burien resident Paul Galvan. Both entertainers are thrilled to be working with a 17-piece orchestra, which is a rare treat for most singers.

Win cash by entering the dance contest which begins at 9 p.m. Categories 1 is for dancers ages 16 to 40 and category 2 is for ages 41 and older.

General admission is \$12 advance or \$15 at the door. The cost to enter the competition is \$20 per couple.

Advance tickets can be purchased at the Burien Parks and Recreation office, 425 S.W. 144th St., 206-244-5662.

The auditorium is located at Fourth Avenue Southwest and Southwest 146th Street.

For more information, check the event's web site at [www.bigspring2000.com](http://www.bigspring2000.com).

## Dye psychedelic t-shirts

Teenagers ages 12-18 can create psychedelic t-shirts using tie-dye methods during a workshop at the Burien Library.

The event from 7:30-8:30 p.m. is part of the ESCAPE! program for teens.

The library is located at 14700 Sixth Avenue Southwest.

For information, call 206-243-3490.

## Tots can be creative

Toddlers can let loose their creative energy while interacting with their parents and their peers during a fun time at the Des Moines Field House.

The agenda for this class offered by Des Moines Parks and Recreation officials includes hands-on crafts, movement exploration, group games, music, singing and story time. Snacks will be served.

Classes start Friday, June 2 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Four classes cost \$39.

Call 206-870-6527 for registration and information.

## Saturday, June 3

Get gardening answers

Gardening experts will be at the Burien Library throughout the month of June to answer questions concerning plant samples.

The event, sponsored by the members of the Master Gardeners Washington State University Extension program will be held 10 a.m.-2 p.m. every Saturday through June 24 and from 5-8 p.m. every Wednesday through June 28.

The library is located at 14700 Sixth Ave. S.W.

For information, call 206-243-3490.

## Holy Rosary reunion held

Holy Rosary High School's Class of 1955 will hold its 45th reunion at noon at Tony Roma's Restaurant at Southcenter.

For information, call 206-824-5930 or 425-885-6549.

## Have treasures valued

Get a verbal appraisal at the Burien Art Gallery of heirlooms, paintings or anything treasured by a certified guest appraiser.

This first in-house appraisal event will be held by gallery members from noon-4 p.m. No appointment is necessary. There will be a \$6 charge per item.

Arrangements can be made for formal written appraisals.

The gallery is located at 421 S.W. 146th St.

For information, call 206-244-7808.

## Appreciate local artists

View the artwork of local professionals, serious amateurs, students and dabblers at the Normandy Park Art Festival.

The fair will run from 1-5 p.m. on Saturday, June 3-Sunday, June 4, at Normandy Park City Hall. A special children's project will take place each day with an artist in action.

Volunteers are needed to help put up and take down the artwork to be displayed.

City hall is located at 801 S.W. 174th St.

For information on attending the festival or volunteering to help, call 206-246-1883.

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## Sunday, June 4

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Directed by Ron Hazenberg, the band members will play a variety of music from classical marches to symphonic favorites at 1:30 p.m. for their final concert of the season.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket and a bite to eat. A potluck is planned after the performance.

The Normandy Park Cove is located at 1500 Shorebrook Dr.

For information, call 206-242-5459.

## Monday, June 5

### Brazilian singer is topic

Hear about the life and accomplishments of the great Bidu Sayao, a Brazilian soprano, who was one of the most popular singers at the Metropolitan Opera between 1935-1950.

Norm Hollingshead, Seattle Opera preview lecturer, will discuss Sayao at 7:30 p.m. at the Burien Library during this event sponsored by members of the Burien Library Guild.

The library is located at 14700 Sixth Ave. S.W.

For information, call 206-243-3490.

## Tuesday, June 6

### It's dams versus salmon

Find out whether dams and salmon can co-exist in the Pacific Northwest.

That is the critical question to be addressed at the Association of Washington Businesses (AWB) 2000 Environmental Conference from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. at the SeaTac Marriott.

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AWB officials oppose breaching dams on the Columbia and Snake

rivers in Eastern Washington because of the negative impact it would have on the lives of Washington residents.

Winners of AWB's 2000 Environmental Awards will also be announced at the event.

Registration for the conference is \$135 per person. For details, visit the AWB web site at [www.awb.org](http://www.awb.org), or call 1-800-521-9325.

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# President: Improving communication is her goal

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The diverse population served by Highline also is very different than the clientele at Fulton-Montgomery. Bell estimated Highline's minority representation in students and faculty is about 35 percent.

"Fulton-Montgomery exists in an area that is more homogeneous," Bell said.

The new president said she intends to continue the college's work of reaching out to the members of the surrounding community.

One step in that direction about which Bell is enthusiastic is the college's extended learning center where educators help business officials and individuals respond with proper training to today's rapid shifts in technology and industry.

Bell also plans to build stronger ties with high schools and the media as a way to let people know what the college has to offer.

"People have to know about us,"

Bell said.

As part of staying connected with the community the school serves, Bell is looking for a home in the area.

Command, who has lived near the college or in Federal Way during his entire tenure, approves of Bell's plan to live nearby.

"You get a much better feel for the dynamics and the changes going on in the community," Command said.

Even living locally, Command admitted that keeping a finger on the pulse of the surrounding area can be difficult because it is composed of so many very different communities.

"What's going on in Tukwila has very little to do with what's going on in Normandy Park," Command said.

Bell has broken the string of Highline presidents who for about 24 years have first served as vice president. Dr. Orville Carnahan, who served as president from 1971-

76, was the last person hired from outside the college to take the top position.

Command said the advantage to climbing through the ranks is that "you know where the skeletons are."

Still, he contended hiring a president from outside the institution can "bring a new perspective, a fresh set of eyes" that can lead to solutions not readily obvious to an insider.

Command pointed out Bell is only the fifth president since the college opened on Sept. 18, 1961.

"For a community college in Washington that's quite a bit of stability," Command said. "It speaks well to the foundation laid here."

Bell's salary will be \$125,000 per year according to a three-year contract.

Retirement for Command will mean nominal changes in his life, although he and his wife have plans to travel, with Australia as the first trip on their agenda.



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From left to right: Dr. Shirley B. Gordon, who served as Highline Community College's third president from 1976-90; Dr. Edward Command, outgoing president; and Dr. M.A. (Pat) Allan, the school's first president from 1961-71.

## Burien Eagle Scout does project in North Highline

Toby Reed is a step closer to flying into the coveted realm of Eaglehood thanks to members of the North Highline Unincorporated Area Council.

Reed is a Mount Rainier High School senior who is working to meet requirements to become an Eagle Scout.

To reach his goal, Reed arranged to spruce up Salmon Creek Park, which is located in the North Highline unincorporated area, including installation of a nature trail.

The Three Tree Point resident

searched the parks in his hometown of Burien in hopes of finding one he could improve. After talking with city officials, the Scout learned several other Eagle candidates already had completed similar projects in Burien parks.

Enter Judy Duff, president of the North Highline Unincorporated Area Council.

Duff, a woman who has earned a reputation of not knowing how to say "no" to anyone who wants to make the area a better place to live, decided to help Reed become an

Eagle.

The councilwoman drove Reed through the unincorporated area just north and south of Burien so he could view county parks in the neighborhood.

That was when he spotted the neglect in Salmon Creek Park, located on Southwest 118th Street and 8th Avenue Southwest near Evergreen High School.

Reed recruited several friends and relatives and went to work to improve the park. He organized a work force that spent much of Satur-

day, April 8, clearing brush and blackberries, removing railroad tie steps, installing gravel and putting in a nature trail with plant markers and an information board.

Two days prior to the work party, Duff encouraged North Highline Unincorporated Area Council members to head for the park and help Reed with his project.

"This is a county park in our area, and someone is finally doing something to make it better," Duff said, during the Thursday, April 6, council meeting. "Toby needs people to help him devote 300 to 400 hours of work for this project. So, please help if you can."

Not one to merely tell others what to do, the council president arrived in the park two hours before the other volunteers gathered on April 8. She came armed with a weed whacker to clear a path for others to assist Reed with his park improvements.

By midmorning, the volunteers included teenagers, Reed's grandmother and North Highline Unincorporated Area Councilman Michael Griffith. Reed assigned Griffith the task of hauling away trash and debris that eventually filled several trucks.

"There was all kinds of trash,"

Griffith said. "We found a lot of broken beer bottles and some used syringes."

"We also found custard dishes, a Christmas tree and some barbed wire. Some of the volunteers carted off the barbed wire to recycle into arts and crafts projects."

Reed's mother, Susan Reed, said before the work began in the park, her son spent hours designing a sign that describes the native plants volunteers helped the Scouts install. County officials assisted in getting shrubs donated for the project.

"Toby was really excited about the sign," Susan Reed said. "He described the plants in simple language so students at Salmon Creek Elementary can learn about the plants."

The park is located across the street from the elementary school, which is part of the Highline School District.

"This is a wonderful thing," Duff said.

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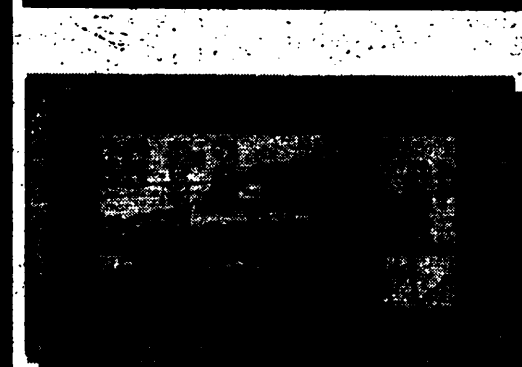
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## New president takes helm at community college

By Maggie Larrick  
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Highline Community College's new president, Dr. Priscilla J. Bell, understands that communication with the community served by the school is critical to its success.

One of the new president's first tasks when she begins work on Aug. 1 at the Des Moines college will be to go into the community to find out what people want and let them know what the school can provide.

The members of the college's board of trustees announced Bell's selection at their monthly board meeting on Thursday, April 13.

Bell recently visited the college as part of her preparations to take the helm from Dr. Edward Command, who is retiring on July 31 after serving 10 years as president. He has been with the college for 30 years, having served as registrar, director of admissions, administrative assistant to the president and vice presi-

dent.

Bell, who has been the president of Fulton-Montgomery Community College in Johnstown, N.Y., since January 1995, will be leaving that position to start her new job at Highline.

The new president said she cannot think of a better institution to work with because the direction and philosophy are "appropriate for the age we are in" and consistent with her own ideas.

"I know Highline Community College is an excellent community college with very strong traditions of providing quality, comprehensive, affordable education to the communities served," Bell said. "I intend to continue those traditions."

While Bell said she is excited about her role as Highline's president, she said the admirable work of Command has left her with a challenge.

"I have big shoes to fill as the saying goes," Bell said.

Bell is delighted to be returning to the Pacific Northwest. Before heading to Fulton-Montgomery, she spent 17 years in a variety of student services administration roles at Tacoma Community College.

"I worked in Tacoma for 17 years, and I feel like this is home," Bell said.

Bell acknowledged there are some distinct differences between Highline and the college she is leaving.

"At Fulton-Montgomery there is not much employment opportunity," Bell said. "It's an economically depressed area."

While employment rates are high in the current Seattle area economy, Bell said she still sees plenty of opportunity for the college to help the underemployed.

Highline has a much larger full-time student population of 5,700 compared to Fulton-Montgomery's 1,600 full-time students.

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Dr. Edward Command, who is Highline Community College's outgoing president, shows the incoming president, Dr. Priscilla J. Bell, around the school's campus.



# President: Improving communication is her goal

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The diverse population served by Highline also is very different than the clientele at Fulton-Montgomery. Bell estimated Highline's minority representation in students and faculty is about 35 percent.

"Fulton-Montgomery exists in an area that is more homogeneous," Bell said.

The new president said she intends to continue the college's work of reaching out to the members of the surrounding community.

One step in that direction about which Bell is enthusiastic is the college's extended learning center where educators help business officials and individuals respond with proper training to today's rapid shifts in technology and industry.

Bell also plans to build stronger ties with high schools and the media as a way to let people know what the college has to offer.

"People have to know about us,"

Bell said.

As part of staying connected with the community the school serves, Bell is looking for a home in the area.

Command, who has lived near the college or in Federal Way during his entire tenure, approves of Bell's plan to live nearby.

"You get a much better feel for the dynamics and the changes going on the community," Command said.

Even living locally, Command admitted that keeping a finger on the pulse of the surrounding area can be difficult because it is composed of so many very different communities.

"What's going on in Tukwila has very little to do with what's going on in Normandy Park," Command said.

Bell has broken the string of Highline presidents who for about 24 years have first served as vice president. Dr. Orville Carnahan, who served as president from 1971-

76, was the last person hired from outside the college to take the top position.

Command said the advantage to climbing through the ranks is that "you know where the skeletons are."

Still, he contended hiring a president from outside the institution can "bring a new perspective, a fresh set of eyes" that can lead to solutions not readily obvious to an insider.

Command pointed out Bell is only the fifth president since the college opened on Sept. 18, 1961.

"For a community college in Washington that's quite a bit of stability," Command said. "It speaks well to the foundation laid here."

Bell's salary will be \$125,000 per year according to a three-year contract.

Retirement for Command will mean nominal changes in his life, although he and his wife have plans to travel, with Australia as the first trip on their agenda.



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From left to right: Dr. Shirley B. Gordon, who served as Highline Community College's third president from 1976-90; Dr. Edward Command, outgoing president; and Dr. M.A. (Pat) Allan, the school's first president from 1961-71.

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