College may have to reboot computer center project

By Rachelle Flynn
Staff Reporter

The expansion of the Instructional Computer Center has encountered some unforeseen delays, said Larry Pickard, building official for the City of Des Moines. "We are doing emergency steps are being taken," said Pickard, for the City of Des Moines, "to make sure people can get into Building 10." The construction delay is costing Highline money, said Saunders, the center will get a whole new makeover once construction is finished. The project is now estimated to cost $5.5 million. The final cost will be about $5.2 million. The expansion of the Instructional Computing Center has pulled a stopwork order until the city of Des Moines issues a modified permit, more offices and classrooms. But all that is at least a year away. Right now, in order to get into Building 10, you have to go around the north side of Building 1.

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Thefts and prowls continue

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Staff Reporter

Student President Ben McNelley had his car stolen on Sept. 12. It was returned to him after the police found it on Sept. 19. McNelley locked his 1982 Toyota Tercel when he arrived at school. He returned after presidential training four hours later to find it missing.

"Don't think just because your car is a piece of junk it won't get stolen," he said.

The police officers found the car after the culprits parked in a no parking zone outside a pawnshop. The police officers were going to ticket the driver for the parking offense but he or she never came out of the pawnshop. They then found out the car was stolen and returned it to McNelley.

When Ben got his car back he was surprised to find a large amount of broken in it.

"We returned it to the police though," he said.

Car thefts are not unknown at Highline. Three cars were stolen last spring. But car thefts aren't the big problem in Highline's parking lot, says Richard Fisher, chief of security.

"I'm not concerned about cars being stolen," said Fisher. "I'm concerned about them being tampered with.

Fisher advises students to lock their cars and make sure valuables aren't in sight.

"Make sure valuables are removed from your car," said Fisher. "This includes detachable face plates, compact discs, money and any other items of value." He says because of the large parking lot and compact spaces Highline is susceptible to car prowls.

Now for more information, contact Marko Pajivara in International Student Programs at 206-878-3710, ext. 3844.

Conversation Pals conduct meeting

The International Conversation Pal Program will be accepting applications from students, faculty, staff and community members until Oct. 6.

An introduction party/orientation meeting will be 7-8 p.m. on Oct. 12 in the Union Bay Room.

The program comprises groups of two to three people who meet for at least one hour per week.

For more information, contact Marko Pajivara in International Student Programs at 206-878-3710, ext. 3844.

Highline's history displayed in show

The "Visual History of Highline Community College" is on display in the Library Gallery on the fourth floor through Oct. 7.

It chronicles Highline's birth in 1961 up to the present day. The display is filled with images from activities that have come and gone in Highline history.

An entire wall is dedicated to teachers from the past and teachers who have remained here throughout the years, with pictures from the '70s and beyond.

There is even a classic photo of a young and aspiring journalist, later to become Thunderbird advisor Dr. T.M. Sell.

There are two walls full of old newspaper articles about faculty and past alumni who have gone on to become success stories, such as popular true-crime author and Highline alumnus Ann Rule.

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Summer brings tragedy, change

By Thunderword Staff

Stevens Pass crash claims Highline student

Mya Thompson, Highline student and bookstore employee, was one of four killed in a head-on collision on Stevens Pass on July 23.

Thompson's vehicle crossed the centerline, hitting the van of Tazzaespresso student and bookstore employee Namiko Mukai. Thompson, Leslie Verang, and Meredith Diegel were killed in the crash. "She was always very nice and caring to everybody," said fellow bookstore employee Marc Peterson.

Scholarships honor Command

Two one-time scholarships in honor of Dr. Edward M. Command's years of service are going to be awarded in May 2001.

Command has been at Highline for 30 years; serving 10 of those as president. One of the scholarships, in the amount of $500, has been established by the Highline College Education Association. It is being funded by the teachers' union.

The other scholarship, worth $500, was started and funded by the Board of Trustees. People who came out of their personal donations. Command will select who the scholarships go to.

Tazza espresso stand sold

Highline's Tazza espresso stand, formerly owned by Randy Newmann, has been sold to Bothell-based company Heavenly Cappuccino.

Newmann was not available for comment, but Heavenly Cappuccino employees are excited to be at Highline. "We've been blown away at how nice everyone is," said Brett Willard, company president. "We're looking forward to meeting everyone."

Heavenly Cappuccino has espresso stands at several nearby colleges, including Edmonds Community College, Everett Community College, Lake Washington Technical College, Pierce College, and Bellevue Community College.

Coles hired in Public Information

Judith Coles has been hired as Highline's new director of Public Information and Publications.

Coles, who has worked as a singer, dancer, teacher, and public information director, is excited about promoting the school. "I would like to see the entire campus community more aware of what we do for them and the services we can provide," Coles said.

She said that she had heard "awfully good word of mouth praise from students and faculty at South Seattle" in regards to Highline.

Coles has been impressed by Highline so far, and her goal is to "streamline and upgrade and make better use of the resources we already have."

ATM replaced by credit union

The cash machine in Building 6 has been replaced, and now it's a $1.50 cheaper to get money while on campus.

Non-seaford bank customers (now called Bank of America) were charged a $1.50 fee to withdraw money in addition to any fee charged by the customer's home bank. This cash machine, owned by Washington State Employee Credit Union (WSECU), charges no surcharges.

The credit union is "fundamentally opposed to charging ATM fees to their members," according to Bruce Engbretsen, Financial Support Manager at WSECU.

Clockwise, from left: High school basketball players battle for the ball in the Thunderdome; an employee works at the newly purchased Heavenly Cappuccino; a student uses new Washington State Employee Credit Union ATM.

High school stars hoop it up

Part of the college basketball world was focused on the hardwood of Highline's Thunderdome July 11-12. Many of the best high school basketball players in the state, ranging from the class of 2001-02, had their first opportunity of the year to dazzle university coaches from all over the country.

The event was organized by the Friends of Hoop Foundation and was sanctioned by the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

Recruits add up to a tall team

Highline's women's basketball team has a new class of recruits.

The six new players picked up by Head Coach Dennis Olson will add much needed height to the already strong Lady T-tips squad.

After losing their only six-foot, Eric Johnson, to graduation, Highline went out and got Taylor Hansen and Cathy Tommey, 6'4" and 6'2" respectively, to strengthen the post. Brianna Duer, Nikki White, Kristen Boyd, and Lauren Jowett rounded out this year's Highline recruits.

New faculty hired for fall

Highline has hired a total of 22 new faculty members for Fall Quarter. New hires include:

Accounting: Dan King and Goff Turek, previously at Highline on a temporary contract, and Mandie Wilson.

Medical Assistant: Barbara Cerna, previously at Highline on a temporary contract, and Mandie Wilson.

Nursing Intern: Jessica Gilmore.

Psychology: Ruth Frickle and Susanna Perry, teaching on a one-year contract.

American History: Timothy McMannon.

Computer Information Systems & Computer Science: D'Arla Skinner and Tina Ozander is teaching on a one-year contract.

Engineering: Heidi Lyman is teaching on a one-year contract.


Math: Eric Scott and Olga Shushanov, teaching on a one-year contract.

Math Inter: Crystal Haascon and Rob Grove are teaching on one-year contracts.

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Speech: Rolita Ezeons is teaching on a one-year contract.

Writing: Deborah Racher, Lisa Bembridge, Bryan Stumpf.
Highline qualifies as a 'real college''

Community college, so many, is high school without lockers. Most students arrive for their courses and escape without any concern of the on-campus happenings. It's the 13th grade. No dorms, no frats, and little or no school spirit. However stylish, a Highline t-shirt, will never likely be the garb of choice on the weekends. Bumper stickers boasting "Go Thunderbirds," will not be seen on the highway with the regularity of "Top Dawgs," and fathers won’t likely brag to their colleagues about how proud they are that their son will one day be a Highline alum. If you season your mumble with a sprinkle of tactfulness, "college" may very well be all people hear when you describe what you do. Be that as it may, Highline, by time we checked, is still college. You are earning college credits. The courses you are enrolled in are indeed college level. Respect the institution.

New freshmen and Running Start students, keep in mind, for your own well being, that you have now entered the dog-eat-dog world of collegiate academia. As tempted as you may be, no Pokemon card trading in the student center, no drawing pictures during class, the Backstreet Boys to yourself. Respect the ears of smarter students. A 1.0 on your transcript does not mean your No. 1 in the students. Respect the institution.

Time bashing George W. Bush for his inexperience in public office, or Al Gore for his imperturbable, stoic demeanor is, well, just that. Our public officials is the bedrock principle in which our nation was founded. To have your voice fall on deaf ears by not voting is a travesty. The frequently stated qualms on the importance of registering and "One vote doesn't make a difference," Sure, but the millions of people who are indeed a registercd voter, a prickly issue sent via mail listing all the running start students, please listen before gasping out of their school district. To be awarded a scholarship, however, requires far more work than simply passing a test. To be awarded a scholarship, most must generally write an essay and put together a couple of teacher recommendations.

Come on, Running Start students, surely there exists at least one high school teacher willing to say that you will drive in a college environment. It seems a small price to pay for a ticket out of the wonderful world of high school and into the one of free tuition and fees.

Running Start is misunderstood

So I propose that Running Start students are made to prove themselves deserving of a free college education, by doing what is generally necessary to earn a free college education.

This shouldn't worry anyone, least of all the "good" Running Start students, because the people who are actually at a college level will still be in college. They will also have the increased credibility that comes of having shown that they deserve to attend college early.

Those not ready for college will later be grateful that they did not waste their time, the other students' time, and the professors' time.

Not to mention the taxpayers' money.

So until then, I will still be preceding not to be a Running Start student.

Maybe this year, someone will actually believe my "I'm 19 and I graduated in 1999" story. If you're nice to her, Rachelle will share the Secret Society handshake and Pokemon strategy.

Voting is your duty

They make catchy sound bites and if nothing else, act as a deceptively consider that marking your ball on the upcoming local, state, and Presidential elections is not only a constitutional right but a privilege of Democracy.

"Rock the Vote," "Choose or Lose," "Decision 2000," are but a few advertisements that loudly splash across the television screen coated in a vibrant red, white and blue patriotic gloss. The deadline to become a registered voter is Oct. 7 so wasting time bashing George W. Bush for his ineptitude in public office, or Al Gore for his impeachable, anemic demeanor is, well, just that. A waste of time. Register.

The 2000 Presidential race could very well be the closest since Nixon and Kennedy. Polls, including the New York Times fluctuate from week to week. The GOP Convention had Bush build a small lead, only to see it fade once Gore announced Joseph Lieberman as his running mate. The Democratic Convention also, reinforced Gore’s flair for politics. Voting is crucial in deciding which direction our country may go. It could spell the difference in more accountability in schools and perhaps an overturn of Roe vs. Wade, a Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion. Electing our public officials is the bedrock principle in which our nation was founded. To have your voice fall on deaf ears by not voting is a travesty.

The frequently stated qualms on the importance of registering and thereafter voting, dwindle in the individualistic attitude of so many, especially young, Americans.

"One vote doesn't make a difference," Sure, but the millions of U.S. citizens who share that incalculable sentiment of indifference make an overwhelmingly confusing.

"I don't know enough about the candidates." Push posh. If you are indeed a registered voter, a packet is sent via mail listing all the candidates, the political party's association, and a statement from the candidate.

Instead of spending a few moments looking through the Victoria's Secret catalog/junimall, do a bit of homework. Granned, Slade Gordon is probably no supermodel in lingerie, but hey, life is but a series of sacrifices.

Your registration forms can be found in the Student Government office on the top floor of building 6.

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voice of the students

The presidents greet the campus for fall

Highline has a diversity, a lot to offer, Bell says

By Dr. Priscilla J. Bell
Special to the Thunderword

It is a great pleasure for me to welcome everyone to Highline Community College this fall. As Highline's new president, I feel very fortunate to be a part of our dynamic college community. Ours is a college that is helping to create a better future for the residents of southwest King County. I have been at Highline for two months, and during this short time I have met a lot of people and have begun to become familiar with who we are. I would like to share some of what I have learned about our student community:

• With a week to go before the start of classes, 8,200 students were enrolled in 1,240 different courses.
• Almost a third of our students are like me — new to Highline.
• About two-thirds are full-time, and two-thirds are female.
• Three out of eight of our students are students of color, and they bring a wealth of experiences and viewpoints which will enrich the entire campus.
• 595 students are in the Running Start program earning college credits and their high school diploma at the same time.
• 264 are international students from around the globe, and an additional 1,200 students are immigrants or refugees who are making our area their permanent home.
• The median age of our students is 26.
• About a quarter of our students are parents.
• More than half are working while going to school.
• Nearly half of our students are preparing to transfer to a four-year university to earn their bachelor's degree.
• About one-quarter of our students are in professional or technical programs that will lead them directly into the workplace.
• 15 percent are here for pre-college studies, and 16 percent are here for a variety of other reasons.
• These student body characteristics dramatically demonstrate that Highline is truly a college that serves both a diverse population of students and diverse community interests, and our continuing challenge as administrators and faculty is to provide services and instruction that lead to learning for all students.

To meet that challenge, Highline has made significant progress in several areas, including hiring more faculty and staff of color, introducing a new degree this fall (the Associate of Science), and opening a new Transfer Center in Building 6. I encourage all students to take full advantage of the tremendous knowledge and support that our Highline Community College faculty and staff offer. Please let us know how we are doing and how we can do better.

I am indeed privileged to be a part of Highline's future, and I look forward to sharing an exciting year with you.

Priscilla Bell is president of Highline College.

Student government is here for students, Mc Nelley says

By Ben McNelley
Special to the Thunderword

On behalf of the ASHCC (Associated Students of Highline Community College) I would like to welcome all new and returning students to Highline.

As your elected officials we are excited to be planning activities and programs that will enhance your experience here at Highline. We are also very interested in listening to what you want to tell us. Student government is here for you the student and we strive to represent you the best we can so please let us know what you want! Also if you have a grievance or a complaint about campus issues or if you just have a question we are here to help.

Every student is welcome and encour-
aged to stop by our office to share his or her ideas or just to say hi.

I encourage all students to take full advantage of the programs at Highline. We have many great activities planned for this fall quarter and I hope you can attend some of them. I hope you all have a great and educational year.

Your 2000-2001 ASHCC officers are

Ben McNelley, president;
Bryan Sharick, vice president of administration;
Dustin West, vice president of legislation;
Sylvie Jovett, treasurer & club diplomat;

Ben McNelley
Lauren Soracco, international student senator;
Jovanna Harleth, student senator; Garbrinder Kaur, evening student senator. We are located on the top floor of Building 8 stop by and say hi any time.

Ben McNelley is president of the Associated Students of Highline Community College.

Write to us!
The Thunderword gladly accepts letters and guest commentary from the campus community. Letters should not be longer than 300 words. Send them to thunderword@hotmail.com, or bring them 10-106, or mail them to Thunderword, MS 10-5, Highline College, PO Box 89200, Des Moines WA 98198.
Paltrow never misses a beat in 'Duets'

By Sam Abraham
Staff Reporter

Duets hits all the right notes as Bruce Paltrow directs his daughter, Academy Award winner Gwyneth Paltrow in this new comedic drama from Hollywood Pictures. It's jam-packed with amazing acting, great writing, and many well-thought-out plot lines.

The movie revolves around the lives of six individuals who abandon their own self-made problematic existence to pursue their personal dreams, which in this case involves the thrill and rush of singing karaoke.

In case you've been living in a cave for the past 20 years, karaoke is an act in which one stands in front of a crowd and sings words to a song of their choice as they appear on a monitor before them. This often results in either a placed ego, or ultimate humiliation in front of your peers.

The lives of the six people cross as they meet each other to pursue their dreams in pairs, hence the name of the movie. Perhaps the most entertaining of the pairs is the ex-con Reggie (John Travolta) and Todd Woods, played by the always lovable Paul Giamatti (Howard Stern's Private Parts.)

Woods is a down-on-his-luck salesman who has spent the span of his life in pursuit of the American dream. One day he just takes to the road telling his wife he's going out for a pack of cigarettes, thus beginning his long journey where he meets the new love of his life, karaoke. It turns his life as he starts to down uppers like candy, and even pierces his ear, now sporting a ridiculous earring bearing a cross.

His counterpart Reggie leads a different kind of life as an ex-consider Vegas girl, Liv, portrayed by Gwyneth Paltrow.

One of his victims, dealing and singing are the only skills he knows. Woods picks Reggie up as he is hitching a ride in the middle of the desert. He knows. Woods picks Reggie up when Dean attends the funeral of Liv's mother, who he'd used up and left long before. Liv wants to travel with her long-lost father across the country, but he is reluctant to let her go as it may interfere with his conniving, promiscuous, and downright scandalous lifestyle.

As expected, Paltrow blows you away with an amazing, believable performance, giving her character a sort of vulnerable and sheltered in a wild world feel. Dean is a well-written character, but Huey Lewis' lack of acting experience makes him look like he's just trying too hard.

The least exciting of the duos are the down-on-his-luck taxi drivers, Billy Hanson (Scott Speedman from Felicity) and the wandering, promiscuous waitress in search of a recording contract, Suzi Loomis (Maria Bello, who recently appeared in the Bruckheimer classic, Coyote Ugly.)

Hanson proceeds to a local bar after discovering that his girlfriend is cheating on him with one of his best friends. Here, he meets Loomis, who asks the inebriated cabby for a ride to California, and he agrees.

The duo seems too forced, even clichéd, as they are in a goodie-two-shoes who had a dream of being a priest, while the other is a bad girl, offering relatio in return for numerous favors.

Duets has a few shortcomings, but they don't take away from the balance of the writing and acting that make this truly a good movie. Huey Lewis comes through on the vocals for all the entertaining karaoke scenes, but came up short with a poor performance as far as acting is concerned. Take my advice: go see this one, but take your bathroom break during Lewis' scenes.

All are welcome at fall drama auditions

By Connie Harshman
Staff Reporter

Auditions for the Drama Department's fall production will be Oct. 2-4, at 2:30 p.m. in Building 4, room 123.

Dr. Christiana Taylor, Drama Department head, is in the final stage of choosing a play to direct for Spring Quarter, but actors will be needed whatever the choice.

"Everyone is welcome," said Taylor.

"It is a great way to build to confidence," Taylor said of acting.

Memorize a small piece of a play to perform or one will be provided, Taylor said. Rehearsals will be on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 2:30-5:30 p.m., with several weekend commitments.

All students who make the cast list are required to meet all scheduled rehearsals, Taylor said. The opening date of the play will be Nov. 16.

Taylor and Rick Lorig, drama instructor, will be hiring guest artists to participate in the show in design or other production areas. Students interested in stagecraft or design or stage management may contact Lorig at 206-878-3710, ext. 3579.

It will be a busy quarter for drama students. Actions from the Oregon Shakespeare Festival sometime this quarter, Taylor added. They will be performing and conducting a workshop for students.

"The acting workshop will be open to theater students and any one else who contacts me in time to get a seat once we have firm dates from Ashland," Taylor said. Team Highline and the Drama Department are sponsoring the workshop.

For additional questions about acting workshops, contact Taylor in Building 5.

Jeanene Feden at Drama auditions Spring Quarter

A "drama tea/happy hour" will take place on Oct. 11 at 1:30 p.m. in Building 4, Taylor said. All art, music and drama students and faculty will be there.

"Any interested students should come," Taylor said. "People will be able to ask questions about drama productions, music events and art."
Not a good Summer for Hollywood

The relaxing dog days of summer are anything but in Hollywood. Short of an industry strike, little will impede headway in the entertainment world's unspoken covenant to corrupt impressionable young minds, to make more Rob Schneider movies, and to blow up things real good. Here's a 'jit' that the American film market is really good for.

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Macho Mori to lead choir

By Sam Abraham
Staff Reporter

All musicians and musicians to be, Dr. Paul Mori wants to hear you sing. This Fall Quarter, music prevails, as Mori leads a record-breaking number of choir members. Even with 15 choir members, the now full-time music professor is looking for as many new voices as he can get.

"This year we're trying to take the Music Department in a new direction," said Mori. He will be working this year with Sandi Crow, an accomplished professional singer and teacher at the University of Puget Sound, who will be teaching Class Voice in Full Quarter.

The choir will be largely comprised of students, but faculty will also be involved. Mori said you don't even have to know a lot about singing to join, as it is more about learning.

It's a class that allows good singers to polish their skills, and beginners to get a handle on things, said Mori. This change in the choir program isn't only a change for the choir members, but for Mori as well.

"In the past, Mori's boy-choir, but his background includes more symphonic choirs, which have performed such well-known symphony classics as Beethoven's Ninth. It's so exciting," said Mori, "just getting a group of people together and making music."

The changes in the choir are just the beginning. Mori said. In the future, there are plans to put computers in the piano lab to make a sort of technological music station where students and faculty can come create.

Making many changes for the better in the Music Department at Highline isn't all Dr. Mori is about. Since 1996, he has been music director for the Rainier Symphony, which is sponsored by The City of Tukwila Arts Commission and The City of Kent Arts Commission.

Before taking charge of the Rainer Symphony, Dr. Mori resided in Baltimore, Maryland, working at the Peabody Conservatory of Music. In '96 he was offered a job at the Rainier Symphony as music director, and he just couldn't refuse.

The symphony consists of 75 members from the South King County community. They plan to perform five special programs and a presentation of the children's classic, Peter and the Wolf.

Even with his hands full with the symphony, Dr. Mori still finds time to teach a full load of classes at Highline, teaching five music classes Fall Quarter. Mori would even like to get some ensembles started here at Highline. "I'd love to start a boys ensemble," he said.

Dr. Mori asks that students who are interested look at the spectrum of music classes at Highline to find which ones capture their interest. Any questions, comments, or ideas may be directed to Mori at 206-878-3710, ext. 6075, or by e-mail at pmori@bhc.cce.edu. For information on the Rainier Symphony call 206-781-5618.

Team Highline looking for a few good models

By Sam Abraham
Staff Reporter

You're a model, if you know what I mean, and you do your little turn on the catwalk. If you're too sexy for your shirt, so sexy it hurts even, then you just might have what it takes to make the cut for Highline's annual Fall Fashion show Nov. 3 in the upper section of Building 8.

Fashions ranging from evening wear to sports wear, all the way down to ethnic-cultural wear will be on display.

Local stores such as Subvert Board Shop will be donating their best designs for the event.

The show will run from 11 a.m. until noon with an intermission during which a special performance is planned.

Posters and flyers will be posted across campus to promote the show.

The event has proven to be popular in the past, as more than 200 people were in attendance last year.

Not only are students invited to attend the show but they are also encouraged to model or help out in the event.

The deadline for models is Oct. 13 and orientation for will be on Oct 19.

Anyone who would like to volunteer as a model or as a helper of sorts, can do so by contacting Team Highline in their office (located in the upper level of Building 8) or by calling 206-878-3710, ext.3537.

HELP WANTED

The Thunderword has several job openings for Fall Quarter. Get work experience without leaving campus! All positions are paid and are work-study eligible.

• Advertising manager
• Ad sales representative
• Office manager

Positions start immediately; hours are flexible.

See T.M. Sell in 10-106 or call 206-878-3710, ext.3292 for details.
The Elian Gonzalez soap opera. All I have to say is that if Bush is elected president, I'm moving to Cuba.

Dirty Dancing 2: Ricky Martin and Britney Spears are reportedly in talks to star in the sequel. Bruce Willis signed to do it first, showed up on the set, and said, "oh damn, I'm firing my agent, this isn't a Die Hard movie."

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Thunderbirds impressive in early matches

By Patrick Allcorn
Staff Reporter

The Highline men's soccer team has kicked off the 2000 season in grand fashion. The Thunderbirds lost their season opener on Sept. 13, at Shoreline Community College in a hotly contested game against the first place Dolphins.

Shoreline scored the eventual winning goal on a penalty kick that was first blocked by Highline goalie keeper Matt McCann but bounced back to the shooter who put the rebound into the back of the net giving Shoreline their 2-1 victory.

The Thunderbirds got their lone goal from sophomore sensation Fawzi Bellal, who, despite offers to attend four-year universities, has returned to Highline and is this year's team captain. Bellal is one of six returning players from last season's 12-0 team, which finished third in its division.

"All six have seen the league before and are capable of good minutes. They also bring good leadership skills which is a big positive," Head Coach Jason Prevost said.

Experience and leadership showed in Highline's home opener against Green River and the Thunderbirds showed why the soccer coaches of the Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges picked them as one of the teams to beat.

Bellal scored two more goals and fellow sophomore Delan Jankovich put the ball into the goal three times for a hat trick. Keelan Harvey also scored three goals and Craig Johnson added one as Highline sent the Gators home with an embarrassing 9-0 defeat.

"We played with intensity. It was our best soccer to date," Prevost said.

Highline jumped out to an early 3-0 lead with goals by Jankovich and Bellal (2). Bellal helped add to his bid for NWAACC player of the year, scoring his fourth and fifth goals in just three games.

The seemingly dormant Storm woke up in the second half but their two goals weren't enough to match Highline who held on for a 3-2 victory.

"We played with intensity. It was our best soccer to date," Prevost said. Prevost said everyone is welcome to come by the Pavilion at 11 a.m. and are encouraged to stay for the 2 p.m. soccer game at Zenith Park.

Results from the Sept. 22 game against Umpqua and the Sept. 23 game against Southwest Oregon were not available at press time.

The Lady T-birds have kicked their way into first

By Patrick Allcorn
Staff Reporter

The Highline women's soccer team has started the season by building on the success of last year's team, which won the divisional championship.

Though only three players have returned from last season, and Head Coach Shari Anderson has been replaced by Ben Calvin, the Lady T-birds are off to an impressive 2-0-0 start.

This year's team captains are the three returners, Jo Plekovitch, Theresa Gibson, and Larin Farrison.

Highline opened the season in grand style by shutting out Green River 3-0 at home. Farrison, Karen Olson, and Eva Dixon each scored a goal and goalkeeper Nicki Loomis denied every Gator shot to earn the shutout.

The new coaching combination of Calvin and assistant coach and former Highline player Teresa Aloe, had their team well prepared.

"We've been trying to get them to stay positive and stay together as a team. Saying things like "when we make the playoffs," instead of "if we make the playoffs,"" Aloe said.

Highline played its second game of the year, and first on the road, against Seattle Community College Sept. 20.

The game was the season opener for the Storm, who proved to be no match against a very tough Highline team.

Highline shellacked Seattle 10-0 for their second straight shootout win.

"We were lucky, it gave us time to practice for our big game Saturday," Aloe said.

On Saturday Sept. 23 Highline attempted to break their first place tie with Southwest Oregon. Results were not available at press time.

Kim Oberbellig scored three goals against the Storm for her first hat trick of the year.

Nicki Loomis posted her second shutout of the year in easy fashion. Seattle had just two shots on goal and Loomis didn't have to touch the ball to save either of them.

Highline's squad of only 11, barely enough to field a team, is a tight-knit crew who decided on the first day of practice that they are family and will treat each other that way, Aloe said.

Highline will be taking on rival Tacoma Community College Wednesday at Zenith Park at 4 p.m.

As of Sept. 22 both teams have 2-0-0 records. Though it'll just be the fourth game of the season, it's a big one.

"Tacoma's never a very strong team but they always seem to step up against us. It's almost like a high school rivalry," Aloe said.
Volleyball team improving fast

By Patrick Allcorn
Staff Reporter

Highline's volleyball team is already halfway to matching last season's win total.

"We have a whole new look," Head Coach Andrea Lancaster said.

Lancaster is back and with just one returner from last year's team. Nellie Peterson, the Thunderbirds have a whole new look.

Highline hosted a six-team preseason tournament Sept. 12-13 featuring Edmonds, Pierce, Chehalis, Whatcom, and Tacoma.

The Lady T-birds lost their first game to Whatcom but were able to bounce back the same day to beat Tacoma 15-9, 10-15, and 15-7.


The team was later knocked out by eventual champion Chehalis.

After closing out the preseason with a very respectable 4-4 mark, the Lady T-birds opened the regular season on Sept. 15 against division rival Lower Columbia.

Highline lost the first set 2-15 and were unable to bounce back, losing the next two 11-15 and 6-15.

"We were short players and we weren't playing as a team," Lancaster said. "It'll be a whole lot different when we have them back, losing the next two 11-15 and 6-15.

"We were short players and we weren't playing as a team," Lancaster said. "It'll be a whole lot different when we see them next time."

Only seven Thunderbirds made the trip to Longview, Wash., which made rotating players in and out of the game very difficult.

Peterson led Highline in scoring with three kills and two service aces.

Despite losing a dominant inside player in Petra Sokolova, who quit the team for personal reasons, things went a little better for the team Sept. 20 when Tacoma Community College visited the Thunderbirds.

The Lady T-birds were out to prove themselves and they did that in the very first set, winning 15-3.

Highline never let Tacoma in the match, winning the next two sets 15-8 and 15-9 to complete the straight set victory.

"We pulled together as a team and everything just clicked," Lancaster said.

It helped a lot that Donnie Hayes, Shelley Markham, and Lisa Crute, all three of which missed the first match, were back to give Highline some much needed depth.

Markham led the way for the Lady T-birds, posting 11 kills and the team's only service ace. Her former Auburn Riverside High School teammate Kayla Dreyer led the team in assists with 17.

Lancaster was satisfied with her team's improvements since preseason and is optimistic for the outcome of the season.

"We're getting better each day. I definitely see us going to the (Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges) tournament," she said.

Highline traveled to Centralia Friday night for a match against the 0-2 Trailblazers. Results were not available at press time.

The Lady T-birds will play host to Clark at 7 p.m. Sept. 27 in the Thunderdome.

After the Clark game, Highline will hit the road to face off with a pair of currently undefeated teams: Green River on Sept. 29 and Pierce on Oct. 4.

Cross country team long on speed, short on bodies

By Patrick Allcorn
Staff Reporter

Another season of cross-country running has gotten under way, but for the Highline women, competition may not be possible.

In order to score points at a meet a team must have at least five runners.

As of now, only three Highline women are on the team.

If you are a woman and you enjoy running and competition, contact Athletic Director John Dun at 206-878-3710, ext. 3455 and a spot may be available to you.

As of now the women's team consists of Jessica Cook and Jenny Trujillo, who have both returned from last year's team, and Andrea Ring, a promising runner in her first season out of Curtis High School.

The men's team has eight runners, Jeff Parker is the only returner, and Head Coach Charlie Smith is delighted with the way this young group is progressing.

"I'm very impressed with their work ethic and the way they compete," Smith said.

"They're doing good for a young team and are looking good for both the conference meet and next season." Smith believes that some of the teams' best performances will come from newcomers Dale Summers, Kevin Anderson, Richard Callix and Jason Reidd.

Results from Saturday's Sundogger Invitational at Lincoln Park were not available at press time.

Next week, Highline's trail runners will travel across the pass to Pasco for the Big Cross Invitational.

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Back to school

Highline warms up for fall with a busy Orientation Week

Story and photos
By Connie Harshman
Staff Reporter

Free food, good music, and a lot of new people. Highline awoke from its summer slumber with its annual Orientation Week.

The activities started on Tuesday, Sept. 19 with a faculty gathering in the Pavilion. Apples were handed out to new teachers and door prizes were given to the winning tickets.

Wednesday morning kicked off with a dedication ceremony to Highline’s former President Ed Command. Due to his service to Highline, the water retention pond was dedicated to him.

Highline faculty and staff had their own little parties every morning in different locations around campus. The objective was to bring people to places on campus where they would not normally go, said Joan Graham, education professor and a member of the morning social committee that organized the faculty socials.

About 300 new students toured the campus and attended workshops on career choices on Wednesday. The mass of new students ranged from high school juniors in the Running Start program to older students returning to continue their education.

The goal of this was for the students to mingle with their peers and meet the student government members and faculty.

They were treated to free lunches and listened to the soulful music of steel drum band Bakra Baka.

"It’s absolutely terrific. It’s giving people who are new the chance to get to know everyone. It’s irresistible," said Highline President Dr. Bell of the event.

Some Running Start students involved said they were excited about coming to Highline.

"Yeah. I’m excited to get out of high school and being around mature people," Marita Cadmus said.

Along with excitement comes intimidation from coming to a big school.

"I’m very excited, but it is kind of scary," said Mario Rodriguez, high school student and pre-med major.

Student Government President Ben McNelley makes a new friend at Friday’s lunchtime. Below, Trustees Chair Arun Jhaveri and Vice President Laura Saunders unveil a plaque dedicating the drainage pond to former President Ed Command, left.

Dean Michael Allen gives President Priscilla Bell the traditional apple for new faculty and staff on Tuesday.
Building the Olympic场景

Gardiner, in his Olympic warmups.

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Gardiner in his Olympic warmups.

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Gardiner works in the photo lab on campus.

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