

## Homeless for the Holidays

### Park dwellers carve out a living at Dash Point

By Rachelle Flynn  
Staff Reporter

FEDERAL WAY - She looks like a typical camper, but she's not just here for the weekend.

Marie is homeless. She lives in a tent at Dash Point State Park. Today, she says, is a different sort of day. Today she's without her boyfriend.

"He was being sort of an ass," says Marie. "They found out he had a warrant so they took him away."

A cold loneliness circles the campground as she talks about her boyfriend being gone. The cold, she says, is better to deal with when there's two people

"It's kinda different by my- self right now. My only alternative is a shelter. I haven't been beat. I don't have my children. I'm not putting that out. I've called (the shelters) but it's not local and you only have so many quarters," she said.

Marie tucks her hands in her sweatshirt, trying to keep warm. Her hair is cut short with remnants of blond dye at the ends. She is here, she says, from poor drug choices. The lines in her face seem to be more from stress than from age. There's a tired and wistful look in her eyes. She doesn't seem as cold as a person outdoors in mid-November should be.

With her boyfriend gone, she's taken over his job as camp host. She cleans up the park and in return



Photos by Connie Harshman

Marie, who is homeless, makes the best of a rough situation at Dash Point State Park..

she doesn't have to pay rent, which is \$12 a night. She glances at her dwindling fire and tells stories of Dash Point.

"We had a woman here the other night." She had two kids and no tent. Her husband just dropped her off. I didn't like her but I remembered people who have helped me. So I let her stay in my tent.

"Her kids were running around in the cold and wet, though, so the campground called the cops. They came and straightened things out and took the kids away."

She says Dash Point can be a crazy place. She's seen methamphetamine labs roll through, drop their equipment off and then come back days later. She's seen drugs sold and used. She's seen women get beat by their husbands. She calls it the ongoing saga of Dash Point.

"A lot of it's sick," she said, "and a lot of it's funnier than hell."

Dash Point can also not be such a bad place, she says. Marie has talked to the park rangers and gotten to know them. They have told her spots to get firewood. People have brought her food. She had a

woman here the other night who played the guitar and sang.

"I call it a Peyton Place," she said.

Dash Point Park Manager Steve McBee says the

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## Making a difference in many different ways

By JoAnne Wolff  
Staff reporter

There are numerous ways to help the less fortunate during the holidays. Shopping malls and churches organize struc-

tured ways of giving. Other ways are less structured, including baking cookies for an elderly neighbor, putting change into the Salvation Army bucket or welcoming a homeless person to a holiday table.

Highline Community College Sociology professors, Derek Greenfield, states, "It is our responsibility to look out for one another and help those in need. There is a Hausa Proverb that states, 'I am because we are

and we are because I am.' To me this indicates that the individual and society are inextricably woven together and that we must be responsible to one another and ourselves and to our world. When we give to others

we benefit from and enrich our own lives."

Team Highline is getting into the holiday spirit by sponsoring

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## Crime blotter for Nov. 16-22

### Breaking and entering

On Monday, a wrestler reported that a passenger side window of his van was busted open.

### Theft

A student reported that her Ford Escort was broken into and that her Pioneer CD player and CDs were stolen.

A student reported that her 1999 Acura Integra was stolen on Nov. 20 from the East Lot. Des Moines Police officers were called.

### Found property

A black wallet was found. A small pink, purple, and black pencil type bag was found in Building 21, room 207.

A silver bracelet, a brown and black sweater, and a brown umbrella were found in Building 30.

### Lost Property

One wallet was lost in Building 10.

Compiled by  
Michael Perez

### calendar

A Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) employee will be on campus to help students on **Tuesdays** from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Women's Center in Building 6.

The Drop-in Resume clinic is available for assistance with current resumes or with help creating a first resume on **Wednesdays** from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the lower lobby of Building 8.

Central Washington University representatives will be available to meet with students on **Thursday**, Nov. 30 from 4:30-8:30 p.m. in the upper level of Building 8. No appointment is needed.

A blood drive will be held on **Thursday**, Nov. 30 from 9-11 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.-3 p.m. in Building 2.

By Angela Yeoh  
Staff Reporter

Humans can't fly like birds can. Most of us know that we can't just start flapping our arms and then take off into the air. This is just one reason why we humans have always found birds incredibly fascinating, according to Highline biology instructor Eric Stavney.

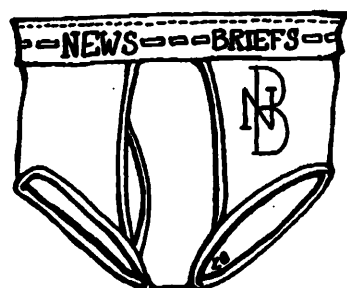
You can now study this interesting area of biology in a new class being offered by the science department next quarter entitled "The Natural History of Birds." Students will get to learn about such topics as flight, feeding, appearance, nesting, migration, song, and social behavior of birds.

According to Stavney, our fascination with birds may be because we humans are almost jealous of them.

"Birds can fly, they can sing,



A chickadee studied in the class "The Natural History of Birds."



### Giving Tree

There will be a Giving Tree to help students in need of gifts for their families. It will be displayed in the Bookstore with ornaments marked with the student's name and a gift item.

If you are interested in helping someone during the season, pick an ornament, purchase the gift, and return the wrapped item to the Student Programs office in Building 8 by Dec. 8. If you are interested in sponsoring a whole family, please contact

and they have many beautiful colors," he said. "I just think they're neat."

The instructor has displayed much enthusiasm in preparing the lectures for the new class.

"I've been getting really excited," said Stavney as he pulled out a large Zip-lock bag filled with feathers, mainly from Canadian geese. He has been collecting feathers from various sources to use as a supplement to the class.

Stavney has also worked to create interesting visuals to accompany the lectures. Using PowerPoint, a computer visual aid, he will be able to show color slides and interesting animation clips during his lectures. Videos will be shown weekly, and students will also be required to participate in at least one of the three planned field trips.

"It's all part of making this class more alive and interesting," he said.

Stavney is also looking to build up a collection of bird-related specimens at Highline. After acquiring a dead pheasant as a donation from a colleague, he has plans to preserve its wings so students can study

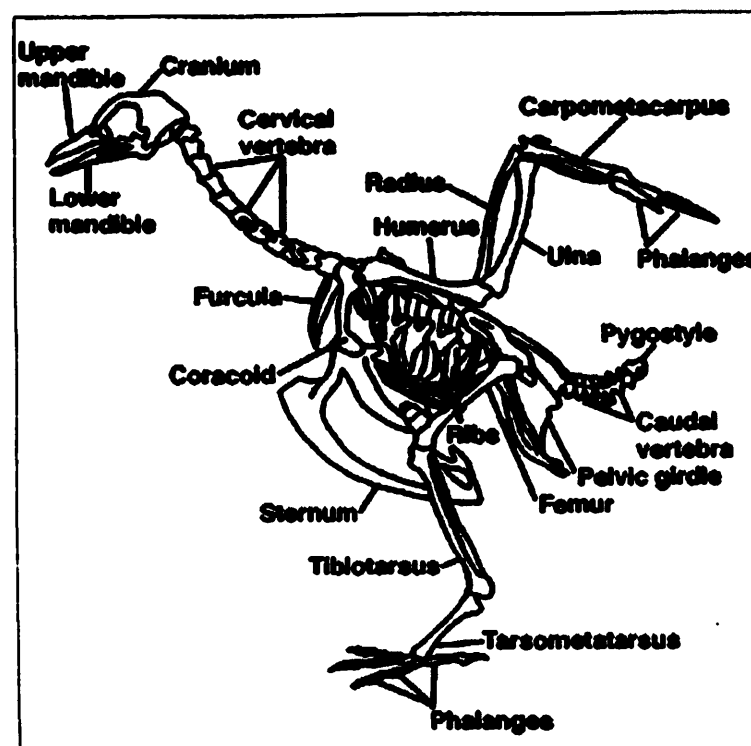
Eleanor Aquino in the Team Highline office at 206-878-3710, ext. 3903.

### Holocaust survivor

Tomas Blatt, a holocaust survivor from World War II, will be speaking on Tuesday, Nov. 28, in Building 7 from 10 a.m. to noon. Blatt is a survivor of the Sobibor concentration camp. He will speak about his experiences before the encampment, during, and after.

### Holiday light show

Enchanted Parkways hosts an annual night of 500,000 lights, Christmas caroling, holiday fare stage shows, a visit with Santa Claus, and amusement park right. Tickets are normally \$9.95, but will be



This picture, identifying all of the bones in a bird, is one visual to be used in Biology 164.

them in class.

There are no prerequisites for this class (Biology 164), but Stavney is quick to mention that this is no "Mickey Mouse" or "watered down" class. He assures students it will be a university-level course, taught from a university-level textbook and dealing with university-level concepts.

"It's serious bird biology, but hopefully it's accessible," he said.

He sees the class as an oppor-

tunity to study an interesting sector of the world of biology that has never been taught at Highline before.

The science department is also planning on introducing another new biology class in Spring Quarter on the development of babies.

Biology 164 will meet daily Winter Quarter 2001, 1:10 - 2 p.m., and is a five credit course.

For more information, contact Eric Stavney on 206-878-3710, ext. 3823 in Building 15.

### Newsmakers

Annette Cummings has been hired in the Office of Instruction at Highline. She will be working in the Scheduling Office . . . Cherie Crowley, who has worked at Highline in past months as a freelance designer, has been hired as Senior Graphic Designer/Coordinator in the Public Information Office . . . Former part-time employee Randy Ellis has been hired full-time to lead Highline's Media Technicians . . . Suzanne Burris has been hired in the Purchasing Office and has been working since Oct. 23

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On rainy days, students are often found smoking near no-smoking signs on campus.

Photo illustration by Wally Monroe

## Breast cancer month going on

By Chelsey Eck  
Staff Reporter

Breast cancer awareness is the best hope for beating the disease, said Susan Hogeland, a registered nurse at Highline Community Hospital.

"Early detection is the key to preventing the disease, and that means that women need to do self examinations and go to regular mammogram examinations," Hogeland said.

Hogeland came to speak to approximately 15 people in Building 7 on Nov. 21 as part of Breast Cancer Awareness month. The event was put on by Women's Programs and Team Highline.

"I hope that no one here is dealing with breast cancer or knows someone who is, but that you are here because you are interested and want to know the risk factors and ways to prevent the disease," said Hogeland.

She began by explaining that all women and even some men are at risk for breast cancer. Yet, the two most significant risk factors are being a woman and being older.

"Most women want to hear that they can take medicine or run so many miles to reduce their risk factor of getting breast cancer, but that isn't so," she said.

There are a variety of options for women to assist in preventing breast cancer, including monthly self-examinations, clinical breast examinations, and mammograms.

"Mammograms are the best screening available, yet some lumps may not be picked up by them . . . In many cases, most lumps are found by women themselves," said Hogeland.

If a woman does discover a lump, many treatments are available, Hogeland said. Surgery, radiation, chemotherapy, and monoclonal antibodies are the main options offered.

Many services are also provided for those who need assistance and support. A widely known organization is the Breast Cancer Foundation, which was started by Susan G. Komen. She also organized the Run for the Cure, which is held annually.

"I try to run every year, to be part of the solution," said Hogeland.

## SMOKE SCREENS

By Fawn Fowler and  
Autumn Mittelstaedt  
Staff Reporters

Nonsmokers say you can't cross campus without finding out what the most popular brands of cigarettes are. Smokers say they get treated like butts by overzealous nonsmokers.

Many people on campus agree that smoking is a burning issue, but several years of trying to find a solution have produced little result.

"Until somebody comes up with a hard-nosed plan, nothing will change," said Dustin West, vice president of administration for Student Government.

However, it seems that nobody wants to take responsibility for coming up with a plan.

Administration puts it in the hands of Student Government, but Student Government puts the responsibility on the students.

Over a period of time, there have been ideas to please both smokers and non-smokers on campus, including butt-huts and smoke-free zones, but not one has been effectively implemented.

"If the student government tried to come to a decision, nothing was done, and they wanted more done, than we would do something," said

## Students, administrators, everyone agrees – they disagree about what to do about smoking on campus

Laura Saunders, vice president of administration.

In Fall 1998, Student Government President Santana Villa started to form a committee regarding smoking safety standards. In June of 1999, he was

still working on a proposal to designate permanent non-smoking areas around the campus. In Fall 1999, the smoking committee was revised. Today, Student Government officials admit that they are not even focusing on

the smoking issue at all, because they need student support.

"I've heard that the trees are dying of cancer, because of all the smoking on campus," said Rachel White, a student who admits she is addicted to smoking.

"I don't think there's a problem except for when people smoke in front of a building where there is no ventilation," said student Brent Reiner. "I still do it too, though."

Smokers and non-smokers agree that the primary problem takes place in front of classrooms where there is a no-smoking sign.

"I've seen teachers tell students to stop smoking in front of buildings, but they still do it," said one student Michelle Bonoan.

One student government official suggested more ashtrays and better areas for them, rather than directly in front of a doorway. This may be somewhat helpful, at least until rainy weather forces a huddle of smokers under the entrance of classrooms.

"Of course, it is easier to make excuses, and continue to overlook what has become such a stale issue," said student Diego Revelo. "But until this situation is finally dealt with, a little common courtesy from smokers is our only hope."

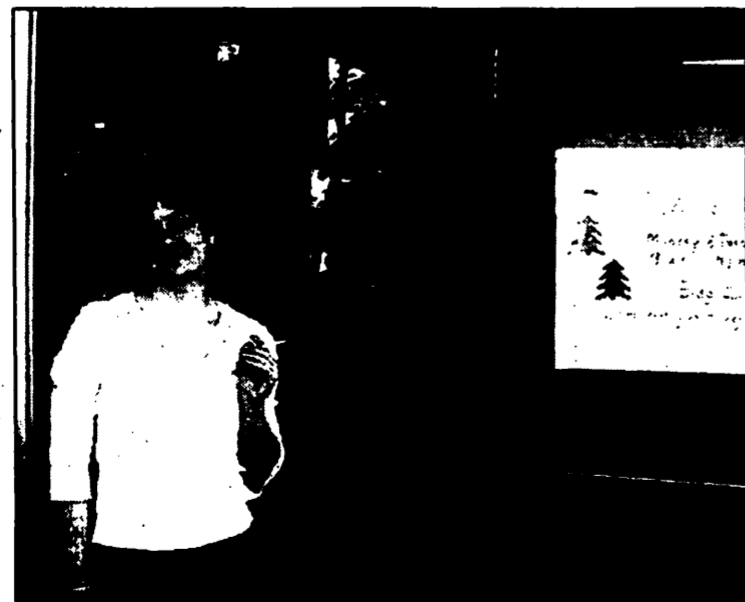


Photo by Jessica Kirkwood

Highline student Julie Poppe smokes between classes.

## editorial

### More people equals more planes, more headaches

The battle over the third runway rages on and the biggest casualty may be the region itself. Since the first proposal of the construction of the addition to Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, there has been resistance.

Local groups such as the Airport Communities Coalition and the Regional Committee on Airport Affairs oppose the construction. It seems the only people that want this new runway are the Port of Seattle and the construction companies building it.

This fact, in the end, may be the deciding factor in this long drawn out project. The winner in this battle will most likely be the one with the most money. In this case that would be the port.

The reasons that have been cited in the case against the third runway are numerous and razor sharp in contradiction. Whatever either side says, the other side is sure to discount it as self-serving and wrong.

The population has increased in this area and the strong economy brings more and more people here to do business as well as vacation. Our modes of transportation need to increase at the same rate as our growth, including roads and mass transit.

Improving the airport should be looked upon in the same fashion. By having a third runway, the ability to transport people and goods will increase and therefore improve our economy.

The chief complaint against the airport expansion is the negative impact it will have on the environment, and on the residents living in the path of or near the proposed site of the new runway. The environmental issues are valid. But anytime there is any kind of building or road construction or population expansion there will be an impact on the environment.

This is not to say that the environment should not be taken into consideration. Of course, every precaution should be taken to ensure the least amount of damage to the environment.

It seems that the bigger concern of the residents of Burien, Des Moines and surrounding areas is the noise problem.

This is a valid point. No one would choose to have 747s flying over their houses at all hours of the day and night. Likewise no one wants to have their land and homes confiscated by the city to accommodate more airplanes.

In all this time not much research has gone into expanding other possible sites. Within the Puget Sound there are two other possible sights to divert air traffic to: McCord Air Force Base in Pierce County and Paine Field in Everett. If expansions were done at one or both of these airports it would offer more convenience for the travelers of Pierce and Snohomish County, not to mention lowering the number of travelers at Sea-Tac, and possibly eliminate the need for a third runway at all.

It might be in best interests of the Port of Seattle and it's opponents to seek out those other possibilities. Work together to find a way to pass the buck to the other counties. Why should King County be forced to bear the sole burden of providing the region with an airport?

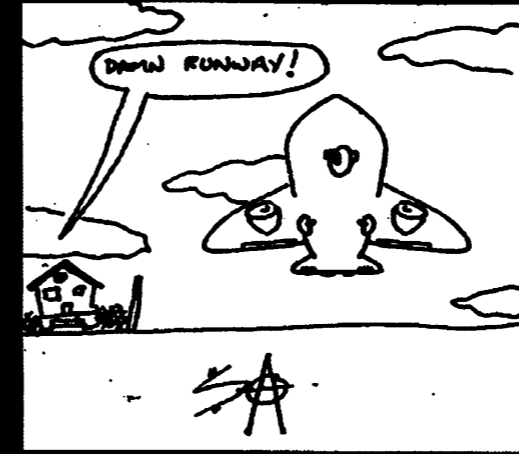
The Puget Sound area is experiencing a steady population growth. Major solutions to transportation problems should be at the top of everyone's list.

## the opinion page

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### YOU CAN NEVER MAKE THE PEOPLE HAPPY



### Is turkey day a roast or real?

Are you ready for some ... no that's not it. What's for ... no, that's not it either. What is the meaning of this Thanksgiving holiday? Many people nowadays do celebrate this holiday in the traditional fashion, coming together and truly being thankful for all the things you have and the people you care about.

Others see it as merely a long weekend that incorporates good food, some family you may or may not enjoy, and the ever-present floats and football games.

Still others refuse to celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday altogether. To some it is seen as a celebration of the annihilation of an indigenous culture.

It is true that when the Europeans migrated to the New World they took advantage of the Native Americans' hospitality. A friendly, unsuspecting native people were overwhelmed by a rash of diseases they had no immunity for. Not to mention a greedy white culture that abused the land and enslaved the people who initially helped them survive the first years here.

But all that put aside, it is in



the past and it is time to mend the wrongs and move on. In today's extremely politically correct society, we feel it necessary to carry the burdens of our ancestors.

To some, carrying on the traditions of a brutal and culturally insensitive society is wrong and should be abolished. As wrong as it may have been at the time, or even now, we should not feel the need to forever carry the burdens of our ancestor's wrongdoings.

The truth of the matter is that our modern-day society has become less violent in some respects, but more so in others. Meaning it may be safer to be in a jail today than walking around Pike Place market at night. Some would argue that today we live in a safer world. Admittedly we still have a long way to

go. The European settlers came in and conquered, but hundreds of years later we are apologizing for people we have little or no connection with. Not many descendants of the conquerors of European nations are still apologizing for what their ancestors accomplished. Do you think Caesar ever said "I came, I conquered, I felt really bad about it"?

The grudges held against cultures are what fuel the present day civil wars in the Middle East and parts of the former Soviet Union. People today are still dying for what transpired generations ago.

For the first Thanksgiving of the new millennium, we should evaluate the significance of this holiday. We can start anew. Instead of making a resolution in a month, make a promise this week.

Look at your own life and what you have to offer this world. Are you a beneficial member of society? Should the rest of us be thankful for you?

A.K. Cords is thankful to be opinion editor of the Thunderword.

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Are you glad the pilgrims didn't hunt rats?

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# There are many reasons for us to give thanks

By Autumn Mittelstaedt  
Staff Reporter

Thanksgiving, more often referred to as "Turkey Day," is traditionally marked by overindulgence in food and drink, overexposure to television football, and 10 hours of uncomfortable and superficial interaction with relatives we try to avoid the rest of the year.

Whatever happened to thankfulness? Thankfulness has little to do with how much we own. It is a deep spirit of gratitude, a true awareness of the blessedness of our lives.

"I am thankful not to be on the streets, to have a home to live in, and for my mom," said one Highline student, Denny Cestarc.

"That my family and friends are happy and safe and that I get to see my boyfriend," said Andrea Bostic.

"To get up every morning and see the beautiful world," said Michael Boyakins.

The most common response from students was that they were thankful just to be alive. All we require, in order to cultivate a grateful heart, is a little bit of time to reflect.

When students were approached with a question of the history of Thanksgiving, they tended to answer with uncertainty and some students didn't have any answer at all.

"Pilgrims landed on Plymouth Rock, met the Indians, and the Indians welcomed them with corn," said Randy Szabo.

"Thanksgiving is an Irish tradition. It's when the Pilgrims immigrated into the United States and were thankful for finding land which was free and full of natural resources," said Niko Tubar III.

"It's the first time we shared a meal with the Indians," said Jackie Smith.

Most students had a general idea, but the following is how the United States tradition of Thanksgiving started:

In 1621, after a hard and devastating first year in the New World, the Pilgrims' fall harvest was very successful and plentiful. They had built homes in the wilderness, raised enough crops to keep them alive during the long coming winter, and were at peace with their Indian neighbors. Their governor, William Bradford, proclaimed a day of thanksgiving that was to be shared by all the colonists and the neighboring Native American Indians. The celebration of Thanksgiving continued through the years, but it wasn't until 1863 that President Abraham Lincoln appointed a national day of thanksgiving. Since then each president has issued a Thanksgiving Day proclamation, usually designating the fourth Thursday of each November as the holiday.

Students explain what they will be doing this Thursday instead of being here on campus.

"I am going to hang out with my homeboys and they'll try to roast up some turkey," said Anthony Dao.

"I am going to learn how to cook with my mom, and fill my tummy with great food," said Tracy Fischer.

Some students admit that they plan to "dinner hop," by trying to squeeze in more than one Thanksgiving dinner.



## Love that puddin'!

It is a time for togetherness, relaxation, to give thanks, and not to mention a time to eat generously. The main course has been finished and there's no better finale to the holiday than a tasty and simple Thanksgiving dessert.

An old New England favorite, Indian Pudding is best served warm with a big scoop of vanilla ice cream.

Ingredients include:

5 1/2 c. whole milk	1 tsp. ginger
2/3 c. cornmeal	1 tsp. cinnamon
4 tbsp. Butter	1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 c. maple syrup	1 c. raisins
1/4 molasses	vanilla ice cream

Preheat oven to 300 degrees. Butter a small casserole pan (average 6 1/2 x 10 1/2). Over medium heat, in a large saucepan, heat the milk but do not boil it. Slowly whisk in cornmeal and continue to stir until mixture begins to thicken (10 minutes or so). Add remaining ingredients and keep stirring until heated through. Pour into casserole and bake 3 hours until sides are brown and sticky-looking. (The pudding hardens a bit as it cools.) Serve warm with vanilla ice cream. This delicious dessert serves eight people.

-Fawn Fowler

# Start planning now for the ultimate vacation

By Chris Moore  
Staff Reporter

There is no rule that says you have to stay in Seattle for your next summer vacation just because all you've got in your bank account are those lintballs you found in your pocket last week.

Today you can get a round-trip ticket to Paris for less than \$500. Traveling to a foreign country is only expensive if you think it is. If you are going to stay two weeks in a foreign country you will need \$350 to \$700 for a round-trip ticket to your desired location in Europe. There are many ways to get a cheap plane ticket, a few being:

- Plan a trip with your friends. The more people, the more discounts the travel agent can give you.

- The internet is a primary source for low tickets around the world. Last year a friend bought a round trip ticket to Paris for \$350 from



www.priceline.com.

- Your best bet would be to avoid trying to get a ticket from mid-June through July. You save money by going during May or August.

The trick to achieving a good ticket price is to get your ticket in advance. Getting the ticket

at the right time is the most important thing, because the prices vary from month to month.

Plan on \$150 to \$300 for food, depending on your diet and what you like to eat. Visit the local grocery store and buy some bread, cheese and sandwich meat.

I spent five days toward the end of my vacation eating nothing but French bread and salami.

Plan on spending up to \$250 for two weeks at a youth hostel. A youth hostel is a cheap place for travelers from all around the world to sleep for a night. The prices vary from \$13 to \$18 a night for a bed. Most of the time Youth Hostels provide blankets, sheets and a pillow, but just to be on the safe side, take a sleeping bag. Before you stay at a Youth Hostel you must first purchase a membership card. Membership cards cost \$25 for one year. You can purchase one at Hostelling International of Seattle. Check out their website for more information at [www.hiseattle.org](http://www.hiseattle.org).

You may need to purchase some travel gear as well. I recommend you purchase a rough and sturdy mountain pack, since

you will be living out of your bag for a couple of weeks.

Basic things you need for your journey are sleeping equipment, clothing and shoes, a toothbrush, soap, towel(s). Other things you might need to take into consideration include:

- Vaccination: make sure that you are up to date on your shots. You don't want to go to a foreign country and get sick.

- General health care items such as Band-Aids and throat lozenges.

- Electronics such as a camera, a Walkman, and plenty of batteries.

- Your passport, and travelers checks.

- Guidebook for the country you are traveling to. Make sure that it tells you the locations of the places you want to see and the locations of the Youth Hostels.

- Purchase at least two maps. In case you lose one, you'll have one to back you up.

- A combination lock so you can secure many of your personal items as you travel about during the day.

- An alarm, so you wake up on time for your plane or train.

Together it may cost you around \$1,500 for the whole trip, depending on how much you plan on buying. So if you got a part-time job now making \$6.50 an hour, worked 30 hours a month, saved about \$150 a month, by the time next summer rolls around you're ready to go. So good luck, and have an outstanding summer vacation this year.

You owe it to yourself!

## Team Highline's Elektronika 101 brings rave culture to Highline students in a safe way

By Sam Abraham  
Staff Reporter

Come to Elektronika 101, it's the latest rave.

Team Highline is bringing the infamous rave party style to Highline at 9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 1, in Building 8.

Some students may disagree with such an event; as many already know, the word rave is synonymous with drugs and illegal activity.

Team Highline assures people that while drugs and alcohol are often prominent factors at raves, they will do their best to keep this event drug-free. It's a place where students can come dance the night away to some of the hottest up-and-coming local DJs, like DJ Dream and DJ Aksion, to name a few.

Many Highline students are ravers and love the atmosphere and all that comes with it.

"It's a good way to get in trouble," said one student, who chose to remain anonymous.

Elektronika 101 is Team Highline's offer as an alternative to the arguably dangerous effects of the illegal activities that ensue behind those warehouse doors.

Another negative part of raves is the unbelievably high ticket prices.

"I'd love to go to a rave, but they're just too expensive," another student said.

Team Highline has you covered there too, with ticket prices at \$7 in advance, and merely



\$10 at the door. That's much better than the average \$25-\$45 tickets for your ordinary warehouse raves.

Team Highline's Evangeline Café, who is organizing the event, said she sees this as a good opportunity to bring people together to dance and

socialize.

Team Highline looks forward to seeing a big turnout to what will undoubtedly be the ultimate dance event of the year.

So grab a friend next Friday night, and drag them down to Elektronika 101, you won't be disappointed.

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# 'Billy Elliot' will dance its way into your heart

*Billy Elliot* is a rousing, touching and unexpectedly poignant tale about a boy who dreams of being a ballerina. It's, yes lighthearted as the ads and subject matter suggest - a whimsical, cheerful story about chasing a passion, but it's also a stirring tearjerker that tugged on my often overly taut heartstrings on more than one occasion. Yes, *Billy Elliot* left me teary-eyed.

The film tells the story of Billy (Jamie Bell) an appealing young lad growing up in a small mining town in northeast England, — you know, the kind of Hollywood fabricated small community where everyone lives in each other's pockets.

The miners have gone on strike, leaving the town divided and on the verge of descending into a recession.

Not unlike most boys his age, Billy struggles with expressing himself through athletic ability, or in his case, the lack thereof. His attempts at boxing leave him on the canvas, dazed and distraught. He has excellent footwork, however. A ballet class, taught by Mrs. Wilkinson, in an authoritative



performance from Julie Walters, is sharing the gym with Billy's boxing instruction, and the balletic grace and movement of the young dancers in tutus catches Billy's eye. He too wants to move like that.

Without his dad's knowledge, Billy begins attending class every week - at first tripping over his feet, but soon developing into a bit of a prodigy. He dances to school, dances in the bathroom, dances, at one point, to let out steam to the point of exhaustion and collapse.

Much of the film's drama centers on Billy's dysfunctional household, made up of a stubborn father (Gary Lewis), an older brother (Jamie Draven), both workers in the mine, and a borderline senile grandmother

(Jean Haywood). There's a sense of chaos and unease in the scenes where the three men face the prospect of poverty. The mother, we learn, died when Billy was young and the screenplay is apt in exploring how lives can be left in shambles when the one who kept the peace in the home is no longer there.

The movie is driven by young *Billy Elliot* (Jamie Bell) dances in the streets.

Bell's performance as Billy. He's a real kid, not Macaulay Culkin. He's awkward in appearance - scrawny, rather crooked teeth - dealing, basically with your run-of-the-mill adolescent insecurities. He just happens to be an



extraordinarily talented dancer.

Lewis is also very good as the father. He undergoes a drastic transformation throughout the movie - at first chastising Billy's passion, but ultimately

accepting and even encouraging it.

In the film's best scene, the father and Billy sit in an interview for a premier ballet dance academy, one where the family scraped every last cent they had to give Billy the opportunity to try out.

The father is clearly more nervous than even Billy is, shifting in his chair, tapping his finger on his thigh, vulnerable and intimidated by an upper class lifestyle unknown to a man who has spent his life in the dank, dirty mines of his hometown.

*Billy Elliot* is utterly magical, an inspiring little film that works on every level - as a comedy, a dance film, a family drama, and a depiction of small town life. I danced out of theater, tapping my feet, twirling and a jumping, moving and a grooving. *Billy Elliot* is one of the year's best movies.

## arts calendar

•On Wednesday, Nov. 22, there will be a slang seminar at 11 a.m. in the Union Bay room.

•Nov. 27 through Dec. 8 will be a time for giving to the Giving Tree.

•Holocaust survivor Thomas Blatt will be speaking in Building 7 from 10 a.m. until noon in Building 7.

•Nov. 30, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. boasts the Blood Drive

•Dec. 1 bears both the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Building 7 at 10 a.m. and noon, as well as Team Highline's Elektronika 101 later that night at 9 p.m. in Building 8.

## Solution to last week's puzzle

### IS THERE A DR. IN THE HOUSE?

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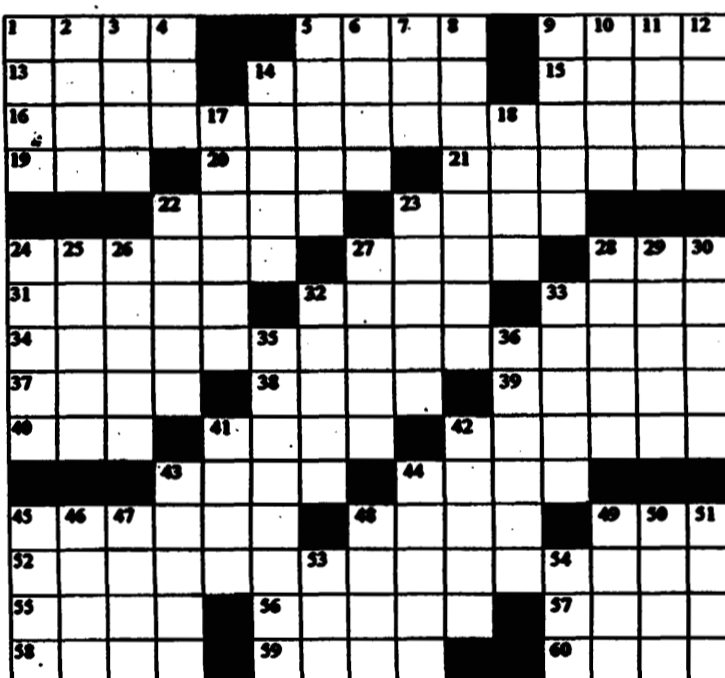
## Crossword 101

### "Hair Today...Gone Tomorrow"

By Ed Canty

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  - 5 Run away
  - 9 Golf shot
  - 13 Rights org.
  - 14 Phones
  - 15 Astronaut Sally
  - 16 Morning after drink?
  - 19 Skirt line
  - 20 Women's Fr.
  - 21 Tripods
  - 22 Pollen
  - 23 Liquefy
  - 24 Noblemen
  - 27 Identical
  - 28 Mark McGwire's need
  - 31 Tony, e.g.
  - 32 Merlot
  - 33 Arrive
  - 34 Photo finish
  - 37 Petite
  - 38 Hankerings
  - 39 Start the day
  - 40 Pig pen
  - 41 Humane org.
  - 42 Most thirsty
  - 43 Plumber's quest
  - 44 Mooches
  - 45 Ambitions
  - 48 Notoriety
  - 49 Liturgical vestment
  - 52 Hairless person's claim
  - 55 Away from wind
  - 56 Diner
  - 57 Wise men from the East
  - 58 Parts of a min.
  - 59 Food fish
  - 69 Kind of school

- DOWN**
- 1 Relaxing moment
  - 2 Pain
  - 3 Mr. Kaddiehopper
  - 4 Expression of bafflement
  - 5 Given the boot
  - 6 A country in SE Asia
  - 7 Santa helper



- 8 Respected
- 9 Toothpaste brand
- 10 Conceal
- 11 Graven image
- 12 Cribbage needs
- 14 Coins
- 17 Sets right
- 18 Vigorous
- 22 Contribute
- 23 Supernatural forces
- 24 Money in Thailand
- 25 Expect eagerly
- 26 Kind of day or season
- 27 NY college
- 28 Rocker David
- 29 Wrong
- 30 Doctrine
- 32 Wadsworth's Hesperus
- 33 Tennis player Evert
- 35 Surgical procedures
- 36 Archer's goal
- 41 Eighteen-wheeler
- 42 Raise an objection

- 43 Dishes out soup
- 44 Bleated
- 45 Some business orgs.
- 46 Abnormal breathing
- 47 Current: Abbr.
- 48 Greek cheese
- 49 From a distance
- 50 Toboggan
- 51 Airplane on a radar screen
- 53 Part of a Scrooge expression
- 54 Mischievous child

### Quotable Quote

"People get real comfortable with their features. Nobody gets comfortable with their hair. Hair trauma. It's the universal thing."

... Jamie Lee Curtis

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## Championship dreams dashed

By Evan Keck  
Staff Reporter

**BOTHELL** – The T-Birds soccer championship dreams were cut short Saturday, when the men lost their semifinal match-up against Bellevue Community College 2-1.

Highline ended up fourth overall, falling to North Idaho 3-0 in Sunday's consolation match.

The semifinal game started off on the right foot when Highline forward Fawzi Bellal scored in the first 15 minutes. The shot came from the outside, about 15 yards out, entering the net on the far side just under the Bellevue keeper's outstretched arms.

From there, Highline controlled the tempo of the first half and were confident going into the second.

"We owned the middle the first half," said Kevin Sherer.

Most of the game was played on Highline's own half but the defense held strong throughout until Bellevue scored their first goal of the evening.

"I couldn't believe it went in," said Keelan Harvey. "It was a really difficult shot."

Bellevue's Yusuke Masui received the ball out on the 20, turned on it and put a curving shot in the upper corner of the goal just out of reach from keeper Ken Campbell.

"It wasn't exactly a lucky shot, it was more unlucky for us," said Head Coach Jason Prenovost.

With 16 minutes left in the game the players didn't think the game was in jeopardy.

"We thought there was still



Photo by Joe Walker

Highline's Keelan Harvey tries to steal the ball from Bellevue's Mark Shelton. Harvey was given a penalty for this play, just one of the things that went wrong Saturday.

time left (to score)," said Harvey.

"We were pretty confident we were gonna win," said Brooks Bonner.

As the minutes counted down, the Highline defense had more trouble getting the ball out of the middle and Bellevue was able to capitalize.

With two minutes left, a shot on goal by Bellevue played off a T-Bird's foot as he tried to clear it and rolled in for the Helmsmen.

"(After the first goal) I was hoping for overtime," said Prenovost. "I wanted to meet on the sidelines, regroup and maybe change things up a bit."

Bellevue played most of the game with a five-man defense to counter the Highline offense. After the second goal, the T-Birds turned it on and gave themselves several scoring opportunities, but with the overstocked defense and time running down, chances were quickly quelled.

The late game had very unfriendly conditions. The temperature was around 30 degrees and the AstroTurf was frozen. Several runs and through balls by Highline ended up in turnovers because the ice on the field made the ball skip.

"Their (Bellevue) style of play is better for those conditions," said Prenovost. "We get the ball on the ground, control it, put it outside and play it into the forwards."

The teams that played kick

and run did better in the tournament.

The men started the consolation game on Sunday with heavy hearts after the devastating loss.

The game started well but quickly turned south after North Idaho was awarded a penalty kick and scored midway through the first half.

"I wasn't impressed with the officiating on Sunday," said Prenovost.

Prenovost also thought both penalty kick fouls were not necessary in a game of that magnitude and they took the team out of the game.

The second half wasn't much better when NIC was given another penalty kick.

Keelan Harvey got a yellow card for tripping an NIC player from behind inside the 18 for the penalty kick. The referee made the call from behind the play at the 40-yard line. The call was one of the more controversial of the tournament.

This time, keeper Matt McCamm blocked it, but an NIC player got the rebound and tallied to take Highline out of the game.

NIC later scored their final goal of the game, which sealed it for the Cardinals.

Highline fought the whole game and had several shots on goal, but none made it to the back of the net.

The forwards were not being supported by the midfield. Most were playing back, leaving Highline's offense to beat up to six defenders.

"They played their hearts out," said Prenovost. "It was a great experience."

## Playoff Diary: Losing a big game is never easy

**BOTHELL** – "Success is never final; Failure is never fatal; it is courage that counts." - Winston Churchill

Courage is one thing that our team has. It takes a lot of courage to go out and play in pre-championship games, emotions are high, and everyone comes to play. The better team doesn't always win but that's the way it goes.

All of our spirits were high going into the semi-final game against Bellevue. We sat in the locker room preparing our minds and our legs for the game that was about to happen. With the temperature in the 30s and "Eye of the Tiger" blasting through the locker room of Pop



Keeney, we sat eagerly waiting for the previous semi-final game between Tacoma and North Idaho to end.

Their game went into overtime, and then it finally ended with TCC coming out on top and North Idaho playing for third and fourth place the next day.

As that game ended, we warmed our legs up in the gym and came out looking like a championship team. With 20 minutes before game time, we went into a shortened version of our warm-up.

With the fans sitting in their winter gear and players trying to get a sweat going in the frostbitten air, the whistle blew across the frozen turf.

The scene was set for the night, the ground was frozen and one team was in the final and the other in the consolation game.

We came out and played our game. We knew we were going to win after Fawzi Bellal blasted a shot into the net that put us up

1-0, which took us into the half.

We came out in the second half and played great soccer, but Bellevue somehow squeaked two in. We played our hearts out, and it showed at the sound of the final whistle. We are a team that was defeated and although we knew it was only one loss, our spirits were shattered.

There were no words that can explain how we felt, and it was apparent, perhaps, in the silence on the sideline afterwards. We cheered Bellevue's name and shook their hands.

The day after is always a struggle, especially if you have to play in another game. No one likes to play in a consolation game but we knew what we had

to do. Spirits weren't as high and we had heavy legs from the frozen night before.

We were playing what we thought should have been the championship game, but for third and fourth. We played our game but it wasn't enough. North Idaho got two penalty kicks and another shot that put them up 3-0.

We had a great season, with many memories to go along with it. The sophomores who are leaving will be missed. As for the freshmen coming back, we're going to have another run at the title next year.

Dustin Rodes is a member of Highline's soccer team and a Thunderword staff reporter.

# HOOP DANCER

## Highline student struts for Sonics

By Patrick Allcorn  
Staff Reporter

Though it is almost winter, Autumn is still in full swing.

Highline sophomore Autumn Mittelstaedt is currently in her third year as a member of the Sonics dance team.

Mittelstaedt began her dancing career at the age of 7, doing mostly jazz, tap and ballet. It

wasn't until the summer after her senior year at Thomas Jefferson High School, where she graduated with a 3.97

grade point average, that her forte switched to hip-hop dancing.

That summer her dance group performed at KUBE's Summer Jam in George, Wash.

The 20-year-old Mittelstaedt has been performing since she was 5.

Up until the age of 12 she was doing commercials for Chef-Boy-ar-Dee, Lipton, and the Bon Marche just to name a few. But the spot she is most remembered for is a Rice Krispies advertisement in which she had to say that her Rice Krispies tell her, "my friends think I'm the coolest."

"All through junior high I

was known as 'the Rice Krispies girl'," Mittelstaedt said.

She quit acting at the age of 12, but some of the commercials didn't stop playing until much later.

"Five years later I would still see myself (on television) with little crooked teeth," Mittelstaedt said.

Mittelstaedt had only participated in her

high school's dance team in her sophomore year. She chose to mainly dance in groups, such as X-Poz-A, which entered a lot of competitions.

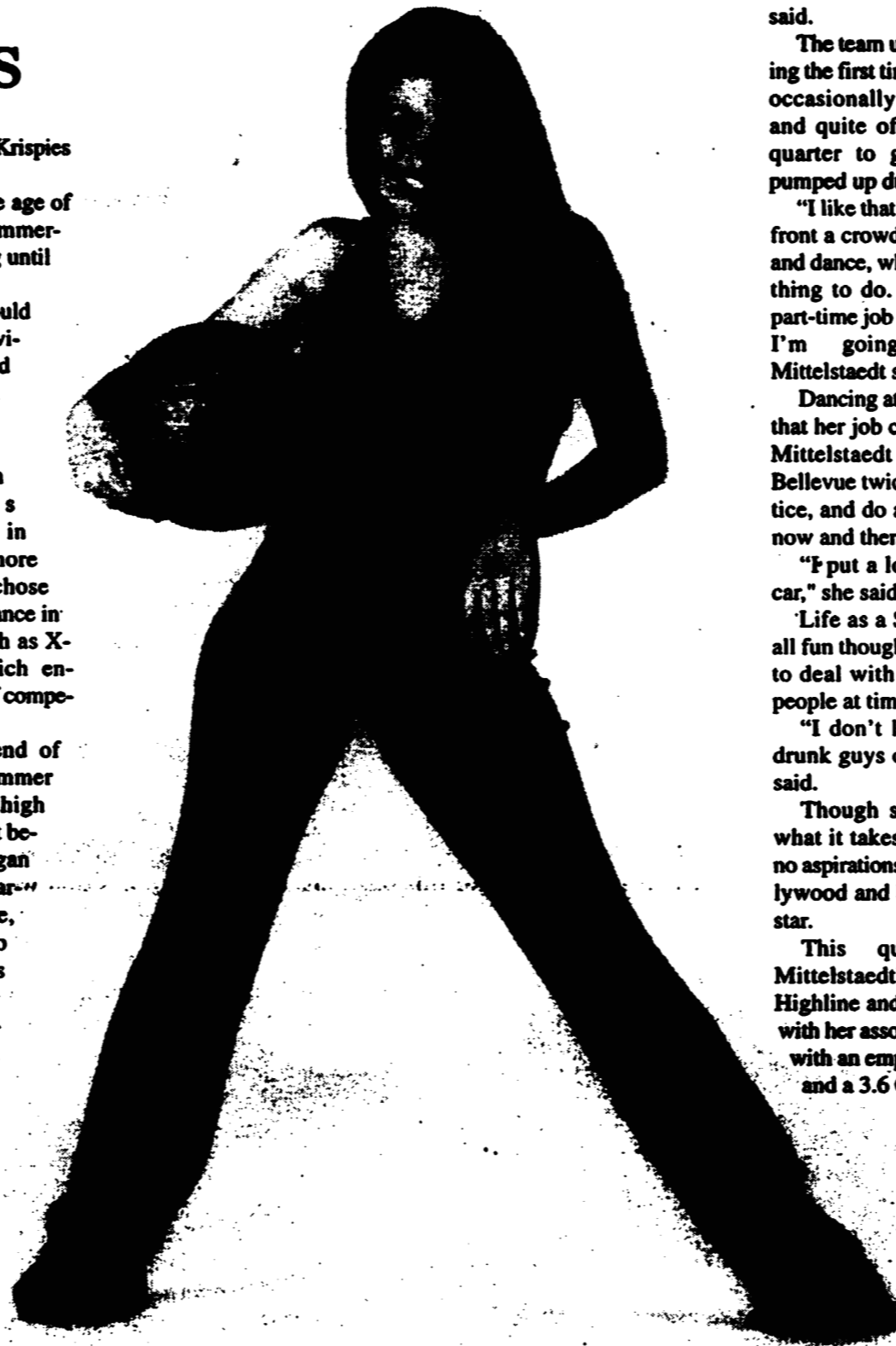
At the end of her first summer out of high school, right before she began her first quar-

ter at Highline, Mittelstaedt decided to try out for the Sonics dance team.

"I had seen them perform at games and I wanted to try out when I turned 18," Mittelstaedt said.

She made the team on her first try and has continued to make the cut every year since.

"Auditions are hard. A group of about 200 girls are cut to 20 on the first day and then finals last a week and 15 make it," Mittelstaedt



said.

The team usually dances during the first timeout of the game, occasionally during halftime, and quite often in the fourth quarter to get the audience pumped up during timeouts.

"I like that I get to perform in front of a crowd of 17,000 people and dance, which is my favorite thing to do. This is the best part-time job I could have while I'm going to school," Mittelstaedt said.

Dancing at the games isn't all that her job consists of though. Mittelstaedt has to drive to Bellevue twice a week for practice, and do appearances every now and then.

"I put a lot of miles on my car," she said.

Life as a Sonic dancer isn't all fun though. Mittelstaedt has to deal with some pretty rude people at times.

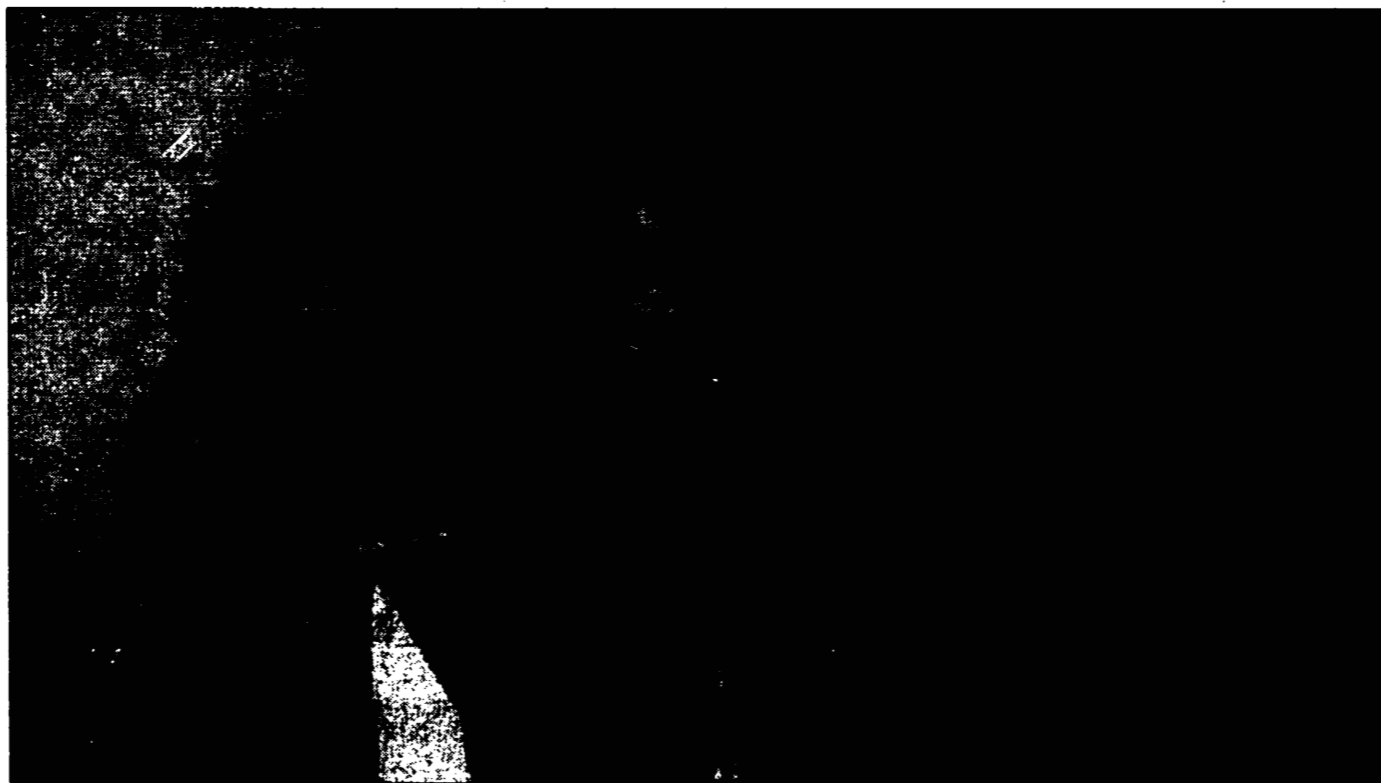
"I don't like the perverted drunk guys on courtside," she said.

Though she definitely has what it takes, Mittelstaedt has no aspirations of moving to Hollywood and becoming a major star.

This quarter will be Mittelstaedt's final one at Highline and she will graduate with her associate of arts degree with an emphasis in education and a 3.6 GPA.



Autumn Mittelstaedt



Highline's Autumn Mittelstaedt, above, strikes a pose on a flyer for Sonic dance team tryouts. At right, Mittelstaedt poses with other members of the dance team, including former Highline cheerleader Jaret Hughes

# T-Birds get a lot of experience in Oregon

By Evan Keck  
Staff Reporter

The men's wrestling team had weekend to remember when they traveled to Southern Oregon for the Southern Oregon Classic on Saturday.

The T-Birds faced Division I colleges and junior colleges, everyone from Boise State, University of Oregon, to Central Washington and PLU, to North Idaho and Clackamas Community College.

Some of the wrestlers were getting their first college wrestling experience, others were competing for a place in the top five.

Shad Lierly, at 141 pounds was the only wrestler from Highline to place in the tournament (fourth). Lierly wrestled eight matches and had a tournament record of 6-2 with a pin and an overtime win.

His first match was a victory over Jared Cobb of U.C. Davis by a score of 10-4. Lierly lost his second by four points to Jeremy Wynia of Southern Oregon. He then won his next five matches over wrestlers from Portland State, Stanford, North Idaho, and San Francisco State. In his consolation third and fourth place match, Lierly faced off with Ranson Philips from the University of Oregon. Philips

ipped pinned Lierly in 1:24.

Andy Olson was one win away from the championship. He went 2-2 for the tourney, but he lost to the 174 pound tournament champion.

His first match was against Travis Cross from Simon Fraser University where Olson won with a 12-9 lead. Olson lost his following match to San Francisco State 7-6. His opponent got one point for riding time at the end of the match to pull out the win. Olson came back with a vengeance and annihilated Franko Santiago from Central Washington by a score of 14-5. His momentum was cut short when he lost to Southern Oregon to knock him out of the tournament. Again, Olson lost by one point. Olson had defeated his opponent from San Francisco State the previous year at the Lassen Open tournament in Reno, Nevada, who was the overall champion at Oregon.

"We did a lot better than last year," said Olson.

Javonn Albert-Rainwater got some experience wrestling two opponents from Stanford and an opponent from Boise State. Albert-Rainwater etched out a tough double overtime victory over his first Stanford opponent.

"I learned a lot from it (the tournament)," said Albert-Rain-

## NWAACC Tournament Results

### Volleyball Mt Hood Community College

11/16  
Spokane d. Lower Columbia 15-9, 15-2, 15-12  
Chemeketa d. Walla Walla 15-7, 9-15, 15-12, 15-10  
Linn-Benton d. Whatcom 15-4, 15-4, 15-11  
Green River d. Edmonds 15-11, 7-15, 15-8, 12-15, 15-13  
Columbia Basin d. Clackamas 15-4, 15-7, 15-6  
Big Bend d. Pierce 15-10, 15-12, 15-2  
Skagit Valley d. Grays Harbor 6-15, 15-4, 15-9, 13-15, 15-9 Mt. Hood d. Shoreline 15-1, 15-1, 15-1

11/17  
Clackamas d. Edmonds 15-4, 15-9, 15-8  
Pierce d. Whatcom 15-12, 15-7, 15-4  
Walla Walla d. Grays Harbor 15-17, 15-8, 15-6, 15-5  
Shoreline d. Lower Columbia

15-7, 15-7, 11-15, 15-11  
Chemeketa d. Skagit Valley 15-12, 15-11, 15-6  
Mt Hood d. Spokane 15-5, 15-9, 15-6  
Columbia Basin d. Green River 15-6, 15-4, 15-2  
Linn-Benton d. Big Bend 15-11, 15-3, 15-13  
Big Bend d. Shoreline 8-15, 14-16, 15-12, 15-12, 15-6  
Clackamas d. Skagit Valley 15-9, 2-15, 10-15, 15-9, 15-8  
Spokane d. Pierce 15-10, 11-15, 15-1, 15-9  
Walla Walla d. Green River 15-5, 15-8, 15-7

11/18  
Columbia Basin d. Big Bend 15-10, 15-4, 15-0  
Linn-Benton d. Clackamas 17-15, 15-13, 15-9  
Chemeketa d. Spokane 15-12, 15-6, 15-12  
Mt Hood d. Walla Walla 15-6, 15-4, 15-13  
Linn-Benton d. Columbia Basin 15-6, 10-15, 15-12, 13-15, 15-10  
Mt Hood d. Chemeketa 16-14, 15-11, 16-14

Columbia Basin d. Chemeketa 15-10, 16-14, 5-15, 16-14 (third place)  
Mt Hood d. Linn-Benton 15-5, 15-3, 15-2 (championship)

### Men's Soccer Pop Keeney Stadium

11/18  
Tacoma 2, North Idaho 1 (OT)  
Bellevue 2, Highline 1

11/19  
North Idaho 3, Highline 0 (third place)  
Tacoma 3, Bellevue 2 (championship)

### Women's Soccer

11/18  
North Idaho 3, Columbia Basin 2 (OT)  
Edmonds 3, Walla Walla 1

11/19  
Walla Walla 3, Columbia Basin 2 (OT) (third place)  
Edmonds 2, North Idaho 0 (championship)

water.

Bobby Brokenshire wrestled unattached at 133 pounds. He won his first two matches over Boise State and Central Washington. He pinned his opponent from Boise and won 8-1 over Central. Brokenshire then lost his next two against Oregon State and Lassen.

Ben Barkley and Chad Keck had a good tournament at 157 pounds. Barkley went 3-2 for the tournament winning his first two matches against PLU and Stanford. His first loss was to Eugene Harris from the University of Oregon. Harris has not been taken down all year and was able to continue that streak, pinning Barkley. He next beat his opponent from Clackamas 10-6. His last match went to John Zamora from NIC, losing 10-4.

Keck had similar success going 3-2 with two overtime victories. He first took on Chuck Ray from Clackamas and put him away 5-0. He next faced national champ Kirk White from Boise State. Keck held his own the first two periods but quickly fell behind in the third losing 12-2. Keck bounced back winning his next two over San Francisco State and Clackamas. The first match was a 4-3 victory in overtime and the second was 4-2 in double overtime. He then faced off with Zamora and like Barkley did not survive. Keck was pinned in the third round.

Jamey Verderico competed at 184-pound class. There, Verderico went 3-2 losing his first, 7-4 against NIC, winning his next

three 9-6, 3-2 and a pin over U.C. Davis. He then lost to Portland State 4-2.

"It was the best showing we've seen from Jamey since he's been here," said Head Coach Todd Owens.

Trevor Smith, at 197, went 2-2 beating Ryan Mattingly from Simon Fraser by pin and a forfeit over teammate Chris Babka.

Anthony Hamilton had a surprising outcome for the day. He finished 1-2, but had a good win over Chris Shipp from Central. He lost his second match to Mike Whitehead from NIC 4-2. He lost his next to Stanford to eliminate him from the tourney.

"We really well, I really liked this weekend," said Owens. "All in all it was a good day."



Photo by Joe Walker

Highline's Bobby Brokenshire performing a hold in a recent wrestling match. Brokenshire wrestled unattached in Southern Oregon this weekend, going 2-2.

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# Burien businesses may change

By David Edwards  
and Chelsea Eck  
Staff Reporters

New stores, including Home Depot, Red Apple and Wal-Mart, may be making their way to a city near you.

The stores may be coming to Burien and Normandy Park. The Normandy Park Thriftway is close to being sold, and Home Depot is looking for sites in the Burien area. Wal-Mart also may be looking.

Word on the street is that Home Depot will be taking over the area near Herr Lumber on Five Corners in Burien. A manager at Herr Lumber declined to discuss the future of the store, which appears to be going strong.

But City of Burien officials said that Home Depot is in negotiations to acquire a site in the city for a new store. The hardware retailer has stores in Tukwila and Federal Way.

The Thriftway store in Normandy Park appears to be understocked, and employees at the store have said they've heard the store is being sold. The shelves have empty holes where food should be, the walls need paint, and the floors need polishing.

Yet, it is not certain if the store is going out of business, or getting a new owner.

"We should know within 30 days whether or not the store will be bought out or not, but we can't say by who because it isn't final," said Phil Baker, business development director for Associated Grocers, of which Thriftway is a member.

Although nothing is confirmed, Kathy Naon, the store manager of the Thriftway in Normandy Park, doesn't want the store to close.

"I don't want it to happen, I like the people that work here.



Photo by Joe Walker

The Normandy Park Thriftway is rumored to be sold to another business. Home Depot and Wal-Mart are also rumored to eyeing Southwest King County.

We have a good team that works well together and it's a good store."

There's some chance the store will remain a Thriftway store. Thriftway wants to lease it to another owner but wants it to retain the Thriftway name.

But Top Foods and Red Apple both have rumored as possible buyers for the store. Employees at the Top Foods in Federal Way said they hadn't heard anything about such a move, however.

Lex Cooper, who has resided in Normandy Park for over 40 years, believes that the store's biggest problem is that the grocery store staff has had too much employee turnover.

"Customers like to see a familiar face when they walk into a store, they want to know that they will get good service with someone they know they can trust," said Cooper.

He remembers when some of the grocery checkers and staff had been with the original store, XL Sooper, for at least 20 years. They knew all their customers on a first-name basis.

"When you walk into a store it is good to see someone you know," said Naon.

The store has already been owned and leased by many people.

Glenn Cushing, owned it as XL Sooper, from 1959 to 1976. In 1977 Dick Pettit took over, and he ran it until 1996.

Now, the store is owned by Thriftway and leased to Bill

Knowles, who also owns the Boulevard Park and Issaquah Thriftways.

Cooper said he has seen many changes in the businesses at the Normandy Park shopping center.

Warren's Drugs was another business at that location for at least 25 years. It was sold in the early 1990s to a new owner.

That owner raised prices and brought in expensive gifts, resulting in the drug store's closing a little over a year later.

The space that Warren's Drug occupied is now home to a Subway sandwich shop.

"Two other businesses have recently closed, Sooper Cleaners, and the Normandy Café," Cooper said. "The stores that remain will have a hard time staying in business because people see that all the neighboring stores are boarded up and they feel that the place is deserted."

"If they do put in a new store they need to think about how it will affect the whole business community because people want to do all of their errands in a fast and convenient way. They want to do their errands all in one location, they don't want to have to go to many different places," said Cooper.

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Internships are both administrative and legislative in nature. Some responsibilities include attending committee hearings and briefings, community meetings, researching and writing responses to constituent inquiries, and performing a multitude of administrative tasks.

To be considered for an internship, you will be required to submit a cover letter, resume, three letters of reference and a one-page writing sample on why you would like to be a congressional intern.

**Application Deadline:** November 15 for Winter, February 15 for Spring, April 15 for Summer. Late applications will be considered if positions have not yet been filled.

**Contact:** Cooperative Education office, Building 19, room 107.

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## homeless

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park regularly gets about five or six stalls taken by the homeless.

"I don't like to call them homeless. I like to call it an alternative lifestyle," said McBee. "If they want to change, they can."

McBee says the crime rate at Dash Point isn't excessive; it's about the same as the general population.

"We've pulled out a couple drug labs. But we are not here at 3 a.m. They (drug dealers) are."

McBee says they can't enter somebody's tent unless they have probable cause such as the smell of ether or evidence of batteries with the lithium peeled off.

Other campers who come in to the park with \$250,000 mobile homes have asked McBee if he is running a shantytown.

"I tell them, 'It's raining, what do you want me to do? Do you want them to live in a cardboard box?' At least this is a step up from a cardboard box."

Mark Harreus, public information officer for Federal

Way Police, said that when he worked the Dash Point area, they never had any serious problems.

"We would get calls about people being drunk and loud. But nothing serious."

It's serious for Marie, however. The day before Thanksgiving is moving day. Park rules say that for every 20 days you stay, you must be out for three. Marie says she doesn't know where she'll go, but she expects to be back.

With December rolling around, she is uncertain about the holiday season. "I've never spent the holidays in a state park," she said. "I've spent holidays in jail but I'd rather be out here."

Out here, Marie has all the possessions an experienced camper would need: fuel, heaters, lanterns and a tent. She's been here since late July. But she's not blaming anybody.

"There's so many resources out there. I'm not blaming me or anybody else. This is where I want to be. If somebody doesn't want to be here they don't have to be."

Marie's friend Greg walks up. Her face lights up as though she hasn't seen him in awhile. Then another friend

drives up in her car. Marie gets even more excited.

"She's the one that sings," Marie says as she jumps up to greet her. For a minute friends surround Marie. For a minute it feels as though Marie isn't alone.

## holiday

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a Giving Tree, in which all gifts are donated to needy Highline students. Women's Programs will provide a list of names. Students choose a tag hanging from the tree that identifies a recipient's sex, age and desired gift.

The Giving Tree will be located at the Bookstore in Building 6. Wrapped gifts should be returned to the Student Program's office in Building 8. This effort runs from Nov. 27 through Dec. 8.

Southcenter Mall is also sponsoring a Giving Tree. Gifts are donated to the Salvation Army. This effort will run Nov. 24 through Dec. 24. Shoppers choose a tag hanging from the tree that identifies a recipient's sex, age and desired gift. The

shopper then purchases the gift, wraps, and brings the gift to the Giving Tree booth at Center Court in front of the Bon Marche.

The Supermall of the Great Northwest is sponsoring an Angel Tree. The Angel Tree will be on display near the Train Court. Volunteers located at the Guest Services booth, near the Train Court, will pass out a piece of paper with suggested toys.

The unwrapped toys should be returned to the Guest Services booth between Nov. 12 and Dec. 23. The toys will be transported to a place where needy parents can pick out presents for their children. The list of needy families is provided by the Salvation Army and will benefit families living in the Des Moines and Federal Way area.

Ed Camp, marketing director of the Supermall, said, "Everyone benefits, from parents demonstrating to their children the act of giving, to the children who are the recipients of the toys. This type of program embodies the spirit of the season."

The Burien and Des Moines Fire departments will be combining efforts this year to collect cash, gifts and food for families identified by the Department of

Social and Health Services as needy. Approximately 70 families are served by this effort.

"It is a team effort and really brings the families of our firefighters together. What's nice about this program is every nickel, every gift goes right back out to the people," said Doug Luedeman, Burien Fire Department's fire marshall and main organizer.

People wishing to donate food or money can go to the Des Moines Food Bank located at 22225 9th Ave. S., Des Moines United Methodist church. The food bank is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9:30 a.m. until noon.

St. Philomena Catholic Church, located at 1790 S. 222 St., will sponsor a Giving Tree. Gifts will be donated to St. Martin de Porres Shelter (a homeless shelter for men), Noel House (a homeless shelter for women), Lazarus Center (a day center for men and women), Orion Center (for teens) and local nursing homes.

People can also donate to the Shoe Box Ministry, a year-round drive to collect basic toiletry items for the homeless.

A drop box is located inside the church. For additional information, contact Monesa Grant at 206-878-8709.

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