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Highline mourns WTC tragedy



Photo by C.J. Gambrel

Molly Reitz places candle next to the flag pole as the Highline campus observed the moment of silence for those killed in the World Trade Center, Pittsburgh and Pentagon crashes two weeks ago.

Campus community copes with attack on America

By JANICA LOCKHART
Staff Reporter

Highline was silent as students and staff crowded around the flag that stood at half-staff on campus.

There were looks of sorrow, hurt, and blank faces as the crowd of 150 people stood to remember the victims of the recent World Trade Center terrorist attack. The silence was part of the national day of mourning on Sept. 14.

The expected one minute of silence began at 12:29 p.m. but ended up lasting for five minutes. Planes were the only thing heard at the time, which occasionally led to people in the crowd to look up into the air. Tears came for some as the planes went overhead.

The World Trade Center attack led to more than 5,000 people missing and hundreds confirmed dead.

On Sept. 11, two planes that were hijacked were flown into the two towers of the World Trade Center. Also, another hijacked plane was flown into the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. Another hijacked plane crashed outside of Pittsburgh, which was rumored to have been heading to Camp David or the White House. The hijackings are still under investigation.

"It is a really sad situation," said student Kamran Kanary. "I just hope people don't stereo-

type innocent people."

"The American people need to come together and be a strength to the families that have lost loved ones," said student Gerald Jackson.

It is just not one ethnicity or country that is to blame for the terrorist act, Jackson said.

If we stereotype people it will bring us down to the terrorist level, said Dawn Saunders, another student.

This tragedy will make us unite, said financial aid adviser Molly Reitz. "I feel sorrow for all the people that have been lost."

At the opening ceremony on Sept. 18, Dr. Priscilla Bell addressed the attacks by taking a moment of silence with the staff and faculty. During the moment of silence Randy Fisher began to sing *God Bless America* and was eventually joined by most of the staff and faculty.

Students and staff are going to feel vulnerable, especially since Highline is a diverse school, Bell said.

"We will move beyond this tragedy," she said.

"There have been recent abusive acts in the community but I don't expect it to happen here," Bell said about people blaming one ethnicity for terrorist attacks.

"We need to treat everyone

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Student Programs continues to change before our eyes

By BRYAN SHARICK
Staff Reporter

Student Programs has gone through a number of changes over the past year and still more

are coming.

New associate dean of students Kelly Smith decided to take a job in Alaska, and interim director of student programs Erin Blakeney is also leaving

Highline.

College officials thought they had found a replacement associate dean of students in Smith, but he apparently got a better offer from Alaska Pacific

University.

"He took a position in Alaska because of the opportunity to work there. It was frustrating because we wanted him here," said Ivan Gorne, vice president

of students.

Smith was not available for comment.

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Students touch the community

By JASON DESLONGCHAMP
Staff Reporter

This year a class at Highline is being offered with the express purpose of making a difference in the community. The class is Interpersonal Communication, speech 210. The class employs service learning as one of its main features.

The class is part of a national program called Communicating Common Ground. Highline's class is one of 37 national projects sponsored by the Communication Association, American Association of Higher Education, and the Southern Poverty Law Center.

Speech Department Chairwoman Barbara Clinton organized this nationally recognized class. "We got accepted to the program last spring (2000), and by March of this year we were designated a model program and I was invited to the AAHE yearly meeting to talk about the

Communicating Common Ground national project," Clinton said.

"The express purpose of Communicating Common Ground is to build community and reduce violence in K-12 settings. The program links a college speech department with some type of K-12 group."

This last school year Highline students worked with Federal Way, Kentridge, and Highline high schools. Students from Highline worked to improve these schools student-run conflict resolution programs.

"After every quarter so far, the feedback from our Highline students has been that this is just a fabulous opportunity," Clinton said. "The advantage of this class is that students actually use what they're learning. They can go in and talk about the skills with high school students and see how relevant the skills are in developing relationships."



Barbara Clinton

Student Kevin Yiap took the class during the Spring Quarter 2001.

"I've definitely gained some useful skills in terms of talking to people and presenting my ideas," said Yiap. "I would definitely recommend the class to other people if they want a more personal, one-on-one class."

"Our community partners have been so enthusiastic," Clinton said. "The feedback

I'm getting from these schools is that the interaction with these college students is moving their programs forward by leaps and bounds. Not only does every school want us back every quarter, but all three of these schools want even more of our students at their school."

Student Kristen Miller also took the class last spring.

"I learn well when Barbara teaches," said Miller. "She is practical and direct. During class she becomes our text."

Clinton decided to start an interpersonal communication class because she saw a need for interpersonal skills on campus.

"All these lists from employers always have interpersonal skills among their top five requirements for potential employees," Clinton said. "I think students are coming out of this class with skills that give them an edge. Not only an edge for potential employment, but also an edge on their quality of life."



Crime Blotter for Sept. 24

Naked man seeks refuge on campus

"The naked guy in the bushes," as security calls him, was spotted lying naked in brush near the tennis courts. The 42-year-old male said he was trying to clear his head from too much drinking. He is not a student and was not arrested.

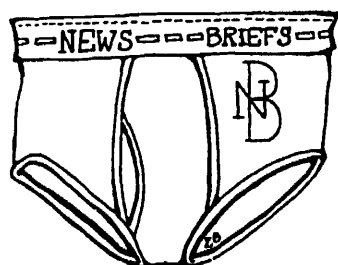
Juveniles trash pay phone

Three kids smashed the receiver of the pay phone by Building 28 with rocks and tore up the bench near by. The receiver was broken in half. Two of the suspects ran but one was caught and held for questioning. He said his friends were responsible and security let him go.

Money stolen

Vending machines from Buildings 4, 6, 8, and 21 were broken into during summer break. Perpetrator(s) pried the lock on the door, breaking the lock and stealing the money from all machines.

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Samantha Vail



A special gift

A very generous donor recently gave a \$12,300 check to Highline's Foundation office.

Some \$10,000 of the check will be given to Women's Programs and the rest will be given to Senior Programs here at Highline.

The donor wishes to remain anonymous.

It is chilly in here!

Some buildings at Highline continue to go without heat since Spring Quarter 2001.

Buildings 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 23 will have heat returned on Oct. 1. On Oct. 15 Buildings 20, 21, 22, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29 are expected to have heat returned.

The rest of the buildings on campus continue to have heat.

A new job, same person

Dick Arbak has been named as the new director of Adminis-

trative Technology for Highline over the summer.

Arbak previously worked at Highline for two years as interim director.

Volunteer your spare time

Community service volunteers are needed in West King County.

Volunteer Chore Services provides help free of charge to seniors and disabled adults. People volunteering will help seniors and disabled adults do housework and yardwork.

If you can spare one hour a week or twice a month call 206-328-6858 for more information.

A free screening

A free depression and manic-depression screening will be given by the Depression Wellness Network in downtown Seattle.

The screenings are part of the National Depression Screening Day on Oct. 11 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6-9 p.m.

Symptoms of depression include feelings of sadness, loss of pleasure in usual activities, changes in sleep and appetite, and thoughts of suicide or death.

The screening will take place on 9500 Roosevelt Way NE, 302. Call 206-528-9975 for more information.

No permits, no problem

By JANICA LOCKHART
Staff Reporter

Students don't need to rush to get parking permits the first day of school. Students afraid of getting a parking ticket for not having a permit probably don't have anything to worry about.

"It is not likely that someone is going to get a ticket for not having a permit the first week of school," said Chief of Security Richard Fisher.

If a person is parking in a carpool space without a valid permit a ticket will be given because the person is not parking in the right area, Fisher said.

After the first week of school tickets are given to students and staff who do not have valid per-

mits when they park in carpool, staff, or student parking.

There are signs at every entrance to warn people that we gives tickets for not having valid permits, Fisher said.

A permit to park at Highline is \$16 and \$8 to park at the Midway Drive-in. All tickets that are given for not having a valid permit are \$20 unless a person parks in a handicap spot illegally. A person who does not have a valid handicap sticker will receive a fine of \$175.

People who try to park in visitor parking to avoid buying a permit will also be fined. A log is kept of plate numbers on cars that are parked in visitor parking and anyone who has parked in there for more than a couple of days will receive a \$20 ticket.



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College suffers from tunnel vision

By SAMANTHA VAIL
Staff Reporter

Currently one big construction project is wrapping up but others are on the way for Highline.

The utility tunnel project will be completed in a few weeks and the computer lab will be finished this spring.

After many months of construction, the mess in front of the cafeteria still remains. This is where the utility tunnel project is being finished off. The tunnel was damaged partly due to the earthquake and because the tunnel was old and poorly designed.

The tunnel was installed too far underground and with cheap concrete, according to Laura Sanders, vice president of administration.

The utility tunnel controls gas, heat, electricity, hot and cold water, telephones and data. "It's the backbone of the campus," said Sanders.

"We had the tunnel scheduled for renovation but the earthquake caused the process to take place earlier," said Sanders.

Highline requested the Federal Emergency Management Agency to pay for the utility tunnel project because of the earthquake damage. FEMA said no, but Highline will appeal, said Sanders.

The utility tunnel is currently being placed at a higher level and should be completed by mid-October.

The final processes of construction for the utility tunnel



Photo by Joe Walker

Sparks fly as P.J. Philip welds a hot water pipe for the new utility tunnel that will run through the middle of campus.

include "putting the pipe in, pouring cement, and covering it up," said Dick Schwartz, superintendent with Northwest Cascade.

Sanders warns students to watch where they are walking.

"It looks awful and we are sorry about that," she said.

Meanwhile, the Building 30 construction project is installing eight new computer labs/classrooms. The project has taken so long because the first contractor was fired and it took time to find a replacement. The project is expected to be completed by spring 2002.

Once the utility tunnel and computer labs are completed expect more construction work. Building 8 will be torn down in 2002 and replaced with a new Student Union building. At 40,000 square feet, the new building will be twice the size of the current Student Center. Full

time students currently pay a \$25 fee per quarter for the Student Union project.

Further down the road, the college expects to continue planning for the Highline/Central Washington Higher Education Center as well as a new child care center.

Summer: Budget, financial aid, and new people

By JANICA LOCKHART
Staff Reporter

Summer may be over but events that occurred when most Highline students were enjoying their vacation are still affecting the campus. Here is an overview of what happened during summer quarter:

•Governor Gary Locke signed a new capital and operating budget for the Highline for 2001-2003 school years. Highline will be able to build a new student center and design the Highline Central Washington Education Center because of the new capital budget. The new operating budget will make students pay a 6.2 percent tu-

ition increase and another 6.1 percent increase will take place in the 2002-2003 school year. A portion of the tuition increase will help pay for teacher salaries.

•Don Scott was announced as the new director of Entry Services. Scott will help students decide what they want to do after college and what classes students should take.

•Financial aid for some students may be delayed this fall due to a shortage of help in processing applications. Financial aid includes loans, grants, and work-study opportunities that are awarded to students if they applied and are eligible. Letters were recently sent to students

that applied for financial aid. Students need to respond to the letters as soon as possible or end up being dropped from their classes.

•Team Highline selected new members for the 2001-2002 school year. New members are Shawna Hubbard, Rachel Platt, Ania Michnicka, Camille Barrera, and Darcie Tocco. The new members had to go through a four-week training period that taught them leadership skills and planning techniques. Team Highline organizes fun events and games on campus for students.

•A new digital photography studio has been added to the printing department. The new

equipment, who includes a new Epson 900 color printer, will give students a chance to learn more about digital photography that can be used in the employment world.

•Robert Yates, a former Spokane Community College coach, is the new head track and cross-country coach for Highline. Yates replaces former coach Whit Baker. Yates helped lead Spokane Community College's women's and men's track teams to the NWAACC championships last spring.

•Fastpitch head coach Cara Hoyt has left Highline to coach at Cal-State Hayward in the Bay Area. During the seven years Hoyt was here she led the

fastpitch team to the playoffs five times. A new coach had not been announced by Sept. 24.

•Construction on the culvert over Massey Creek is expected to continue until mid-November. Due to the construction 16th Avenue South between South 240th Street and Kent-Des Moines Road in Des Moines will be closed. The work includes removing the road, replacing a steel pipe that was damaged in a 1998 mudslide, and then filling the road back in again.

•The pool is still closed after the water heater pipe broke at the beginning of Spring Quarter 2001. It will be closed until mid-October.

Opinion

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editorial

Terrorism: Moving on

We return to school this year with heavy hearts and a palpable tension in the air. The threat of war looms ominously over the collective American head. Fears of another terrorist attack somewhere in the country have probably passed through everyone's mind. No one knows what's going to happen next; the future seems so uncertain.

It is easy to get caught up in the gloom and doom of the unprecedented situation. The recent terrorist attacks and all of the fallout will most likely be the topic of endless conversation around campus. Although it is comforting — perhaps even cathartic — to discuss the details of the tragedy, it is important that we move on with our lives.

The reality of the situation is that extended dwelling on the negative side of the events does no real good. To be immobilized by fear and grief only makes the enemy seem more victorious.

What we can do is focus on the good that has come from these heinous atrocities. It's hard to miss the sudden surge and outpouring of patriotism in this country.

Everywhere you look it's "God bless America," on billboards and on the tip of everyone's tongues. American flags are selling like lattes. People are joining the armed forces in large numbers. It's sad that it took a disaster of this magnitude to evoke these feelings from the citizens of this country. But to complain about that would be most counterproductive.

A sense of camaraderie, a "we're in this together" mentality has emerged from the ashes and ruins of the World Trade Towers. The attacks have also caused many people to see what's truly important in their lives. Soon after the attacks many people went home to be with their families.

It's through times of adversity that strength of character is forged. By moving on and focusing more on the positive we can build character as a community. We also show the terrorists that our spirit, although rattled, has not been broken.

Victor Frankl, a survivor of the Nazi concentration camps, said that the last of the human freedoms was that we could choose our attitude in any given situation. To choose to be upbeat and positive could perhaps be the greatest disappointment for the perpetrators and supporters of the attacks.

the opinion page

Editorials are the opinion of the management of the newspaper which includes the Editorial board members include Bryan Sharick, Janica Lockhart, Jason DesLongchamp, CJ Gambrel and Joe Walker. Columns represent the opinions of the individual authors. Letters to the editor represent the opinions of the readers.

Letters to the editor are welcome. Letters should be no more than 300 words long, and are subject to editing for style and length. The Thunderword invites contributions of all types from the campus community. Please send submissions to Thunderword@hcc.ctc.edu or deliver to Building 10, room 106.

Dr. Bell rings in new year

It is a great pleasure for me to welcome everyone to the 2001-2002 academic year and the 40th Anniversary of Highline Community College! This year we will focus not just on the excellence of our education programs, but also on celebrating that excellence on campus and with the community. The 40th Anniversary Committee has planned a wide variety of activities and events in recognition of this special year. Among these events are:

- The First Thursday/Arts Nights, which showcase campus and community artists through receptions in the college's Library Gallery and a series of live performances in the Lecture Hall featuring everything from readings by faculty authors to performances by the college choir and college music faculty.

- Homecoming on Nov. 2 includes a dedication of the soccer field, barbecue, and a dance.

- Contemporary Voices - Honors Colloquy, Winter quarter, Wednesdays at noon features alumni speakers who are "Opening Doors" in their com-



Dr. Bell

munity.

- Winter Musical Gala, March 14, with a 40th anniversary theme planned.

In addition to the Anniversary events, the strategic planning process is nearing completion and the Board should adopt the plan in November. The plan's strategic initiatives include:

- Achieve excellence in teaching and learning

- Enhance a college climate that values diversity and global

perspectives

- Strengthen and expand the presence and role of the college within the communities it serves

- Cultivate a college climate that nourishes the well being and productivity of the college community

A number of capital projects are underway: completion of Building 30 - the computer center, completion of the tunnel project, design of the new Highline/Central Washington University Higher Education Center, the new child care center design work, and design of the new student center. This year we will also concentrate on strengthening relationships with our public schools and community based organizations, enhancing staff recruitment and retention efforts, and broadening professional development opportunities for all staff. Plus, this year marks the beginning of Highline's comprehensive and strategic Institutional Advancement program. So it should be a very full and successful year!

Dr. Priscilla Bell is president of Highline.

Fitzgerald urges students to get involved

It's that time of year again. The beginning of fall; leaves turning colors, breaking out your cold weather clothes, and the start of a new school year.

For those of you returning to Highline, and those new to our campus, welcome.

I'm excited to move ahead on projects for the 2001-2002 school year.

There are a bunch of things in the works, such as the Relief Forum, blood drives, senator elections, a trip to our state capitol and much more.

I work with an outstanding



Fitzgerald

team of student officials and we all look forward to new ideas and suggestions that any of you may want to share with us, and hopefully want to work with us on. Collectively we are a cohesive group that is serious about upholding the values of Highline Community College, but don't be fooled—we're anything but uptight. Please come

in and visit us in Building 8.

You can even call us by name. Miranda Walker is your vice president of administration. DJ Taylor is your vice president of legislation. Andy Olson is your treasurer/club diplomat. And coming soon, elections for three student senators, one of which could be you.

So stop by, pick up an information packet and get ready to make your experience here at Highline the best that it can be.

Jewel Fitzgerald is president of the Associated Students of Highline Community College.

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Russell's band is something to Crowe about

Music and actors are usually not a good combination.

Such actors as Billy Bob Thornton and Keanu Reeves have their own bands. Many musicians have tried their hands at acting career such as Madonna, Ice-Cube, and Bon Jovi.

All have failed at trying to



cross that line of music or acting with hideous movies or trash-worthy albums. In the case of Madonna she made the movie, *The Next Best Thing*, which was on a few critics top ten worst movies lists for 2000.

It is obvious that most actors and musicians crossover to give their egos a boost and believe that they can do anything (like Jennifer Lopez).

But what makes Russell Crowe's effort in the venture of music is that he was a musician before an award-winning actor and succeeds at carrying a tune.

Recently his band, 30 Odd Foot of Grunts, (or as fans call them, TOFOG), went on a United States tour to promote their new album, *Bastard Life or Clarity*.

All tour dates on TOFOG's tour sold out and over 2,000 people went to their concert in Austin. In Austin people got to Stubb's Barbecue, where the band played in Austin, a day before the actual concert.

I travelled to Portland to catch the band's concert (and hopefully to meet Crowe) and found that quite a few women heard the band's music. Some had compact discs and t-shirts with the band's logo. Die hard fans even had tattoos of Crowe's name.

Some women did not even care that Crowe was in the band, but overall women were there in hopes that Crowe would tell them he was going to run off and marry them.

Women elbowed, pushed, and hit to get closer to Crowe.

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Highline hits a high note

Community music program offers top-flight instruction

By CJ GAMBREL
Staff Reporter

Highline will be singing a hotter tune this year with its Conservatory of Music, which offers the rare opportunity to be taught and trained by professional musicians.

The Conservatory is a number of ensembles, classes, and private instruction courses for anyone, even beginners.

The Conservatory offers traditional courses such as brass, guitar, and woodwind instruction, and also unique ones, like Hawaiian slack-key guitar, and a program for infants to 7-year-olds called Kindermusik.

The program is not limited to the courses it offers however.

If someone wants to learn an instrument that there is no course for, the Conservatory will be happy to help. "We will find a teacher for the student," said Sandra Glover co-founder of the Conservatory, and vocal instructor of Highline.

The musicians are all working professionals, four of which are faculty at Highline. All are experienced teachers and have at least a master's degree in their areas of specialty.

"You can go to any number of venues in Seattle and see these people perform," said Glover.

Glover attributes much of the



Photo by CJ Gambrel

Sydney Stegall, Sandra Glover, and Mark McKay show off the new grand piano.

success in hiring such high quality professionals to the accommodating location of Highline.

"Highline is easy to get to, it's in the middle of everywhere. We're able to get top quality faculty from a very large region," said Glover.

The central location of the college also makes it a prime spot for students to come to the Conservatory and learn.

"We have people interested from South Seattle, to Aberdeen, to Gig Harbor. They can have excellent quality education without driving to Seattle," said Glover.

Glover also attributes much

of the success of the program to the donation of a nine-foot Estonia grand piano. Only 200 of the pianos are hand-made each year in the country of Estonia.

"This world class instrument revolutionizes both the music department and the Conservatory because of the quality of performances we can now offer," said Glover, who thanked Mark McKay for the foundations help in getting the piano.

"Without a quality grand piano you can't get quality musicians to come and perform. The piano supports a large percentage of musicians from vocalists to instrumentalists," said Nancy

Warren, who will be teaching piano for the Conservatory.

"An internationally acclaimed concert pianist will dedicate the Estonia in a special concert on Oct. 30, at 7:30 p.m. in Building 7," said Glover.

The faculty of the Conservatory are excited and hopeful about the program.

"There's nothing else like it between Bellevue and Tacoma. I expect this program to put us on the musical map," said Warren.

For more information, contact Sandra Glover at 206-878-3710, ext. 6170, or email her at SGlover@hcc.ctc.edu.

Dr. Science kicks off Arts Night

By CJ GAMBREL
Staff Reporter

Experience Dr. Science's 3-D House of Mystery at Highline's new First Thursday/Arts Night.

Dr. Science will be in da house 7:30 p.m. Oct. 4 in Building 7. Tickets are pay what you will at the door.

Dr. Science is actually three doctors (and maybe more) -- Eric Baer, Eric Stavney, and John Pfeiffer, working to entertain you through the magical world of science.

"They're going to be doing fun things with science," said Dr. T.M. Sell, organizer of Arts Night.

Dr. Baer said that he may talk about earthquakes, and maybe even do a crystal growing experiment.

"It'll be a great time," said Dr. Baer.

Dr. Stavney, who is known for dressing up and impersonating famous scientists for his biology class' first lecture, will be talking about how people get sick and the finding of the first cells from the discovering scientists' perspective.

"It kind of makes them human," said Dr. Stavney.

Preceding Dr. Science's 3-D House of Mystery will be fabric art from campus artists in the Library Art Gallery, and a recep-

tion at 6 p.m.

The money generated from Dr. Science's 3-D House of Mystery will be used to benefit science programs on campus.

The purpose of the Arts Night is "to showcase the talent on campus as well as to raise funds for campus programs," said Dr. Sell. The year-long series will pair openings in the Library Gallery, followed by performances in Building 7 or the Little Theatre.

Arts Night also provides an opportunity for people to see the college, who might not otherwise come. "People tend to look down on us because we're a community college, which is

unfortunate because Highline is a very good college," said Dr. Sell.

"I think it's a wonderful opportunity to have people come to the campus," said Dr. Baer.

"We sent press releases to quite a number of newspapers," said Dr. Sell, who plans on sending out more information, and putting up a number of posters in the community.

Many more events are planned for the Arts Night, from plays to children's art shows, to Highline authors reading from their published work.

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Get into the act for fall

Fall play 'Blue' auditions are this week

By C.J. GAMBREL
Staff Reporter

The Drama Department will be holding auditions for its fall production at the end of this week.

Auditions are from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Sept. 26-27 in the Little Theater, Building 4, room 122. Friday there will be call backs if necessary.

Students are to have a prepared monologue that they will perform for the audition, although a monologue will be provided for anyone who doesn't have one.



Rick Lorig

"It helps a lot if [you] have a small piece of a play memorized," said director and drama instructor Christiana Taylor.

"Choose a monologue that best shows off [your] strongest work," said Rick Lorig, stage manager for the Drama Department.

Anyone can audition, whether they've acted before, or if they are just curious. "Everyone is welcome, no experience necessary. There's parts for all kinds of people; big, small, old, young, or polka-dotted," said Taylor.

"We're looking for as diverse a group as possible. We're really open," said Lorig.

The production Drama will be putting on this Fall is *Blue Collar Blues*, by Denise Kay Dillard, and will be opening Nov. 15.

Blues is a contemporary play about how people in a small town are affected after the only large company in it shuts down.

For more information call 206-878-3710, ext. 3279.

Crowe

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Some screamed, some threw flowers and others just stood and stared in hopes that he would pay attention to them.

I stood there in the theater, right in the front row, hoping to have Crowe's sweat touch my skin. I listened to the words and the music of the songs and it hit me. He can actually sing.

He is not the best singer I have ever heard. All his songs, though, have a story or emotion behind them that was touching and moving in concert.

Crowe told stories about his father and introduced most of the songs with comments about why he wrote some of the songs. Women kept screaming which led to Crowe getting mad

and making rude remarks. He apologized for his foul mouth but kept speaking his mind whenever he felt like it.

He was the star of the show and it was made clear by his stage presence.

Crowe wowed the crowd in Portland doing two encores and eventually taking his shirt off to the screaming, 99.9 percent female, crowd.

Classy it is not, but for a concert worth \$20, the female audience got what they wanted.

In the end, Crowe pulled off something remarkable. He convinced me at the concert to buy TOFOG's new compact disc, *Bastard Life or Clarity* and an older compact disc, *Gaslight*.

Even though his sweat never touched my skin I was entertained.

Janica previously was obsessed with Brad Pitt's phlegm.

Arts Night

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Breeders Theater will also be performing *Murder, News, and Wine* on Feb. 7 as part of Arts Night. Dr. Sell, who founded Breeders Theater, got the idea for Arts Night soon after Exhibition and Inhibition, in which Breeders Theater performed following the late Bill Mair's art show in the Library.

The night was a success, since it more than doubled the attendance of the Breeders audience from the year before.

"In two years [Breeders Theater was] able to raise \$1,000 for the Highline Foundation," said Dr. Sell. "I thought 'Why don't we just do this regularly because we have lots of talent on campus.'"

"A lot of people on campus will be participating over the year," said Dr. Sell.

Except for the drama production, tickets are pay what you will at the door. The money donated will go to benefit whatever program is holding the event.

"It's affordable for students but there's room there to make larger donations if you're so inclined," said Dr. Sell.

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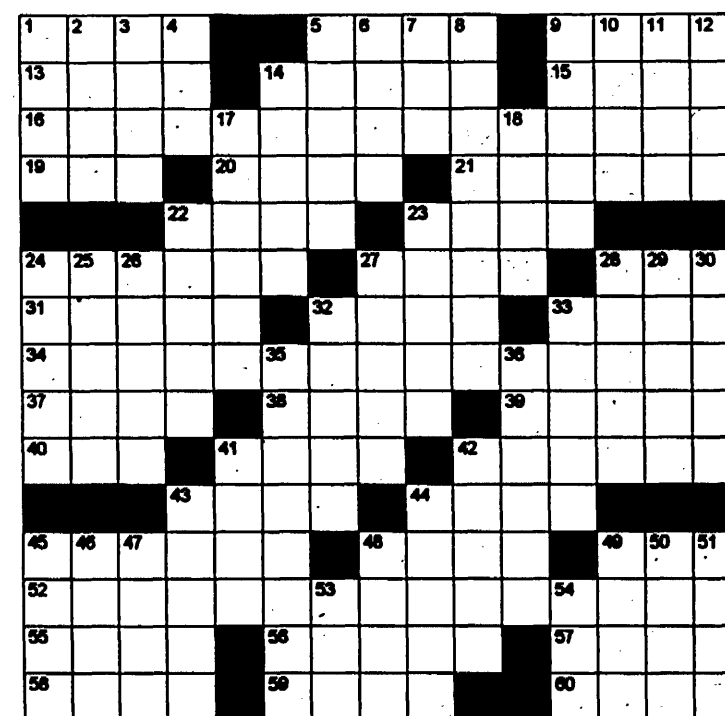
By Ed Canty

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• Mark Twain

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Sports

T-Bird volleyball looks to improve

By JOHNNY PAK
Staff Reporter

The volleyball team is looking for a few good women.

Head Coach Andrea Tinney is hoping to help the Thunderbirds rebound from their 4-10 record last year. Helping her lead the way this season is assistant coach Shannon Cline and co-captains Gidget Brennan and Lisa Crater.

Tinney felt last year's team might have lost its confidence and desire part way through the season. To avoid the possibility of that happening this season, Tinney is going to use her influence as a coach to keep things optimistic.

"One thing I can do as a coach is to stay positive," said Tinney.

However, keeping the team upbeat and positive is not the only challenge that Tinney has to face this season. The team only has seven players, making that the T-Birds' biggest weakness.

Tinney is hoping to add a setter to the roster but is encouraging any good athletes to come try out. With the team in need of more athletes, team co-captain Crater is stepping up and doing her best to help out.

"Lisa Crater plays a position that's not her regular position. But she can do that because she's such a good athlete," said Tinney.

Highline finished the pre-season with a 1-3 record. The team started the regular season with a loss to last season's division leader, Pierce, on Sept. 14.

The T-Birds improved 1-1 after defeating Centralia Wednesday night on the Trailblazers' home court, 18-30, 30-27, 30-26, 30-28.

The game versus Centralia was tight throughout the night. After experimenting different formations in their first set, Tinney decided to go back to their original strategy and it paid off. The ladies won four straight sets after losing their first one.

Tinney was happy with the T-Birds' effort and their unwillingness to quit when they were down.

"We fought back when we needed to," said Tinney.

The team also turned one of its weaknesses into a strength against Centralia.

"Serving was one of our weaknesses but we corrected that tonight," said Tinney.

Results from Friday night's game against Lower Columbia were unavailable at press time.

Despite finishing on top of the division last year, Tinney does not think Pierce is the top team this year. Instead, "I think LCC and Green River are the two teams to beat," she said.

Tinney stressed that she wants the team to work on their individual skills as well as other things in preparation for Lower Columbia.

"I think we need to become better passers. Also we need tightening on our defense," said Tinney.

Even though the season might still be early, Tinney has

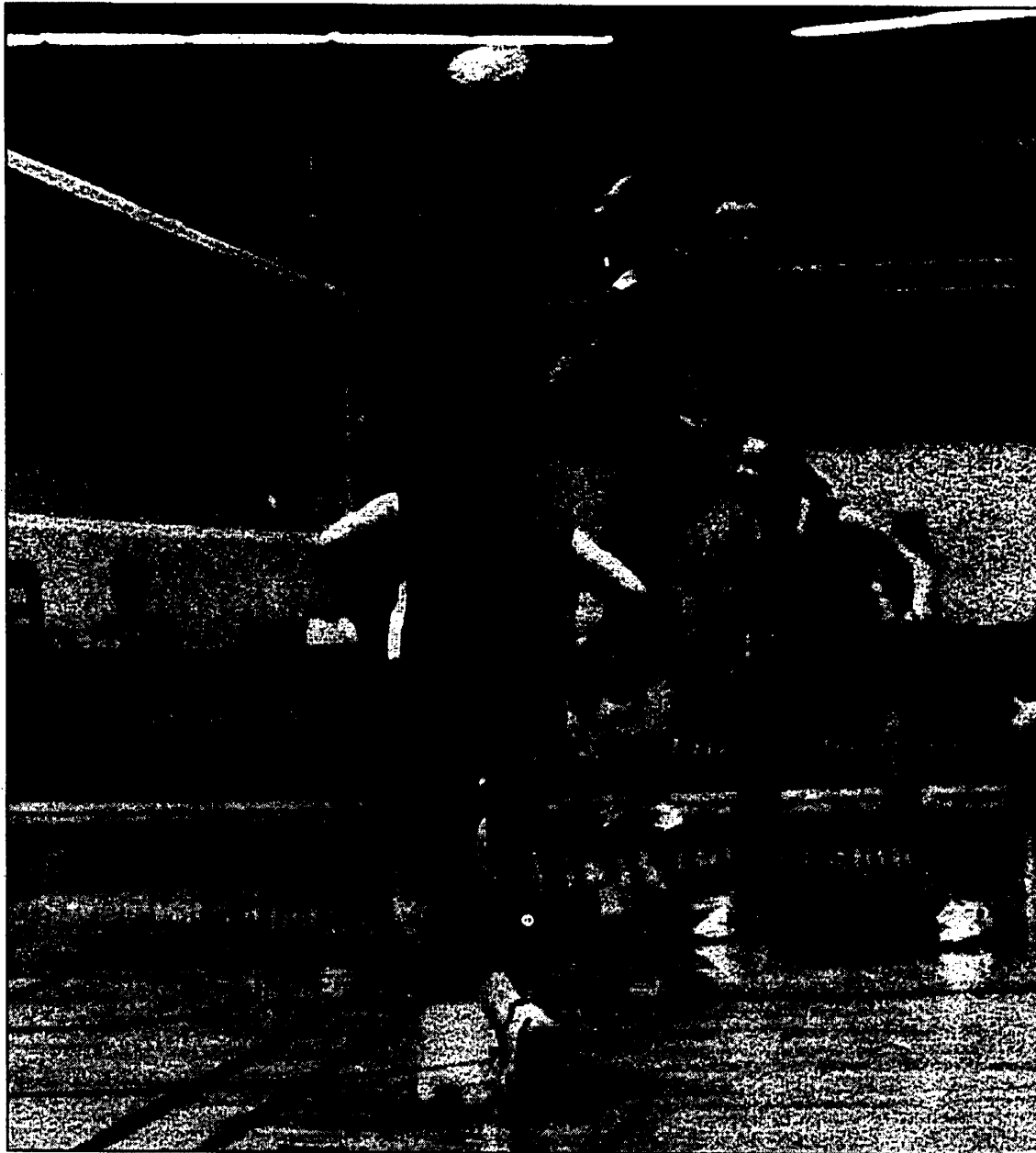


Photo by Joe Walker

Lexi Early spikes the ball for the T-Birds in a recent game played in the Thunderdome.

expectations and she has her eyes set on the NWAACC tournament.

"Our goal is to place in the top half of the NWAACC tournament," she said.

As the season goes along, Tinney says she hopes her team will continue to fight when they are down, make each weakness into their next strength and build some momentum as they venture through the season.

Highline next hosts Green River 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Pavilion. The T-Birds then travel to Clark on Friday and to Tacoma on Oct. 3.

Cross country is off to a running start this year

New coach Yates is excited to get season started and needs runners

By BRYAN SHARICK
Staff Reporter

The cross country team is looking to improve on its performance from last year. One thing they still need though is runners.

The big change this year is that the team has a new head coach in Robert Yates. He will also be the head coach of the track and field team.

Yates comes to Highline from the Community Colleges of Spokane, where he was the assistant coach on both the cross

country and track and field teams.

The cross country team is a small one with only eight runners and only two runners returning from last year's team.

"We have a solid group right now, but I'd like to have more runners. We need girls for the team in a big way," said Yates.

The team right now only features two women.

At the St. Martin's Invite, which was the first meet where the whole team was healthy, Highline finished in sixth place. The T-Birds also will have run

in the Sundodger Invite on Sept. 22, but results were not available at press time.

Runners to watch are freshmen Aaron Fulwider and Ayanle Ismail and sophomores Sean Mitchell and Wogata Haile.

The big thing that the T-Birds will have to overcome is their youthfulness. This is a hard climb because the distance in high school cross country is three miles and at the collegiate level it's five miles.

"We need to put in the endurance to actually race for five miles," said Yates.

Some of the favorites in the league are Lane, Spokane, and Clackamas.

"I think that we can compete for one of the trophies. Our goal

"We have a solid group right now, but I'd like to have more runners. We need girls for the team in a big way."

**-Robert Yates,
Highline cross
country coach**



is to be competitive at the conference championships," said Yates.

The next meet for the T-Birds is on Oct. 6 at the Willamette

Invite in Salem, Ore.

"This is a good test for us because it's the largest collegiate cross country race in the west," said Yates.

T-Bird men kick way to fast start

By BRYAN SHARICK
Staff Reporter

The Highline Thunderbird men's soccer team kicks off the new season with only five people returning off of last year's squad.

This year's team features a total of 22 players, so a majority of the players are new. Last year the team finished second place in the Southwest conference.

"We had a lot of players graduate and one international student go back home," said Head Coach Jason Prenovost.

So far, the T-Birds have beaten Bellevue and Edmonds in the preseason and won their opening game against Green River by a score of 3 - 1. The wins over Bellevue and Edmonds are big ones because they're supposed to be two of the premiere teams in the NWAACC. The Thunderbirds also beat up on Seattle Central Community College 7 - 0.

"We have a lot of improvement to do as a team and we can definitely get better," said Prenovost.

Prenovost said the teams to look out for this year is Tacoma



Highline's Fanah Masarayah beats a Green River Gator to the ball.

Photo by Joe Walker

Community College, who had a good recruiting class, and Clark, which always has a good team.

This year Highline's goals are to win the NWAACC South Division, win all their home

games, have 15 shutouts, get the first goal in every game, and to have the best goal differential in the league.

"It'll take a team effort this year for us to have success,"

said Prenovost.

Prenovost was also quick to add that the T-Birds don't feature just one player who's going to carry the squad.

"We don't have any real su-

perstars; we just have a good group of players," said Prenovost.

Some of the strengths of this year's squad is that they are hard workers and very coachable. The team is looking to work its sharpness, focus, and the efficiency with which the T-Birds carry out their game plan.

"It's a fun team to watch," said Prenovost.

The T-Birds also had games on Sept. 21 against Umpqua and on Sept. 22 against Southwest Oregon, but results were unavailable at press time.

The next games for the T-Birds are on the road. First stop for them will be against Tacoma on Sept. 26 at 5 p.m. Highline then travels to Grays Harbor on Sept. 29 for a 1 p.m. game.

The next home game for the Thunderbirds is on Oct. 3 at 4 p.m. against South Puget Sound at McConnaughey Field.

For the first time ever Highline has a place to call home in McConnaughey field.

"This is the first year we've had an actual home field," said Prenovost.

T-Bird women look to rebuild

By BRYAN SHARICK
Staff Reporter

The Highline T-Bird women's soccer team returns five players off of last year's fourth place team. The Lady T-Birds are looking to improve on that record of course, but it's going to take some hard work.

The team has a total of 14 players and is in the Southwest Division of the NWAACC.

"We're right in the middle of our league. We're not really good, but we're not really bad," said Head Coach Ben Calvin.

In the first few games for the women they started out their season with a win. Then the T-Birds traveled to Spokane for a



T-Bird Sara Short tees off against Seattle Central.

Photo by Joe Walker

tournament and lost every game there.

In the first season game, the T-Birds pounded on Green River by a score of 8 - 0. The Gators, however, only had eight

players. The Lady T-Birds also beat Seattle Central Community College 2 - 0.

"We need to create more scoring opportunities. It shouldn't take us 20 minutes to

score against eight players," said Calvin.

The goal for this year's team is to make the playoffs.

"If we make the playoffs then this team has done real well," said Calvin.

Key players to watch for are goalie Amanda Ross, midfielder Sarah Short, and forward Breanna Schultz.

"In my opinion, Sarah Short is the best player in the NWAACC," said Calvin.

Teams to look out for in the NWAACC are Tacoma, Clark, and Southwest Oregon. To be competitive Highline needs to work on being more consistent.

"There's about three or four teams fighting for the last position (in the playoffs) including us," said Calvin.

Highline also had a game on Sept. 22 against SW Oregon, but the results were unavailable at press time.

The Lady T-Birds' next games are on the road against Tacoma on Sept. 26 at 3 p.m. and against Lower Columbia on Sept. 29 at 1 p.m.

"We'll give you a good show if people come out and watch. The team has good hearts and all work hard," said Calvin.

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BACK TO SCHOOL

Opening Week brings in faculty, staff, new students

STORY BY JANICA LOCKHART
PHOTOS BY JOE WALKER

Opening Week joined students, staff, and faculty together to begin the new school year.

Dr. Priscilla Bell, president of Highline, began opening week ceremonies on Sept. 18 at 8:30 a.m. addressing returning and new staff.

"This year we are celebrating 40 years of providing excellent education to the community," Bell said. "I appreciate your enthusiasm for

teaching."

Staff and faculty also joined together on Sept. 19 at an ice cream social. Seventy-five people enjoyed rootbeer floats and ice cream sundaes and a chance to find new and old friends.

New students took part in Opening Week by attending an orientation that gives students a chance to tour the campus.

The main message for new students was to get involved in activities and clubs.

"There is a lot more to college than going to class,"



New students grab for free food at orientation.

Bell said.

Engage in discussions outside of class and your learning experience will improve, Bell said.

Sociology teacher Derek Greenfield also addressed the students.

"Take that opportunity to learn," Greenfield said. "We are an amazing institution and have a fun time while you are here."

After opening speeches, students were able to attend

workshops about study tips and getting involved with clubs and activities on campus.

Students had early impressions of the school.

Heather Lamkin, an interior design major, started Highline because of classes offered.

"It seems pretty nice. I like the vibe from the school."

An information fair about transfer and professional and technical programs for students was available and a free lunch offered.



Photo by CJ Gambrel

Rachel Catalusci samples ice cream at the social, above. Derek Greenfield introduces new students to his friend, lower left. Student Government President Jewel Fitzgerald greets new students, while Patricia Overman serves up cookies at lunch. The walkway toward the Pavilion, meanwhile, is canopied by the slowly changing trees.



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Creighton reflects on NASA career

By JOE WALKER
Staff Reporter

Sealing off pilots from terrorists will not be that easy, Boeing's chief test pilot, John Creighton, said here last Wednesday.

In the wake of the attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, companies are looking at what they can do to prevent terrorists from taking over aircraft. Creighton was here for Opening Week to remember the '60s and man's first trip to the moon.

One idea is to make stronger, sealed doors to prevent terrorists from getting into the cockpit. "We at Boeing are looking at the possibilities. A heavier door is a possibility, but the problem is if there is a sudden, explosive decompression in the aircraft you need to equalize the pressure," he said.

If the pressure cannot be equalized quickly the cabin door could blow out, further damaging the aircraft and possibly harming passengers and crew

inside.

"What we need to do is keep the terrorists off the planes in the first place," said Creighton.

Creighton is a former astronaut turned Boeing test pilot. He grew up in Ballard and went to the University of Washington. His sophomore year he transferred to the U.S. Naval Academy.

Creighton always wanted to be a pilot, and growing up seeing Allen Sheppard go into space, he knew he had to be an astronaut. Once he graduated from the Naval Academy, Creighton went to flight school and later became a combat pilot in Vietnam.

In 1978 he applied for the astronaut program. To help pilots transition from flying conventional aircraft to the most advanced craft in the sky, NASA used a business jet to simulate how the shuttle flies.

"We put the landing gear down, the flaps out, and put in full reverse thrust and from 30,000 feet we made the aircraft fall out of the sky like the



Photo by Joe Walker

John Creighton talks to school President Dr. Priscella Bell.

shuttle," said Creighton.

Indeed the shuttle has never been known for its flying grace. It actually falls faster than a sky diver.

Creighton flew into space on three different occasions. His first flight was aboard the Space Shuttle Discovery in June 1985,

six months before the Challenger disaster.

Three years later he went aboard Atlantis, which carried a classified payload. On the drive out to the launch pad on the morning of the flight Creighton and his crew were very tense. To put the crew's minds at ease

the driver asked for the crew to bow their heads for a prayer. In a very somber tone the driver said, "God help you if you screw this one up."

What Creighton remembers most about his flights is gazing out the window at the earth. His photos show how humans are affecting the earth by clear cutting forests and rerouting rivers for irrigation. From space the damage is very evident, but might not be so clear from the ground.

Creighton left NASA after his third flight. "It wasn't as exciting as my first time. Also there is a lot of down time between missions and the Houston summers were brutal."

Creighton moved back to Seattle to become a Boeing test pilot, where he now is the chief technical adviser for Boeing aircraft. He has flown every Boeing aircraft flying today.

Creighton said he'd go back to space, but doesn't expect to. "I would've loved to go to the moon or mars, but that's so far in the future."

Highline adds new faculty for Fall Quarter

By SAMANTHA VAIL
Staff Reporter

Many of Highline's new faculty members are not new to the college.

The college has hired 19 new tenure-track faculty, 12 of whom previously worked at Highline in some capacity. Tenure is the three-year process by which full-time faculty are approved for regular employment.

The college also has signed nine faculty to one-year contracts, and brought in one professor on an exchange from China.

Faculty members who are entering the tenure process include Thressa Alston, counseling; Hara Brook, reference librarian; Maria Carpenter, nursing; Barbra Cerna, medical assisting; Raegan Copeland, business; Rolita Ezeonu, speech; Sue Frantz, psychology; Eena Hibbs, reading; Richard Hughes, paralegal; Bill Ingalls-Cox, printing; Ravinder Kang, CIS; Paul Mori, music; Jeffrey Parham, ABE; Lorna Schletzbaum, nursing; Baxi Vu, ESL; Lisa Wedekind-Rakoz, physical education; Bobby Wheeler, paralegal; and Dusty Wilson, math.

New faculty members with

one-year appointments include Jonathan Jahns, respiratory care; Scarlet Kendrick, dental assisting; Laura Manning, speech; Walter Marquardt, ESL; Howard Mount, accounting; Benjaporn Ngarmkrechote, IMP; Takami Nieda, Writing & American Ethnic Literature; Dianne Pratt, Math; Carla Whittington, geology.

Two educators will be serving as one-year interns: Christina Nguyen, education; and

Donna Rydberg, nursing.

Xiao Hong Zhao will teach Chinese here for the year. She comes from Jiao Tong University in Shanghai.

Amelia Phillips, computer information systems, will begin Winter Quarter 2002.

New faculty said they are excited to be here, even if they were already here.

After seven years, Eena Hibbs left the Tutoring Center as assistant director of

Precollege Studies and Academic Support Programs to become a professor in the reading department. Hibbs previously taught reading at Highline for 14 years and then moved on to run the Tutoring Center.

"I really like working with the Tutoring Center but I needed a change," said Hibbs. Her replacement at the Tutoring Center has not been named.

Librarian Hara Brook said she is excited to begin the tenure

process, and to continue to work with students.

"Our goal is to give you the skills to find what you are looking for, evaluate it, and then understand how to use it, so one of the skills you graduate with is information literacy," she said.

Before coming to Highline Brook earned her master's of Library Science from the University of Washington. She previously taught English in Japan and Spain.

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comment.

Gorne also said Highline should have a new associate dean of students by the end of this month or early October. The college is looking at some of the people from the previous application process and a new group of applicants as well.

Blakeney, the interim director of student programs, will be leaving Highline to take a job at Cascadia Community College in Bothell as the coordinator of student programs there.

"This is an exciting opportunity at Cascadia and very close to my home," said Blakeney. "I'm intrigued by a new campus and different philosophy. It's also a chance to completely build the student programs office there."

Blakeney has been at Highline since July of 1998 and has been the student programs

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Erin Blakeney



coordinator, interim registrar, as well as interim director of student programs. Her last day at Highline will be on Sept. 28.

"I will miss the people and the really great friends here. The students have been wonderful. I just want to make sure that I do everything I can to get the new interim ready to take over," said Blakeney.

Among Blakeney's duties were advising student government where further changes are

taking place. Club diplomat/treasurer Lisa Gamido decided to step down from her position because of personal reasons.

"She had other commitments and her class schedule got in the way," said Blakeney.

Gamido was not available for

comment.

Andrew Olson has been moved up from his student senator position to take over the vacancy. This move will be made official at the first ASHCC meeting held on Tuesday, Oct. 2 from 1 - 2 p.m. on the fifth floor of the library.

Student Body President Jewel Fitzgerald was saddened about the announcement, but will continue to move ahead with activities.

"I don't think it will have any effect on how we operate here (in student government), but it just is hard to lose someone we're so fond of," said Fitzgerald.

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"We need to treat everyone with respect and dignity," Bell said.

Events scheduled to deal with the relief effort include Team Highline's blood drive on Oct. 4. There is an overwhelming need for blood since thousands were injured in the terrorist attack.

To coincide with the blood drive, Student Government is having an open forum from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Building 2. Students and staff can come to talk about the attacks or just come to listen.

A forum is taking place with a panel of different speakers on Thursday, Oct. 4 in Building 7 to let students hear different as-

pects of the terrorist attacks.

The forums will take place "so people have some intelligent, informed information instead of just reaction," said Jennifer Jones, a geography professor, who is organizing the forum.

The counseling center is also open to help students, staff, and faculty to help students deal with the attack.

"We are available to see anyone with concerns," said Lance Gibson, director of counseling.

Students who are feeling singled out because of race or ethnicity can come talk about it at the counseling center, Gibson said.

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