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Suspect charged in pool fire



Photo by Joe Walker

Hazard tape hangs in front of the shattered pool windows. A suspect has been arrested and charged in the case.

Trial will take place on Feb. 6

By JANICA LOCKHART
Staff Reporter

A 31-year-old transient has been charged with second degree arson in connection with the fire that burned down Highline's pool in December.

Theodore Gorecki was arrested in the south parking lot on Dec. 2, while fire crews battled the early morning blaze.

The \$500,000 fire destroyed Highline's pool which was scheduled to be replaced with a new classroom building in the coming months.

In a filing in King County Superior Court, county prosecutors said that Gorecki was found

extremely intoxicated in the South parking lot. After being asked to leave, he began acting somewhat belligerent with police officers. He was physically removed by officers to the south side of 240th Street. He began following officers back to the fire and was placed under arrest for obstruction.

Gorecki was searched after being taken under arrest and glass was found in his coat pocket. Prosecutors said that the glass matched that of the pool window and of the window that was found broken in Building 21.

The trial is set for Feb. 6. The fire was spotted at 2:56 a.m. by Security Officer Kevin Gunderson on Dec. 2 and began in the office area of the pool. It took 15 minutes for the Des Moines fire department to get

the fire under control.

Broken glass from the outside windows of the pool caused by the fire has been cleaned up.

"The building is inherently resistant to structural damage from a medium size fire, so there is little risk to the public outside the building," said Pete Babington, director of facilities.

"The interior still contains damage and debris from the fire, so it is not a safe nor pleasant place to be," he said.

The Des Moines fire department is currently requesting to use the pool as a training facility.

"We get no opportunity to train in structures like that," said Chief Jim Polhamus.

The fire department would do practice searches and other training exercises in the building.

Torch blazes through Des Moines College faces steep budget cuts

By BRYAN SHARICK
Staff Reporter

The most recognized sign of the Olympics is making its way to Des Moines.

The Olympic torch will be trotting its way through Des Moines on Jan. 23 on its way to the opening ceremonies of the Winter Games in Salt Lake City.

"It's purely luck that we're on the way to Seattle and we have water access," said Bob Houston, Recreation Manager for Des Moines Parks.

At 4:15 p.m., the torch will arrive at the Des Moines Marina via David Foss tug from Tacoma. The torch will then head up Cliff Street before turning right onto 7th Avenue South. Then it will go down to South 227th Street and turn left onto Marine View Drive South. Then the torch will turn right on 218th and end with the relay team at the Wesley Homes housing area.

"The marina is the best place to see the torch. Other places to



see the torch is along 7th Avenue South, south of 223rd, north of 227th, along Marine View Drive South, and between South 227th and South 218th," said Thorell.

The identity of the runners running the Des Moines's portion of the torch run is unknown. Local runners include Kelly Corcoran and Jeffery Sykes from Kent and Brian Schimpf from Federal Way.

The main sponsors of the torch relay are Chevy, Coke, and NBC Sports.

Houston is coordinating the event for the City of Des Moines. Also helping Houston is Patrice Thorell who is the Des Moines Parks, Recreation and Senior Services director.

Along with Des Moines Park

and Recreation, the city of Des Moines Marina, and police departments assisted the 2002 Olympic Torch Relay with the event organization.

Events at the Des Moines Marina include a Star Spangled Lighted Boat Parade led by Des Moines Yacht Club members Garry and Marilee Wamsley, a tribute to the American Flag by King County Fire District No. 26 and the Burien Fire Department, the Chevy virtual reality motorhome will be on hand with a virtual downhill skiing game and an ice skating game featuring Michelle Kwan, refreshments, music and an appearance by a former Olympic Medalist.

Security will, of course, also be a priority in Des Moines. "There will be a 100 percent police escort in front and behind the person carrying the torch," said Houston.

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By JOHN MONTENEGRO
Staff Reporter

The governor's plan to cut 3 percent from Highline's budget would force the college to cut enrollment.

College officials are already at work to convince the state Legislature not to cut the funds, however.

At last Friday's legislative breakfast, Highline President Dr. Priscilla Bell appealed to visiting legislators to continue their support for Highline.

She said Gov. Gary Locke's plan to cut 3 percent from the community and technical college budget would take out \$630,000 from Highline's operating budget and mean Highline could enroll 360 fewer students. State funds cover the 75 percent of the cost of an education not covered by tuition.

Locke's proposal is to help the state cope with an expected

\$1 billion shortfall in revenues. Locke also wants to cut a number of state-funded programs and funding for four-year universities as well.

Ed Penhale from the Office of Financial Management said that the 3 percent cuts for the community and technical colleges and a 5 percent cut for the four-year schools will save \$54

million in the state budget.

Since the Sept. 11 attacks the economy in Washington state has fallen dramatically.

The effect is hundreds of unemployed workers. Many of these

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Crime Blotter for Jan. 1- Jan. 16

Get a room!

On New Year's Eve an unknown male and female were caught in the south parking lot in a car drinking and having sex.

While the security officer was making their rounds they noticed the two occupants and approached the vehicle. When the driver was asked for identification he did not supply any information. The security officer then notified Des Moines Police and the vehicle left the scene headed eastbound on South 240th Street.

No key needed

A Highline staff member reported that someone had been in her office without her knowledge.

Between the hours of 5:30 p.m. on Jan. 9 and 8:20 a.m. Jan. 10 someone entered the staff member's office, went through their desk, and used their computer. No items were missing.

Watch where you're going

On Jan. 11, a Highline instructor and a student were involved in car accident in the east parking lot.

The instructor was driving south and as he went through the stop sign a vehicle driven by a Highline student was heading west and stopped in the road and backed up into the instructor's car hitting the passenger side front wheel and slightly indenting the front wheel.

Both the instructor and the student were not injured in the event.

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Humans threaten lives of salmon

By DAVID McCASLIN
Staff Reporter

Alongside the tall trees and clean rivers, the life of the salmon is important to the Pacific Northwest and the world. Their existence gives us a clue that nature is healthy and good. Recently, that existence is being threatened.

"Salmon are gone in headwaters of many rivers and the Columbia River," explained Highline Biology Professor Eric Stavney.

The Science Seminar on Friday, Jan. 11 dove deep into the river to explore this problem. Members of the audience seemed very interested.

According to Stavney, salmon are very adaptable. They can withstand extreme temperature changes, low river levels, surviving with predators, and being able to swim long distances, among other things. "The only thing salmon haven't



Eric Stavney

been able to adapt to is man. We've compromised a lot."

Blame for this problem has been spread between companies, like Weyerhaeuser and Boeing.

The salmon, of the family Salmonidae (narrow fin), includes the Chinook, chum, coho, pink or Humpback, steelhead, and cutthroat. They are anadromous, meaning they can migrate from stream to stream, and lay their eggs in tributaries. The eggs work their way down-

stream to the ocean.

"Through chemical detection, the grown salmon can find the exact stream where they were born, if it exists," said Stavney.

One individual salmon has one chance to spawn, and if they don't find their exact river, they can swim to the general breeding area. Salmon, as a species, spawn once a year.

The natural cycle that salmon go through was recognized by Native Americans. They would have a potluck and poor tribes would get more fish. A tribe that had three beads on its totem pole usually meant they had more status and gave away fish.

Among the problems humans have created are the fur trapping issue, which affects beavers that change the shape of the river through dams, thus affecting salmon, development, irrigation, logging, fish wheels (an effective fishing technique), and hydraulic gold mining.

Highline math professor Thor Johansen asked, "If salmon are so rare, why are they in the grocery store?" Stavney answered, "The kinds in the store aren't from around here. They're from Alaska and other places. They're not local."

The only solution that seemed to be working were hatcheries, where artificial spawning seemed to help. A recent study, however, found that the hatchery method has failed. The problem was in order to create the hatcheries, the streams had to be diverted, and humans can't create a substitute for nature, but they can try.

The next Science Seminar will feature Lisa Gilbert speaking on deep sea vents.

Science Seminar meets at 2:10-3 p.m. every Friday in Building 3, room 102. There is no homework or exams and one credit is given for signing up and attending.

Enrollment up for Winter Quarter

By ROSS TIMBROOK
Staff Reporter

Registration figures for Winter Quarter are projected to be higher this year than they were for winter 2001.

As of Jan. 11 the head count for the quarter is 8,814, which is up from last year. The numbers are expected to rise over the course of the quarter as students add classes. Last year's enrollment at the end of Winter Quarter was 9,658.

The figures as of Jan. 11 will fluctuate due to the fact that stu-

dents are allowed to register as late as Jan. 18. Some of the classes on campus have open enrollment, which allows students to register throughout the term.

Registration is down from the end of Fall Quarter, which is typical because some students drop, graduate, or otherwise don't come back.

But so far, the winter numbers are ahead of expectations. "The higher enrollment could be attributed to a number of reasons such as the recent layoffs in the area," Assistant Registrar

Debbie Faison said.

As enrollment rises, the college's facilities are stretched. Faison said the campus is suited to serve around 10,000 students. If the enrollment were much higher the college would make adjustments, such as adding more classes at different times of the day.

The biggest problem with higher enrollment is finding enough space in classes. Most students prefer to take classes earlier in the day due to the fact that they have to work in the afternoon. Another problem, as

always, is parking.

"The earlier that I get here the less of a problem I have getting a space," said student Thomas Zuber.

Earlier classes are a way to avoid the parking problem, as are later classes. Some students found other ways, such as parking on off-campus sites. Students who attend classes at night do not see as much of the parking problem.

"I go to school at night and usually can find a parking space fairly close to my classes," said Shawn Hogan.

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Voice of the students

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MLK week celebrates 13th year on Highline campus

BY KENDRA KAY
Staff Reporter

Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy will be celebrated across Highline Campus with a variety of guest speakers, music, and dance performances next week.

Martin Luther King Jr. Week is an annual event at Highline. The events Jan. 22-26 will mark the 13th observation of the life of the late civil rights leader. All events are free and open to the campus community.

Festivities kick off Jan. 22 at noon in Building 8. The opening celebration will include presentations by faculty and students. They will share their thoughts on how King has influenced their lives.

"I want them to use creativity," said Joy Mbajah, member of the Martin Luther King Jr. Planning Committee.

The same day at 1 p.m. activist and author Pramila Jayapal will speak in Building 7 about the fight against prejudice and

racism.

Those on campus on Jan. 23 at noon will be able to enjoy entertainment by Piece of Sol in Building 8. Piece of Sol will use rap to raise levels of consciousness and awareness.

At 1 p.m. in Building 7, Tom Vanderark, executive director of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, will discuss how to open doors through social justice and international initiatives.

Capri St. Vil of Antioch University, Seattle, will be in Build-

ing 7 on Jan. 24 at 11 a.m. St. Vil will discuss the representation of power, privilege, and the differences in the media. Talk show host Davey D will end the day's festivities with a presentation celebrating the life and legacy of King.

The week ends with a Peace March on Jan. 25 at 11 a.m. Anyone is welcome to join the march as King's message against racism is spread throughout campus.

"It is important to continue to

know there's still work to be done, not just locally, but globally," said Mbajah, "we cannot forget or become complacent."

"Martin Luther King week gives people who think they know who he is, a chance to do so," said Don Scott of Entry Services.

President Ronald Reagan signed the bill 15 years after King's death, making the third Monday of January a national holiday celebrating the birth, life, and legacy of King.

Johnston says 'goodbye Highline'

BY CARRIE WOOD
Staff Reporter

Many supportive hugs were shared and thanks given last Friday as Highline said goodbye to Kelli Johnston, director of Women's Programs and WorkFirst Services.

Johnston served her last day at Highline last Friday. She left Highline to stay at home with her 18-month-old son.

"I'm going to explore other options," said Johnston. "My son is still small and I would like to spend more time with him."

The farewell party took place in building 2 from 2-4 p.m. Speakers included Highline president Priscilla Bell; Toni Castro, Multicultural/Diversity Student Dev. Services Associate Dean; Susan Landgraf, teacher and also president of the Advisory Board; and Marie Bruin, assistant director of Women's Programs.

Bruin, who will be taking over Johnston's position temporarily, presented Johnston with a picture. Landgraf presented Johnston a poem entitled Kelli.

*She of the golden hair
With a head full of possibilities
She of small stature
With wide-open heart
She whose name sounds
Like a song;
Whose hands wave
Like magic butterflies
Through a field of forms and rules;*

*She with the vision to fly,
To help other women dream
And fly, she has reset her course
In new winds. She stretches
Out her arms, embracing
What comes.*

There were many other faculty and friends at the farewell party who said they would miss Johnston.

"She is so wonderful," said



Kelli Johnston

AnnMarie Williams, Childcare Development Center. "She's such a good role model for doing this."

"She will definitely be a hard act to follow," said Laura Saunders, Vice President of Administration. "I hope she will keep ties with Highline."

Johnston has been with Highline for almost 10 years. She has addressed the needs of students, developed programs as well as supported students.

"It has been a wonderful experience for me to watch students come in brand new and scared, and achieve their dreams," Johnston said.

Johnston is certain that Women's Programs will continue to give excellent support.

"We have built a wonderful program," said Johnston. "It is so strong, that is why I have no doubts about leaving right now...but this is my life's work, so I won't be gone forever."

Workshops to help career students

BY MICHAEL KUBE
Staff Reporter

Students can learn everything from the challenges of dating in the workplace to how to give a strong job interview, starting today on campus.

The Winter Quarter 2002 Career Development Workshop Series includes free sessions every Thursday from noon to 1:30 p.m. in building 6, now through March 14.

"We pretty much cover everything, from career management to career assessment to career exploration to job searching," said Erik Tingelstad, Highline's director of Careers and Employment Services, whose office has been in charge of the series for the past two quarters.

In addition to the free workshops, two workshops entitled

Strong Interest Inventory and Meyers-Brigg Type Indicator costing \$10.25 each will be given on Tuesday, Jan. 29, and Tuesday, Feb. 5. The workshops, which require pre-registration, include assessment testing that will help students evaluate their career paths. The fee covers the cost of the assessments.

If you're interested, contact Tingelstad at 206-878-3710, ext. 3599. "For anyone who hasn't done any career assessment, those (seminars) will be ... good," he said.

One of the highlights of the series will be on Thursday, Feb. 28, when J. Paul Blake, the Seattle Public Utilities communications director, comes to campus to talk about the techniques of job interviews. "I've heard he's a really good speaker," said Tingelstad.

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editorial

Happy birthday Highline
—you've given us a lot

Let us begin by saying Happy 40th Birthday Highline. We've been through a lot together.

Whether you are a first-time student or you have been here for three years and counting, it is easy to see why Highline is the school of choice.

Is it because of the outstanding cafeteria food? Or maybe it is the friendly workers who run it. We all can agree that when your tummy is growling during your noon class there is no place like the lunchroom. They have everything from tuna sandwiches to their famous chicken enchiladas.

In honor of Highline's big birthday we wanted to share some things that we appreciate.

The first thing we are thankful for is the sense of adventure we get to endure each morning as we park our vehicles. It starts out as a guessing game. We ask ourselves "Will we get a parking space close to our class? Or will we even get one at all?" Then we get to stalk innocent bystanders when we slowly follow students as they walk from their class to their car. Sometimes we can count on a battle just to get into that one parking space that we have been waiting for. Sometimes we even get to miss the first five minutes of class.

The next thing we are thankful for is all the exercise we get due to Highline's well-planned layout. Not only do we get to run from intermittent covered spaces, but we also get the great advantage of trying to walk down the steps at Building 19. What is the deal with those steps anyway? Do we need to have steps that are that long? Are we supposed to take two baby steps or leap?

We love the trails. They were made so consistently. Needless to say we all can use the exercise.

Lets not forget our furry little friends. Stubby the cat has easily earned his degree in Biology by now, and Popeye the squirrel is working on becoming a paralegal.

Human or not, all creatures are welcome here at Highline.

the opinion page

Editorials are the opinion of the management of the newspaper which includes the Editorial board members Bryan Sharick, Janica Lockhart, Jennifer Espinosa, Matt Miller, CJ Gambrel, Joe Walker, and Jordan Whiteley. 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 (Mom, Dad, send money). Please send submissions to Thunderword@hcc.ctc.edu or deliver to Building 10, room 106.

Time can change a lot of things

There is something that all of mankind and nature share. Each of us has a different way of dealing with this factor. The thing we share is said to heal all wounds, create a fine wine or cheese, but this thing can also corrupt humans and when left to its own devices it will rot trees and erode the tallest of mountains.

This thing that we all share is called time. It is amazing the effects of time. Time is the most valuable thing humans have, everything we do is according to time. It is measured, spent, killed and remembered, but never frozen or kept.

Time continues despite all of mans efforts to control it. Over time many things have happened. Dinosaurs have become extinct, humans became civilized and built cities and communication. Wars have happened and peace has been made. The effects of time vary for each person; I have felt the effects of time very strongly as of late.

Over the course of a few months my mind was changed in its attitude toward school. I became more alive and ready to live my life, no matter how scary it is.

Also in those few short months, I saw a very good friend of mine lose his spark for life. Where he used to be the one to start a conversation with anyone, roles have now reversed and it is up to others to seek him out for conversation. He was the type of guy that every girl wishes would ask her out and find he liked her, a gentleman and a friend to all.

A year ago this winter I turned in my very first real job application. I had delivered newspapers and baby-sat and mowed lawns before, but this



was the whole "interview, background check, and process of elimination" type job application. Holding my breath and crossing my fingers for months proved lucky and I got the job.

In June 2001, I boarded a plane bound for Juneau, Alaska. From there I took a six-seater plane to a small fishing camp to work for a packing company. I was there from the middle of June until the beginning of September.

My first time away from home taught me a lot. I realized just how important my family was to me. I learned how far I could push myself, working 107 hours in one week and sometimes from 6 a.m. until 2 a.m. the next morning.

I also made good friends and without realizing it, changed my attitude about school and what it was I had to do to get anywhere in this life.

Meanwhile, my friend went back to Colorado for a while to visit his family. He started to steadily date a girl and his plan to travel abroad for two years was put on hold.

When I came home in September I noticed a small change in him but wasn't sure what it was. Then time sped up the change and when December rolled around I realized that he no longer spoke to any one, when he came to parties and activities he would leave as soon as it was over, and his once vibrant smile had become a rare

and precious thing to see. It had been replaced with an ever present cloud and dullness.

Time has done this to both of us. On one hand it has given insight, learning and growth. On the other hand it has caused dreams to die, friendships to dwindle, and darkness to overcome.

I do not say that my friend is dark and cold. He is still a very nice person, but that has been buried. If time can cause such a change, can it un-cause it?

I like my change, it is a lot better being happy and feeling like I can handle the challenges that life will throw at me. But can time, and a little extra help change my friend again? I hope that time gives some people another chance at missed opportunities.

And so in the precious time you have spent to read this article, people have been changed ever so slightly, some people have had their minds opened to a new concept, some have heard of a life-altering event, such as a new cousin or nephew or the death of a loved one.

Time is precious to all. With it we can learn and grow and eventually change the world with enough ambition. So it is up to you to choose your life and what you'll be. Will you work with time and try to change for the better or will you allow time to work you and change you like it does a beautiful redwood oak that has fallen to the ground, turned into nothing but mulch to be eaten and stepped upon for others to learn and grow from your mistakes? I hope we all work with time and not vice versa.

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Voice of the students

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Dancers bring warm winds to Highline

Rainbow of Hawaii brings tropics here

BY SHALYNN LEONARD
Staff Reporter

Building 8 felt like a warm tropical environment last Thursday.

The singing, ukulele, and drumming had your head moving to the music. The dancers swayed their hips to the beat, moving their green skirts, white tank tops and leis.

The performers did all types of dances: Hawaiian, Maori and Polynesian.

"I want to share the culture to let other people learn and see the real versions of it," said per-



A young performer dances.

former Aina Braxton, who has been dancing with the group since September.

The Rainbow of Hawaii ensemble performs at various events, including private shows, weddings, cultural events, and also community service events.

The event was sponsored by Team Highline.

During the performance they asked for volunteers to come up and learn the dance. Dominic Hearvey, one of the volunteers, had the crowd laughing in his unique style of dancing.

"I had fun doing it, I already know how to dance, so I like to learn a lot of different styles of dances," Hearvey said.

"It's different from what you see in America. It gave me an insight of the Hawaiian culture," Ray Robinson said, another Highline student.

Gloria Fujii, the director of the Rainbow of Hawaii group has been teaching Hawaiian dances for almost 30 years. "I love teaching especially getting the crowd involved in the dance. Anybody that is interested, I will teach them," Fujii said.



Photos by Joe Walker

A member of the Rainbow of Hawaii troupe performs last week in Building 8.

Poetic pros perform

BY CJ GAMBREL
Staff Reporter

A group of talented Highline faculty shared some of their selected works at January's First Thursday/Arts Night.

Those who were there got a personal look into the participating faculty's thoughts and life.

Director of Workforce Development, Nancy Warren emceed the reading that took place Thursday night, Jan. 10 in Building 7.

Writing instructor Deborah Bacharach headed off the evening, and read an interesting poem about people watching entitled *Envy*. She begins speaking of a particularly attractive woman sitting next to her on the bus. She describes with jealousy the beauty of the lady from toe to head, but upon approaching the neck, she realizes the lady has an Adam's apple, and her envy soon subsided.

Bacharach was followed by writing and literature instructor Angi Caster, who hadn't read her work aloud in a group situation in a long time. However, she approached the microphone with confidence and read a series of humorous and passionate poems based on fairy tales.

Another writing and litera-

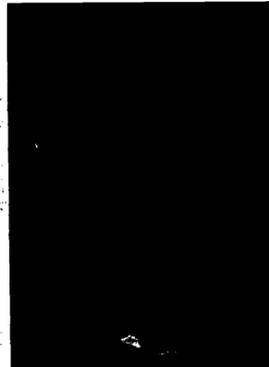


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Angi Caster reads one of her poems based on fairy tales.

ture instructor and literary adviser for the Arcturus, Sharon Hashimoto shared a short love story she wrote about an older Japanese couple.

Arts and Humanities Division Chairman and writing instructor, Lonny Kaneko shared some poems about Japan before and after World War II. He also performed a poem about Bruce Lee's life, during which the audience was informed that Lee was a champion of China before he came to the United States.

Writing and Journalism coordinator Susan Landgraf shared a poignant personal reflective essay about her childhood home.

Topping off the evening was some light-hearted readings by journalism instructor T.M. Sell, a self-proclaimed village idiot with a Ph.D. and a book. Sell performed a rap giving the entire history of the Pacific Northwest in a surprisingly entertaining and informative manner. Following his rap, "Prof Daddy" as he sometimes refers to himself, read a tongue-in-cheek parody of romance novels *Love Among the Warehouses*, in which he narrates passionate encounters between two blue collar workers using metaphors such as, "She grabbed his neck like a cold beer."

Prior to the reading, an art show was displayed in the fourth floor library art gallery. Alan Goodson Fulle displayed his abstract paintings in which he made his own pictogram language. Each painting had its own phrase written in the pictograms, which observers can decipher by reading the pictogram key.

The next First Thursday/Arts Night will be Feb. 7, and will be featuring the play *Murder, News, and Wine* performed by Breeder's Theater in Building 7 at 7:30 p.m., preceded by a wood turning show by Bill Luce in the fourth floor library art gallery at 6 p.m. Cost is pay what you will at the door.

'Orange County': plenty of vitamin comedy

BY CHAZ HOLMES
Staff Reporter

Movie Review

Orange County IS another teen movie, but it is NOT another teen movie bereft of humor, a little taste and even a message. The premise is all too familiar territory given the genre. A high school senior, Shaun Brumder, played by Colin (Don't compare me to my father) Hanks, wants nothing more than to get into his first-choice college and escape his unbearable life at home.

However, the way the movie executes this premise is not familiar and is really quite clever. The characters may not be multi-dimensional, but at least they all have one thing in common, they are almost all well-meaning and supportive. Most supportive is Shaun's girlfriend, played by Schuyler Fisk, who although does not want Shaun to leave Orange County to go to college, still tries her hardest to help him get accepted after the wrong transcript is sent in.

Another supportive character is Shaun's brother Lance (Jack Black), without whom the film would not survive as a comedy. Lance is a shameless slob who spends his nights partying and his days recovering while watching TV on the couch. That is until he takes his little brother

to Stanford after he and the rest of Shaun's hilariously dysfunctional family have destroyed an interview with two Stanford representatives.

Black has quickly been becoming a household name with recent roles in *High Fidelity*, *Saving Silverman* and the release of his band, Tenacious D's first CD, but it is here in *Orange County* that he really gets to demonstrate his talent as a physical comedian. Like Jim Carrey, he has the ability to take material that would easily be dull in the hands of another performer and turn it into memorable, laugh-out loud moments.

Director Jake Kasdan (*Zero Effect*) and screenwriter Mike White (*Chuck and Buck*) give much more to *Orange County* than hilarity. They also give it an intelligence that is likely to provide some solace for those struggling with the prospect of getting into college and trying to escape their hometown in favor of something that may or may not be grander. *Orange County* teaches its audience that there's no support like the kind you get from your family and close friends and that life doesn't get better by running away from your problems.

Kocarina kicks it

By ROBIN COLLINS
Staff Reporter

Kurotaro Kurosaka turns wood into music.

Kurosaka, accompanied by his wife, Kanemi Yaguchi on the autoharp, gave a concert Wednesday in Building 8 at the Global Lunch Table.

The Kocarina is a short wooden instrument invented by Kurosaka, which sounds somewhat like a recorder.

"Kocarina is a very interesting instrument because we can make different kinds of sounds with different kinds of woods," said Kurosaka. He demonstrated the sharp sound made by a hardwood such as plum and the softer sound produced by cedar. Kurosaka estimates he has made 300 of these instruments.

Kurosaka also exhibited two special instruments of a wood called Enoki. They were made from a tree that stood half a mile

from where the Hiroshima bomb exploded during World War II. The tree was badly burned, but survived until a typhoon knocked it down 18 years ago.

Local students carried the tree to their school where it was kept. Kurosaka discovered it when he performed there two years ago. The wood was considered to be useless for instruments, but Kurosaka has fashioned eight instruments from it.

Kurosaka discussed the instrument between songs. A variety of music was played using the Kocarina; from the Irish standard *Danny Boy* to *Eine Kleine Nachtmusik* to John Lennon's *Imagine*.

Yaguchi, an accomplished vocalist, also sang a song about a 7,200-year-old cedar tree. Speaking through a translator, Yaguchi said, "This song was written to protect the tree. To protect the tree, we have to pro-



Kurotaro Kurosaka plays the Kocarino Wednesday.

tect the island. To protect the island, we have to protect our earth too."

This concert was sponsored

by Highline's International Student Programs and the Nikkeijin Kal Japanese Community Organization of Seattle.

Estonia concert rescheduled

To honor the 40th anniversary of Highline, the Music Department is hosting a dedication concert to unveil the nine-foot Estonia grand piano, which is a gift from the college's Foundation.

Dr. Tanya Stambuk, assistant professor of piano at the University of Puget Sound School of Music, will play at the concert. Stambuk will not only play the piano, one of two its size in the region, but will also provide background information on each piece she'll be playing to demonstrate the instrument's exceptional sound capabilities.

The concert will be held at Highline in Building 7 on Tuesday, Jan. 29 at 7:30 p.m. It is free and open to the public, but seating is limited and is available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Donations will be accepted to benefit student music scholarships and a reception will follow.

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Choir tunes up for winter

By **DANNY BERGMAN**
Staff Reporter

Dr. Paul Mori has a hopeful outlook for this quarter's choir. He is working hard to get them ready for March 13, which will be their big performance of the quarter. "This is the best group I've had since I started here two years ago," said Mori. He said he is fortunate to be teaching them. Last quarter the choir recorded one of their perfor-

mances for the first time. This quarter they had a chance to listen to it. "It's given the students a chance to see how far they have come," said Mori. Mori believes that the choir is underrated because it comes from a community college. "What makes this group so good is how diverse everyone is," he said. "Every individual in this choir makes up the group dynamic," Mori said.

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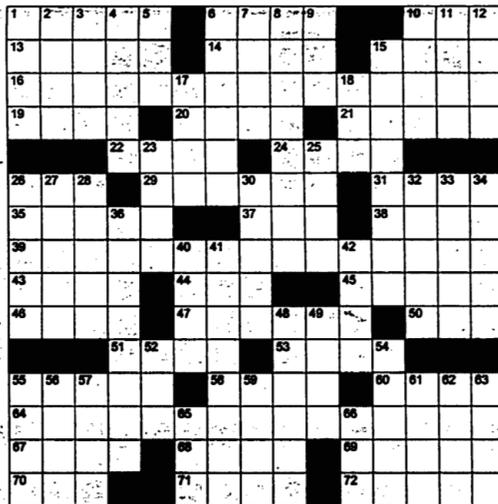
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Crossword 101

By Ed Canty

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 - 13 In one piece
 - 14 NFL no-no
 - 15 Unspoken
 - 16 Vacation spot
 - 19 Brake lining
 - 20 Berserk
 - 21 Unlikely
 - 22 Ship's berth
 - 24 Potato buds
 - 26 Acquired
 - 29 Underwrite
 - 31 Glasgow hats
 - 35 Haloes
 - 37 Bottom line
 - 38 Genuine
 - 39 Vacation spot
 - 43 Alter
 - 44 Borden's weapon
 - 45 Upper class
 - 46 Shoe part
 - 47 Microwave pulses
 - 50 Frost word
 - 51 Shopping center
 - 53 Throw away
 - 55 Trades
 - 58 Greek letter
 - 60 Faithful
 - 64 Vacation spot
 - 67 Burden
 - 68 Rise up
 - 69 Follows rum or gin
 - 70 Highly prized person
 - 71 Wight, for one
 - 72 Follows past, present or future
- Down**
- 1 Pointed tools
 - 2 Iran big wig
 - 3 Neither good nor bad
 - 4 Leprechauns
 - 5 Plumber's union?
 - 6 Rascals
 - 7 Besides
 - 8 Fish
 - 9 Vacation spot
 - 10 Deli sandwich offering
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 - 12 Annoying person
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Quoteable Quotes

"The coldest winter I ever spent was a summer in San Francisco."

• Mark Twain

Lady T-Birds overpower opponents

By BRYAN SHARICK
Staff Reporter

The Lady T-Birds hoops squad came off of winter break looking to get back into the swing of things with their first two games back being victories.

First Highline out manned and out gunned the Green River Gators in a blow out by a score of 78-31. Then the Thunderbirds edged out the Lower Columbia Red Devils by a score of 75-66.

Green River stepped into the Thunderdome with only six players on their roster. Five of those players had more than 35 minutes of playing time in the game. Highline simply ran the Gators ragged.

"The concentration wasn't as good tonight as we needed it to be both offensively and defensively," said Head Coach Dennis Olson.

Shalynn Leonard led all scorers with 16 points and she also snagged 10 rebounds. Kristin Boyd and Ashley Agnew both had 12 points and 6 rebounds a piece.

For the game, Highline shot 50 percent from the field while Green River shot a dismal 17.5 percent.

"We were a little raggedy at times and not as focused as we needed to be," said Olson.

Highline then faced Lower Columbia who was 7-7 coming into Saturday night's game. They had been tough in the past for the T-Birds, but tonight was not the Red Devil's night.

Leonard led all Highline scorers with 20 points and she also snatched down 13 boards. Brianna Duerr also checked in with 15 points in the game.

"We were tested some in the first half but the outcome was great and that's all that matters," said Duerr.

The next games for the Lady T-Birds are on Saturday, Jan. 19 in Tacoma. Tip off is scheduled for 5 p.m. After that, Highline comes back to the Thunderdome for a home match against Grays Harbor, the tip off will be at 8 p.m.

Highline had a game against Pierce on Jan. 16, but the results were unavailable at press time.



Photos by Joe Walker

Kristin Boyd applies defense to Lower Columbia's Krystal Seward in Saturdays 75-66 win.

Winter break bodes well for women hoopsters

By BRYAN SHARICK
Staff Reporter

Fall quarter ending means a break for many students. However, when you're an athlete, the games don't stop for winter break.

The Lady T-Birds have played 13 games since Winter break. Their current record as of Jan. 15 is 13-4 for the season and 4-0 in the Western Division.

The first NWAACC/Horizon Air Coaches' Poll for women's basketball was also released this week and it had Highline ranked third with 39 total votes. Umpqua is first with 78 votes and Wenatchee Valley is second with 68 votes.

Here is a rundown of some games you may have missed.

Back on Dec. 7, 2001, Highline handed the Whatcom Orcas their only loss of the season thus far by a score of 75-70.

"Whatcom is a very good team. I'm especially happy that we didn't collapse when they [Whatcom] made a run at the end," said Olson.

Shalynn Leonard came up huge for the T-Birds with 22 points and 15 boards.

The Whatcom game was the



Brianna Duerr goes to the hoop against Lower Columbia.

first true test for Highline and they passed with flying colors.

"We played well considering all the kids missing so many practices," said Olson.

Highline then beat up on Bellevue by a score of 69-42.

"We beat them fairly easily the first time we played them and even if the kids are trying hard, sometimes you don't have the focus you need to have," said Olson.

Brianna Duerr stepped it up with 22 points in nearly 32 min-

utes. She also shot 3 of 6 from three-point-range.

"We have to work on running our offense more consistently," said Olson.

Then Highline traveled to Whatcom for a rematch. The Thunderbirds lost in a thriller in overtime by a score of 89-80.

Leading scorers for the T-Birds were Duerr with 24 and Jones and Leonard with 16 apiece.

Next, Highline hosted their very own Crossover Tourna-

ment. In the first game of the tournament for the T-Birds, they beat Mt. Hood by a score of 64-57.

Duerr led all Highline scorers with 22 and Leonard followed with 12.

The next day, South Puget Sound pounded Highline by a score of 71-57.

Duerr led the way with 14 points and Leonard had 10 points and 13 boards in the losing effort.

In Highline's final game of the tournament, they lost again to Columbia Basin in a nail-biter by a score of 65-59.

Jones led the way with 15 points and 11 rebounds and Leonard also had 12 points and 13 boards.

Duerr and Leonard were also named to the All-Tournament Team.

Then Highline went on their longest road trip of the year as they traveled to Hawaii for the Hawaii Junior College Tournament.

"This tournament gave us a chance to experiment a little bit and try different lineups. We changed our lineups as a result," said Olson.

In the first game, Highline

lost by a score of 78-62 over Fullerton (Calif).

In the next game, the Lady T-Birds faced off against the Hawaii All-Stars with Highline winning 93-72.

Ashley Agnew led the way for Highline with 19 points while Niki White dumped in 14.

In the final game of the tournament, Highline blew out Glendale (Calif), by a score of 85-49.

"We were tested in a lot of different ways. The trip was a lot of fun and it brought us closer together as a team," said Duerr.

Then Highline got a much needed and deserved break. However they kicked things into gear again on Jan. 3, 2002 when they began league play against NWAACC favorite Clark.

The Thunderbirds beat Clark 77-64.

Duerr led Highline with 20 points. White had a great all-around game with eight points, 12 rebounds, and six assists.

Highline then sought to avenge the pummeling that was handed to them by South Puget Sound earlier in the year. The T-Birds did so with a 74-65 victory.

Kristin Boyd had a season high 24 points to go along with five steals.

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T-Birds play .500 over break

BY MATTHEW MILLER
Staff Reporter

The T-Bird men's hoops team played .500 basketball over winter break, going 3-3 in tournament play and starting league play 1-1.

Head Coach Jeff Albrecht looks at the play over the break as a learning experience for his team.

"We didn't play particularly well in the Spokane tournament, but we learned a lot and that was the key," said Albrecht.

The Spokane Tournament started and ended on a bad note for the T-Birds. First there was a heartbreaking double overtime loss to Olympic. Then Highline was able to rebound with a quality 91-76 victory over Portland. With Austin Nicholson leading all scorers with 21 points. On the final day of the tournament, Highline fell victim to Chemeketa 76-60.

After the Spokane tournament, Highline had eleven days off before heading north for a tournament in Shoreline from Dec. 27-29.

Peter Perez made his debut with Highline helping the T-Birds win two of three games. Highline will look to Perez to be a scoring threat as well as providing more consistency as the team goes deeper into league play.

Freshman Seth Caine has emerged as a deadly three point shooter as he is currently shooting over 50 percent from three point range and is tops in the NWAACC.

The T-Birds were hoping that Gerald Smiley would be able to provide more depth at the guard position. However, Smiley, a major league baseball player, will have to report to spring training and will not be available for the remainder of the season.

With Smiley unavailable the T-Birds will have to continue to rely on Austin Nicholson at point guard. Nicholson is averaging 18.2 points per game.

Highline started league play with an 86-81 victory over Clark and then stumbled 77-73 to a surprising South Puget Sound team that is currently in first place in the Western Division.

T-Birds play tough, split last two games

BY MATTHEW MILLER
Staff Reporter

Highline took on the surging Green River Gators at the Pavilion last Wednesday in their first game back from winter break.

Early on it seemed as if the T-Birds (10-6, 2-2) were going to be overmatched by the Gators flashy style of play. Highline was down by nine with eight minutes remaining in the first half when they went on a 22-11 run to end the half and be up 40-38 at intermission.

"We actually started playing hard. We're a young team and sometimes we don't play at the level we need to. As soon as we play 40 minutes we'll be pretty successful," said Head Coach Jeff Albrecht about the first-half comeback.

The second half shaped up to fit the format of an ESPN Instant Classic, with last year's champion, Highline, defending its legacy while the up-and-coming Gators (11-4, 3-1) are fighting to dethrone the champs.

Highline's Austin Nicholson dumped in 26 points and was four rebounds shy of a triple double. While Jeelani McDonald was a dominant force in the paint for Highline as he grabbed an amazing 24 rebounds.

With 40 seconds remaining Highline led 76-73 until Green River's Rob Bishop made two free throws to bring Green River to within one.

After a Highline turnover Green River had the ball with 34 seconds remaining.

Bishop ran down the clock to about eight seconds before making his move. He dribbled left and quickly stopped and hit a



Photo by Joe Walker

T.J. Arterberry fights for a rebound against Lower Columbia's Joe Rowberry. Highline won the game 87-71.

22-foot three pointer, giving the Gators a 78-76 lead, leaving Highline 5.8 seconds to attempt a last second shot.

Heavy pressure from Gator defenders forced Nicholson to throw an improvisational pass to Jason Cardenas for a last second shot. Cardenas' shot just missed off the side of the rim to end the game.

"There are seven other teams in our league just as good as Green River. So every night is going to be like that, it's going

to be a good basketball game, it's going to be a fight to the end so we have to get used to it and find a way to come up with a W," said Albrecht.

Coming up with the W is something the T-Birds did in convincing fashion last Saturday at home against Lower Columbia.

The T-Birds schooled Lower Columbia (11-6, 2-2) on how to play team basketball, winning 87-71.

Freshman Seth Caine hit four

of six three-pointers in the first half to ignite the T-Birds offense. Caine finished the game with 14 points.

However, it wasn't just Highline's offense that was overpowering the school from Longview, Wash. The T-Birds defense stymied Lower Columbia almost every time they brought the ball down court.

Jason Cardenas, Peter Perez, and Jeelani McDonald dominated the Red Devils in the post. Jay VanHook, Lower Columbia's 6'8" all-star center was limited to just 12 points and six rebounds by the T-Bird post players.

Highline kept Lower Columbia at arms length for the first five minutes of the second half until The T-Birds erupted to a 20-0 run that slammed the door on the Red Devils confidence and any chance of a win.

Peter Perez, who scored 17 points and had 10 rebounds brought the crowd to it's feet four different times with four thunderous dunks, one of which posterized Van Hook and earned Perez a technical foul for taunting.

"We were a wounded dog tonight and a wounded dog has two choices: it can whimper, or it can come out and attack and we chose to attack. It didn't matter if it was LC or anybody else, the way we played tonight somebody was going to be in trouble," said Albrecht.

Highline played at Pierce (8-7, 1-2) last night, but the scores and stats were not available at press time. The T-Birds also have their first meeting with perennial power Tacoma (14-2, 3-0) this Saturday at 3 p.m. in Tacoma.

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Wrestlers win four of five Track has strong showing at UW indoor meet

By MICAH THECKSTON
Staff Reporter

While students get settled back into school, the Highline wrestling team came out of the break continuing to toss around league opponents.

Over the holidays Coach Todd Owens' Thunderbirds came home to the Thunderdome and notched up wins against Clackamas, Southwest Oregon, and Yakima Valley.

"We're not a strong duel team, so that says something for our program when we can take down four year schools like that," said Coach Owens.

Highline came into last Tuesday's duel against North Idaho without some key wrestlers including team captains Carlos Adamy and Trevor Smith.

"We just had some bad luck over the break that left us some holes to fill," said Owens.

Shuffling wrestlers around and forfeiting two matches; Highline was flattened by the always powerful North Idaho College 42-0.

"It hurts us to move weights around like that. I'm not going to say that we would have beat them, but we didn't have our strong lineup in against the number one team in league," said Owens.

"NIC is conditioned really well, they're a very technical team," said 125 lbs wrestler Javonn Albert-Rainwater.

With Adamy out second year wrestler Joe Castro filled in as interim captain for last week's meets. Adamy was quick to praise the modest Castro.

"Everyone wanted him [Castro] to win because he shows a lot of dedication," said Adamy.

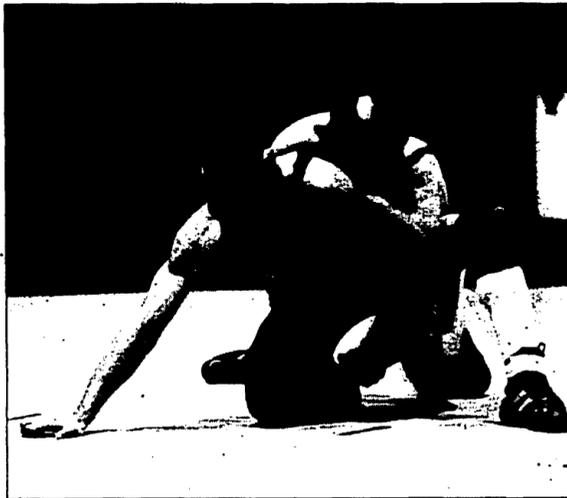
"We're pretty beat up, the guys that still are coming are doing alright though," said 145 lbs wrestler Steve Grimm.

A battered Highline took on Canadian school Simon Fraser University last Thursday, winning 23-19.

"It was a good win, Simon Fraser didn't have all their guys either, but a win against them is always nice," said Coach Owens.

Highline started out strong with 125 pounder Rainwater overpowering his opponent in the second and slipping in a "Saturday Night Ride", a reasonably painful pinning combo used to embarrass the adversary.

"I was definitely better con-



Photos by Joe Walker

Javonn Albert-Rainwater tussles with a North Idaho opponent in last Tuesday's loss.

ditioned," said Rainwater. "Being able to go out to the mat with confidence, and know that you are going to win, makes a big difference."

174 pound wrestler, Joe Castro put the match out of

reach for SFU by beating his wrestler by major decision.

The T-Birds travel to Clackamas College on Friday for a dual at 7 p.m., then stay there for Saturday's open tournament at 10 a.m.



Steve Grimm (right) and a North Idaho Wrestler make a human pretzel.

By DAVID HAIDLE
Staff Reporter

The Highline track team gathered at the Dempsey Indoor Facility last Saturday morning to test their skills against various major college track programs.

The competition was fierce with UW participants winning many of the competitions. However, Highline did well in a number of events. Nine athletes from Highline finished in the top six of their respective events.

At the meet, certain individuals ran unattached, but the majority of Highline athletes ran for the team.

Corey Lehosky and Nathan Carter competed in the shot-put and were the highest placing Highline athletes in any event. They placed third and fourth, respectively, with throws of 45-1 1/2 and 44-9 1/2.

This meet served as a reward to the Highline athletes, who have been training since October. These athletes have been hitting times this January that last year took them until April to achieve. This competition helped the team to, "get the kinks out," said Head Coach Robert Yates.

Overall, the Highline team did very well, considering they were the only community college competing in the meet.

In general, Highline is a team that is strongest in sprints and hurdles. However, according to Coach Yates, the few field athletes they have are very good in their events.

Even though it seemed that Highline would be overmatched by nationally ranked individuals and extremely skilled teams, the T-Birds had enough quality athletes to be competitive in the meet.

Some other Highline athletes that placed at the meet were: Nathan Jarvis, who took fourth in the long jump and fourth in the triple jump, Omari Gildon, took fifth in the 60 meter dash, Brandon Sutton, took fifth in the 200 meter dash, and Tonika Vickers, took fourth in the women's 200 meter dash.

It helped the athletes to look at it as "running against the best in America," said Yates.

Most of the hard training they put forth will come into play when the Highline track team starts their official outdoor season on March 2. Until then, the team will strive to achieve excellence in a meet at the University of Idaho in February.

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Terrorism center issue at seminars

BY JOHN MONTENEGRO
AND JASON BENTON
Staff Reporters

"Nation building paves the road for terrorism," said Dr. Jennifer Jones at the first terrorism seminar in a series of seminars that will be held this quarter in Building 7.

At 1 p.m. every Tuesday, Culture Gender and Global Studies (CGG) is hosting a quarter long seminar every titled In the Aftermath of Terrorism.

The speech that Jones gave on Jan. 8 was titled, Nation States: Setting the Stage for Terrorism.

Jones's presentation was on nation states, nation building and how they relate to the start of terrorism.

Jones defined nation states as an ideal place where the culture and leaders coincide. Jones stated that there are 191-218 different countries depending on whom you use as a source.

"According to ethnolog.com there are more than 6000 different languages," said Jones. Jones said that countries value their cultures.

"Culture is how you make sense of the world," said Jones.

When a country decides to start nation building, which is basically making all the people the same then that's how terrorism starts, Jones said.

She noted that when a country colonizes another and wants to create an ideal country where every person is the same, then the colonized people start to get angry.

Jones said that when a country nation-builds they usually try to get rid of the language and there are several ways that they do this.

First they try to make the language illegal. Secondly they make people ashamed of their culture.

Jones said that groups use terrorism for several reasons including: gaining sympathy, making a political statement, and making others respect them.

As the presentation closed, Jones gave two methods that countries could use to stop the spread of terrorism.

The first is to forget the idea of nation building, and becoming a pluralistic country. The second is to endorse and praise such world bodies as the United Nations and a world court.

At the next seminar Davidson Dodd, Emmanuel Chiabi, and Jim Glennon spoke about issues involving terrorism.

A sense of urgency echoed through the auditorium on the Jan. 15 terrorism seminar, as students and faculty went face to face with the issue of war on terrorism. Responsibility has been put back into each citizens' hands in order to make a difference.

"If nothing else, it raises questions about our policies and the history of war. If it leaves people confused, that's okay too," said Dodd.

Right wing, left wing, liberal, or realist just might confuse some students; the semi-filled auditorium held people young and old thirsting for political knowledge.

Civil liberties or national security was a hot topic, and the majority of faculty and students agree that it will be a defining point in our success abroad.

"We are not saying good or bad; that is not the subject of this discussion. It is a question of truth and reality," said Chiabi.

Police search for suspects



Photo by Joe Walker

Police block off the Northbound ramp to I-5 on Monday, Jan 14.

BY CJ GAMBREL
Staff Reporter

Circling helicopters, K-9 units and armed police blockades turned the I-5 overpass above Kent-Des Moines Road into a confusing mess as police sought four suspects in an armed robbery near the college.

Two black males and two black females robbed a man at gunpoint near the King's Arms Motel, Monday, Jan. 14 at 11 a.m. Af-

ter the suspects fled the scene in their small bronze car, the victim then reported the incident to the Des Moines police.

The victim then spotted the suspects car again and hour an a half later and called the police again. The police responded and pulled the suspects' car over.

A foot pursuit ensued, and K-9 units were dispatched, but the suspects were not located.

One suspect has been apprehended.

The veracity of war has been brought to our doorstep and in order to find some type of empathy takes the self-determination of gaining knowledge on the views of the world, Chiabi said.

"Sacrifices-are you willing to sacrifice your life for the life of a loved one?" asked Glennon.

The eye-opening reminder by Glennon was to realize how many innocent lives are being lost on both sides of the world.

The purpose for war goes far beyond a retaliation perspective. Each expressed a concern of the aftermath. "Are we the people going to get our hands dirty and take on the responsibility of sacrifice?" asked Dodd.

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Highline opens doors for students

By CARRIE WOOD
Staff Reporter

Highline President Dr. Priscilla Bell explained how Highline has opened doors for students from many different programs yesterday at the Honors Colloquy.

In the past, the Honors Colloquy has had its usual selection of great speakers, but the difference this quarter is the theme: "Opening Doors." The colloquy will focus on the student audience, helping them to recognize doors and open them.

The colloquy takes place every Wednesday in Building 7, from 1:10-2 p.m. It is a one-credit class for those students who are registered, but is open to all.

The colloquy started with



Mariko Fujiwara

Bell as she introduced her panel: fellow students and employees of Highline who each explained how to open doors.

"A door opened for me in July of 2000 when I moved into the Co-op Internship Program," said Nancy Warren, Workforce

Training director. "Students can earn credit for learning while working, so this opens many doors."

One student developed her own internship idea on her own in Korea. Felicity Stratton is a student at Highline who got the opportunity to spend three months in Korea where she taught English to many different aged students.

"I met with Nancy and within 10 minutes I knew exactly what I was going to do. Co-op opened a door to Nancy, a valuable adviser," said Stratton. Moreover, Co-op opened a door to Korea.

Jennifer Evans, Pre-Employment Training Coordinator, explained how pre-employment training opens doors to low-income recipients who cannot

speak English.

The program provides services such as ESL, career transitioning training as well as health, nutrition and safety, Evans said.

Mariko Fujiwara, director of International Student programs, explained the various programs there are available to students to get to know other cultures, such as the Global Lunch Table, which will open doors to them.

"Sometimes it is embarrassing for international students when they are misunderstood,"

said Jiyeon Kwon with International Programs. "We make them feel comfortable which will help open doors for them in the future."

"The funds we create which are turned into emergency assistance are important to opening doors for students," said Mark McKay, Foundation/Resource Development director.

For example, McKay explained how one student couldn't afford to pay his electricity bill, so the foundation paid it for him.

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displaced workers are heading toward community and technical colleges for retraining, increasing enrollment pressure on schools such as Highline.

"Enrollment in both fall and winter quarter is up," said Bell.

The governor's plan includes money for retraining for the two-year colleges. Locke wants \$9 million to help aid those schools that retrain those workers, versus \$21 million that the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges has requested.

College officials also are concerned about the capital budget, which goes toward construction and major repairs. Several repairs still need to be completed around the Highline campus.

"Sidewalks need improvement and widened for fire truck access," said Suzy Holmes, associate director of Facilities.

To cover the cost, the Legislature is giving \$1.7 million in capital funds to Highline for those repairs.

Legislators aren't making any promises, but are waiting until Feb. 18 for the next state revenue forecast before making any major budgetary moves.

State Sen. Jeanne Kohl-Welles, D-Seattle, chairwoman of the Senate Higher Education Committee, said that legislators hope the new forecast will give them some breathing room.

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The tug boat will have its own security and once the torch hits land the City of Des Moines police department, volunteers, and city staff will also be present on the ground.

Another important factor the torch run is traffic.

"Roads will be closed as needed around Marine View Drive and 7th Ave. During the evening commute go around if you can," said Thorell.

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