

# The Thunderword

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## Kicking into gear

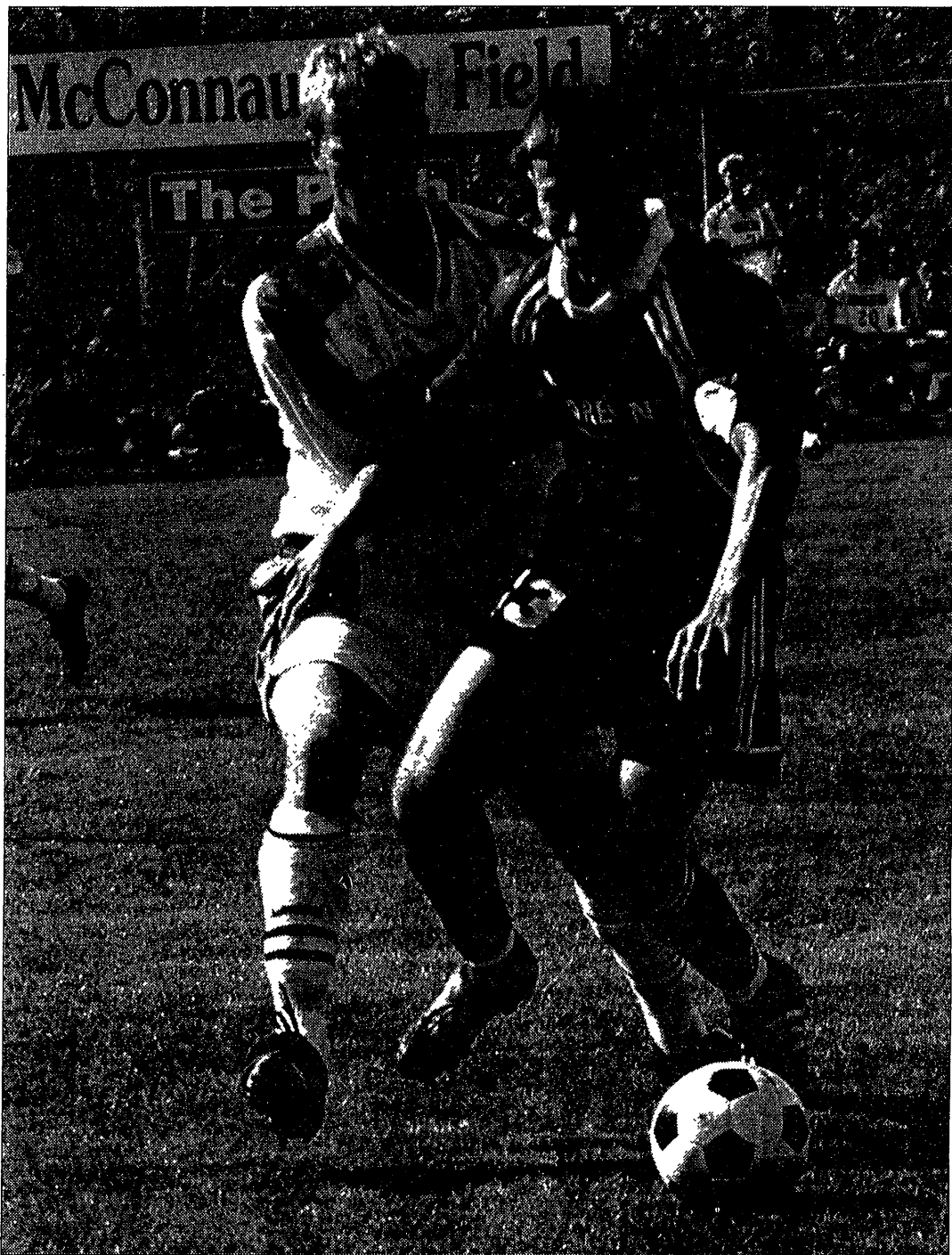


Photo By Chris Foote

Highline's Nathan Louvier beats a Shoreline player to the ball in soccer action last Saturday. The T-Birds won, 5-2, to move into second place in the division. For more information, see story page 8.

## Full classes leave many scrambling

By VICTORIA ANTHONY  
Staff Reporter

Classes at Highline this quarter are busting at the seams. Even though instructors are doing what they can to overload, many students are having a hard time getting the classes they need.

The instructors can overload as many students as they want to, but it comes to a point when available space makes the final decision.

"We're cramped," said Laura Manning, speech instructor. "I called facilities for four extra desks and chairs and they said no, they were completely out of everything. I asked them what they expected me to tell these four paying students, and they told me to contact Jack Birmingham. I thought it was silly that I had to call the Vice President (of Academic Affairs) for some extra seating."

Birmingham was not available for comment.

Manning said she added two students into each of her classes, but still had to dismiss people from her Speech 100 class.

"It's always a game, because if we continuously add two or more people over the cap, then they eventually raise the cap.

•Enrollment expected to be higher this quarter. See story, page 2.

They see the overload number as an OK number, but it's not. It is an emergency number," she said. "Personally, I don't think any class should be over 18 or 20 students. The quality of everything diminishes."

Takami Nieda, a writing and literature instructor, said she was surprised at how full her Literature class was this quarter. Usually her class starts out with about 30 students, with the cap at 38. There are currently 41 enrolled in the class.

Nieda said eight or nine students were on her Writing 101 waiting list, but she was only able to add three of them.

"If I added any more than that, there would have been a problem. It would have taken away from the class," she said.

The Chemistry Department is also struggling with an abundance of students.

Marie Ngyuen, a chemistry instructor said her classes are extremely overloaded this quarter, more so than previous quarters.

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## Autumn falls, however tuition does not

By VICTORIA ANTHONY  
Staff Reporter

Community college tuition increased by 12 percent this fall to help make up for a \$17.6 million gap in the state's higher

education operating budget.

The state Legislature cut the community college budget by 3 percent, forcing the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges to raise tuition to the maximum amount allowed by

the Legislature.

The increase in tuition will also help give faculty and staff a 3.6 percent raise.

On average, a full-time in-state student will pay \$1,983, including mandatory building

and activities fees. A full-time non-resident student will pay an average of \$7,191, including all fees.

The State Board opted to increase out-of-state tuition by only 4 percent, due to the fact

that nonresidents already pay a higher share. Administrators were concerned that a higher

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## Crime Blotter for Sept. 21 -Oct. 2

### Hit and run away

A hit and run case was reported by a Highline student on Sept. 23, the first day of class, that occurred in the south lot. When the car was discovered, a note had been left behind by a bystander who witnessed the collision.

### Honda stolen

A Highline student's Honda car was stolen Sept. 23 while parked in the south lot.

### Trash can fire

A fire broke out in a trashcan next to Building 15 on Sept. 23 at 1:29 p.m. The fire was extinguished successfully.

### Attempted theft

There was an attempted theft of a Honda motorcycle on Wednesday, Sept. 25, in the south lot between 9:30-12:30 a.m. The ignition on the motorcycle had been punched and the helmet had been stolen.

### Patrol car hit

While a Highline Security patrol vehicle was being inspected by an officer on Sept. 24, a scratch was found on the passenger-side of the vehicle. The patrol car appeared to have been sideswiped by an unknown vehicle.

### Student assaulted

A possible assault occurred on Sept. 30. The Highline student involved reported that she had been grabbed while walking to her car in the south lot.

-Compiled by  
Harman Dhami

## Enrollment up for Fall Quarter

By THUNDERWORD STAFF

Registration numbers for Fall Quarter are anticipated to be close to or higher than Fall 2001.

As of Sept. 30 registration figures were 9,385 and the end of Fall 2001's head count was 10,064.

This fall's figures should rise since students are still able to add classes until the 10th day, which is Oct. 4. Classes are permitted to be added after this date, but a \$35 fee will be imposed on top of tuition and fee costs.

"Hopefully, by now everyone is where they want to be," said Associate Dean of Enrollment Services Becky Riverman.

High enrollment in community colleges is no new trend. This is reflective of reasons such as the continuance of a sour economy, budget constraints, and high unemployment.

Enrollment is already at 99 percent capacity, and is expected to be at 100 percent capacity very soon.

"By and large, we are full across the board," said Academic Affairs Assistant to the Vice President Carrie Jolicoeur.

As it stands, facilities are currently stretched, whether it's car parking or classroom space, and will become more so as enrollment increases.

Despite the struggle, students are recognizing the measures staff are taking.

"My classes are full, but the teachers present the material in such an innovative way so every student is given the chance to prosper and learn," said student Jason Cardenas.



Photo by Orion Robinette

Students line up outside registration in Building 6 during the first week of school.

Highline students are still facing registration problems, trying to get into courses and, moments later, finding out that they are full.

"I need a math class...I want to move on to a four-year college," said Ashley Fawcett, an enrolled student. She never did get that math class.

Highline students try to overload into those full courses. Some students E-mail teachers in advance, and others go to the class to talk to the teacher and wait out their fate.

Highline student Justin

Britten wanted to get into Writing 101, the class was full, so he decided to go to the class, and talk to the teacher.

"I didn't want to wait a week, to get enrolled, and then be behind," Britten said. He decided to work more hours, rather than take a third class.

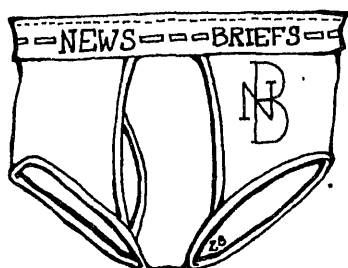
Many students have been faced with this dilemma, because Highline can only permit so many students in a room. A lot of teachers would allow more overloads, if there could be more seating for students.

"I'm always sad to deny a

student. Rooms can only hold so many people," said Terry Meerdink, Math department faculty.

Meerdink suggest that students register early. Get on a waiting list. If you're on the waiting list, the top five students usually make it in. Keep trying to register for a course you want; if someone drops you're in. If you get an overload signature, turn the paper in right away, because it helps the teachers out.

Reporters Margaret Hagen, Jamie Tolua, and C.J. Alvarez contributed to this story.



### 'Pathways' to help staff improve

Tony Ventrella of KCPQ-13 will be the keynote speaker at the "Pathways To Excellence."

The event will be open to all Highline employees is on Friday, Oct. 18 and will run from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The event includes workshops in six different tracks: Technology, Highline 101, Teaching and

Learning, Useful Tricks, Communication Pointers and Financial Success

For more information contact Professional Development Day Chairman Nancy Warren at ext. 3343.

### College workshop offered in October

The Women's Program wants to help you enroll for college.

They are holding a free workshop on Oct. 9 and again on Oct. 21 for people who are considering college. Like all of the programs they put on, this is open to both men and women.

The women's program offers workshops and groups to help students get on the right track.

The workshop will teach people the steps they need to take to enroll in college, as well as ideas on what classes to take.

The topics they will be going over range from how to apply for Financial Aid to taking the Compass test.

This workshop is open to anyone who is interested, even people not currently attending Highline.

### Walk to benefit Down Syndrome

Outback Steakhouse and the Down Syndrome Community are sponsoring the sixth annual Buddy Walk on Sunday, Oct. 6 from 1-4 p.m. at the Fisher Rooftop Plaza in Seattle Center.

There is no registration fee for the walk but donations are welcome.

### Learn more about student activities

Representatives from Team Highline, Student Government, The Ambassador Program, and the Thunderword will gather to inform students about leadership opportunities around campus.

The meeting will be Friday, Oct. 4 in Building 2 from noon to 1 p.m.

"This is in response to the students who expressed interest in getting involved on campus," said Student Government President Stefan Alano.

## Construction projects take shape

By PAUL WALSTON  
Staff Reporter

Highline's campus is at the front end of big changes.

Renovation of Building 21 is almost complete, and the pool has been torn down. The Student Center and the Child Care Center will be the next to follow, with both to be replaced with new buildings in the next few years.

Among the construction projects currently under way:

- Building 21's summer renovation is almost complete. The building was originally built in 1962.

"It's about 80 percent complete now. It would have been done this month but there is so much work to do in such a short time. Mid-November the building should be 100 percent complete," said Suzy Holmes, assistant facilities director.

"I'm glad there's remodeling but it does get annoying at times because of the limited access to the classrooms," said one student with a class in Building 21.

- With the pool demolition complete, work is under way to erect the new Higher Education Center.

The old diving area of the pool has been covered with a white tarp to help with drainage and erosion.



Photo by Corine Fanning

The site where the pool formerly stood. The pool was torn down to make way for a Higher Education center.

"The tarp helps the water slide down into the drain," Holmes said. "This way we won't flood, since the monsoon

season is just around the corner."

The Higher Education Center is going to be three stories

high, 88,000 square feet, and cost \$30.8 million.

Central Washington University, which will share the facility with Highline, is helping pay part of the bill. It will serve an estimated 1,125 students.

Design for the structure is under way and construction is expected to begin in late spring 2003.

M.A. Mortenson Co. of Bellevue has been named general contractor for the project, with LMN Architects in charge of design.

- The new student center is being designed, with demolition of the old center also tentatively scheduled for this spring. The 45,000-square-foot building will cost \$12 million, largely paid for by students.

- The Child Care Center also will be replaced with a new building.

The portables will be no more, replaced by a quartet of new buildings with sections for the different ages and a court yard in the middle for the toddlers to play, with a fence around the perimeter.

The new Child Care Center will cost \$5 million and will be 12,000 square feet when finished. Construction is scheduled to begin in spring 2003. The facility will be on the southeast edge of campus near South 240th Street.

## Diversity is here to stay

By ROSS TIMBROOK  
Staff Reporter

Being a part of society today means that you will have to deal with working and living in a diverse community,



Eric Davis said here Wednesday.

Davis is an academic counselor and a professor

Davis of Multicultural Communication at Cascadia and Shoreline, and an academic counselor at the University of Washington.

Davis developed his presentation, which he calls Rap 101, while he was receiving his bachelor's degree at UCLA about 10 years ago.

"The No. 1 thing that companies and government organizations call in consultants for is the fact that the people that work for them cannot get along," Davis said.

Through the use of visual aids and Hip-Hop music, Davis informed the crowd of students of all the different ways that we encounter diversity in our lives.

During the presentation Davis called on a volunteer from the crowd. Davis had the man lie down and told him to sit half way up without lying back down or sitting completely upright.

The purpose of this demonstration is to show what oppression is like, said Davis.

"The minorities in America in 1964 and 1965 were given legal rights, as far as the Civil Rights Act and the Voting Act, but there was still no social change which is like sitting half-way up. Before too long it becomes easier to just lay back down," Davis said.

Davis asked the audience for their help on the next portion of the lecture. He told the audience that 30 million African-American people live in the US. He then asked the audience how many African-American doctors, dentists and professional athletes there are. Guesses ranged from more than 100,000 for each to just 1,000. The actual numbers are 35,000 doctors, 15,000 dentists and only 1,200 professional athletes.

"When I go to some high schools there are actually people that think that there are 100,000 African-American professional athletes in the US," Davis said.

## Baer melts theory on glaciers

By CYNTHIA SUH  
Staff Reporter

Times were icy around Puget Sound 12,000 years ago, said Professor Eric Baer at last Friday's Science Seminar.

"There was 3,500 to 4,000 feet of ice above head, and anything below would be covered by it," said Baer, geology professor at Highline. "The existence of this ice age in our history has contributed a lot to our landscape."

The three main points to prove his theory are water, rocks and hills.

"The glacier causes water dams, and blocks the water flowing," Baer said. "So the water flows down south towards Chehalis, instead of flowing north, and occasionally lakes would form around the glacier."

The lakes around glaciers would play a part in forming hills. Glaciers eroded where



Baer

they came in contact with lakes.

"This leaves carve marks and hills indicating which way it flooded," Baer said.

This is the reason why traveling east to west is harder than traveling north to south. "Because of this glacier leaving drumlins, we have to travel through tunnels and over bridges to travel east to west," Baer said.

Rocks also are from the last glacial age.

"If you were to pick up two rocks and compare them, they would most likely not be the same," said Baer. "Some of these have traveled here from all the way up north."

These rocks and sand form layers, and that is what we're standing on now. From the very bottom, there is Kitsap formation, Lawton clay, Esperance sand, and Vashon Hill. Starting from Vashon Hill, going down the layer, the size of the components composing that layer, gets smaller, and leaves smaller gaps in between.

"When it rains, the water slips through the Vashon hill, and Esperance sand, but won't go through the clay," Baer said. "The water just sits there and as a result, the clay gets slippery and this is how land slides occur."

Some 300 slides occurred in the city of Seattle alone in January 1997, and \$10 million of

damage has been done.

"Why?" said Baer. "Why should be your next question."

"When the weather gets cold, and it snows, the snow builds up," said Baer. "It's not that the weather is too cold, it's just that there's so much, even when it's warm, it's not warm enough to melt all of the amount."

To make this even worse, the built up snow reflects the sun. Due to this, the earth cools down, which adds more snow to reflect more sunlight.

"From all this, the biological productivity goes down, because of the amount of carbon dioxide dropping," said Baer.

Though this might seem like just a story, the landslides are still happening these days.

The next Science Seminar will be on Oct. 4, with Rebecca Sliger. The lecture, entitled "Is engineering a science?" will be from 2:10-3 p.m. in Building 3, room 102.



## editorial

### Students should be informed voters

The upcoming 2002 state general elections are scheduled for Nov. 5.

If you want to vote, but are not yet registered, you can do this very easily. The only voter qualifications are that you must be a citizen of the United States, a legal resident of Washington state and at least 18 years old by election day.

You must register at least 30 days before voting day if you wish to vote in person at a polling place. This means that if you are planning on voting in the current election you must register by Oct. 5. You can register only 15 days ahead, but you are then required to vote by absentee ballot. If you don't mind voting by absentee ballot, you do have until Oct. 20.

There are many ways to register to vote. You can do this on-line or at many locations including any government office, the Department of Motor Vehicles, or many of the public libraries or schools.

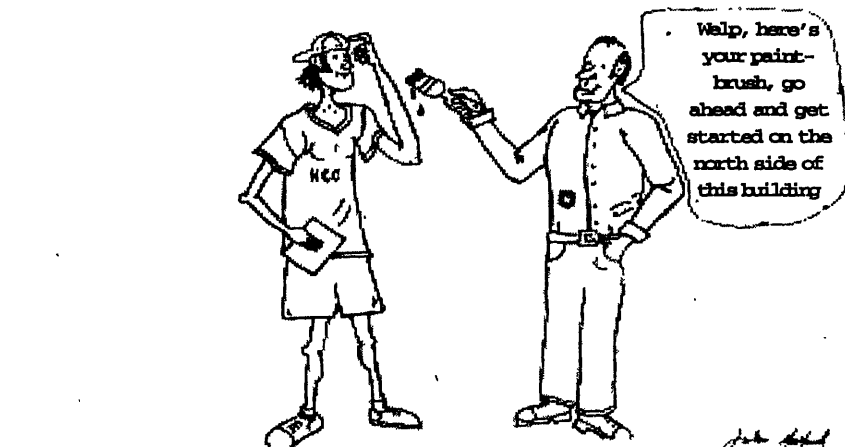
Once you have registered to vote, it can sometimes be overwhelming to decide exactly how you want to vote. There are many initiatives to vote on as well as people to vote for. The average citizen is not always educated as to every initiative or candidate, and this can sometimes cause confusion for a voter. It is very important to vote, but it is also very important to know what or who you are voting for.

The Washington state voter registration website has a step by step guide to help voters make the right choices on election day. You can access this site at: <http://www.washingtonvoter.org/voting.html>

First, decide what you are looking for in a candidate. It is important to choose someone you agree with. You have to decide what you want and then look at the candidates to see who best fits this bill. The next step is to take a good look at campaign information. Make decisions about candidates and initiatives using your mind instead of emotions. Sometimes campaign information is geared toward emotions as opposed to the real issue. Make sure you dig below the surface when you receive pamphlets, flyers or listen to TV and radio ads. Look for emotional appeals by the candidates. These may touch you at the moment, but if they are not focusing on what they are planning to do or what their qualifications are, they may not be the right candidate. Another thing to look out for is accusations. If a candidate is talking more about why you should not vote for the other candidate then why you should vote for them that is a sign that they may not have many good things to say about themselves.

Also use critical thinking when making your decision. Don't let candidates confuse you with half truths. You have to look below the surface of their claims. If the candidate did not back up their statements with proof, that is a sign that they may not be telling you the whole story.

It is very important to make the right decision when you are voting. You want to have a good candidate who is going to listen to you and follow through on promises.



Students contribute to last minute repairs on building 21

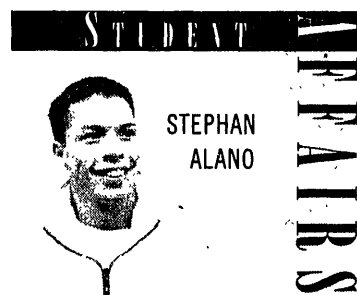
## Success is easy at Highline

Whether you intentionally came to pursue your academic or vocational interests, or if you just happened to stumble upon this campus and its opportunities, you are in a great place.

As your new student body president, I can assure you that Highline will provide you with an exceptional education to achieve your career and life goals.

I'm confident that throughout the year, you'll notice many trends at our campus.

Our teachers go above and beyond to help their students succeed and our Student Services division provides excellent programs and methods for you to be involved outside of the classroom. For example, Student Government has two



open senator positions that will be filled during our fall elections.

The elections will take place in October, so if you're interested, stop by the Student Government office located upstairs in Building 8 (above the cafeteria).

Highline also has positions on its newly founded Ambassadors Program. This program provides outreach to new stu-

dents.

Perhaps your interest lies in joining or starting a club at Highline; come to Building 2 on Friday, Oct. 4 at noon to find out how you can get involved.

Above all I encourage you to take your time here seriously. Develop your goals and dreams.

A strong sense of purpose combined with direction will enable you to succeed.

I believe it is important for students to develop and work on a personal vision for themselves.

I hope you achieve success in the following year.

You can contact me at: [salano@highline.edu](mailto:salano@highline.edu)  
206-878-3710, ext 3315

*Stephan Alano is president of Student Government.*

## Letter to the editor

### Article wasn't up to usual standards

Dear Editor:

I have been an avid reader of the Thunderword and enjoy reading it . . . However when I picked up this year's first issue of the Thunderword I could not believe how many times reporter Ross Timbrook used the word "demolition" to describe

how building 21 was torn down. What makes it even more peculiar is that in the seventh paragraph Mr. Timbrook quotes Suzy Holmes who says demolished as well.

The reporter clearly took the adjective that Ms. Holmes said. One would think that a veteran reporter, like Mr. Timbrook, would have a vast knowledge of the English language and use

words like a mathematician uses numbers. Next time I would like to see a well developed story on the cover of the Thunderword.

P.S. Social criticism is OK sometimes. Don't worry it's only the first issue.

The picture was cool.

Joey David Trotter

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## Love & pain in black & red

Local artist uses bold colors to expose our deepest fears

By ANDREA GIFFORD  
Staff Reporter

Ukrainian artist Anatoliy Voznyarskiy hopes everyone will see something from their own life when they look at his paintings. He paints in red and black to show the contrasting but inseparable emotions that make up life.

His show, titled "Red and Black," is being held on the fourth floor of the Library, and began on Oct. 1. It is free and open to the public.

"In my artworks we can see ourselves when we love, dream, peacefully work, and when we think our existence," Voznyarskiy said. On the other hand, we can see ourselves "when instead of love we have lust, for good we answer with evil, when we betray our best friend, and finally, when instead of peace we look for war."

His paintings reflect his philosophies on life, that you cannot have the joy without the pain.

"The opposite parts go together. Cannot be all life only love or only lust ... it has some

middle," Voznyarskiy said.

Voznyarskiy began painting more than 30 years ago in the former Soviet Union. He studied art in Kiev, Ukraine and Riga, Latvia.

His favorite part about being an artist, he said with ease and confidence, is "I paint all the time and I like it and I think that I can do it."

When he came from the Ukraine a year and a half ago, he struggled with making a new name for himself in the art community.

"I had more than 20 pictures with myself but I cannot make a show because I am not local artist," Voznyarskiy said.

He said he is very happy that his art is being viewed by large audiences. He said he paints up to 20 hours a day "because artists paint picture not only for himself but for all people."

One particular picture, *The Apple*, depicts the Garden of Eden. The canvas is half dark and half light, and shows Adam and Eve before and after that fateful bite.

Before, the couple appears to be weightless, holding hands,

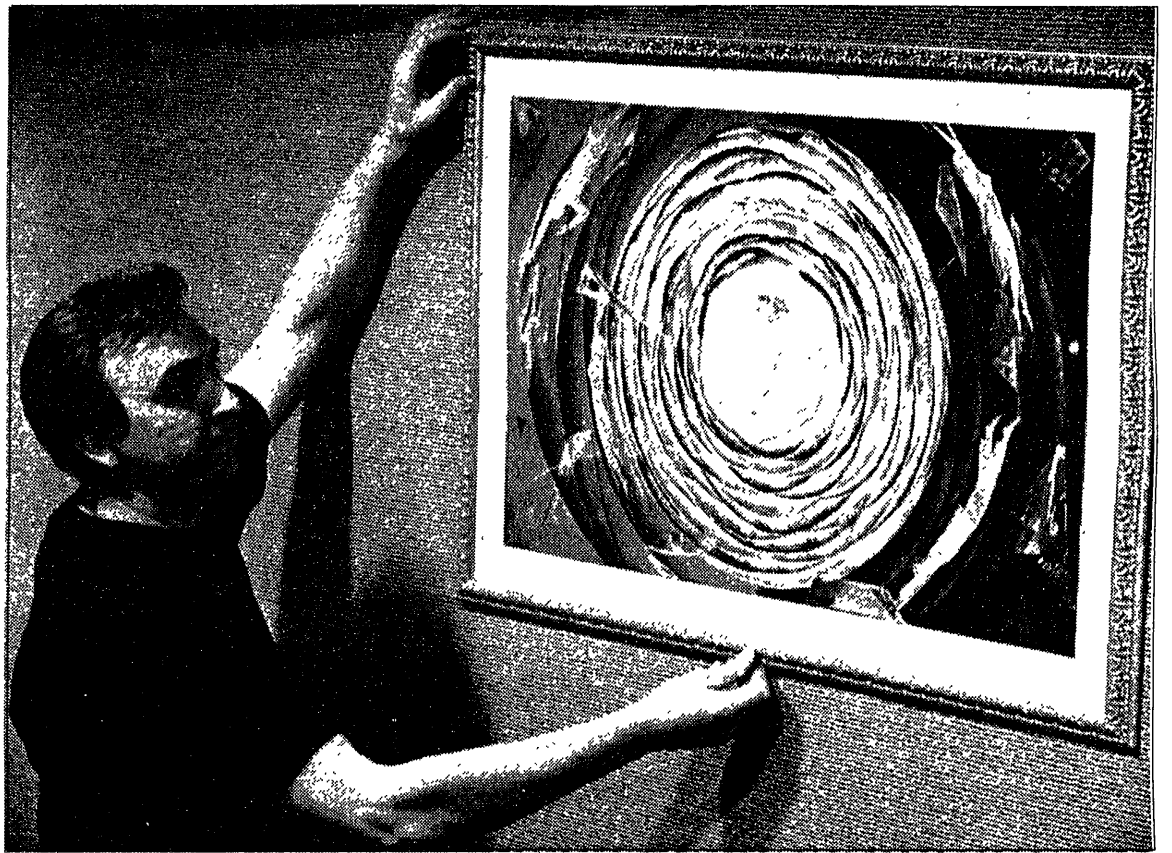


Photo by Corine Fanning

Voznyarskiy displaying "The Maelstrom of Love" one of his many paintings that will be on display for the month of October in the 4th floor art gallery in the library.

and Eve is clutching a bouquet of flowers. Afterward, the two are trudging on the dark earth, not holding hands, and Adam is lugging a stick and bundle, and a stalk of grain.

Eve appears to be shivering from cold. The picture is well balanced and interesting, with similar shapes in opposite corners, and the space being broken up by a waving line that is the serpent.

Another picture, called *A look into himself*, shows a seated person, from the back, encompassed by a large grid. Above the grid, peering out from a reddish haze, are two sets of realistically painted eyes,

looking contemplatively at the scene.

The picture brings to mind the process of self examination with the intense gazes of the eyes, and the person being set up against a grid. Perhaps we all measure ourselves against such rigid guidelines.

A third picture, titled *A Love*, appears at first to be waving flames of red and black, or thick blades of swaying jungle grass. A closer look reveals a woman leading a man by the hand, sort of running through these flames that also make up their bodies.

Voznyarskiy currently lives in Auburn with his wife, Lyudmila, and their child.

Lyudmila is a student here at Highline.

"I would like that more students want to see this exhibition because it is our life, especially girls." "I have more pictures about love and pictures about before love and after love, like broken heart," Voznyarskiy said.

In the future, he would like to show his pictures in big cities, and even take special orders. After this show, his art will move on to be shown in Bellevue.

In December, 40 of his big pictures will be shown in an exhibition in Seattle. "Thank you very much to Highline College," Voznyarskiy said.

## Hofmann keeps writing after all these years

By JASON BENTON  
Staff Reporter

William J. Hofmann, retired writing department professor, published two books this year.

The first book is a second edition titled, *A Guide to Writing Family History*. The original publication was released 20 years ago in 1982.

Hofmann's inspiration for writing the book came while conducting a series of workshops at a retirement home.

Hofmann then consulted an agent who shopped his idea around.

Hofmann said it took little convincing by the agent when he was told "How to books," would be the way to go.

"I said OK, I've got classroom materials and other stuff. I certainly got enough experi-

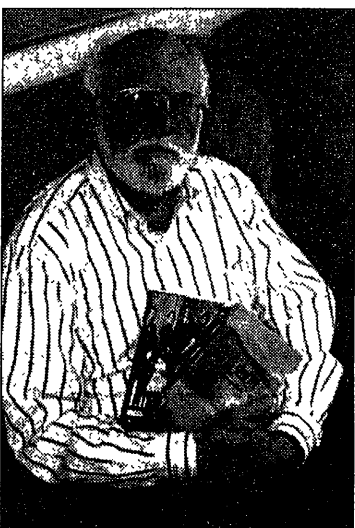


Photo by Adrienne Hughes  
William Hofmann

ence, so I then wrote the first edition of *Life Writing*," said Hofmann.

Hofmann also said the only changes made in his revised edition were primarily based on

technology and graphic material that he was unable to put in the first edition.

Hofmann's second book *Willstorm* was published in July of this year.

He said the book started as a short story but after it was sketched out he decided there was plenty of material to write a novel.

"The first thing I did was created a religious community. The concept of this religious community is in a different world and different time. Basically I created a new religion because I didn't want people to think I was writing about anything specific," Hofmann said.

Hofmann also said he used the model of the demolished Kingdome to create the temple which housed 3,000 inhabitants and worshippers.

"This temple moved around

like a big mobile tractor, except it had power units," said Hofmann.

His wife Ellen Hofmann a current Highline instructor did some proofreading and his daughter constructed the art on the cover of the *Willstorm* novel.

He and his wife met on the Highline campus and were married soon after.

Before his teaching career Hofmann spent several years in college eventually receiving his bachelor of science at Portland State University, and a master of art at the University of Washington.

Hofmann began his teaching career at Highline in 1963, in a temporary building on the Glacier High School campus.

"We moved to the Highline campus in the fall of '64 and there were only a handful of buildings at the time. The li-

brary was over where the bookstore is," said Hofmann.

He added that back then students stood in line for two or three hours to sign up for classes.

"There weren't any computers or word processors back then," said Hofmann.

During Hofmann's 33-year career he specialized in writing, editing, media production, and public speaking.

He received the outstanding teacher of the year award in 1990.

"There weren't any type of awards given out before that time, it was a nice sort of recognition," Hofmann said. He retired in 1997 but continued to teach part time.

Hofmann will be on campus for a book signing on Oct. 17, from 1-3 p.m. in the bookstore.

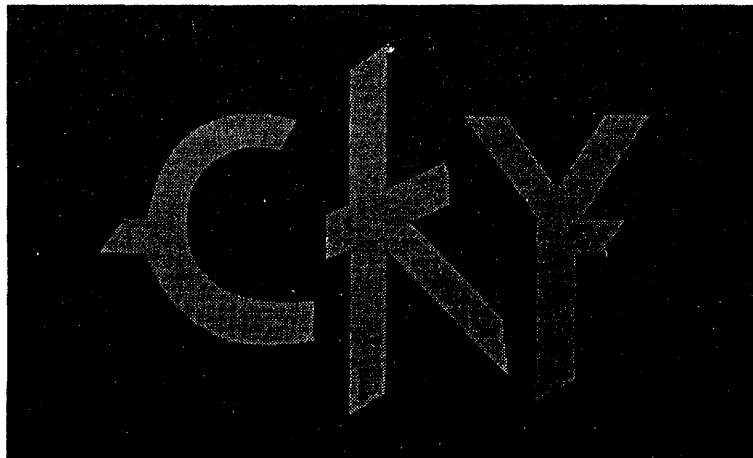
## Cky takes control on their new album

By DANNY BERGMAN  
Staff Reporter

Cky released its latest and greatest "Infiltrate Destroy Rebuild" on Sept. 24. This is the band's first release in two years. Both of the previous albums "Volume 1" and "Volume 2" were recorded in '99.

Cky brings a totally unique sound to music that separates them from the new screemo trends that every band seems to be following. The whole album was recorded, produced, and mixed by the band on their own time with no outside influence.

The ten track CD contains



Courtesy of Cky and Island records

the infamous "Flesh into gear" and "Escape from Hellview" the sequel to "96 quite bitter be-

ings" off the first album "Volume 1." "They've deleted all the tourists at the bottom of the

lake," a verse from "96 quite bitter beings." telling a chilling story about the town of Hellview, population 96, and how none of the tourists that visit seem to make it out alive, ending up at the bottom of the town lake. Catch more of the story on the new CD.

The band even touches an unexpected softer side with the song "Close yet far." The song brings an acoustic feel to the otherwise hard sound that the rest of the album portrays.

Overall the CD is a reflection of a more mature band. Its amazing what happens when you give a band total control of

the music production with no label to influence them. This is something that you don't see very often. Most artists have record labels that write their music to follow the current trend. Usually this is done to make lots of money.

After listening to the CD you will see that Cky doesn't follow the trend but sets it. Watch for more bands to come through with a similar style.

This is definitely a cd worth picking up and I would also check them out at the Graceland downtown Oct. 23. Tickets are only \$10.

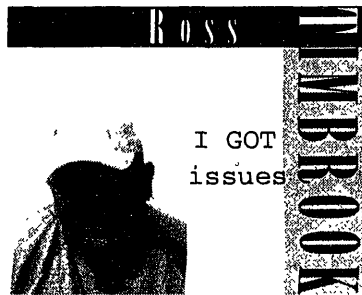
## Blame it on the music; everyone else does

Over the summer there was quite a fuss aimed at the fact that Pepsi had asked Ludacris to be featured in their new ad campaign toward a younger urban audience.

The leader of the debate on the subject was Bill O'Reilly from the O'Reilly factor on the Fox News Channel. Mr. O'Reilly thought that since Ludacris used words that he regarded to be offensive on his albums that it was wrong for Pepsi to want to feature him in their ad campaign.

I am not going to debate whether Ludacris should have been in these ads. But what I do want to address is the fact that there are so many people who seem to quick to blame the music industry for all of what is wrong with society today.

Music is a form of entertainment. But when something tragic, involving the youth of



America happens, one of the first things that people look at is what type of music the people that perpetrated these acts were listening to.

Look at the tragedy that took place at Columbine High School in Colorado. After the initial shock of the incident wore off one of the first things that the investigators did was to go report that the kids were listening to the music of Marilyn Manson. My thought was that these kids must not realize that all that Marilyn Manson is doing is trying to make a living

by selling records and marketing his image.

I am not a fan of Marilyn Manson but I do know that he is very good at what he does as far as the marketing of his image goes. He is not the person to blame for the Columbine tragedy because the fact remains that he was not the one that decided to go out and kill innocent people.

Another artist who has come under a lot of fire for some of the stuff that he says in his albums is Eminem.

I will admit that I am a fan of Eminem and I will continue to be because I think he is very good at what he does. I do not think that Eminem means a lot of the things that he says in his music because he is just another guy that is trying to make a living marketing an image.

So when all these groups

come forward to protest because they think that Eminem is a misogynist and that he hates gay people, it makes me wonder if they have anything better to do. I seriously doubt that Eminem's music has ever made anyone go out and beat up their girlfriend or wife, because if it has then we as a society are in a lot of trouble when we let musicians dictate our behavior.

Why is it that there are so few people that protest movies that come out where a guy in a hockey mask kills just about everyone he comes in contact with? Movies are a visual medium and Music is an aural medium. I think that people are far more affected by something that they see than they are by something that they hear.

There is one simple solution to the problem that all these parents have with their chil-

dren listening to Eminem or Marilyn Manson. If you do not like what they say you do not have to listen to them. As for their children, they should take a more active role in their lives and supervise their purchases.

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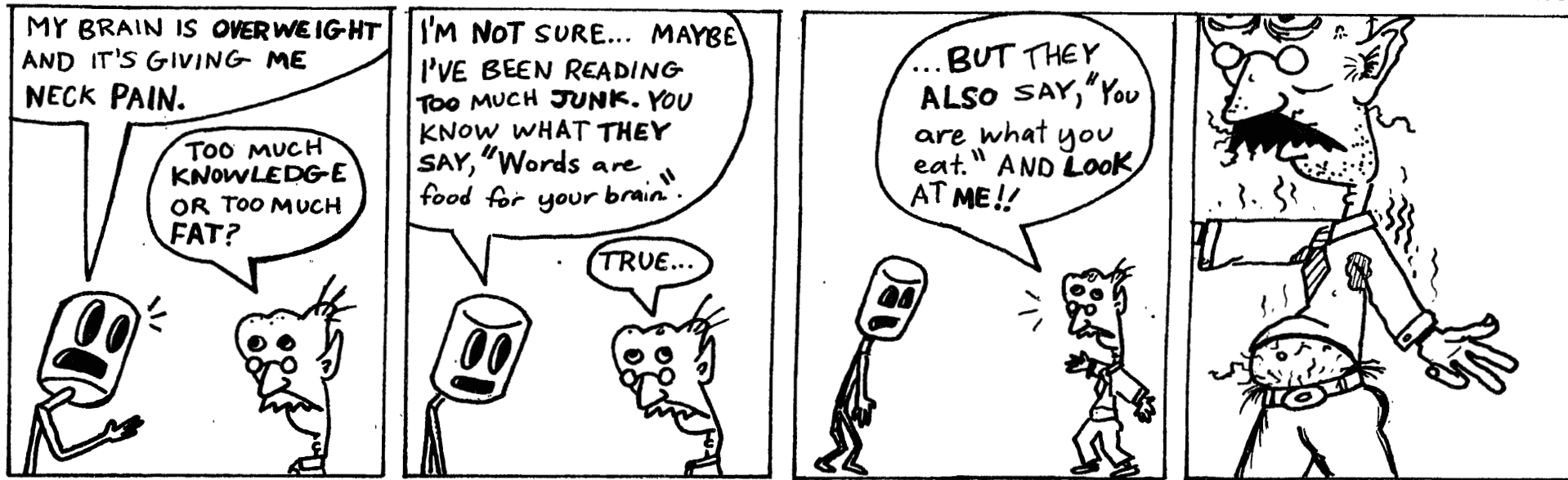
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## See the opera for cheap

By TYSON J. HAYES  
Staff Reporter

The show isn't over till the fat lady sings, but it doesn't start until there are those there to hear her.

Music professor Dr. Sandra Glover contacted the Seattle Opera and arranged an opportunity for Highline students to see a dress rehearsal of *Eugene Onegin* for \$15 at the Seattle Opera. Normal ticket prices range from \$40 to \$80.

"The story is about a young protected aristocrat woman, who falls in love with an older more powerful aristocrat," Dr. Glover said. "The man she falls

in love with is a jerk, he shuns her after reading her love letter. You hate the guy after the second act."

Dr. Glover said that she wanted to expose her students to opera.

"When I was in college I went to dress rehearsals, so when I started teaching I asked the Seattle and Tacoma Opera houses if that was still possible."

The dress rehearsal for *Eugene Onegin* is Oct. 20, at 2 p.m. Any students interested must contact Dr. Glover by Oct. 11 at 206-878-3710, ext. 6170 or e-mail her at sglover@highline.edu, tickets are limited.

## Arts Calendar

•Tickets are now on sale for *Soap Bubble*, a new comedy by T.M. Sell, showing 8 p.m. Nov. 8-9 and 15-16 at Renton Civic Theatre, 507 S. Third St., Renton. The Breeders Theater production is \$30 including dinner at the nearby Japan Thai Restaurant and \$15 for show only. Call 425-226-5529 for tickets.

•The Auburn Arts Commission City Hall Gallery is currently presenting a solo exhibit of Federal Way pastel artist Sandra Pettitt. The gallery will continue to run until Friday, Oct. 11. The gallery is on the second floor of Auburn City Hall. It is open to the public on weekdays from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Admission is free.

## In The Doghouse

### Across

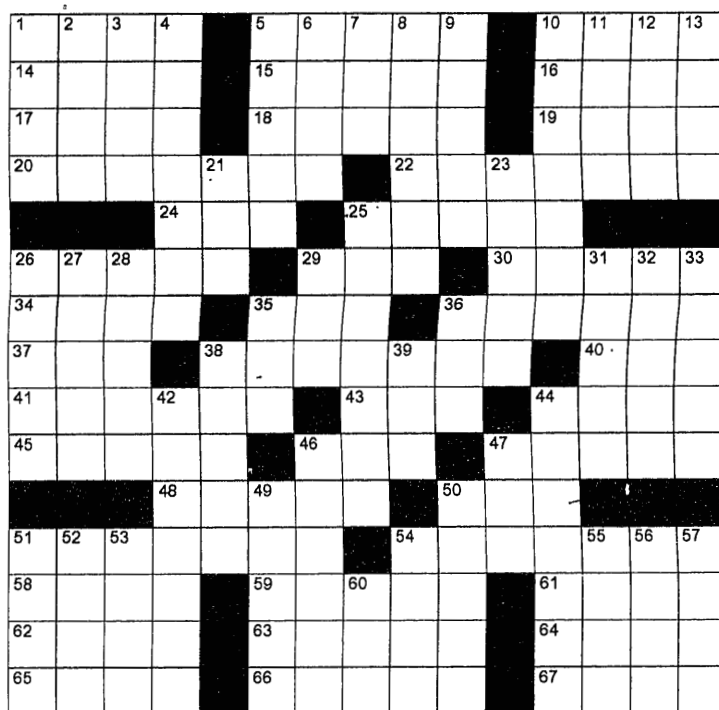
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- 17 Ostrich cousin
- 18 Coleslaw, e.g.
- 19 Colorful horse
- 20 Flowering tree
- 22 Page markers
- 24 Possess
- 25 Uninterested
- 26 Weighing machine
- 29 Precedes can
- 30 Roamer
- 34 Comes before time or pint
- 35 Pronoun
- 36 Playwright O'Neill
- 37 Cooperstown's Mel
- 38 Ball park treats
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- 58 Nabisco output
- 59 Met performer
- 61 Former divorce center
- 62 Thin
- 63 Skirt type
- 64 Unwritten
- 65 Rendezvous
- 66 Sailors
- 67 Dorothy's dog

### Down

- 1 Poet
- 2 Resound
- 3 Residue

## Crossword 101

By Ed Canty



- 4 Killer whale perhaps
- 5 Burning crime
- 6 Cargo
- 7 Nocturnal bird
- 8 Frontal collision
- 9 Zeal
- 10 Dalmatian's job
- 11 Celebes ox
- 12 Blemish
- 13 Lifeguard fringes
- 21 Be in debt
- 23 Species
- 25 Retriever, e.g.
- 26 Glistened
- 27 Supply food
- 28 Change
- 29 Vietnamese New Year
- 31 Measuring device
- 32 Anoint
- 33 Distributes cards
- 35 Brick carrier
- 36 Easter symbol
- 38 King of Judea
- 39 Lubricate
- 42 Mild expletive

- 44 Ballroom dance
- 46 Ms. Cartwright
- 47 Joke
- 49 Scintillas
- 50 Accepted customs
- 51 Clutch
- 52 Region
- 53 Cool!
- 54 Common contraction
- 55 Aviation prefix
- 56 Black fly, e.g.
- 57 Go it alone
- 60 Nothing

### Quotable Quote

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## T-Birds blow out Shoreline

By FABIO HEURING  
Staff Reporter

The Highline men's soccer team won in an impressive effort against Shoreline last Saturday with a 5-1 blowout. With the win, the Thunderbirds are now 5-2 and currently in second place trailing only to Tacoma.

Coach Jason Prenovest felt one of the keys to victory came from "the great bench production."

After a slow start Brian Davis broke the scoring barrier in the 29th minute with a lob from defender Ross Mansell that led to a breakaway goal.

Then in the 40th minute, a cross bounced around the goalie box and found the foot of Ben Calvin for the second goal for Highline.

A confident Highline team went into halftime with a 2-0 lead and then came out even stronger in the second half.

After a perfect lob in the 60th minute from Calvin, Mark Noorda found a breakaway for Highline's third goal.

"One two touch passes



Sophomore Fanah Mansarary steals the ball from Shoreline at last Saturday's game.

Photo by Chris Foote

worked real well from the back," freshman Joe Patterson said.

Highline's aggressive defense led by great goalkeeping from Jacob Rhoads, nearly posted its third shutout of the

season but was denied in the 63rd minute when Shoreline scored off a penalty kick.

Already up 3-1, Highline finished the game strong, getting two more goals from Tony Giralmo and Patterson in the

83rd and 90th minutes to finish the game.

"Once we started getting our midfield up we were able to control the ball better and create opportunities. We need to work on coming out better but I am

real happy that we kept our work ethic well, Prenovest said.

"We had a great effort finding our identity and we are still learning how to play together," he said.

Patterson said the key to victory came from "(the) midfield bringing the ball up strong from the backend giving our forwards opportunities to make runs."

Highline also defeated South Puget Sound 2-0 on Wednesday, Sept. 25 getting goals from Brian Baily and Matthew Newbauer.

Highline has outscored their opponents 14-5 so far in league games.

Highline faced off against Tacoma on Wednesday Oct. 2 at 4 p.m. at Tacoma field in a match that with a win could put them into a first place tie.

Results for Wednesday's game were not available at press time. Highline faces Bellevue on Saturday, Oct. 5 at 2 p.m. here at home.

The team will then travel to Pierce on Wednesday, Oct. 9 at 4 p.m. to face a struggling 0-5 Pierce team.

## Lady T-Birds spike opponents

By SHAUNA BJORK  
Staff Reporter

The women's volleyball team jumped out to 3-0 record for the season with wins against Pierce, Centralia, and Lower Columbia. Highline hasn't had a successful start to the season in many years.

The women beat Centralia last Wednesday at home, winning the best of five competitions in three straight matches. The lady T-Birds scored 30-22, 30-10, and 30-19.

Head Volleyball Coach, John Littleman, was very pleased of his team's performance.

"We just overpowered them and our ball handling skills were better," Littleman said.

On Friday Sept. 27 at Lower Columbia, the Lady T-Birds lost the first match by a score of 26-30.

There was a 15-minute delay before the second match while the coaches of Lower Columbia and the referees discussed rules.

Once play resumed, Highline got their game together and took over. They went on to take the

last three matches to win the competition.

Littleman is happy with the quality players he has this season. "Pretty impressive team this year," he said.

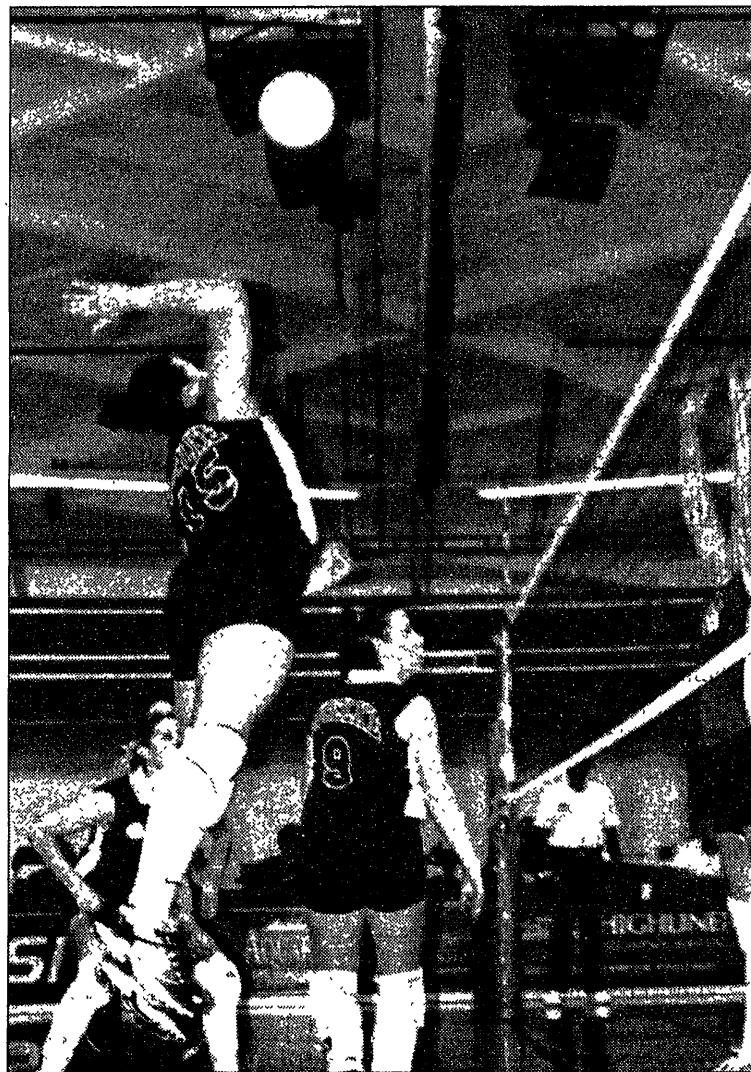
During Friday's game against Lower Columbia, Michelle Aurelio lead the team in spiking with 19 kills, Tiaire Aliailima had 14 kills, and Staci Ellis had nine kills.

In serving Michelle Aurelio had four aces, Tiare Aliailima had two aces and Staci Ellis had four aces.

Jenna Demirjan had five solo blocks and five assists, Michelle Aurelio had three solo blocks and one assist, Tiaire Aliailima had two solo blocks and one block assist, and Deanna Cooper had two solo blocks and six block assists.

Leading the team with digs was Amanda Doak with six; Jenna Demirjan, Tiaire Aliailima and Jennifer Martin each had five digs. On Friday, Amanda Doak also had 42 assists.

"The girls showed poise and maturity," Littleman said.



Lady T-Bird goes up for a spike against Centralia.

Photo by Adrienne Hughes

Even though he has a very talented squad, he thinks they could still improve, by having "the setters work on a more deliberate offense," he said.

Littleman also said that all

the team players need to grow over the course of the season. "They are all playing at a really good level, they need to turn it up a notch and challenge themselves in order to make it to the

conference," he said.

Littleman also mentioned that the team needs more support. Not enough people have been coming out to cheer the Lady T-Birds on. Family members of the players have been attending, but not very many students have made an appearance.

"Highline is a commuter school, people come, take their classes and are out of here," Littleman said. It would be great to have more support and more fans in the stands at each of the games.

The team played at Green River on Wednesday, Oct. 2, however, the results of this game were not available at press time.

Their next match will be at Clark on Friday, Oct. 4 at 7 p.m. Their next home game will be against Tacoma on Wednesday Oct. 9, at 7 p.m.

Littleman just started his vacation for Australia this week.

"He just left for the airport the other day," said Danette Prehm, secretary for the athletic department. His absence shouldn't affect the team and their success.

Assistant Coach, John Wilson, has a lot of experience and he will be taking charge of the team until Littleman returns on Oct. 14.



## Hemlock comes in second

By DUSTIN NICKERSON  
Staff Reporter

In a sea full of universities and upper classman, Highline's cross country team made waves last Saturday in Olympia. With just five men running, Highline finished an impressive fourth in the St. Martin's Invite.

Highline had several standouts, but standing the tallest of them all was freshman Clay Hemlock.

He finished second with a time of 26:20.7, just 10 seconds after the winner. "I felt pretty relaxed the entire race," said Hemlock.

Head Coach, Robert Yates, was amazed with Hemlock's performance and said that it was the most complete race he has ever seen him run.

Not far behind in 12th place was fellow freshman Jordan Ford, with a time of 27:34.9.

"Everytime he is getting better," Yates said, of Ford. "I was impressed with him and the entire team."

First-year runner Aaron Sather finished third for Highline and 22nd overall. His time was 28:26.7.

Jess Lawson and Chris Faulkner solidified fourth place with times of 30:17.26 and 31:46.1. All five of Highline's runners were freshman.

Seattle University dominated the meet with four runners in the top 10, and a score of 33 points. Seattle Pacific and Saint Martin's College—both four-year schools—edged out Highline for second and third place.

The team knows that getting back sophomore runners Aaron Fulwider and Pat McGuire will increase their chances as the season endures.

"We are looking to peak at the end of the season," said Hemlock, "hopefully around the championship."

The team's next meet is the Willamette Open in Salem, Oregon on Saturday Oct 5. The competition should be tough, but Yates expects his team to rise to the occasion.

Results for last Saturday's meet are: Seattle University had 33 points, Seattle Pacific University had 61 points, Saint Martin's College had 75 points, Highline had 89 points, Evergreen State College had 101 points, and Skagit Valley came in with 150 points.

## Women's soccer needs a win

By BILLY PENNOCK  
Staff Reporter

The year for the women's soccer team has started out slowly, with a record of 0-3-1. The losses came from Southwest Oregon, Clackamas, Clark, and the tie to Shoreline.

Highline lost to Southwest Oregon 5-1, to Clackamas 9-0, and to Clark 3-0. Then rebounded to Shoreline to tie 1-1.

The Lady 'Birds have struggled on offense, being out scored 18-2. The Lady 'Birds are a young team with 10 being freshmen and only five being sophomores. The women have struggled to be a team.

"We need to work together and keep improving," said Head Coach, Jaimy McLaughlin. Highline was hoping to get their first win coming into the game against Shoreline on Sept. 28.

Starting off with an early goal by Ella Sandquist, the Lady T-Birds looked as though they may pull off their first win by dominating the first half and most of the second.

"We played well 75 of the 90 minutes, out-shooting them 24-9," said McLaughlin. "If we would have put away our chances, we would have won."

Shoreline had a few chances, one coming in the first half on a free kick. The Shoreline player put the free kick off the cross bar and missed the follow up shot.



Photo by Chris Foote

Olivia Palermo takes control of the ball at last Saturday's game against Shoreline.

The game was full of hard aggressive play, with the Lady T-Birds battling to pull off their first win.

But, with 10 minutes left of the game, Shoreline had the ball on top of the 18 yard line, with the whole highline defense and

goalie battling for the ball. Then a lady from Shoreline poked the ball into the back of the net. With a few more chances on both sides, the game ended in a tie, 1-1.

Results from Wednesday's game against Tacoma were un-

available at press time. The upcoming schedule includes a game on Saturday Oct. 5, at noon against Bellevue here at Highline. Then the team travels to Lower Columbia on Wednesday Oct. 9 for their game at 4 p.m.

## Scoreboard

### Men's Soccer Standings

#### North Division W L T

North Idaho	6	0	1
Edmonds	6	1	0
Skagit Valley	4	3	0
Spokane	3	0	1
Treasure Va.	3	4	1
Peninsula	3	4	0
Wenatchee	2	2	1
Columbian B.	2	4	0
Walla Walla	0	5	1
Everett	0	6	1

#### South Division W L T

Tacoma	5	0	0
Highline	4	1	0
Umpqua	4	2	0
Bellevue	3	2	1
Clark	3	2	0
Shoreline	3	3	0
So. Puget So.	2	3	0
SW Oregon	1	4	1
Green River	1	4	0
Pierce	1	4	0

### Women's Soccer

#### South Division W L T

Clackamas	4	1	1
Clark	4	1	0
Tacoma	3	0	1
S W Oregon	3	2	1
Lower Col.	3	1	0
Bellevue	2	2	1
Highline	0	3	1
Shoreline	0	4	1
Green River	0	5	0

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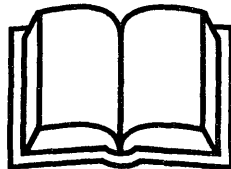
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# Port paying to insulate Highline

By JASON BENTON  
Staff Reporter

As students sit through classes in Building 21 this fall, one thing they might notice is that it's quieter than before last summer's renovation.

That's because the building was the beneficiary of more than \$500,000 in renovation money from the Port of Seattle, part of agreement between Highline and the port over airport noise mitigation.

While frustrated South King County residents continue to fight expansion of Seattle-Tacoma International Airport, Highline has opted to negotiate instead.

The battle over airport noise has been a constant feature of political life in the Puget Sound for the past 30 years. Citizens groups and many local governments argue that the airport is an environmental and social disaster. Officials from the Port of Seattle argue that airport expansion - adding a third runway - is essential for the economic health of the region.

Highline is almost alone among local governments for not suing the port. Instead, the college has taken advantage of money from the port and from the Federal Aviation Administra-

tion to get noise insulation for remodeled and new buildings on campus.

Before the port's insulation program, noise from aircraft flying over campus could stop a lecture in its tracks.

Highline Vice President of Administration Laura Saunders said the primary goal was getting the problem solved. "Highline has dealt with the Port of Seattle and the FAA since the mid-'80s taking the noise problem to court was never an issue," Saunders said.

Saunders said the plan for noise mitigation was finalized April 1994. The original money provided by the FAA only paid for noise abatement. Highline paid for asbestos removal for Buildings 2, 3, 7, 10, 12, 13, 17, 22. Building 21, currently finishing renovation, is the first to benefit from the FAA's additional contributions. Buildings 1, 4, 6, 9, 14, 16, and 19 will also receive assistance for air conditioning and asbestos abatement.

FAA Engineer Paul Johnson said issues concerning noise, asbestos abatement, and air conditioning was addressed to alleviate expenses paid by Highline. "Most of the buildings being renovated are old and have to be rid of asbestos whether we pay

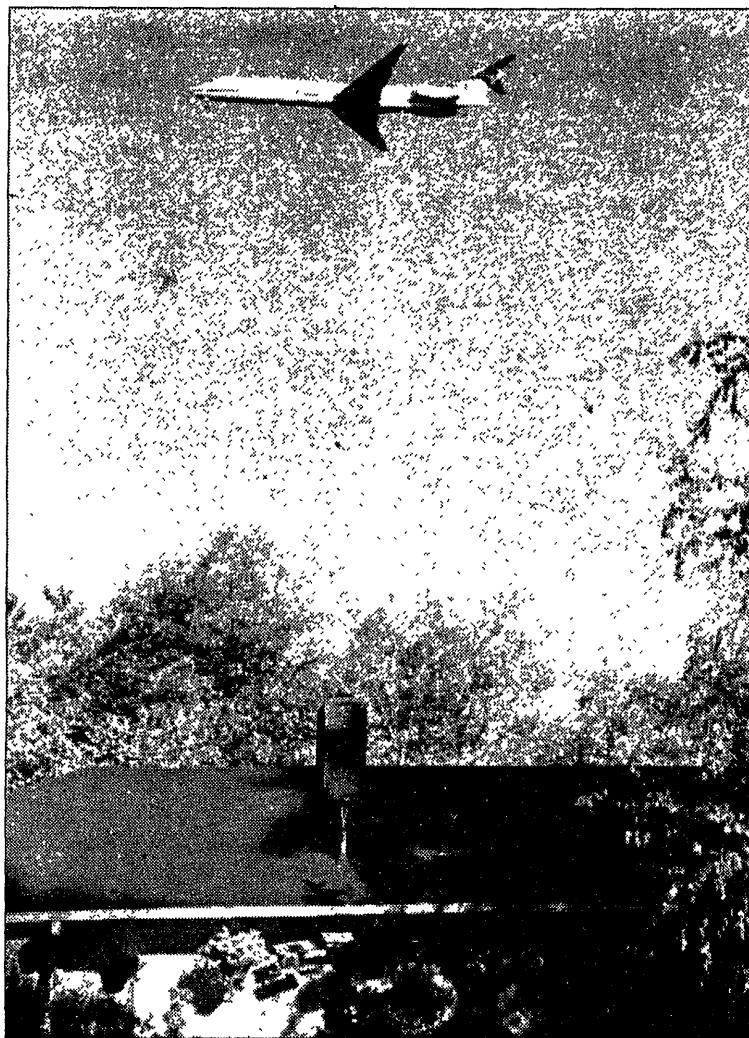


Photo by Adrienne Hughes

A plane soars over a local neighborhood en route to Sea-tac.

for it or not," said Johnson.

Highline was included in a capital improvement plan for insulation adopted more than 10

years ago, Johnson said. Classrooms and offices were specifically targeted for noise assessment. However buildings such

as the library, child care center and student center do not meet the criteria for funding.

"We only target buildings that directly effect the teaching environment," Johnson said.

Based on the interior day and nighttime noise level of each building, a computer estimates the effect on the classroom environment.

"We plan to reduce the level of noise from 65 decibels to a comfortable 45," said Johnson.

Johnson also said that an estimated \$7.5 million has been allocated from an airline passenger facility tax approved by Congress. The money is then given to the Port of Seattle to pay for labor and renovation materials.

The noise remedy manager for the Port of Seattle, Jazzi Richardson, said that under the revised plan, the port was allowed to include asbestos abatement, air conditioning and a ventilation system, raising the port's contribution to each building from \$400,000 to \$680,000.

"After realizing that most of the buildings would have to undergo these procedures during renovation we decided to pay," Richardson said.

"I think this is a great step forward in the FAA taking responsibility."

## Highline helping students cope with depression

By MATT BARBEE  
Staff Reporter

Depression affects many people both on campus and in the community, says counselor Lance Gibson.

Gibson said it doesn't matter who you are, at one point or another everyone is depressed over an event or several events in their life. Don't think that once you are depressed there is nothing you can do about it.

If you are feeling depressed now is the time to begin your road to recovery. Oct. 10 is National Depression Screening Day.

The Depression Wellness Network offers free, anonymous testing for depression. They will be holding a screening from 4-8 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 10. Their office is located at 9500 Roosevelt Way NE No. 210 in Seattle. For further information, contact Mariah Mannia at 206-528-9975.

The Depression Wellness Network says 19 million Americans experience illness related to depression every year.

If you can't make it down to The Depression Wellness Network don't worry. From 9-2 p.m. Highline will be holding its own depression screening workshop. The workshop will be in building 2 on Oct. 10.

This workshop is designed to educate students on matters of

depression, the harm it can cause, and what you can do to help treat yourself and others.

The counseling office at Highline offers further reading on depression and stress, signs of an abusive relationship, teen suicide and many other cases of mood disorders.

The counseling center is open weekdays 8 a.m.- 5 p.m. Counseling staff estimates they see anywhere between five and

20 students each day. If you notice signs of a disorder in your life visit the counseling center today.

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## Visiting students to see sights of Seattle

By SONIA PETERSON  
Staff Reporter

The international student tour, sponsored by Team Highline, will give multicultural students a day of fun in Seattle. On Oct. 5, this personalized tour will take students away from the Highline campus to view what Seattleites enjoy on a regular basis.

"This event is geared towards members of the International Student Club, but anyone who has come to America for an education is more than welcome," said Team Highline member Ruth Lepule.

The guided tour will showcase a wide variety of the most popular sight-seeing spots.

The day of fun in the Emerald City starts when the bus leaves at 10 a.m. A few definitely places to visit on the itinerary include: the International District, Chinatown, driving by Safeco Field and the new Seahawks Stadium, leading to the Pike Place Hill Climb.

"Here we'll offer a choice of destination, as Team Highline splits in two, to give the option of strolling the waterfront or shopping at the Pike Place Market," said Lepule.

After this, they will be heading to the Seattle Center for lunch, and across to the EMP and the Space Needle. After an exciting experience of Downtown Seattle, students will return at 3 p.m.

While lunch is not provided, there will be a special souvenir/snack given to each participant, courtesy of Team Highline. Consideration has been taken of student budgets and means of travel, and transportation will be provided through Totem Coaches.

Tickets are available at a price of \$5 per ticket, which can be purchased at the Student Programs Office, located in Building 8.

There are 40 slots open, so get yours early to ensure your space in this event. For more information, contact Ruth Lepule or Helen Petrov, at the Team Highline Office at 206-878-3710, ext. 3903, or visit them upstairs in Building 6.

## Top of the turtle



Photo by Adrienne Hughes  
Joel Schneider takes a stroll down the top of Building 7 on Wednesday. Schneider said he always wanted to climb on top of the building, until Security invited him to climb back down.

## Student elections planned

By ALLISON WESTOVER  
Staff Reporter

Students who are interested in becoming more involved at Highline and want to get their ideas heard have an opportunity to do so by becoming a senator for Student Government.

Two senator positions are up for grabs. Elections will be Wednesday, Oct. 23 and Thursday, Oct. 24 with results announced on Oct. 25. All students who vote will receive a complimentary root beer float from Student Government.

Applications are available outside the Student Government office in the upper level of Building 8. They are due by 5 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 14.

An ideal candidate would be someone who "brings new ideas and is not afraid to express their own ideas ... is willing to work hard and cares about Highline's

students and the campus," said Student Senator Patrick Allcorn.

Any student with a minimum of a 2.5 cumulative GPA and who is enrolled in at least eight credit hours may apply. Someone who is a go-getter would also make an ideal candidate said DJ Taylor, vice president of legislation.

A Student Government senator is expected to establish one emphasis area, such as faculty relations or international student involvement.

Senators must also put in at least five hours per week in the Student Government office and one hour outside the office, for instance, being with students or setting up for an event.

A student elections forum will be held on Thursday, Oct. 17 at 1 p.m. in Building 7. Students will have the opportunity to ask questions of the candidates.

## Plan your career

By KELLY FISCHBACH  
Staff Reporter

College teaches you the skills you need to work but not necessarily the tools to find a job.

Highline will host a series of workshops designed to give you those tools beginning Oct. 3.

Career and Employment Services will offer 11 workshops throughout the fall. Workshop participants will gain valuable and useful information that will put them on the right path to begin or advance in the work force.

Workshops offered include: Career Assessment, Career Homework Made Easy, Powerful Winning Resumes, Cover Letters and Thank-You Notes, Surviving Scary Co-workers and Bosses, Networking, Interview Techniques, Interviewing II- What Employer's Want, Resume 911, What's Shaking in the Puget Sound, and First Impressions Count.

Erik Tingelstad, director of Career and Employment Ser-

vices, hopes to spread the word to everyone.

"It's really a collaborative effort," Tingelstad said.

Workshops are in joint cooperation with Career and Employment Services, Workforce Training, Employment Security, Women's Programs, and the counseling staff.

"It's a very easy thing to put together," Tingelstad said. "All of those involved in planning the workshops have been very helpful... We coordinate and share the responsibility."

Workshops are open to the community and are free. Sessions will be held weekly on Thursdays from noon - 1:30 p.m. Locations vary per workshop, so check with Career and Employment Services located on the upper level of Building 6. There you can pick up a Career Connections flyer detailing the dates, locations, and workshop titles.

Those interested in attending do not have to register ahead of time.



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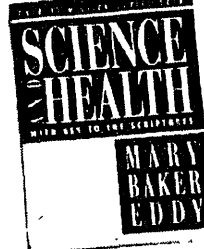
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## Full Class

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-ters. The cap for her organic chemistry class is 24 and she had 16 students trying to add. Ngyuen was able to sign everyone in, making her lecture packed, but fortunately Dr. Birmingham allowed an extra lab time to be available for students.

"It is hard for me to turn away 201 and 204 (organic chemistry) students, because in many cases it is the last class they need to graduate," Ngyuen said.

Chemistry 121 classes were also full with several students wanting to add, but Ngyuen wasn't able to make all of those accommodations. Four students were not able to add her 121 class.

"I've always had enough



Photo By Adrienne Hughes

Tanya Sponberg stands in Raymond Finch's Math 97 computer lab class.

seats for students, but this quarter I have a student standing in my 121 class. It isn't fair for students to pay tuition and not have a seat," Ngyuen said.

Ngyuen said as long as instructors don't overload too much, the quality of the class won't diminish, but it does take away from lecture time the first week while they are trying to figure out the logistics.

The math department is also overflowing, but Terry Meerdink, the department coordinator, is already dreaming up solutions.

Meerdink, like many other instructors, doesn't feel it is fair that students can register by phone or Internet after classes have begun, while other students are waiting to be added.

"We really need to freeze the

classes on day one, so we can control who gets in," Meerdink said.

Ngyuen agrees that after the first day everyone should have to register in person.

Meerdink has also found a way to get around the limited space problem, for now anyway.

The math classrooms consist of a small room in Building 13, two medium size and three large rooms in Building 17. Meerdink said she keeps an eye out for the overflowing classes so she can place them accordingly.

"Math 61 has a lower cap than the other math classes, so we generally put them in Building 13," she said.

Desks, chairs and classroom space aren't the only things that are limited. Students are also having a hard time finding books for their classes.

In the math department, it is the 91 and 97 classes that are without books. In Chemistry, the 201 and 204 students don't

have books.

Ngyuen said she told the bookstore to order 30 textbooks, thinking that would be plenty, but apparently it wasn't.

"I have tried everything to get my Math 97 book. The bookstore doesn't know when they will have more available and Barnes and Noble will take over a week to ship it to me. Meanwhile, how am I supposed to do my assignments?" a Highline student said.

The cause for the over-enrollment problem is unknown. Some blame it on the bad economy while others blame it on tax payers wanting to limit funding for higher education.

"I don't think people realize that when they vote against funding for higher education, it causes a negative impact on our community. Real people are being hurt when we as tax payers don't support education," said Laura Manning speech instructor.

## Tuition

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rate would discourage these students from enrolling.

"Traditionally in almost all states, the state public policy makers have felt that state residents pay taxes that partially support higher education, and therefore should pay less than out-of-state residents who do not pay local taxes," said Laura Saunders, Highline vice president of administration.

Tuition for students who enroll in 10 credits or less will increase 8.5 percent.

Although tuition went up, the college is doing what it can to make it easier for students to pay. A new payment plan went into effect last Spring Quarter, allowing Highline to administer, rather than an outside agency.

Using an outside agency caused a delay in the timeline from when the student paid their tuition to when the college got the money, said Marion Davis,

financial services director. The delay resulted in students either getting late notices or being dropped from their classes.

Davis said Highline wanted to better serve the students.

"The main difference is now students pay as they go instead of pre-paying. It gives them the time to come up with the money," Davis said.

Instead of having to pay your tuition in full before the quarter starts, the new payment plan allows the students to pay their tuition throughout the quarter. The college will work with the student to find due dates that work best.

"Students are encouraged to consider a cost-benefit analysis when determining whether to add a one or two credit class. While the cost per credit is generally \$65.55, the difference between 10 and 18 credits is only \$6.10 per credit," said Ivan Gorne, Highline vice president for student services.

"Consequently, students should compare the value of a Physical Education course vs. gym membership, Honors Colloquy vs. a community lecture

series, or music, drama and art classes vs. private instruction," he said.

In 2001, the state board had the opportunity to raise tuition 6.7 percent, however they chose to raise it by only 6.2 percent because of the commitment to make two-year colleges affordable for everyone.

"In general community col-

lege is a bargain. Our costs are much lower than four-year universities, and I think we are one of the cheapest community colleges," said Saunders at a recent Board of Trustees meeting.

Students who receive financial aid should see minimal or no change to their funding support, Gorne said. Because the rate per credit varies for students

enrolled in 10-18 credits, there may be some changes in funding if the student adds or drops credits.

Although state board members are worried some students will choose not to attend after the tuition hike, they say the deficit is so great that they needed to raise rates to the maximum.

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