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Highline Community College

Parking solution planned

City fees tax college

BY JOHN MONTENEGRO
AND KYLE TURRELL
Staff Reporters

Highline hopes to curb campus parking problems with more spaces.

Currently the college is 316 spots short of accommodating students during the peak hours. To address the situation college officials hope to build more spots around the South parking lot. Although Highline's campus parking lots fall short of accommodating all the students, if you were to take into consideration the Midway parking lot Highline wouldn't have a parking shortfall.

"Highline has never exceeded Midway in my nine years of working here," said Babington.

A solution that students and administrators alike have talked about for many years has been a multi-level parking structure.

"It is better to build a parking structure," said Babington, for reasons such as security and convenience.

The problem with parking garage administrators say, is that they cost too much. To build a surface level parking spot would cost \$2,500 per parking space. In comparison, it costs \$10,000 per spot for a multi-level parking structure.

If it were not for the construction of four new buildings, Highline students would not be getting more parking spaces.

In the next seven years Highline will be adding four

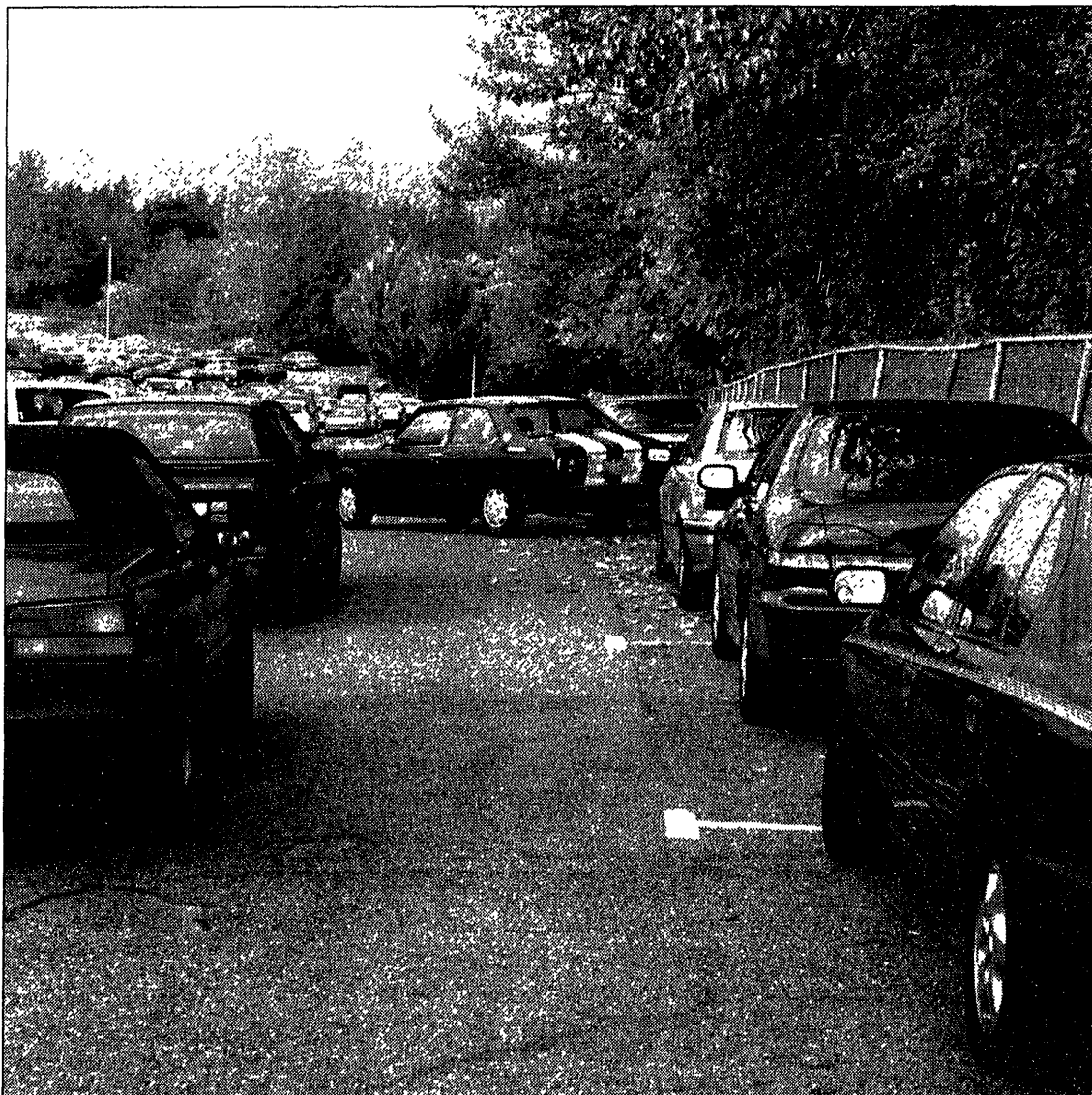


Photo By Adrienne Hughes

Students line up in the West parking lot and pray for a parking spot to open up.

new buildings, the New Student Center, Childcare Center, Higher Education Center, and the Allied Health building. The Allied Health building will house the Biology Department.

The city of Des Moines requires that parking spots should be built to accommodate the

people that work in the building. Seeing Highline's parking problem, the city of Des Moines decided to require that Highline not only accommodate the parking for the new buildings but also fix the current parking shortfall.

Since the city of Des Moines

does not have a formula for parking requirements, Highline analyzed the formulas used by other colleges. The formula has looked at a variety of informa-

Highline may pay close to \$1 million in building fees to the city of Des Moines for the construction of several buildings scheduled to start this spring.

"It's hard to get the number out of them," said Pete Babington, facilities director for Highline. "But it's usually 1 to 4 percent of the construction cost."

Highline will not know for sure what the fees will be until the final designs for the buildings are sent to the city for approval, but estimates have been as high as \$900,000. Funding for the fees would be taken from the college's capital budget, that is provided by the State Legislature, and student building fees. Officials from the city of Des Moines were unavailable for comment at time of print.

The designs being sent to the city of Des Moines are for the new Student Center, new Child Care Center and Higher Education building.

"Normally, you hire an architect, they design it, we submit it then we get a permit to build," said Babington. "This case is

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McDermott, students debate Iraq in symposium

BY JASON BENTON
Staff Report

U.S. Rep. Jim McDermott told Highline students that President Bush is proposing an unprecedented preemptive strike on Iraq without any intent of diplomacy.

Students packed the seats as McDermott led an open discussion that highlighted the sanctions on Iraq, and the possibility of a unilateral attack.

McDermott said initiating a war on the premise of regime change would arouse neighboring Middle Eastern countries to wonder about our motive.

"It will give the impression that we can say we don't like this leader; we're going to take him out no matter what the human cost. If we go at it alone it will be a threat to national security and dishonor the Constitution," McDermott said.

McDermott was one of 133 congressmen who opposed the

terms of a resolution to give the President authority to declare war. He said the responsibility of going to war should reside on Congress as well as the president.

"The president has tried to draw power away from Congress and change the presidency into a much more powerful of-

fice," said McDermott. "When he gets frustrated and decides diplomacy isn't working he can command the troops to go."

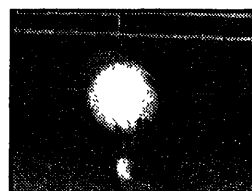
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Crime Blotter for Oct. 18-24

Staff member injured in fall

A Highline staff member fell down a flight of stairs on Oct. 22 at 2 p.m. She sustained injuries to her left leg and left elbow.

An ice pack was applied to her leg and a Bandage was put on her elbow.

Student learns about road rage

An incident between a driver and a Highline student occurred in the East lot at 8 a.m. on Oct. 21 that involved pushing and grabbing.

The Highline student involved was reported to have cut off the driver while approaching the I-5 off ramp. There was also an exchange of obscene sign language while the parties involved were on Pacific Highway.

Clothing stolen over weekend

A pair of shorts, two shirts and a set of tennis shoes were stolen from a student's unlocked locker in Building 27. The incident occurred sometime during the weekend of Oct. 18-20.

Parking lot polka

A couple was founding having sex in the back of a four-door maroon colored vehicle on Oct. 18 at 10:50 p.m. Two Des Moines Police officers were on campus at the time. The couple was ordered to leave campus.

Lost and Found

•A Cobra MicroTALK two-way radio was found in Building 19 room 105 at 12:20 a.m. on Oct. 21.

-Compiled by Harman Dhami

Girvin's career curves north

New professor knows his boomerangs

By MATT BARBEE
Staff Reporter

Just like a boomerang, Michael Girvin's career has taken some sharp turns.

Girvin has always had a strong desire to teach and after eight years performing accounting duties for a boomerang manufacturing company, he decided it was time.

Girvin taught at the College of Alameda, in California, before coming to Highline.

It was the teachers at the College of Alameda that in-



Girvin

spired Girvin to become a great teacher.

Girvin not only teaches accounting, he has a strong passion for the subject.

"To me the most interesting aspect of accounting is the fact that the capital markets around the globe depend on accountants

to provide useful information," Girvin said.

"When accountants provide information that is less than useful, uncertainty in the capital markets is increased and disruption to an efficient allocation of resources occurs," Girvin said.

In other words, accounting matters, and ethical behavior within the profession matters.

Girvin is pleased with his first impressions of Highline.

"I love it. The students are excited to be in class and they want to work hard to learn. In addition the administration and staff provide great support for new employees such as me," Girvin said.

Teaching has brought great rewards for Girvin.

"It is in the act of giving, that one receives. In this way, when

I help a student to learn, the reward is that student learning," Girvin said.

He has used this process of teaching before.

Since 1984 he has taught boomerang classes. The classes cover throwing, making, and the science and history of boomerangs.

Girvin practices what he teaches.

He was a member of the USA Boomerang Team from 1987-1997.

He is currently a coach for the team, and has organized over 100 boomerang tournaments in his lifetime.

So whether you are looking to take a class on accounting or you want to throw a boomerang with the best of them, Michael Girvin is the man to see.



Learn to be a student leader

The 13th annual Northwest Student Leadership Conference will be Nov. 8-10 at Portland State University.

Last year over 630 students from Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, Canada and Northern California attended this conference, which includes over 100 different workshops that students can attend and six different keynote speakers.

For more information go to www.nwslc.com or contact conference organizer Laura Close at 503-725-8455 or lauraclose@yahoo.com.

Highline to host African envoy

Highline has the distinct honor of hosting The Honorable Sheila Sisulu, South African Ambassador to the United States.

Ambassador Sisulu will be speaking on the topic, Education and Economic Development: The South African Experience on Monday, Oct. 28 from noon to 1 p.m. in Building 7.

Team Highline blood drive

Team Highline is organizing a blood drive in cooperation with the Puget Sound Blood Center.

The blood drive will be held on Thursday, Nov. 7 in the study room on the upper floor of Building 8.

To schedule an appointment contact Anh-Linh Bui at 206-878-3710 ext. 3537 or stop by

the Team Highline office upstairs in Building 8.

Paralegal club to host social

The Paralegal Beagles will be hosting their fall social on Friday, Nov. 1 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in Building 2.

The Paralegal Beagles are a recognized campus group that focuses on the advancement of the profession and providing support to the paralegal students.

Campus Calendar

•Career Development Workshop Series is offering Cover Letters and Thank-You notes today from noon to 1:30p.m. in

Building 23 room 111.

•Free blood pressure checks in the Union Bay Room in the cafeteria today from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. courtesy of the Medical Assisting Program.

•Grammar Workshops is offering Parts of Speech on Friday Oct. 25, from 3-4p.m. in Building 26, room 319-D.

•Cultural Cafe, Tuesday, Nov. 5, from 3-4 p.m. upstairs in Building 8.

•Representatives from Central Washington University will be at the info table downstairs in Building 6 Wednesday Oct. 30 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Half-hour appointments are also available by signing up at the transfer center.

•Antioch University will have representatives on campus, Wednesday, Oct. 30 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the info table.

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Ten candidates vie for two senator spots

By C.J. ALVAREZ
AND ALLISON WESTOVER
Staff Reporters

Ten students are competing for the two senator positions in Student Government.

Voting is being held today in Building 8 until 2 p.m. Students who vote will get a root beer float, courtesy of Student Government. If you can't make it to Building 8, you can vote online, <https://sec.highline.edu/wts/student/index.html>

Election results will be announced Friday, Oct. 25 at noon in Building 8. Candidates include:

•Eric Blanchard is a first-year student at Highline and hopes to acquire his degree in political economy and transfer to Hillsdale College in Michigan to study politics and economics.

Blanchard is running for senator because of his interest in politics.

"I would like to see the areas controlled by Student Government streamlined, so that resources are efficiently used," Blanchard said.

•Sarah Conder is attending her third year at Highline. Conder plans to transfer to St. Martin's or Pacific Lutheran University, where she will obtain a bachelor's degree in special education.

Conder said she is a great listener and she wants to hear what the students would like to see accomplished at Highline and make sure that their voices are heard.

"I hope to bring new ideas to Student Government," Conder said

Conder was involved in student council and planning committees all four years in high school. She has also attended district leadership classes.

"I just want to make sure people have a say, and I can help with that," Conder said.

•Whitney Faber is a third-year student at Highline. Faber wants to improve the campus environment.

"I want to make things better around the campus...I know what it means to be a successful student and the challenges that face each student," Faber said.

If elected, Faber hopes to see better food in the cafeteria, higher attendance at sporting events, and more school spirit.

Faber was voted most inspirational player for baseball and football, as well as team captain for football.

"I am a natural leader," Faber said.

•Minh Hua just recently started becoming involved in school activities this past year. It has enriched her life in so many ways she just wants to do more.

"Becoming a senator is a perfect opportunity for me to help others while growing and learning myself," Hua said.

In addition to her studies Hua is a campus ambassador and recently started working in the Student Programs office. Hua has been volunteering for five years and has done everything from a stream conservation project to tutoring at an elementary school.

"I take pride and joy in giving back to the community with my time because...time is a very valuable commodity," Hua said.

•Sherry Roberts is attending her first year at Highline. She wants to be more involved. If elected, Roberts hopes to see more people come together and get things done the way they want while having fun in the process. Roberts said she would be a great representative of students because she can communicate with people easily and can speak up for people who don't have the voice to be heard. She will also help others that just need to have any questions answered.

•Owen Wagenhals is running for senate because he feels he can represent the student body well.

"I am a good leader, thus, I could handle this position," Wagenhals said.

Having experience with several world cultures as president of

his high school's Korean Language club, Wagenhals said he will represent the students well.

"I believe that I can understand a wide cross-section of students...I have a better understanding of people skills acquired through numerous leadership positions," Wagenhals said.

If elected, Wagenhals would

like to see more student activity in both scholastic activities as well as extracurricular activities.

"I would like to see club enrollment high, support for Highline's athletics, and high student enrollment in all of the other programs that Highline has to offer," Wagenhals said.

Wagenhals' previous experiences includes being president of his high school's Korean Language program and elected twice as the Senior Patrol Leader of the Boy Scout Troops.

"The SPL position is the highest-ranking position to be held by a minor," Wagenhals said.

•Angela Omolo has been at Highline for three quarters. She is planning to transfer to University of Washington, and is majoring in deaf studies, with a minor in international relations. Omolo is running for senator because she believes that students should be involved in the campus community in one way or the other.

"Student government is of particular interest to me because I can be directly involved in various ways of representing student interests, needs, and welfare," Omolo said.

Omolo is an international student. "I will be able to bring to Highline a different perspective on what college and education is away from home," Omolo said.

If elected senator, Omolo would like to see more diversity, more student involvement in campus activities, and ultimately see that Highline is a place where students can have fun and still excel academically.

Last year Omolo was a senator for Highline, and prior to that she was very active in the equivalent of student government at her high school in Kenya.

"I can help create the balance needed given by my experience and interpersonal skills," Omolo said.

•Benjamin Miksch applied for the Senator positions because he believes very strongly in the community college system.

"I think that becoming actively involved is the best way for me to show my support," Miksch said.

Miksch said he is a good representative of students because of his high grades and background in political science. "I am a student, and I share similar interests and concerns with all the other students," Miksch said.

If elected Miksch would like

to see more student involvement.

"Voter turnouts have been dismally low. I want students to see Highline not as a place to get a degree...but as their school that they can take pride in," Miksch said.



Miksch

Miksch said he has done community service and peer counseling. "I have led a lifestyle where helping others is a primary goal," Miksch said.

•Camille Barrera is starting her second year at Highline. She plans to obtain her A.A. with an emphasis in French. She then plans to transfer to a four-year university.

Barrera cares about what is going on at Highline.

"I believe student participation is the best way to ensure that students are always the school's top priority," Barrera said.

Barrera is a hard worker and she takes responsibility seriously. She knows what it is like to take a hectic schedule and have a lot of outside concerns to deal with.

"I realize there is often a big difference between what is important to the school administrators, and what is important to the students," Barrera said.

If elected, Barrera said she wants to increase student participation and Highline's community connections.

"I would like to see better communication between different

groups and departments of schools," Barrera said.

Barrera was a member of Team Highline, which she said gave her valuable experience working with and for people on campus.

"I learned some of the processes of the school and got experience working with budgets, clubs and students to present programs that covered a wide variety of interest," Barrera said.

•Jessica Dominy is applying for the senate position because she felt the need to get involved at Highline.

"I knew that I wanted to do more here. What a better way then to join Student Government," Dominy said.



Dominy

Highline is a very diverse educational establishment.

"To be part of this establishment you must be able to understand and work with a multitude of different people," Dominy said.

Dominy would like to see more of the students involved in different activities, clubs, and classes here on campus, such as dances, starting up a Native American Club, and joining the Thunderword.

Dominy has been involved at Highline in different ways. She played water polo, was on the Thunderword staff, and sang in the school choir.

"All of these activities have helped me to understand what other students would like to see happen at Highline," Dominy said.

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editorial

Credit cards leave students in debt

Many students are currently over their heads in credit card debt. Although this is not always the case, it does happen more than it should. Credit card companies do not always have the best discretion when it comes to choosing their clients.

Once a person turns 18 it is almost inevitable that the pre-approval notices for credit lines up to \$10,000 will come rolling in. With catchy lines like "no credit checks" or "you have already been approved," the small print telling you how much interest you will be paying is over shadowed. Teenagers are not always responsible, and credit cards are not a lesson that is easily taught.

There are serious repercussions that can occur after a student has fallen in to debt. This can effect the rest of someone's life. Credit is very important in this society and can make it impossible to buy a house or a car. Insurance companies are even now using your credit report to influence your rates and whether they will accept you. Banks are now following suit as well, and if your credit is in dissarray, it will soon become almost impossible to get an account.

As credit card companies wonder why so many accounts are unpaid, there is an easy solution to the problem. Stop giving large credit lines to people who have no established credit. People need to learn how to manage money before they can be resposible with large sums of it. It is not the credit card companies' job to educate kids about money management, but if they expect to get paid they need to come up with some kind of stipulations that limit the amount of money young consumers can be loaned.

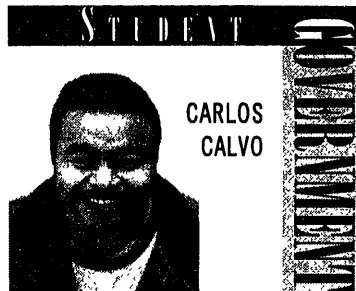
Instead of giving an 18-year-old student who lives with their parents and has never had a credit card before a line of thousands of dollars, try starting out small. Allow a \$200 credit limit, and allow them to establish some sort of responsibility. After a while it can be upped, and the person will have shown that they know how to spend wisely.

Credit companies probably know this, but are not too worried since they make more from the amount of money they collect with finance charges than they lose from the amount of bankruptcies that are claimed. There is also a new bankruptcy law that has been approved by both the House and Senate. It is currently waiting to be signed by the president and will come in to effect six months later. These new laws came at the requests of credit card companies, who feel they are getting shortchanged when people file bankruptcy. The laws also make filing for bankruptcy incredibly more expensive and difficult to do. It will also increase the amount of payments you must pay creditors. It will now be much harder to even be allowed to file because the IRS will set monthly income limits and if you are above these, you will have to deal with your debts on your own. This is a capitalistic society, and the credit card companies follow suit. They are not hear to help you learn to manage your money, but instead to take it from you. Consumer responsibility is key, and a must if you want to live a productive debt free life.

Campus clubs lead to success

School is a wonderful resource for developing your potential as an inhabitant of this planet. Take advantage of your time here, I guarantee you will enhance your education by participating in extra curricular and/or co-curricular organizations on campus. Being involved in a club or organization gives you a greater sense of purpose. It gives you more reasons to get up in the morning and come to school. You make friends, you share your ideas, you feel important.

Learning is an uplifting experience, however the anxiety of grades, tests, and homework can



eat into one's soul. It is amazing what one can accomplish while enrolled in college, but in order to achieve optimal performance, there has to be a balance of the negatively associated class work with some form of enjoyable responsibility, like being in a club. A club member can take

on as few or as many duties as he or she deems appropriate. It is the participants in each club that determine what the club does. We have clubs that identify with specific cultures and religions. There are clubs for special interests.

Some cover a particular academic focus, like science. And if you can't find a club that suits your taste, create one. I'd like to invite, no I dare you, to join a club. By the way, don't forget to vote for your student senators today.

Carlos Calvo is treasurer/club diplomat for student government.

Letter to the Editor

Good article, but bad analogy

Dear Editor:

After reading Ross Timbrook's article Blame it on the music; everyone else does, I felt compelled to add my two-cents worth. Points that I did agree with that Ross mentions are that it seems that people do want to rush to a quick solution to the world's problems. Find the culprit, music or TV/movies, attack it, and then back to Sunny Town USA.

However some points I believe Ross glossed over are that musicians write and record for the money, so that we need to realize none of these artists mean what they say, so back off. I have played professionally for many, many years. I have written, recorded and generally had a damn good time. Every musician I have ever worked with believes in the creating process. These songs are a part of us, from deep within. They often

come in flashes when you least expect it. For some reason pain has always been a wonderful inspiration, add a relationship to that and you have Suicide in E.

Musicians also tend to reflect the conditions of society and the individual relating to that world. And yes they will sometimes take the lead by suggesting a direction. Bob Dylan would be a perfect example. Sir Elton John has an extravagant act, but the lyrics can move you to tears. The comparison to movies doesn't hold water. I have studied acting at the Lee Strasburg Workshop and believe you are talking about two very different roles. Actors play something they are not. To portray a fictitious or real character and bring life to the story and make the audience believe; that is the actors' goal. I have been very miserable before going onstage, but once I am out there you would never know what is happening in my real life.

I've watched musicians with

pneumonia give great performances, and then of course collapse backstage. That part of music is the "act".

That is where precisely people confuse the words and rhythms of music with the act. Marilyn Manson is a great example. He's outrageous, so you have to stop and listen to this person. What would someone like him have to say? Music can influence behavior. When I'm down I will put on a favorite album and life is different. I am transported by the music and the lyrics. And singing in the shower or your car? That's the best way to get over that test you just took and know you did bad.

I had the honor of sitting with Dizzie Gillespie one evening and I asked him what he thought about these wild acts, expecting him to look down on them and not think of them as artists. Quite the opposite; he said that "if people enjoy and are moved by the music, that's what it's about."

John Cleere

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Photo by Adrienne Hughes

Johanna Molano practicing one of her songs under the instruction of Sandra Glover.

Small package, big voice

By TYSON J. HAYES
Staff Reporter

Her powerful voice flows, warming the room, bringing a range of emotion to the listeners, and it's all coming from a small, 22-year-old woman.

Johanna Molano has a voice that defies physical stature. It's perfect for an operatic singer.

"She has an amazing vocal talent," said Dr. Sandra Glover, Highline music instructor, and Molano's vocal coach. "She comes in and learns a new song every week, and shows a consistent improvement."

But get her off stage, and she's quiet and reserved. She chooses her words carefully, like notes on a piece of music.

"I was always told to be quiet when I was young, but I loved

Johanna Molano stays humble despite raves of her angelic voice

singing," said Molano. "I never thought I was good, but I needed to fill a class, so I joined choir."

Molano spent two quarters in choir before gathering the courage to try out for a solo.

"I was nervous about singing in front of the class, there were always people better than me," said Molano. "But I tried anyway, and Sandra approached me afterwards and asked me to do private lessons with her."

Molano started lessons with Glover but continued to wonder about her talent.

"I don't think I'm a good singer. I don't understand a lot

of what I'm being told. I look at other people and they seemed so advanced compared to me," said Molano.

Since then Molano has refined her vocal talent, and has been invited to the Washington Music Teachers National Association (WMTNA) State Competition.

The WMTNA is a statewide competition for all types of musicians, with the top competitors going to the regional competition in January.

Molano will have to prepare a 35-minute recital with songs in Italian, French, and German, along with an opera aria.

"Johanna is up against some tough competition. Every time the WMTNA is held in western Washington more people show up," said Glover.

But Molano doesn't seem that nervous.

"When I enter a competition, I'm in it for the experience. I'm working on getting my nerves out winning isn't something I'm thinking about," said Molano. "I'm expecting to learn something and build on it."

Molano said she still works hard on her lessons.

"I find something new every lesson. I don't know where I'm going or what I'm doing," said Molano. "I just am letting other people lead me."

After this competition Molano wants to move on to bigger and better things.



Johanna Molano

"My next big goal is to sing with my friend Faina. I'm a people person, so if I don't have to do this alone, I won't," said Molano.

However, after all the attention about her voice, she still remains modest.

"I feel like Cinderella, it's all not real," said Molano. "They're just compliments, they're tone deaf, they don't know what they are talking about."

Urban beats bring Highline musical treat

By KYLE TURRELL
Staff Reporter

Students were bombarded with the exotic sounds of Som Brasil in the Union Café when Urban Oasis performed Thursday Oct. 17.

Som Brasil is a unique blend of traditional Brazilian music

mixed with jazz, rock and R&B.

Urban Oasis is from Seattle but lead singer Kiko Freitas is originally from Brazil. One of the most interesting factors of Urban Oasis is that Frietas doesn't sing in English.

"I sing in Portuguese," said Frietas.

Portuguese plays a big role in Urban Oasis's music.

They have tried to change the lyrics to English but the interaction with the music just isn't the same.

"People always want to sing along but then they notice we aren't singing in English but then musically they really get

into the rhythm and the beat," said Frietas.

Urban Oasis will also be performing from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. tonight at the Tempero do Brasil Restuarant. The show is all ages and there is no cover charge.

Urban Oasis was the first band Team Highline has invited this year to play at the Union

Café.

"They [students] liked it a lot," said Syreeta Bernal, Team Highline member.

Team Highline encourages student involvement. If you would like to contact them you can call their office at 206-878-3170 ext. 3903 or contact them at the top of Building 8.

Bernal adds new flavor to Team Highline

By CHRISTIN GEERDES
Staff Reporter

Syreeta Bernal is very professional. Bernal, going from one member of Team Highline to another, is always making sure that everything for the events get done and that they get done right.

Bernal first applied for Team Highline in the spring of 2001. She applied because she liked the events and activities that the previous Team Highline put on.

The activities are what got her interested in the program and then helped her decide that she wanted to help coordinate activities for Team Highline.

Bernal is attending her second-year here and is taking classes to achieve her associate of arts degree.

During school, Bernal is committed to going to her classes and working for Team Highline. Right now she is working on the Seahawk Stadium trip.

Bernal planned this event in hopes of getting the international students as well as the rest of the students and staff to participate together.

"It has been fun working with Syreeta. She helps me by making me want to come in to work," said Ruth Lepule, a fellow Team Highline member.

Bernal's main challenge is deciding who or what students will want to see. The purpose of Team Highline is to plan activities to get students involved.

Bernal's main goal is "to make Team Highline a very interesting year and to bring more students to the campus," said Bernal.

When Bernal is not at school or working for Team Highline, other than hanging out with friends, she dances as a hobby. She takes Afro-Cuban dancing lessons. Afro-Cuban dancing is a mix between African percussion and Cuban dancing.

Bernal's goals for life are to dance for a living, get married, have a family, and to be successful.

"I really enjoy Team Highline and I hope people participate in our events and enjoy what we have to offer through our events," said Bernal.

Bernal has just finished putting together the trip to the Seahawk Stadium to watch the game and Lunch Time music. Bernal is hoping that this event will attract the international students while still getting the attention of the staff and other students.

"Syreeta is very energetic. She gets the job done and is very thorough. She puts 100 percent into what she does. She is friendly and open minded," said Emily Melver, a friend of Bernal.

"We get all of our work done. We are all each responsible for all of our work. She helps us with whatever we need help on," said Anh-linh Bui, a fellow Team Highline member.

Bernal's plans are to go to school, continue to dance, and to never give up no matter how hard the road gets up ahead.

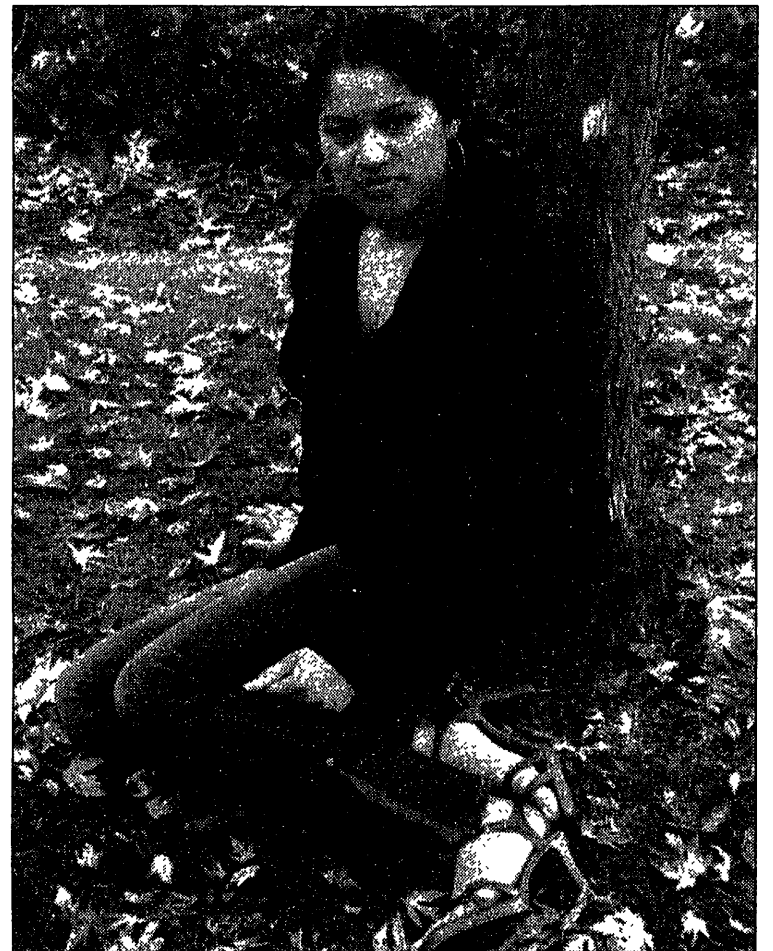


Photo by Corine Fanning

Bernal plans to begin a career in dancing when she finishes at Highline.

Ben Thomas jazzes things up

By PATRICK WAGNER
Staff reporter

Ben Thomas, Highline's clinician/educator is going to be putting on a jazz improvisation clinic this upcoming Wednesday at Highline.

Thomas will be putting the show on Oct. 30 at 12:30- 2 p.m. in the artist lecture hall (Building 7). Highline's Jazz Ensemble Club is sponsoring the show and has invited every one.

Thomas has performed at numerous events including Bellingham Art of Jazz series, Tacoma Maritime Festival, Detroit-Montreaux Jazz Festival, Ellensburg Jazz in the Valley Festival, Bumbershoot, the

Issaquah and Anacortes Jazz Festivals and the Seattle Art Museum in just the past few years.

Thomas graduated from the University of Michigan and received his master of music with honors. He also graduated at Swarthmore College with a major in mathematics and music.

Thomas has been playing percussion since 1985. Thomas has helped put out three CDs so far in his career; one of them is the recording of Stephen Rush's chamber opera *Murders in the Rue Morgue*. Thomas also has two of his own CDs, *The Madman's Difference* (1998) and *The Mystagogue* (2000) on Origin records.

The Seattle Arts Commission has awarded him a grant for mu-



Ben Thomas

sic composition. He has written for dance, theater, big bands, chamber groups and jazz combos and performed with a large number of other musicians.

The sex-pert comes to town

If your human sexuality class isn't enough you might want to check out Jay Friedman, also known as the "sexpert." He will be visiting Highline Oct. 24 at 11 a.m. in Building 7 giving his "lecture performance."

"It's a combination of education and entertainment," said Friedman.

During the Team Highline sponsored event, Friedman will be discussing gender roles, and the general state of sexual affairs in an interactive and upbeat show.

Friedman is an award-win-

ning author and was nominated multiple times for "lecturer of the year" by The National Association for Campus Activities.

Traveling the country, Friedman gives lectures to various colleges and universities with his show, *The J-Spot Sex Educator Tells All*.

With 11-years under his belt the sexpert says he tries to give a different approach on the subject that others can't deliver.

"I am a sex-positive speaker whereas most of the younger generation hears sex-negative," said Friedman.

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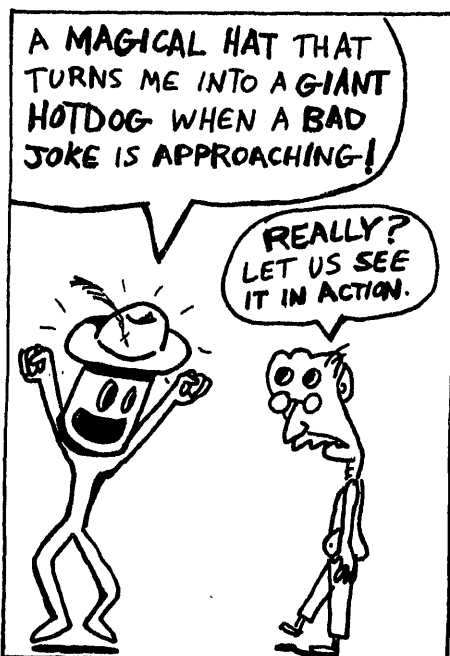
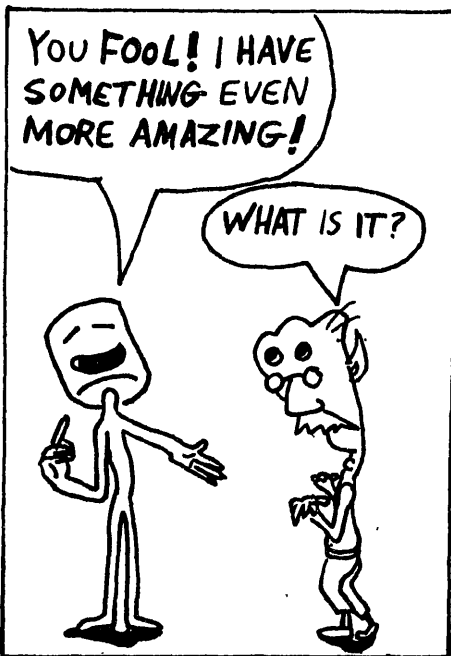
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Arts Calendar

•The Jazz Ensemble Club will be sponsoring Jazz Improvisation Clinic featuring Ben Thomas on Oct. 30. Ben Thomas's clinic will be held from 12:30 p.m. - 2 p.m. in Building 7. The clinic is free and all students, faculty and staff are encouraged and invited to attend who have an interest in jazz.

•Highline will be sponsoring the art of Steven Naccarato in the Fourth Floor Gallery during the month of November. Admission is free and everyone is welcome to attend the gallery. Naccarato is a visual artist who has an intense interest in the "limitless approach the individual arts can take toward the human figure." The mixed-media pieces may include poster paint, felt pen, and crayons.

•Team Highline will be sponsoring a Poetry Reading on Nov. 12 from 11 a.m.-noon. Students and faculty are en-

couraged to participate. For more information contact Team Highline at 206-878-3710 ext. 3903.

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

•The Pacific Northwest Ballet will present "World Premier," a mixed repertory of four distinct ballets showcasing the ballet's artistry and versatility on Nov. 7-9 and Nov. 14-16 at 7:30 p.m. Matinees will be Nov. 9 and Nov. 16 at 2 p.m. at Mercer Arts Arena, 363 Mercer St. Tickets range in price from \$16 to \$110 and may be purchased at any Ticketmaster outlet, by calling 206-322-ARTS.

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Crossword 101

By Ed Canty

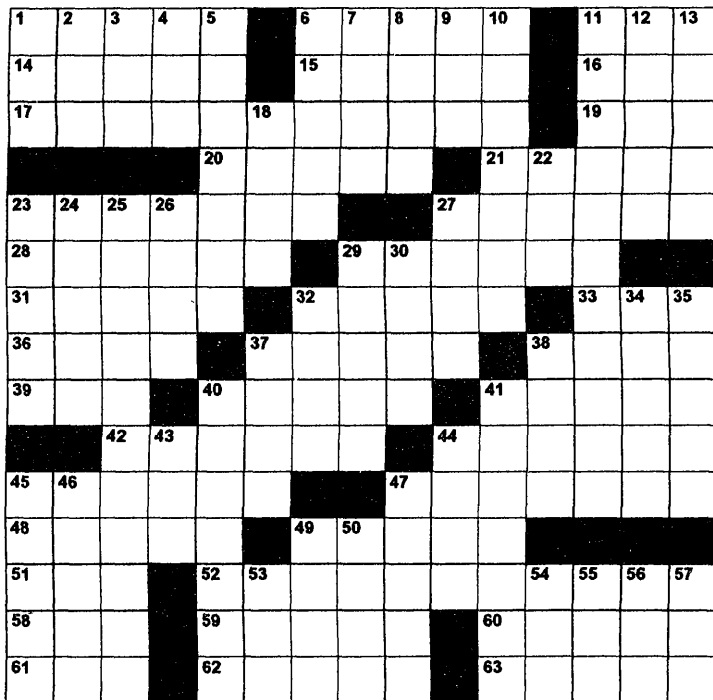
Fasteners

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- 1 Computer fodder
- 6 Indifferent person
- 11 Blackball
- 14 Like a street fighter
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- 16 JFK initials
- 17 Precisely
- 19 Parcel of land
- 20 Cowboy competition
- 21 _____ lily
- 23 '85 best film award
- 27 Hyde's partner
- 28 Tilt the boat again
- 29 _____ bracelet
- 31 Broadway event
- 32 Conscious
- 33 NATO member
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- 38 Pierce
- 39 Dream reaction: Acronym
- 40 Michigan city
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- 42 Lamb's uttering
- 44 Boats
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- 47 Pals
- 48 Paint type
- 49 Escargot
- 51 Hill dweller
- 52 Something hit in an emergency
- 58 Bronx cheer
- 59 Solely
- 60 Retaliate
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- 62 Acted like a carpenter
- 63 Terra firma

Down

- 1 OJ's trier
- 2 Negative prefix
- 3 Option to sell a stock
- 4 Yuk!
- 5 St. _____ of Avila



- 6 Gulf War missiles
- 7 Carryall
- 8 Golden Rule word
- 9 Matrimonial words
- 10 Boston Pops performance
- 11 Umbilical cord scar
- 12 Coral reef island
- 13 Relating to birth
- 18 Boxing match
- 22 Alias: Abbr
- 23 Intense feeling
- 24 Combine corporations
- 25 Clock radio control
- 26 Coin
- 27 Bumps around
- 29 David's weapon
- 30 Coin
- 32 Blood-related
- 34 Gorged
- 35 Chasm
- 37 Slide involuntarily
- 38 Normal
- 40 A social blunder
- 41 Lack of success
- 43 Consumed

- 44 Infant's bed
- 45 Chunks of Bacon
- 46 North Vietnam city
- 47 Turned toward
- 49 Weather word
- 50 Baseball club
- 53 Precedes carte
- 54 Beverage made of leaves
- 55 Mariner
- 56 Fall mo.
- 57 Indefinitely large number

Quotable Quote

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Men's soccer keeps on winning

BY FABIO HEURING
Staff reporter

The T-Bird men's soccer team continued its winning ways this past week, defeating Pierce and Clark, improving to a 10-1 record.

Highline dominated Pierce in a 7-0 blowout this past Wednesday. Anthony Melchior was impressive in the victory, getting a hat trick.

Ben Calvin also scored two goals and Highline got a goal a piece from Scott Baldwin and Nate Myers.

"We came out in a regular set using two forwards. We played intelligent and with great energy. We have very creative offensive minded players," Head Coach Jason Prenovost said.

Highline went on to defeat second-place Clark 3-0 in a tough game. The team lost sweeper Ben Calvin in the 20th minute because of a red card and was forced to play a man down with 70 minutes remaining in the game.

In the 23rd minute, Mathew Newbaur put Highline up 1-0. Highline then continued to show why they are in first place, scoring two more goals for the 3-0 victory.

"This was a big time win for us. It helped our confidence," Head Coach Prenovost said.

Prenovost said the team stepped it up after Calvin got tossed.

"Ben's been our leader all



Photo by Adrienne Hughes

Joe Patterson maneuvers the ball away from his opponents at last Wednesday's game.

year. After he got a red card they got some nice shots on goal and we got some great saves by our keeper. We then settled down after and scored two more to

win. I was real proud of our effort," he said.

The win was also the 100th league win for Coach Prenovost.

With two more shutouts this week Highline now has seven shutouts in 11 games this season.

"Our defense is really taking

"We have a deep bench and our whole team plays great defense. It's not to accident we have all those shutouts."

-Jason Prenovost,
mens soccer coach

care of each other. We are getting great leadership from Ben. We have great athletes in the back that put fourth great effort," Prenovost said.

"We have a deep bench and our whole team plays great defense. Our forwards, midfielders, and defenders, all play great defense. It's not to accident we have all those shutouts."

Highline faced Green River yesterday at Green River at 4 p.m. in a game where they were without Calvin because of his red card.

Results for that game were not available at press time.

Highline must now get ready for back to back games.

They face Southwest Oregon at home on Friday, Oct. 25 at 4 p.m. Then they will face Umpqua Saturday, Oct. 26 at 2 p.m. at home.

Highline will then travel to face Shoreline on Wednesday, Nov 2 at 2 p.m.

Running grows on Highline's Hemlock

BY DUSTIN NICKERSON
Staff Reporter

You couldn't tell by looking at Clay Hemlock that he's a lock to be an All-American runner this year, and he probably wouldn't tell you if you asked him.



Hemlock

He's abnormally normal.

Casually he carries himself from class to class, not saying much or giving any clue that he is one of the top runners in the state.

Talking to him is like hearing a pilot talk over the intercom. For most of the flight you don't hear anything, but when he does speak your ears won't allow you not to listen.

In three weeks, Highline's cross country team will run at the conference championships along with every community college in Washington and Oregon.

Competing against hundreds of other runners, Hemlock has a chance of finishing ahead of the entire pack.

Yet in the midst of this serious competition, Hemlock has his priorities straight. Two

weekends ago Highline had a meet in Bellevue in which he had a chance to compete against many of the runners he'll see at the conference championships.

So he did what many athletes would frown upon and attended his sister's wedding, putting her happiness in front of his own.

Eventually he hopes to transfer to the University of Washington and major in education.

"I want to teach Social Studies and hopefully coach at the same time," Hemlock said.

Hemlock is building his coaching credentials now in his fifth year of cross country, but he says it's only his second year of trying.

"I relied on natural talent for most of high school," says Hemlock "but the summer before my senior year is when I decided to take it seriously."

His natural talent took him as high as No. 2 for his Ferndale High School cross country team. Then his hard work took over and took him to No. 1 in the entire district.

After 11th and fourth place finishes at the state track meet, Highline's Coach Robert Yates went after his biggest potential recruit of the year.

He was torn between Spokane Community College and Highline, but after a campus visit with Yates, he decided this was the place for him to be. But the area's terrain is what brought him here.

"I always had trouble with running hills, and Des Moines seemed to have a lot of them," said Hemlock.

Now, a few months into moving to Des Moines, Hemlock feels that hills are an advantage

he has over the rest of the league.

If anybody has earned arrogance it's him, but he isn't quick to accept it. People around him seem to recognize it though.

"I tell him all the time that he needs to push to be the best and always in front," says Yates, "and he responds almost every time."

Yates frequently tells Hemlock that he can easily finish in the top three and with a strong race, could win the whole thing.

Hemlock agrees, but said he would be satisfied with a top seven finish.

The conference championships are on Nov. 9 and that top seven finish would make Hemlock an All American.

So far, there are no family weddings scheduled for that date.

Lady T-Birds improve

BY BILLY PENNOCK
Staff Reporter

The Highline women's soccer team finished last week off with a loss and a tie. The loss came by Lower Columbia 8-0 and the tie came from Clark 2-2.

With the loss and tie, the ladies share last place with Shoreline in the Southwest Division, but that is not getting the team down.

The game against Lower Columbia was a tough battle in the first half, with Highline holding Lower Columbia to one goal; Jamie Hesselgesser-Wright scored the goal.

Then in the second half, things fell apart, allowing Lower Columbia to score seven goals.

Scoring her second goal was Hesselgesser-Wright and Susan Tibbles put away two as well. Also four players had one goal, Amanda Jenson, Alice Fox, Jodie Swanson, and Katie Stecker.

"We played well for one half of play," said Coach Jaimy McLaughlin. "We need to play the full 90 minutes of the game."

In the next game, Highline tied a respectable team in Clark 2-2, who holds fifth place in the Southwest Division. The game was one of the best-played matches from the Lady T-Birds this year.

"We should have had them," freshman, Olivia Palermo, said of Clark.

Sondra Cobb and Jenny Luu scored for Highline to give the T-Birds a 2-1 lead in the first half.

Then in the second half, Clark answered with the tying goal. Both goals were scored by Michelle Wright.

"The game was the best. We're finally coming together," McLaughlin said.

McLaughlin further said that this was the first game where they've played the full 90 minutes. "We're playing better than

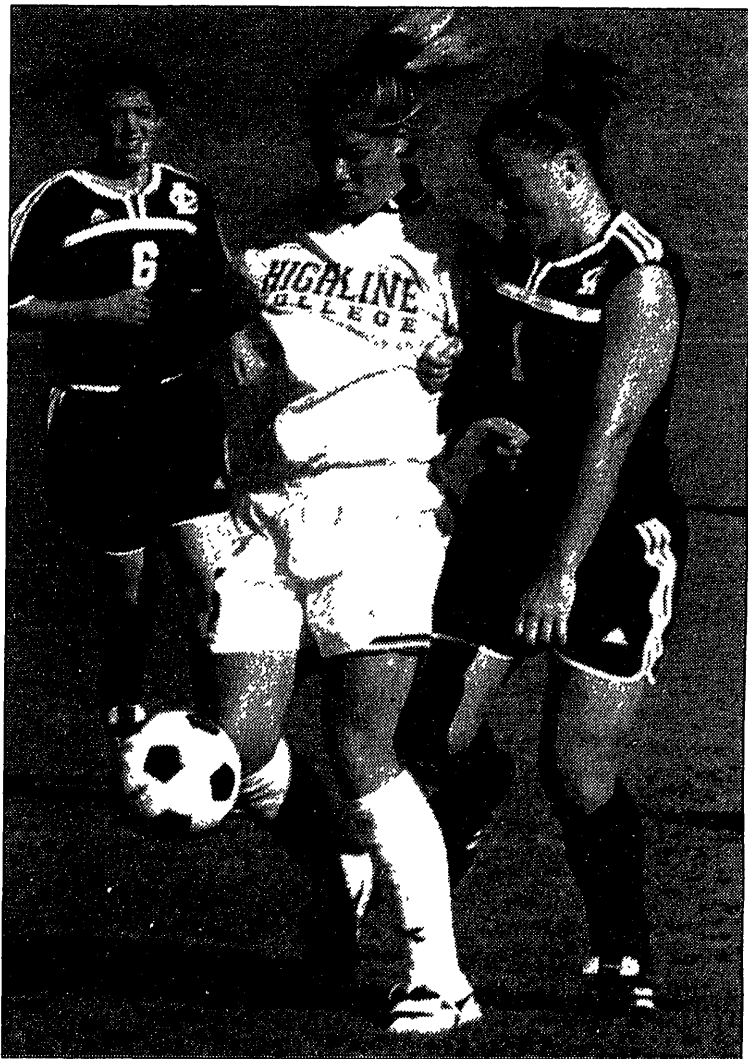


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Sondra Cobb takes control of the ball at last weeks game.

ever."

This game has given the ladies a lot more confidence for the remainder of the season. Even though the playoffs are out of reach, the lady t-birds will continue to fight for every game.

"I think the second half of the season will be a real turn around for us," Palermo said. "After Saturday's tie, we learned how to play soccer, we played soccer

for the whole 90 minutes."

Results from Wednesday's game against Green River were unavailable at press time.

Highline's next game will be on Friday, Oct. 25 at 2p.m. here at Highline against Southwest Oregon. Then on Saturday, Oct. 26, the women will face Clackamas at noon, also here at Highline. The team would love to have more fans here for support.

Palermo sprints into soccer season

BY EDITH AGOSTON
Staff Reporter



Palermo

Highline's track star, Olivia Palermo, wanted to try something different this fall, so she joined the soccer team. Palermo was originally on the cross country team, but decided to make the switch to soccer.

"I didn't like cross country, I wanted to try something new," Palermo said. "I've always been told what to do and what I'm capable of, I decided to do something that I wanted to do for once."

Palermo has never been on a soccer team before, but when the opportunity presented itself, she didn't hesitate to join. Of course it didn't hurt that her best friend Sandra Cobb is also on the team. "She kind of dragged me out here," Palermo said.

Palermo is an athlete, she doesn't have much experience with soccer, but you couldn't tell by watching her on the field. "I can pick things up really quickly," she said.

Don't let her small frame fool you either, she is all muscle. Her defined calf muscles and confident attitude, only prove that she has been competing and winning for the past seven years of her accomplished life.

Despite the Lady T-Birds' losing record, Palermo is happy with her decision to join the team. "I'm enjoying the team, it's fun and the girls are great," she said.

Another reason for her fitting

in with the team so well could be that she really enjoys playing for McLaughlin. "I've known Jaimy for four or five years now, he's a really good coach," she said.

The only down side, so far has been her sore quads. She is currently sitting out practices, but she is playing in games. "I play on injuries, I know my limits and I know how long I can play before I pull something," Palermo said.

Just because Palermo is on the soccer team however, doesn't mean that she has forgotten about track. "Track is number one for me," she said.

After Palermo is done here at Highline, she plans to transfer to San Diego State University, hopefully with a scholarship.

For someone with as much success and dedication as she has, that will surely be no problem.

"I want to move to California because it's warm there, it totally fits my lifestyle," she said.

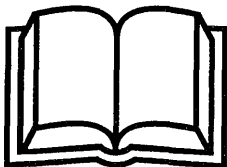
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Lady T-birds wipe out the competition

By SHAUNA BJORK
Staff Reporter

The Lady Thunderbirds continue to stomp the competition with three wins this week, bringing their record to 9-0.

The women won twice at home, and once away, and are well on their way to the conference championships.

The women steamrolled over Grays Harbor last Wednesday in three straight matches, 30-13, 30-17, 30-19. Tiare Alailima had nine kills, Michelle Aurelio had six kills, and Staci Ellis had six kills.

"Grays Harbor isn't in the top teams," Head Coach John Littleman said.

On Friday versus Pierce, the women had a more difficult time and went to four matches, 30-25, 30-21, 29-31, 30-13. In the game Alailima had 17 kills and seven solo blocks, Michelle Aurelio had 11 kills and Jenny Martin had three aces.

"Pierce was tougher," Littleman said, "more experienced."

"We used different blocking against Pierce," Littleman said.

The game versus Lower Columbia was a real heart stopper. In the first match Highline defeated Lower Columbia 30-17, then the T-Birds won the second match 35-33. It looked to be a

quick three-match game.

Lower Columbia got ahead in the third match, and despite hard work by Highline, the T-Birds were defeated 30-24. It was extremely intense in the fourth match as Highline kept it close, and as soon as they had tied it or gotten ahead Lower Columbia would fight hard to regain the lead and they defeated Highline once again in the match 30-24.

The T-Birds were all fired up in the final match and took the lead and never gave it up. The women fed off the few cheers from the crowd, and off the energy of one another. They communicated more and moved their feet more aggressively, to taking the match 15-10.

"Lower Columbia is a well-coached team," Littleman said. "Their only losses are from us."

"The game was a nice character builder," Littleman said, "(The women) always find a way to win." Making it a heart stopper for the coaches who have to sit on the bench and watch.

Some of the challenges for the team are that "not everyone is healthy," Littleman said. Katelyn Geddes has been out for the about a week and will try to play Wednesday versus Centralia. Amanda Doak will be out for a couple of days due

to an injury, and Staci Ellis will be out for the weekend and maybe into early next week.

The team has very versatile players though to "mask" or fill in for what is missing. The team also has the best setters in the conference.

"Highline has two of the best outside hitters," said Assistant Coach John Wilson.

This week the T-Birds head to the Mt. Hood Invitational, where they face many teams who have only one loss, and Mt Hood and Bellevue, who are undefeated.

"This is said to be the preview of the Conference Championships," Littleman said, "It gives us a good opportunity."

After the invitational the women will have three weeks to practice and improve before the Conference Championships. The T-Birds also have eight games to help them gear up for the challenge at the championships, including another Cross-over Tournament in Spokane.

The T-Birds play away versus Centralia Wednesday, Oct. 23, however the results of this game were not available at press time. The Mt. Hood Invitational is this weekend, Oct. 25-26, in Oregon with the times to be announced. The T-Birds have one of their final two home games Wednesday Oct. 30, 7 p.m.

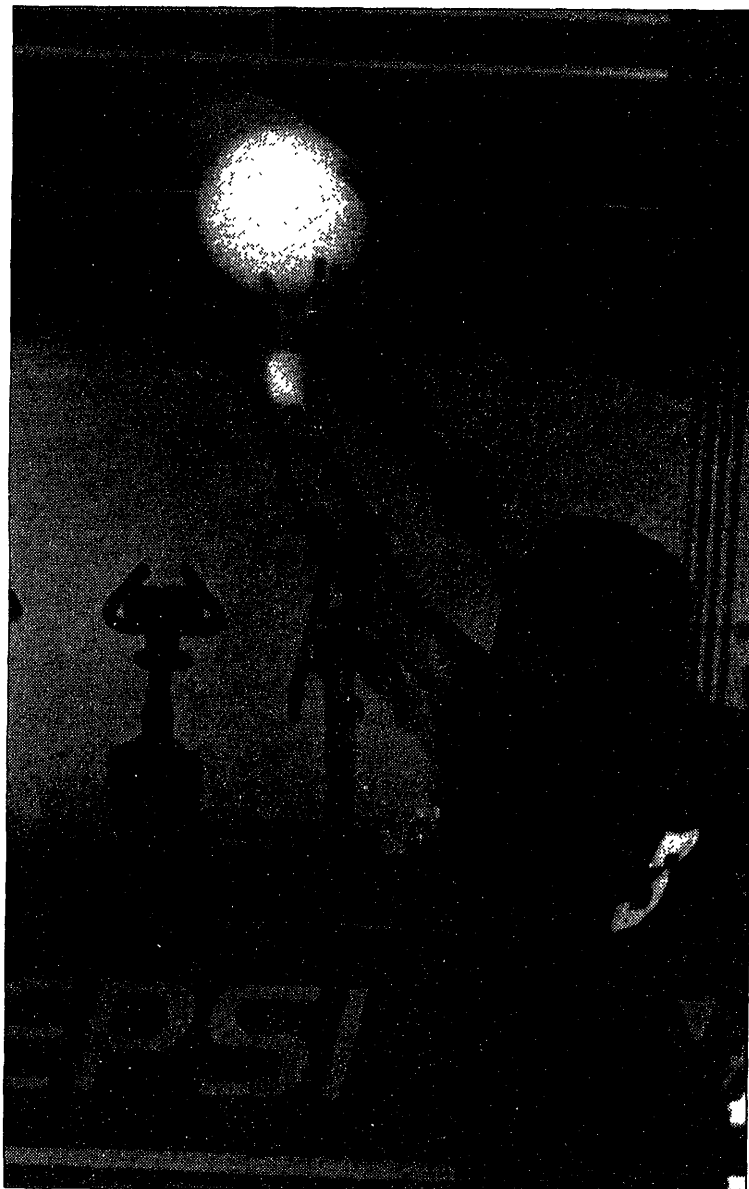


Photo by Adrienne Hughes
Freshman Jenna Demirjan setting the ball at one of last week's matches.

Score board

Women's Volleyball

South Division	W	L
Highline	9	0

Green River	4	4
Clark	4	4
Pierce	3	6
Grays Harbor	1	8
Centralia	0	8

Men's Soccer Standings

South Division	W	L	T
Tacoma	7	3	1
Highline	10	1	0
Umpqua	5	6	1

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Building 18 becomes more accessible

By C.J. ALVAREZ
Staff Reporter

Highline students and faculty face an obstacle course in front of Building 18.

"It is such an inconvenience to walk around the fences to get to my math class," said Kelsey Bredon, an enrolled student.

Fences surround the old walkway area in front of Building 18 and to the side of Building 17.

"The current mess in front of Building 18 is an improvement," said Pete Babington, director of facilities.

Improvements are being made to the old walkway to make it Americans with Disabilities Act compliant. ADA is a law for facilities to provide access for disabled people.

The old walkway started out as one of those little trip hazard



Photo by Adrienne Hughes

Construction in front of Building 18 will make the walkway more accessible for people in wheelchairs.

repairs, but it just kept on growing as construction workers found more problems with the area. Cracks and roots were starting to grow larger.

"The walkway was damaged, cracking, and it was old," said

Susy Holmes, assistant facilities director.

The walkway was very steep, making it difficult for students to move up it.

"The original ramp by Building 17 was too steep for wheel

chairs and folks with restricted mobility," Babington said.

The construction for the new walkway was supposed to be done before fall 2002, but the old covered walk way had to be finished, and they basically ran out of time.

While digging the old walkway up the construction workers also found out that utility lines ran underneath. The utility lines delayed the project for about another week, because officials needed to make a new design.

The new design will start the ramp at the intersection by Building 19, and at an angle in front of Building 18, heading northwest toward Building 17. It will create a gracious entrance to Building 18, and provide an ADA path to buildings 17, 18, and 30, from the path formerly known as the Covered Walkway.

When the hardscape is com-

pleted, the landscapers will come in and plant plants and grass to complete the look.

"It is hard to picture, but it will be cool," Babington said.

The cost of the walkway is estimated around \$30,000. The new walkway project is being funded through capital funds giving by the state. The state gives Highline funds for improvements towards the campus every two years.

The new improvements should be done around Thanksgiving, but it will depend on less than reliable variables, such as the weather, campus schedule, concrete delivery schedule, subcontractors, etc.

Building 2 also received a new entrance/walkway.

"It isn't a huge change, but the new ramp is ADA-compliant and I think the rounded stairs turned out quite nice," Babington said.

Fees

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more complicated, though, because they [the city] want the college to have a master plan in place."

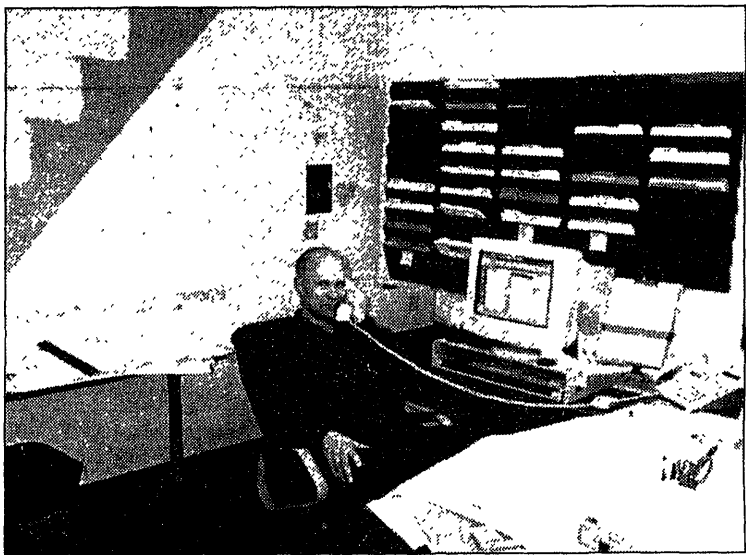
This master plan would outline every construction project Highline would want to do for the next 20 years.

The master plan includes the current plans for the new student center, the child care center and plans for increased parking spaces.

"What I prefer to do is let the city know as soon as I know," said Babington. "Des Moines is not a very big place, not very many big buildings get made, this helps them help us."

Highline had a pre application meeting earlier this year with the city of Des Moines.

At the meeting city officials



Pete Babington works with the city of Des Moines to come up with appropriate building fees for Highline's construction projects.

and Highline discussed what permits Highline will need and how Des Moines would like the plans to be presented.

After the meeting Highline gathered all the information and broke the buildings down into

sections as the city of Des Moines asked.

Each section represents a stage in the building process from the digging of the hole for the foundation to the layout of the sprinkler system.

The review process is lengthy because each section is looked over by city officials to ensure that the plans are up to city guidelines.

After the city has looked over the plans the city will contact Highline and inform them of any changes necessary to the structures.

"They are doing their job and

keeping people safe," said Babington. "The city does an outstanding job."

The plans for the new student center should start the review process in January.

Once all the plans have been reviewed then the city can then give Highline the cost of the building fees.



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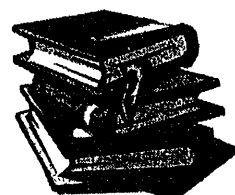
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Parking

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-tion including number of full classes, number of parking spaces and the number of stu-

dents. With that information a college can develop a formula that calculates how many parking spaces are needed for students.

After looking at all the formulas facility officials decided that none of them fit Highline's profile.

Highline then hired consultants to do a survey of the traffic situation here at Highline.

In the end the consultants came to the conclusion that Highline has 1812 parking spots and exceeds that only in the peak hours of 8:30 a.m. -11 a.m. by 316 spots.

Before construction is to start on the new parking spots Highline will increase the number of carpool spots and lower the price of bus passes.

Both of these plans aim to decrease parking congestion by both increasing the number of student carpools and increasing

student use of public transportation.

By doing this administrators believe that it will decrease demand for parking.

"That should bring down the total number of spots that we have to build," said Pete Babington, director of facilities.

Iraq

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to set an example to the world. He also said that our goal should be disarmament, with the exhaustion of all possibilities, including allied support, before war is declared.

He said the U.S. sanctions on Iraq have crippled that nation's economy.

"We have absolutely crushed their economy; they have no economy," said McDermott. "The money has simply become worthless."

Raising a 250-dinar note (Iraqi currency), in front of a standing room only crowd, students gawked as McDermott said the note has been devalued from \$825 to 12 cents.

He said a recent trip to Iraq seemed to prove that our sanctions have harmed the average Iraqi citizen, and that they are in need of humanitarian aid rather than war.



Photo by Rachel Platt

Congressman Jim McDermott D-7th District spoke at Mondays symposium.

"So now we're going to do this all over again to them, and put our military personnel in

harm's way," McDermott said.

After an hour McDermott shifted discussion to a question

and answer session for students.

McDermott said that if we put the inspectors back in we can do total disarmament and not have any further threat of war. Some students were in disagreement with McDermott's recent visit to Iraq and his continuous expressed skepticism toward the president.

An 18-year-old student, who asked not to be identified, stood furious outside the auditorium, calling McDermott's actions borderline treason. "McDermott should not voice his little but loud complaints during tentative political times; there by inciting the uneducated and un-resourceful listener to develop unfounded and biased opinions against the leader of the free world."

Discussion resumed on Wednesday, when a minority of students positioned themselves squarely against McDermott. Heads shook as student Rachel Platt presented a tearful speech about her view on the possibility of war.

"I'm here not with quotes, or

facts out of papers. I'm here to live a right, a privilege, that I have been given and all to often have taken for granted," Platt said.

Platt also said that she supports the president and felt that her unpopular view represented a segment of students who were too afraid to stand up in front of disagreeing crowd.

Whether right wing or left, opinions varied among students.

Decked out in fatigues, Pvt. Jennifer Narango of the U.S. Army said she doesn't always agree with some of the decisions the government makes but knows that there is a job to be done.

Narango said there is a sense of selflessness by being in the military. "I left my son for a year. Our own families are being torn apart, but we got a job to do."

There was a definite split in opinion among students who participated. Speech Professor Laura Manning said students need to talk about what they believe even if it is not popular.

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