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# The Thunderword

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Highline Community College

## Enrollment rises as quarter begins

By **KIMBERLY McLEAN**  
Staff Reporter

Enrollment numbers continue to increase as Winter Quarter begins.

"As of Jan. 13, 2003, 8,988 students are enrolled, but we expect enrollment to reach about 10,000 by two weeks into the quarter," said Becky Riverman, assistant dean of Enrollment Services.

Enrollment has continued to increase by approximately 4 percent each year. Only four years ago in 1999, Highline only claimed 9,019 students during Winter quarter.

That number is expected to increase by almost another 1000 students by the end of this quarter Riverman said.

A major contribution to the increasing amount of students has been from the Running Start program. High school students can attend Highline to receive both credit for high school and college at the same time.

Running Start has contributed 648 students this quarter, 105 more than last quarter, according to Highline's Running Start Coordinator, Karen Steinbach.

"The running start program is great," Running Start student Jessica Hafen said. "I never imagined I'd be able to finish my AA degree while I was still in high school!"

Unfortunately, higher enrollment means more competition for parking, and longer lines in Building 6.

"I have to go to the farthest end of the Midway parking lot



Photo By Adrienne Hughes

The long line inside the campus bookstore on the opening day of Winter quarter.

just to find a parking space," student Elaine Tahsili said. "I just don't have time to deal with parking between my children and life."

"I'm only taking online classes," said Karen Scott, another Highline student. "It seems ridiculous to me that I still have to come and stand in these long lines just to pay for registration."

There may not be a parking solution in the near future, but the cashier's line will be dwindling soon.

A new Internet payment system is scheduled to be implemented by Spring Quarter. This will enable students to pay for their tuition and registration fees online through Visa and MasterCard, said Marion Davis, director of financial services.

The system was made available to colleges last fall, so Highline is getting up to speed technologically as quick as it can.

"This is a high risk program, so we have been testing it to work out, and solve any problems with it," Davis said. "We want to make sure the program is absolutely safe for our students."

As for the bookstore, it doesn't look like they'll be opening up any more cash registers, according to Randal Fisher, the bookstore director, to help with the excessive lines at the beginning of each quarter.

"I just try and buy my books before the quarter starts to avoid the bookstore lines," student Nick Levorsen said.

## State legislators warn of budget squeeze

By **BEN JOHNSTON**  
Staff Reporter

Local legislators vowed to financially aid Highline and its sister schools with their voices and votes in Olympia this year. But they warned that state bud-

get problems likely will mean cuts in funding.

The three legislators joined students and staff for the annual ASHCC legislative breakfast in the Union Bay room in Building 8 on Jan 10.

State Rep. Joe McDermott,

D-34th District, said that the budget is the overriding concern this legislative session.

"I can't see myself voting for a budget that is all cuts," McDermott said. "We need to be able to talk about more revenue."

He also said that there needs to be a "fairer, more equitable tax base."

The state is facing a \$2.2 billion deficit and the cuts likely will reach community colleges.

Governor Gary Locke's budget proposal asks for \$59.2 mil-

lion to be cut from the two-year college system budget for 2003-05, and allows for the State Board for Community and

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## Crime Blotter for Dec. 5-Jan. 15

### Dazed and confused

A man smoking inside Building 10 was reported to security the afternoon of Dec. 10. The man appeared drunk and when confronted by security he said that he was waiting for the bus and came into the room because it was warm. Security escorted him to the bus stop.

### Vandalism on school grounds

The word "IRAQ" was found graffitied on two "Do Not Enter" signs on campus Dec. 28. Other graffiti was found Friday, Jan. 3 in a stairwell in Building 26. The custodian cleaned it off, but returned later to find more.

### Stolen car, dumped property

Security was informed of a large plastic bag on the west side of Building 28, on Friday, Jan. 3. Inside were various legal documents, three box openers with blades, four different medications, and a photograph. The Des Moines Police were informed and confirmed that the contents were from a stolen vehicle.

### Fender bender

A little after 10 a.m. on the morning of Thursday, Jan. 9, a Highline student was waiting for a parking spot in a 1998 Ford F-150. A second student, who didn't have insurance, backed out of a parking spot and hit the F-150.

### Costly crash

A faculty member's Volvo was hit by an unknown person driving a Nissan on Monday, Jan. 10. The damage done to the Volvo was estimated at approximately \$1,500.

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## Meet the other white meat

BY: RACHEL PLATT  
Staff Reporter

Always the heretic, Dr. Eric Baer discussed his views of what killed the dinosaurs at last Friday's Science Seminar.

Baer's presentation "What Killed the Dinosaurs: A heretic's point of view" addressed the main theory of what killed the dinosaurs, a meteor impact, and a less popular theory, volcanic basalt flows.

The first barrier Baer broke down was the caveat that not all dinosaurs went extinct.

"In fact I had dinosaur for dinner last night," Baer said.

Dinosaurs are divided into three large groups, ornithischia which included the stegosaur, the sauropods which included the ultrasaurus and theropods which included the tyrannosaurus rex.

However, the theropods did not all die out, and actually outnumbered mammalian species 2 to 1.

Theropods have evolved to have feet with three functioning toes, and furcula (clavicles

fused into a wishbone). With these changes Theropods are believed to have evolved into modern day birds.

"Modern birds are the direct descendants of the Theropods, and therefore within Dinosauria," Baer said. "So now you can say that you ate a dinosaur for dinner and that it tasted like chicken."

The theory that the media tends to except about the extinction of the dinosaurs is that a giant meteor careened into Earth and wiped out the dinosaurs due to global warming and tsunamis.

Baer will not argue that a meteor did impact the earth 65 million years ago. He does, however, believe that there is stronger evidence that points to volcanic eruptions and flood basalts being a possible cause of what killed the dinosaurs and two thirds of all species 65 million years ago.

"Many other impacts have occurred without mass extinction," said Baer, "some much larger."

One such extinction occurred



Baer

during the Permo-Triassic period, which is the largest known extinction.

The Permo-Triassic period occurred 250 million years ago and is known as the mother of mass extinctions. It claimed 95 percent of all species (mostly marine) and 80 percent of all genera.

During the Permo-Triassic period scientists have recorded the largest flood basalt eruption. However, there is no evidence of a meteor impact.

"Flood basalts more commonly occur with large extinc-

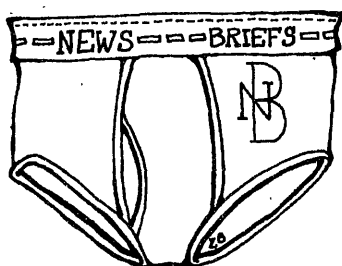
tions than do impacts," Baer said.

Between the layers of rock separating the K/T (Cretaceous and Tertiary) periods there is an iridium layer that separates the two periods. Iridium is a rare element typically found in meteor debris. However, iridium can be explained by massive volcanic eruption.

Evidence of this lies in the Deccan Traps in India. The Deccan Traps erupted about 2.6 million times more debris than Mount Saint Helens at the same time as the dinosaurs' extinction. When this happened it released huge amounts of CO<sub>2</sub>, which could have caused global warming and would have killed the dinosaurs.

Baer also said that people will never know what truly killed the dinosaurs. He explained that there may have been multiple causes which caused their extinction.

Science Seminar meets every Friday at 2:10 p.m. in Building 3, room 102. Next week's seminar is titled The Origin of Us by Igor Glozman.



### Scholarship opportunity

Now is your chance to apply for a full tuition waiver for Spring quarter. Fifteen applicants will each receive a full tuition waiver for one quarter.

The stipulations are as follows: Students must attend Highline full time and maintain a 3.5 G.P.A. Applicants must also be Washington state residents.

Deadline for submissions is

Jan. 31. Contact Laura Manning for more information or to pick up an application. She can be found in Building 5, or at ext. 6037.

### One student to win free tuition

One recipient will win the W.A.V.E. scholarship, for outstanding achievement in vocational-technical education.

The winner will receive free tuition and fees for six quarters or four semesters at any two or four-year colleges or universities in Washington.

The applicant must be a Washington state resident and currently enrolled and completing 360 hours in a single, approved vocational program by June 30, 2003. The deadline to

turn in applications is Feb. 14. The forms and guidelines are available from Kathy Morgan in Building 9 or at [www.wtb.wa.gov](http://www.wtb.wa.gov).

### Highline can be seen on the bus

The college's new advertising campaign, "The Faces of Highline," has launched and can be seen on the sides of Metro buses all over South King County. The ad features 11 of the 24 people from Highline who were photographed. The other faces will

be seen on posters that will go up across campus in March 2003.

The reason for the campaign is to fulfill Initiative #3 of Highline's strategic plan of strengthening and expanding the presence and role of the college within the communities it serves.

### Campus Calendar

The CGG Book Club has been rescheduled to Jan 21, from 1:30-2:30 p.m. and on January 23 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Both will be held in the Library Board Room, 5th floor.

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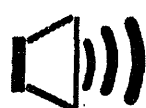
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## Student government eating turnovers

By JYOTI PRADHAN  
Staff Reporter

Student Government has lost three members and gained three in the past month. Student Senator Camille Barrera was appointed vice president of administration of the Student Government on Tuesday.

Dan Fortin, 20, has filled the vacant senator position that Barrera left behind.

Earlier this quarter Student Senator Minh Hua was promoted to fulfill the Treasurer/



Blanchard



Wagenhals

Clubs diplomat position, leaving two senators positions open.

They have been filled by Owen Wagenhals, 18, Eric Blanchard, 18.

"Whenever we have a vacancy within our organization,

our constitution mandates that we first try to fill that vacancy with the people that are in the Student Government, through the order of succession," Student Government President Stefan Alano said.

"DJ Taylor vice president of legislation has forgone that opportunity and so has our Treasurer/Clubs diplomat Minh. So, we are going to fill that position with Camille Barrera, one of our senators," Alano said.

"Camille has had some experience as far as working with

our organization and things of that nature," Alano said. "Both Owen and Eric are recently new to our organization. If we look at where our senators are at, Camille has the most seniority, and was given the first opportunity."

The three members that left the Student Government are the Treasurer/Clubs diplomat Carlos Calvo, Student Senator Patrick Allcorn, and Vice President of administration, Jessie Baguley. Alano said that he knew exactly why Calvo and

Allcorn left.

"They were over committed, they were very involved with their academic life, it was hard to balance both their academic life and the Student Government because the things they were doing in school, started taking up more time than they had originally expected... When it comes down to that, academics needs to be the foremost priority," Alano said.

Alano also added that Baguley resigned because he is not going to school this quarter.

## Highline to remember Dr. King

By DANNY KANG  
Staff Reporter

Highline will celebrate its commitment to equality and civil rights with the annual observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Week, Tuesday, Jan. 21 through Friday, Jan. 24.

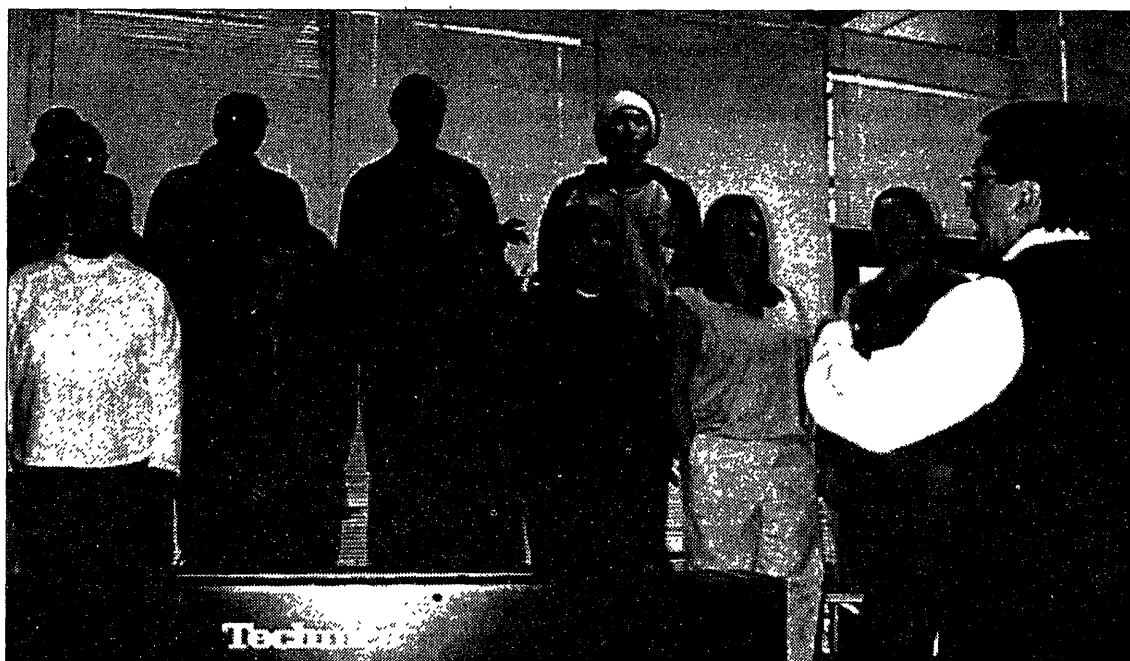
The 13th annual King Week celebration will feature events ranging from lectures to book discussions to a service project in support of the Union Gospel Mission.

"MLK to me represents many different things we value at Highline and as society and the ability for all people to come together," said Fred Capestany, assistant director for Student Programs.

When people think about the Civil Rights Movement, even though there were many unsung heroes, the first name that comes to mind is MLK.

These events allow people from all walks of life to come together and recognize that all people are equal, as it is stated in the U.S. Constitution.

The most important thing is that all the activists struggled for one common goal, fighting



File photo

Highline's choir sang last year during MLK week. They will sing again this year during the opening ceremony on Tuesday, at noon in Building 7.

against all social injustices, said Capestany.

The week's schedule is as follows:

### Tuesday:

•Open Ceremony, noon, Building 7 Lecture Hall. Featuring guest speakers and a performance by the Highline choir.

•Book Reading Club, 1:30 - 3:30 p.m., Library boardroom

5th floor. Discussion on the book Abraham: A Journey to the Heart of Three Faiths, by Bruce S. Feiler.

The book illustrates how Abraham could be a uniting force for Christians, Jews, and Muslims. Will be repeated on Thursday, Jan. 23.

### Wednesday:

•Drama: "The Right to

Dream": a Living Voices drama production, 9 and 11 a.m., Building 7 Lecture Hall.

This drama recreates a young man's coming of age as an African American in Mississippi during the 1950s and 1960s. It helps give an understanding how the fight for civil rights and prejudice has shaped America.

•Lecture: "Health Issues in

the African American Community" by Mayet Dalila, 1:10 p.m., Building 7.

Dalila, founder of the Intra-Afrikan Konnection, will share her perspectives on health issues and African Americans.

### Thursday:

•Lecture: "Women in the Civil Rights Movement," by Zoharah Simmons, Ph.D., 10 a.m., Building 7.

Dr. Simmons, Assistant Professor of Religion at the University of Florida-Gainesville, will convey how women played a vital role during the movement but went unrecognized.

She will share her experiences and stories of many other unsung heroes that fought for desegregation.

### Friday:

•Civil Rights Movement Quiz Show, 10 a.m., Building 7.

For a fun and educational experience come test your knowledge about MLK and the Civil Rights Movement.

This show will be interactive and will give audience members a chance to win.

Students are encouraged to take part in this year's activities honoring Dr. King.

## Campus to aid mission

By ANESSA SCHLYER  
Staff Reporter

Highline Student Programs is collecting unused and unopened personal items for homeless men and women in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.

The collection will take place from Jan. 21 through Jan 24.

"Items such as soap, toothpaste, deodorant, and shampoo

will be packaged and donated to the Seattle Union Gospel Mission," said Fred Capestany, assistant director for student programs.

If you don't have time to purchase something to be donated you can always contribute money during MLK week at the information table in front of Building 6.

If money is a problem your

time is greatly appreciated also. Student Programs needs help assembling the care packages at the assembly party on Jan. 24 from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Union Bay Room located on the lower level of Building 8. Food will be provided.

Students may drop off personal items to be donated in the Student Programs office on the upper level of Building 8.



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## editorial

### Action or resolution?

We've all got plans, plans for tomorrow, plans for the next quarter, for the next year and for the rest of our lives.

Along with our plans we each have ambition and energy, these are our motivators. And motivation is what makes people drag themselves from peaceful slumber early Thursday morning and make their way to Highline.

In other words, this is us.

So, here we are. But where are we going from here?

Many of us have plans to transfer to a university, or we plan to complete our certificates and degrees and find careers. There are more than 10,000 students here at Highline and our paths are as numerous as our numbers. Although we have the ambition and energy that have driven us this far, we've got to have more to take that next step.

We need information, guidance and action.

As elementary as these three things might seem, they are the vital ingredients that keep us from becoming static, that push us onward. So how do we get from plans to concrete action?

Our answer is right here, on campus. The resources we have available to us here at Highline are invaluable. They are highly accessible and best of all, they're free.

The Transfer Center upstairs in Building 6 is packed with valuable information to help you through the process of transferring. Also upstairs in Building 6 is the Career Planning Center, they have an entire room dedicated to books, surveys and questionnaire's that will help you make good career decisions.

Also coming up is the Winter Transfer Fair. There will be 30 representatives from colleges and universities all over the state.

Information on general admissions, departmental admissions, financial aid and scholarships and deadlines for applying will all be available. All your questions about transferring and everything you need to get the ball rolling is condensed into this one event, so don't miss out! It will be held on Jan. 23, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. upstairs in Building 8.

Another great opportunity that Highline offers is the plan-a-transfer-day. This quarter two trips are planned to go to Washington State University and the University of Washington. The trips will include tours, day sessions, information on majors, financial aid, admissions requirements, the list goes on. For more information on either trip visit the Transfer Center or send an email to [transfer@highline.edu](mailto:transfer@highline.edu).

One last opportunity worth looking into is Barbara Clinton's Humanities 100 class. This two credit course meets twice a week and is centered around learning how to write admissions essays, how to put together a portfolio, write a personal statement and in general, get you into the college you are looking at.

Even if you can't get into the class this quarter, try for it next quarter.

So, you've got all the information and resources right at your fingertips, take advantage of all that Highline offers, and get moving.

As someone once said, "We've all heard much about the acts of people, but never much about their resolutions."

So make this more than a resolution and act now.

## Combating cookie-cutter style

The holidays have come and gone, knocking us flat like a Mack truck on the highway of finance.

And since January is a time we make resolutions, why not change the way we spend our money?

I'm talking about thrift stores. Those second hand stores that sometimes attract the occasional eccentric, sometimes bear a unique odor, but with patience, will always deliver.

My claim here is that thrift stores have it all, and those of you snagged in consumer society's trap of designer clothes and brand names are missing out on all that your local thrift store has to offer you.

As a society we place such an emphasis on being unique, being different from everyone else and finding ourselves.

So why then, as a society, do we choose to emphasize the exact opposite principal?

Instead of admiring honest originality our society scorns those who fail to comply with the standards of style. Sure, we



encourage originality, as long as it's within the bounds that we lay out. But if you don't wear all the trendy new clothes and the most popular and promoted brands, you've stepped outside those bounds of socially accepted uniqueness.

Thrift stores, on the other hand, demand more creativity than it takes to purchase an overpriced, cookie-cutter outfit. This kind of shopping is only for the bold at heart. The adventurous souls who set out to find their individual style and express it in a original way.

And since you can by at least five articles of clothing to every one that you might buy at Abercrombie, thrift stores make it easier to find, develop and expand your style. Take for ex-

ample, me. I went from wearing \$15 shirts from Old Navy and The Gap to the \$2 shirts I wear now: little boys shirts with stripes and silly graphics, the Izod alligator and 70's style ski jackets, are a few of my personal favorites.

Building a vast wardrobe on a budget (and believe me, I'm on a budget) has never been so easy, or rewarding, than it is at thrift stores. And for the ecologically minded (as we all should be), thrift stores are one of the most effective ways to recycle.

And for those of you concerned with the stigma attached to shopping at a second-hand store, you'll be pleased to hear that thrift store shopping is fast becoming socially acceptable (go downtown to Broadway, and you'll see thrift matching retail, store for store). Not only is thrift a non-mainstream, economical, and earthwise pursuit, it provides a unique experience, unlike any retail store can offer.

*Jessica's parents actually found her in a thrift store.*

## Student Government rocks on

We in Student Government hope your holiday break was wonderful, and now that you're back, we have some major things in the works for you this quarter. The first event we sponsored this quarter was a legislative breakfast on Friday, Jan. 10.

This was an opportunity for the legislators from the four districts that Highline serves to come and hear our views about different issues.

We here at Highline are blessed with a group of legislators who have a serious interest in helping higher education remain a viable option for as many people as possible.

Also today an exciting event,



upstairs in Building 8: a fresh new Clubs Fair!

If you remember the fair at the beginning of Fall Quarter, you'll remember a fun-packed, music-filled time.

Well, we're aiming for the same kind of thing this quarter: we'll have free pizza and pop, music DJ'd by yours truly, and a

bunch of clubs representing their interests and goals for this quarter. And don't forget, we have an ongoing voter registration drive happening upstairs in Building 8. Come on up and rock your right to vote.

So folks, there you have it, first two weeks back, and we're already rollin'.

That's what student government does, we rock and roll. Don't forget to come to our sessions and represent your club, every other Tuesday at 1:10 p.m. in the Library boardroom on the fifth floor.

*DJ Taylor is Vice President of Legislation for Student Government*

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How the hell do I get a hold of the president's wife?

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# Love's itch to take song

BY RACHEL PLATT  
Staff Reporter

Love is pain, but who said anything about it being itchy?

Highline professor Dr. T.M. Sell's newest play, *Love's Painful Itch*, will be opening Friday, Jan. 17, at the E.B. Foote Winery located in Burien.

The play is a parody of a romance novel whose plot focuses on a young girl, Chastity Bod-

ice, played by Julie Haakenson, and her search for love.

Her search takes her from England to South America to America to Africa and back again to England.

*Love's Painful Itch* is also Sell's first attempt at a musical.

"If you don't like the songs, they're short," said Sell.

Sell and his wife, Nancy Warren, co-wrote the music and Warren is the music and orchestra director of the play.

"Not only is the script a parody of romance novels but the songs are parodies of musicals," said Warren.

There are 11 people in the cast and many are Breeders Theater regulars.

Among the actors in the play are also Highline student Jim Cooper and Julian Schrenzel, a previous music student of Highline professor Dr. Sandra



Photos by Adrienne Hughes

Julie Haakenson and Julian Schrenzel diligently rehearse for *Love's Painful Itch*.

Glover.

Cooper will be playing Cowboy Bob and the Chief.

Schrenzel will be playing one of the romantic leads as the Captain.

Sell and Warren say that the play consists of some very talented singers and is not littered with the normal group of wannabees.

Sell attributes much of the play's strength to the show's choreographer Patricia Britton and Warren's work with the music.

The play costs \$20, which includes wine tasting and hors d'oeuvres.

Breeders Theater and E.B. Foote will be endowing a performing arts scholarship with the show's Jan. 20 proceeds.

The benefit show has previously been held at Highline, however, Breeders Theater has been able to raise more money for the college by having the performance off campus.

Audiences are advised to dress warmly for the show and to bring seat cushions and blankets.

kets.

The E.B. Foote Winery is not heated due to it being a functioning winery and excessive heat will ruin the wine.

The play is two acts with the entire evening including intermission and wine tasting lasts approximately three hours.

"There's something in there to offend everyone," said Sell.

*Love's Painful Itch* will run Jan. 17-18, 24-25 and 31 and Feb. 1 at 6:30 p.m. with matinees on Jan. 19 and 26 at 2 p.m.



Julian Schrenzel and Doug Knoop pirating around during rehearsal last Monday.

# Kangaroo Jack takes humor down under

BY PATRICK WAGNER  
Staff Reporter

Wanna pay \$8.50 to watch a bag of crap? Well here is your chance with the help of insane producer Jerry Buckheimer, who will be releasing his \$40 million career-ending epic entitled *Kangaroo Jack* this Friday at theaters everywhere.

The movie starts out simply enough by showing us the unique friendship formed between Charlie Carbone (Jerry O'Connell) and Louis Booker (Anthony Anderson) when Booker saves Carbone's life as a child. On that same day Carbone's mother (Dyan Cannon) meets scary mob boss Sal Maggio (Christopher Walken) they fall in love, get married and 20 years later the wacky hijinks just don't stop a comin'.

Booker is a loveable hooligan who, within 15 minutes of the film, drives a stolen van full of stolen TVs in a high-speed chase through New York City



Kangaroo Jack

while simultaneously totaling a slew of N.Y.P.D. vehicles. But the good and moral PG fun doesn't stop there. After kind-of evading the police the heroes accidentally stash what's left of their stolen goods in a warehouse owned by Carbone's stepfather. The "heat" shows up and finds Sal Maggio's warehouse of stolen goods, which puts our heroes in a real pickle.

Instead of "whacking" our heroes, Sal decides to send the two goofy life-mates to exotic Australia (which looks like they also went 150 years back in

time) to hand over a package with \$50,000 to his contact in the country (that'll teach'em).

Along the way, while singing *Land Down Under* and cruising at high speeds they hit a kangaroo. Instead of moving the carcass off the road the loveable duo decide to dress the road kill in sunglasses and Louis's lucky red hooded sweatshirt and take Polaroids for the boys back home (just to make sure the term ugly American will never die).

Then all of a sudden the kangaroo wakes up and hops away with the sunglasses the jacket and Sal Maggio's \$50,000 and the hunt is on.

The cast is complete when the hot chick, Estella Warren, joins in as the super hot wildlife official.

The three friends set out to get the money back from the kangaroo for the rest of the film and stumble across a plethora of fart jokes along the way.

What the hell was anyone associated with this movie think-

ing? An hour and a half long sappy Roadrunner cartoon?

The real problem in this movie is that there is no target audience. Young kids will not appreciate the gangster or sexual references and adults won't appreciate the extremely lowbrow humor.

The only thing even worth a glance in this film is the kangaroo star himself, who was beautifully animated and at times

was a puppet.

David McNally did the best job of directing possible given the cast and script but still should have walked away. The chase scenes and all the action scenes were perfect had they not been involved with talking marsupials. Not to mention there is some pretty impressive land-

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Marina Shats's *Ice Skating* is among her exhibit in the Library throughout the month of January.

## Shats tells stories in art

BY RATTREASMEY  
SOCHENDA  
Staff Reporter

Instead of writing stories, artist Marina Shats paints them. Originally from Russia, Marina Shats will be displaying her paintings this month on the 4th floor of the library.

Her exhibit is titled "A Cat's Life" and "Small People".

Shats said her paintings are inspired by God. Each painting illustrates human relationships.

One painting shows the beginning stage of a relationship. It shows a time when two people first fall in love.

The next jumps into their engagement, and the final one shows the wedding ceremony.

The paintings are all very flower oriented, although they do use the flower differently within the different paintings.

Each piece has either some sort of brilliant floral background or some sort of object made from a type of flower.

Some of Shats' other pieces characterize different sorts of animals participating in activities that humans engage in.

One piece shows cats behaving like humans. Another illustrates a cat bringing in five rats and using them to add for a math equation.

Shats has been painting all of her life, since childhood.

She was very influenced by

her family, especially her grandfather. Shats' whole family shares her same talent of art.

Shats uses many materials to create her masterpieces. Some of the materials that she uses are pastels. She also uses some oil, and watercolor.

She has displayed her work in the Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg, Russia. Shats has also shown her paintings in France and Japan.

## Drama students to take vows in 'Blood Wedding'

BY CHELSEA RAMSAY  
Staff Reporter

After a three-day audition period, the final cast was selected on Jan. 13 for the drama department's winter production *Blood Wedding*.

Auditions were held in the Little Theatre, where all students were invited to try out.

About 20 hopefuls presented a short monologue to Director Dawn Box, attempting to earn a role in the surrealist tragedy written by the Spanish playwright Federico Garcia Lorca.

"I have been a huge fan of Lorca," Box said. "He's one of my favorite playwrights. I've just been fascinated with his work for a long time."

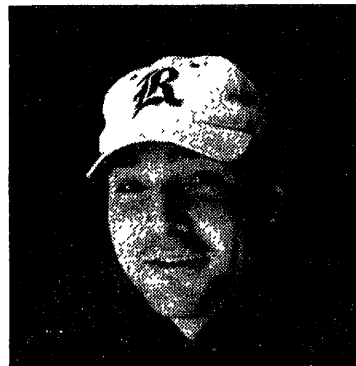
The piece that Box chose from Lorca's collection could be generally labeled a dramatic tragedy.

"This play is really about fate," Box said. "It's very much like a fairytale; there's a lot of fantasy. It's really rich with words and gorgeous language."

The unusual script has brought anticipation among the actors.

"I think this one should be fun because there is poetry and there should be a lot of passion," actress Melinda Ford said.

Beyond the originality in the writing, the atmosphere is going



Patrick Allcorn

to have a unique twist to it as well.

Box says she plans to have seating circled around the majority of the stage, where the public will be incorporated in the play, as if they were eavesdropping rather than simply watching.

"This play I'm really excited about the setting," Box said. "My goal is to have it be a very environmental piece, which means the audience is going to feel like they're experiencing the environment."

"I think for people who have come to see plays here before will appreciate the different sense of space."

In relation to the diversity of the production, play participants will have to invest a short period of their lives practicing the unfamiliar style of text for the performance. The actors will be attending rehearsals for three

hours a day, three days a week. On certain Saturdays and on holidays such as President's Day and Martin Luther King Day, all day rehearsals will be required.

"It's a pretty big expenditure of time," Box said. "Especially for the leads."

The part of Leonardo will be played by Ivory Meling, the Bride by Ana Versoza, the Bridegroom by Patrick Allcorn and Father by Carlos Calvo.

Along with the actor's time, the stagecraft class will also be equally occupied with the construction of the set.

"Basically if we can't buy it or borrow it we have to build it," stagecraft student Mike Bacalzo said.

From previous experience, students know what to expect. Although some work can be accomplished during class time, plenty of loose ends will be tied up on a student's free time, in order to get everything ready for the play.

With a variety of people working on different aspects of *Blood Wedding* the actors have one main priority for the production.

"I want to show people I can act," Ford said.

## Kangaroo

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scape footage as well.

Estella Warren is either the stupidest person in Hollywood or the unluckiest.

To land leading female roles in movies such as *Battlefield Earth* and the redone *Planet of the Apes* is quite a feat in itself.

Though she is not as stiff in this film as she has been in the past, it is still a major failure.

Do not go see this movie! You can get the same feeling by hitting yourself with a brick and save some money. Patrick will star in his own movie soon.

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## Choir seeks fresh voices

By NATHAN BIRKEBAK  
Staff Reporter

If you're a Highline student who's interested in music, chances are that there are quite a few music clubs, events, and classes that you haven't even heard of yet.

Coming up on February 13 the Jazz Ensemble Club will be putting on a daytime concert.

They are expected to put on performances this quarter and are accepting members. Jazz Club practices on Thursday nights and is free to anyone who is interested.

The College Choir has an upcoming performance during the opening ceremonies of the Martin Luther King Day celebration on Tuesday, January 21.

The choir is currently only half the size it was last quarter and is looking for singers. "We especially need more guys in choir; there's only a few." Said choir member Michele Inklebarger.

If you're interested in either the Jazz Ensemble Club or the College Choir, contact Dr. Paul Mori.

On January 30 Highline is putting on the Outstanding Vocal Soloist Recital.

"This event is really just a dress rehearsal for the NATS [National Association of Teachers of Singing] competition in February." Said Music Instructor Sandra Glover.

The NATS competition will be an opportunity for the participating students to be recognized

by our regions most professional voice teachers. The winners of the NATS competition will sing in a special Winner's Recital where they'll receive a cash reward.

A few select students will have an opportunity to play Highline's Estonia Concert Grand Piano in the Outstanding Pianist Concert on March 4.

The five students who are performing have had many years of professional training and will be playing advanced pieces.

Toward the end of the quarter, On March 14, Highline's intermediate/advanced pianists and all vocalist students will be providing music for the entire campus in the Winter Quarter Recital.

## Crossword 101

By Ed Canty

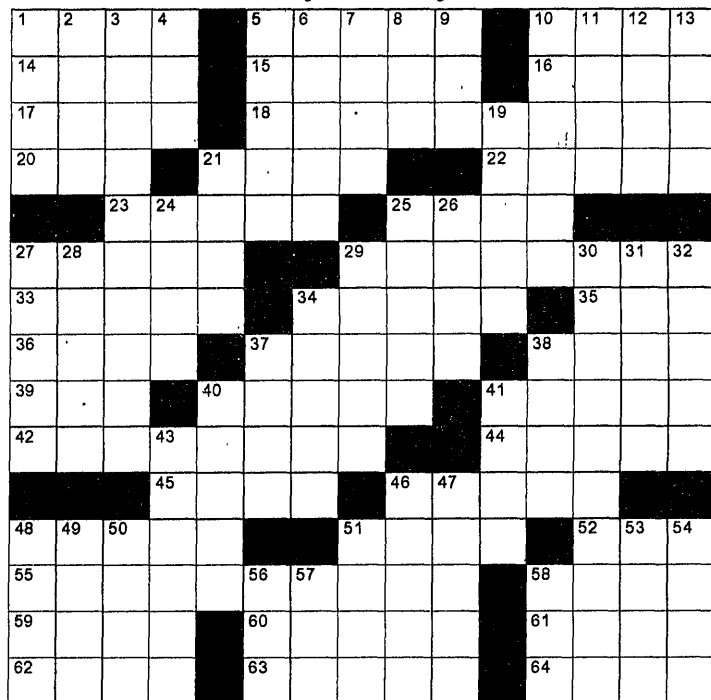
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#### Across

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- 5 Speculative
- 10 Prayer ending
- 14 Unauthorized disclosure
- 15 Jazz man Shaw
- 16 Visit
- 17 \_\_\_\_ Major
- 18 Go free
- 20 Distress signal
- 21 Singer Crosby
- 22 Joint
- 23 Barter
- 25 Mark Furman's employer
- 27 Theater guide
- 29 Kitchen aid
- 33 Strainer
- 34 Woefully
- 35 Precedes mode or carte
- 36 Yuks !
- 37 Santiago's holder
- 38 Enthusiastic
- 39 Doctors' org.
- 40 Sally Hemmings, e.g.
- 41 TV's Van Susteren
- 42 North or south locator
- 44 Beaver's cousin
- 45 Collars
- 46 Debris
- 48 Up to now
- 51 Dry
- 52 Organization member
- 55 Gab
- 58 Minnesota player
- 59 Verdi's work
- 60 Spooky
- 61 Christen
- 62 Kind of picture
- 63 Schemes
- 64 Font

#### Down

- 1 Strong point
- 2 Aviation prefix
- 3 Take up a collection
- 4 Alias:Abrev



- 5 Overzealous
- 6 Girl of song
- 7 Bachelor party
- 8 Ditty bag
- 9 However
- 10 Order of business
- 11 Mindy's friend
- 12 And others
- 13 No way !
- 19 Glad
- 21 Unpainted
- 24 Clerics:Abrev.
- 25 Dipper
- 26 Shaft
- 27 Regular
- 28 Greek letter
- 29 Relinquish
- 30 Make easier
- 31 High society
- 32 Cpl. Walter O'Reilly to friends
- 34 Herring-like fishes
- 37 Follows tennis or golf
- 38 Buchwald & others
- 40 Initiate

- 41 Egg on
- 43 To a certain extent
- 46 Distinguishing feature
- 47 Ceremonies
- 48 Simba's uncle
- 49 Buckeye State
- 50 Greenspan and others
- 51 Hairdo
- 53 Walk lamely
- 54 Hinge joint
- 56 Groovy
- 57 Snakelike fish
- 58 Explosive

#### Quotable Quote

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## Lady T-Birds coming together

By EDITH AGOSTON  
Staff Reporter

The Lady T-Birds basketball team has been struggling with a 1-3 record in league play and a 7-7 record overall.

With that struggle however, came a lot of improvement.

They spent their winter break competing and working on coming together as a team.

The team played in the Big Bend Crossover Tournament and competed in three games, two of which were their very first league games, over the break.

But before all of that the women destroyed an ailing Bellevue team, 94-53, here at home on Dec. 4.

"We executed very well," Head Coach Dennis Olson said of their big win.

It was a blowout from the start with four players in double figures. Diane Whitehead had a breakout game as she led the team with 17 points and 5 steals. Ane Tuivai wasn't far behind with 16 points, Michelle Aurelio contributed 13 points and 8 rebounds, Katie Foster drilled a few threes to get her 11 points,

and Tiare Alailima collected seven boards in the victory.

"We played as a team," Whitehead said.

Ten days later, the Lady T-Birds didn't appear to lose a beat as they defeated Whatcom 71-50. Whitehead was at the top of her game again with 14 points, Lisa Pueschner bounced back with 12 points, Alailima added another 10 points, and Aurelio picked up 8 rebounds for the team.

Then came the Crossover tournament, which lasted from Dec. 19-21. Highline went 2-1 in the tournament, defeating Olympic 78-64 and Blue Mountain 66-65. Their one loss came to Mt. Hood 67-61. The leading scorers in the three games were Aurelio, Whitehead, Pueschner, and Alailima.

In the last game against Blue Mountain, the team was down by 19 points at halftime but they managed to pull out a win.

"We came back, won that game and it was exciting," Olson said.

Jan. 2 was a different story however, Highline lost to Clark, one of the top teams in the division, 86-61. The game was the

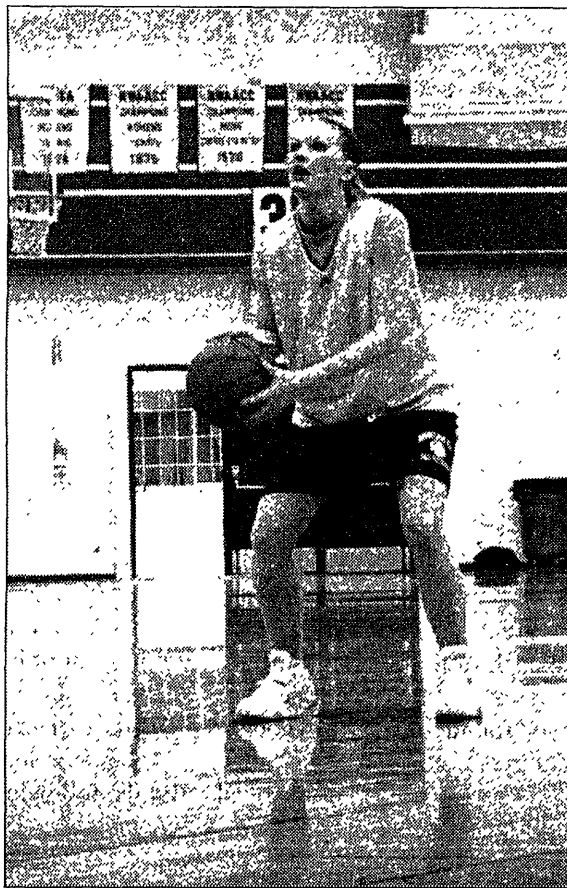


Photo by Adrienne Hughes

Constance Rasmussen practices her shot at a recent women's basketball practice.

league opener for the T-Birds.

Olson said he was "cautiously confident" going into league play. "It's a tough divi-

sion this year, there aren't any weak teams," he said.

Pueschner led with 16 points, Whitehead and Tuivai both put in 13, and Aurelio grabbed 9 rebounds.

Two days later the team lost a close game to South Puget Sound 48-46. Cele White, who just recently became eligible, had a double-double, with 11 points and 11 rebounds, Foster con-

tributed 11 points and 7 rebounds, Alailima had 10 boards, and Pueschner came up with six steals in the losing effort.

The Thunderbirds didn't let their 0-2 start get them down. They came out strong on Jan. 8 and stomped on Green River 90-48. White had another outstanding game with 20 points, 13 rebounds, and five blocked shots. Whitehead didn't do so bad herself as she scored 18 points, and Aurelio added 10 more for the team.

"We had been struggling, but I think its starting to come together," Olson said.

Highline tried to take that momentum with them into their next game against top seed Lower Columbia but they came up short, losing 68-55. Aurelio had 12 points, White scored 10 points and collected 7 boards, and Foster helped out with 8 boards of her own.

"The game was pretty good, there was definitely a lot of improvement," Assistant Coach, Denise Dollar said. "We played really well."

Highline's next game will be here at home against Tacoma on Saturday, at 3 p.m. The team also played against Pierce on Wednesday, Jan. 15, however results were unavailable at press time.

## T-Bird men have rough time over winter break

By FABIO HEURING  
Staff Reporter

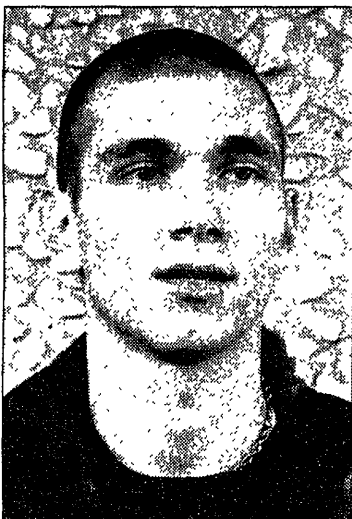
The Highline men's basketball team started the season a little short of what they expected, going 1-7 in non-league tournament games. The Thunderbirds are now 1-3 on their league games and have a 2-10 record

"In the non league games we weren't playing well in the first half, and then we had to come out and play much harder in the second half, and we began to run out of gas," guard Marcus Mosby said.

The T-Birds kicked off the season losing 78-59 to Chemeketa and 90-64 Edmonds at the Edmonds tournament.

The T-Birds then lost 94-83 to Bellevue. Seth Caine and Danny Aldrete were the leading scorers with 23 and 20 respectively. Jaland Christophe and Jeelani McDonald each grabbed eight rebounds.

Highline then got their first win of the year when they defeated Columbia Basin, 77-70. Jason Cardenas lead they way for the T-Birds with 20 points and 15 boards. Highline also



Cardenas

got help Caine, Aldrete and Matt Englund with each of them scoring in double figures. Freshman point guard Chris Meeds also helped players get good looks dishing out six assists.

Highline then lost to Big Bend 84-71 in the South Puget Sound tournament. Caine was impressive in the losing effort, scoring 20 points. McDonald posted a double-double with 12 points and 10 rebounds. The second day of the tournament wasn't much better for the Thunderbirds as they lost 78-69

to Chemeketa. McDonald and Aldrete each scored 17 in the losing effort.

Highline lost in a close one to Yakima Valley 82-80 in the Shoreline tournament. Aldrete had 26 points and Englund had 17 points in the losing effort. McDonald also he contributed 10 points and eight rebounds.

The Thunderbirds then lost to Shoreline 78-61. Caine poured in 18 points in the loss to go with 10 boards by Cardenas.

The Thunderbirds then started off their league games with a loss to Clark College 93-76. Aldrete led the T-Birds in scoring with 18. Cardenas helped down low with eight points and 12 rebounds.

Highline then got its first league win against South Puget sound 78-77. Aldrete came off with 36 points and seven assists. Caine grabbed a crucial rebound in the final moments of the game and got fouled. He then sank his two free throws to give Highline the victory.

"We were up then they came back, but we stuck together and played as a team," Jaland Christophe said.

McDonald came up big in

the win with 12 points, 13 rebounds and five assists.

Highline then went into a game against Green River in which they felt that they had to play good defense to get a victory.

"Green River has a high, powered offense, so we must be able to play defense to get our offense going to give us a chance," Christophe said before the game.

Highline did a good job of that in the first half with a 34-33 lead at halftime. Green River started the second on a 24-7 run to put them up by 14 with 13 minutes to go, a deficit that Highline could not erase losing 100-82. Cardenas led Highline scorers with 19 points. McDonald got a double-double with 18 points and 10 rebounds.

The T-Birds then lost in tough game to Lower Columbia 82-79 in overtime. The T-Birds erased a 15 point deficit to put it in overtime but were unable to hit the big shot.

"We missed some crucial shots at the end, we were down 15 points, we came back and put it into overtime," McDonald said. McDonald picked up his

fourth double-double of the year with 14 points and 10 rebounds. Cardenas played one of his best games of the year leading Highline with 22 points and 11 rebounds.

"This was a tough loss for us but its good knowing that were right their," forward Jawande Simpson said.

The T-Birds are now 1-3 in their league games and have a 2-10 record overall.

The T-Birds feel that they will rebound from theses losses with teamwork.

"We were a unit and now we are a team. As a unit we knew each other but didn't know of each other. As a team we know the ins and outs of each other," Marcus Moore said.

Highline faced Pierce college on Wednesday, Jan. 15 at home. Results for that game were not available at press time.

The Thunderbirds must now prepare themselves to face off against first place Tacoma in which a must anticipated matchup between Cardenas and Tacoma's star Justin Holt. Highline will face Tacoma on Saturday, Jan. 18 at 5 p.m. at home.



## Wrestlers don't make the grade

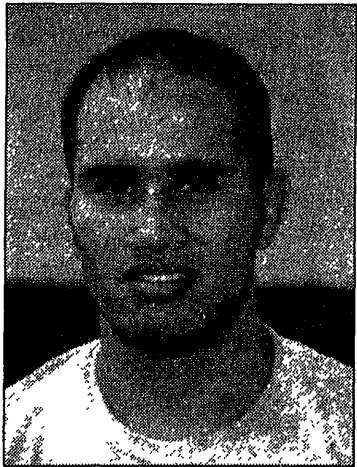
By DUSTIN NICKERSON  
Staff Reporter

In the infamous bout between athletes and academic ineligibility, Highline wrestling has found their shoulders facing the mat.

With the void of four empty weight classes and 24 points forfeited each meet, Coach Scott Norton admits that it's a problem impossible to conquer this season.

"Everyone gets hit with this every season," says Norton, "but our team was hit hardest by far."

Norton started the season confident that his squad could be among the top in the NJCAA, even without having the luxury of recruitment at the end of last season. And with a successful first few meets, Highline was making case to



Norton

their claim.

"We started great, I was thinking second or third in the league for sure," says Norton. "But now we've found ourselves at the bottom of the barrel."

Over the semester's break, the T-Birds wrestled in five meets, including one this last

Saturday against Southwestern Oregon. With a full team, Highline could have walked away a 4-2 record. But instead, the unintentionally thin T-Birds found themselves losing five, tying one, and now facing a notorious North Idaho team today, Jan. 16.

In a homecoming for wrestler Peter Puccio, the T-Birds first faced off against Yakima Valley, at the Yakima Sundome. While the meet took place, a high school tournament went on around mats surrounding their's.

"It was an exciting match," says Puccio, who was able to pull off a victory in front of his former high school companions.

Though the T-Birds as a team went home with their first loss of the break. But the following week, in a quad meet with Southwestern Oregon, Clackamas, and Yakima, the T-Birds

had a shot at redemption.

"Top to bottom we looked pretty sharp," said Coach Norton. "But the forfeited matches are why Clackamas and (Southwestern) Oregon beat us."

Highline competed first against Clackamas, losing by only eight points. But their next loss to Southwestern was much more severe, and Highline was sent home with their heads down. Though exact scores from the meets could not be found, they were undoubtedly forgettable for the T-Birds.

Taking a page from Vietnam draft dodgers, the T-Birds took their problems to Canada in a double-dual meet with Simon Fraser and Douglass.

"We looked really flat," said Norton. "We should have been able to win at least one of those matches."

Highline tied with Simon Fraser 27-27, but lost to Douglass in a match Norton could only describe as "very frustrating."

Next in line was the RLU Open, where Highline's top performance came from Sean Duffy, normally a backup in the 125-pound division.

Other than Duffy's performance, not much else happened at the open, said Norton.

Finally, this last weekend, Highline went head to head with Southwestern Oregon. Highline won just a single match, in another score that slipped out of memory.

In early November, the same North Idaho team that comes to town tonight overwhelmed a more complete Highline team. The first match begins at 7 p.m. whether a T-Bird is eligible to wrestle or not.

## Big White provides big fun for students

By MIKE ALTON  
Staff Reporter

Attention all ski and snowboard junkies, and the curious alike, an international ski trip is planned for Big White.

The International Student Programs has planned a ski trip for the ski resort destination, Big White, British Columbia.

The Feb. 15-17 (President's Day weekend) package includes hotel accommodations, two days lift tickets, two Continental Breakfasts and roundtrip transportation from Highline.

Daily mountain tours are available.

As a bonus, guests will receive coupons for discounts on restaurants, retail and rentals.

The organizer of this trip, Destination Snow, will provide two tour guides for each bus providing information and activities throughout the trip.

Transportation will be deluxe motor coaches. Guests will watch movies, be provided beverages and have chances to win prizes. A dinner stop is planned en route.

At 340 miles, the trip takes roughly seven and a half hours. Guests will see a wide range of scenery spanning open snow covered fields, and rugged mountains.

Upon arriving in Kelowna, B.C., guests will stay at the Holiday Inn or the Best Western.

Both hotels have a pool, hot tub, exercise room and restaurant, all only 45 minutes from Big White.

On the mountain, gear is available for a two-day rental;

ski: about \$49, and snowboard: \$55. A two-hour lesson for both ski and snowboard is \$14. ATM machines are available in the village.

Thirteen lifts on Big White serve 112 designated runs, featuring beginning, intermediate, and expert levels.

Also on the mountain are terrain parks, a world class super pipe and a boardercross run. The longest groomed run is four and a half miles.

Prices range from \$175 based on four persons sharing

two queen beds, to \$210 for 2 people in a two-bed room.

If a person were to do this trip himself, the costs for gas, tollbooths, hotel room, lift ticket, transportation to and from mountain, and meals would cost nearly \$350.

As of Jan. 10, Victoria Olfert from International Student Programs said that roughly 45

people have signed up for the trip.

To sign up, call or visit International Student Programs, and the ski resort and hotel poster and brochure. For more information on Big White, visit [www.bigwhite.ca](http://www.bigwhite.ca).

Payment was due Jan. 15, 2003, but late entries will be accepted for a \$10 surcharge.

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## Shenkman leads discussssion on terror

By JERSHON FOYSTON  
Staff Reporter

Misunderstandings and conflicting values have led some people around the world to dislike the United States, an expert said here Wednesday.

Speaking to an overflow crowd in Building 7, journalist and historian Rick Shenkman talked about "Why They Hate Us."

Shenkman said the question is difficult to answer, but that it must be understood in the context of what is really a 30-year war against terrorism.

The best-selling author said the usual myths describing what led to events such as the 9/11 tragedy involve poverty and religion, neither of which explains why some terrorist groups have targeted the United States.

"It's not about them, it's about us," said Shenkman.

Shenkman said he wanted



Photo by Christina Remter

Shenkman talked of reasons behind foreign countries hatred for the U.S.

people to know that there is no "they" but a group of people. He said there is no one answer because there is no one group of terrorists.

Shenkman said that Americans need to understand hate. Americans are not comfortable with hatred, it is not normal to hate. But in other countries

people grow up with hatred.

The United States used to be on good terms with the Middle East until the Gulf War.

Some countries in the Middle East used to recite the US Constitution in their schools.

Americans have been helping the people we are fighting now since the Cold War. Americans sold weapons to countries to help them against the Soviet Union.

The Gulf War changed that, however. "That's when the US became the devil," Shenkman said.

"Don't overlook the obvious — they just might not understand America," said Shenkman.

People who are powerless often reach conclusions that people with power that are way out there.

Shenkman told of a best-selling author in France who said that Jews were the ones

who flew the planes in to the Twin Towers and that the Pentagon planned the attack on itself.

Shenkman said he was shocked by President Bush's reasons for the actions that were taken against the United States on 9/11.

"Bush takes the easy way out," he said. "I am asking Americans to confront history as a means of understanding this 30-year war."

Shenkman said that President Bush has made many mistake in handling the situation.

"He is commander in chief and also educator in chief," he said.

"Instead of taking the easy way out and saying they are the devil, he should explain the past and how we have helped in this situation in the Middle East," said Shenkman.

"If you remember anything, this is history to remember," Shenkman said in closing.

## Dr. Hannibal speaks of genetics

By JAMES SCHEIDER  
Staff Reporter

Dr. Mark C. Hannibal, M.D. delivered a colloquy on genetics and what treatments may be offered in the future. He presented to an audience of about 70 Highline students and faculty members on Wednesday, Jan. 15.

Dr. Hannibal, a pediatric geneticist and acting assistant professor for the University of Washington, focused on what genetic health care is available today and what may be available in the future.

Dr. Hannibal began by saying an individual's genetic background influences what traits, conditions, and diseases they may be susceptible to. He went on to say that in more developed countries, genetics is a



Hannibal

contributing factor to healthcare and the treatment of diseases and disorders. "With the availability of genetic testing and improved medical treatment, genetic knowledge is used to guide healthcare," said Dr. Hannibal.

Dr. Hannibal said there are many choices in genetic health

available to us today, including newborn blood and hearing screening and specific disease testing.

Dr. Hannibal also conjectured that in the future many more options will be available, such as the ability to screen for more diseases, screen for non-disease traits (such as intelligence), cloning, and gene therapy for common diseases.

There have been attempts at gene therapy, but the success rate is low, said Dr. Hannibal. He then added, "There are unfortunately no gene therapy pills as of yet."

There were also many ethical issues covered in Dr. Hannibal's address. These issues included cases where life insurance costs went up, job security was threatened, and sometimes people would just rather not

know they would die at a young age.

There will be another Honors Colloquy featuring Mayet Dalia

Wednesday, Jan. 22nd in Building 7. The event is open to all Highline students and staff who are interested in attending.

## Highline clubs featured at fair


This year's clubs fair will be held on Thursday, Jan. 16, from 11a.m. to 1p.m. in Building 8.

Over 20 official clubs will be represented, giving Highline students many opportunities to get involved. Students are encouraged to ask questions of the representatives.

"This is an opportunity for clubs to get the word out about what they are doing," said multicultural student pro-

grams advisor Fred Capestany. Capestany also mentioned that all of the clubs will be repre-

sented at the fair to some degree. There will be free food offered.




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# Construction may resume in spring

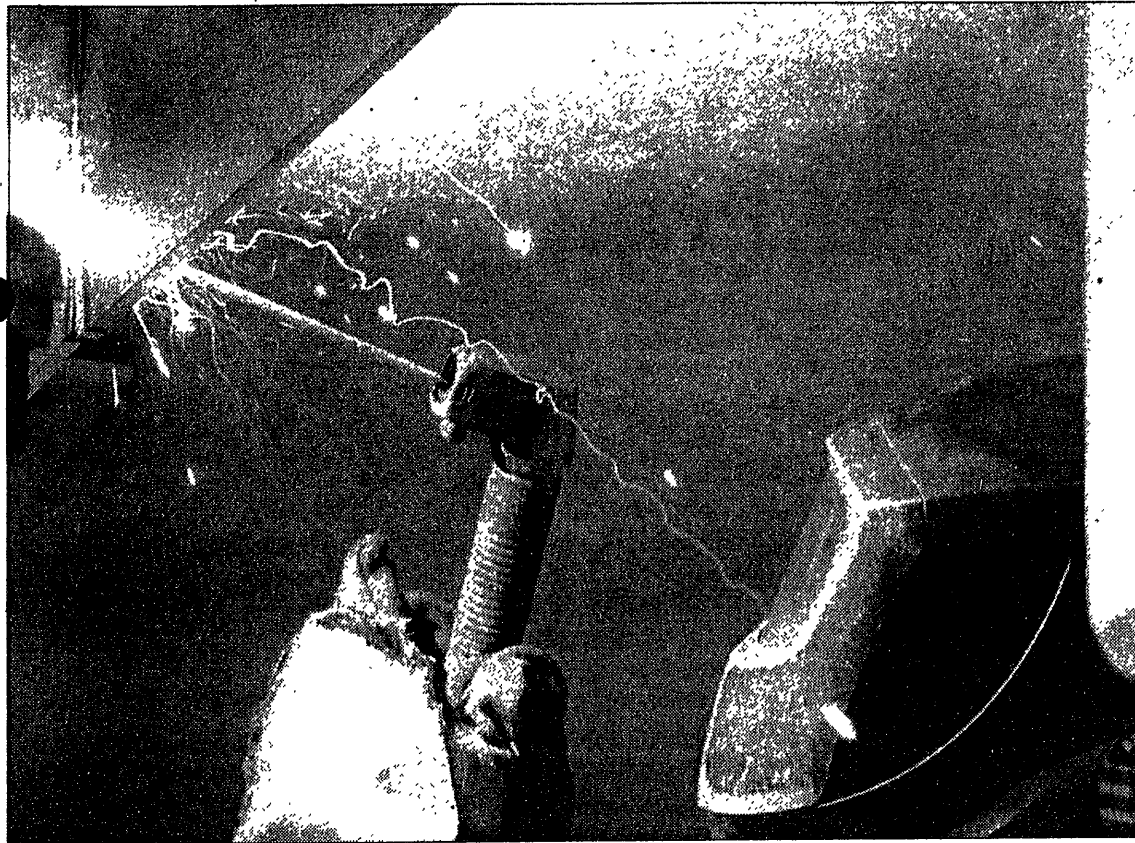


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Construction workers weld a railing during the fall projects last quarter.

By PETER PUCCIO  
Staff Reporter

Some of this fall's construction projects are wrapping up even as the college gets ready for bigger projects this spring.

As the college remodels its 40 year old campus, the fall projects have included remodeling buildings, handrails, benches, and other construction activity.

Still to come are the new student center, the new childcare center, and the Higher Education Building. Work on those projects could start as early as Spring Quarter.

"The latest on Building 21 is that it is about 98 percent finished," said Susie Holmes, who is the associate director of facilities.

Building 21 was difficult, Facilities Director Pete Babington said.

He said that while the project came in on budget and with an unblemished safety record, it

wasn't ready in time for Fall Quarter.

Never the less Building 21 is in full operation despite the fact that the final details of the building are still being worked out.

This may be because of the fact that Building 21 is on its third superintendent on the project, Babington said.

The fire lane project, which is a project to clear area around the campus in order to make an accessible pathway for fire trucks to be able to access all the buildings on campus in the event of a fire, has suffered even more than the Building 21 project.

"We had to lose two straight demolition superintendents after known buried utilities were damaged," Babington said.

That project is on its third general superintendent also. While there will always be elements beyond our control, we do what we can to create an atmosphere for success, Babington said.

## Student, teacher to debate God

A student and a professor will debate the existence of God 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 17, in the Building 7 Lecture Hall.

The debate will feature Highline student Benjamin Campbell and Dr. Charles Stores.

Campbell is a self-proclaimed nondenominational Christian, and his main intent in this debate is to inform those people who are undecided about the existence of God.

"I hope that both myself and

Professor Stores can present the best possible arguments on both sides of the issue so that the audience can have a more educated perspective on the matter," said Campbell.

Campbell also wishes the more atheistically inclined to come to the debate.

"I would also encourage the dogmatic atheists to come, for they will be given the chance to raise objections during the course of the debate," he said.

This event came about when

Campbell heard that Stores denied the existence of God and told his students as such in his various classes.

He then asked debate moderator Jacob Mertens to approach Dr. Stores with a challenge to debate the issue, which Stores accepted.

According to Mertens, this event has been in the works since early to mid-November 2002, and is sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ. The event is free and open to all.

## Winter workshops focus on jobs

Career Connections is putting a series of workshops on for Highline students this quarter. Topics will include career changes, resume ideas, and choosing a career that is right for you.

Workshops are free and open to all. Most run 12:10-1 p.m. Most are located in Building 23, room 111.

On Jan. 23, Lance Gibson talk about changing careers.

On Jan. 30, in Building 30, room 318, an Internet-based workshop to research selected occupations, will be offered by the Washington Occupational Information System.

A two-hour workshop based on building professional resume will be Feb. 6 in Building 30, room 318. The last hour of this class will be spent working on the computers. The hours for

this workshop are 12:10-2 p.m.

On Feb. 13, a workshop will be offered for students interested in preparing this spring's Job Fair.

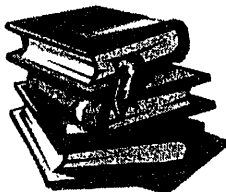
On Feb. 20, a workshop

based on how to take advantage of networking when trying to find a job will take place.

For more information, contact Career Connections in Building 6.

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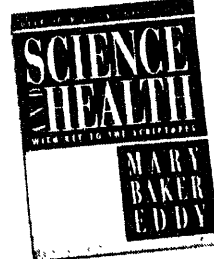
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## Budget

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Technical Colleges to approve a 9 percent tuition hike for each year of the biennium, which could generate \$43.9 million for the schools.

Even with the revenue from students, colleges still face a \$15.3 million deficit, which is roughly 1.4 percent of the entire community college system budget of \$1.05 billion.

The message that all three representatives passed to the audience was that students need to make sure their stories are heard by their government.

"My office doesn't belong to me," said State Rep. Dave Upthegrove, D-33rd District. "You pay for it, so come and visit."

Upthegrove stated that in his view, the main problems facing Highline and all community and technical colleges are that the state doesn't have a tuition policy, the governor is facing a \$2.2 billion deficit, and that

there is a crisis in confidence of government.

Taxpayers are reluctant to give the state more money, as the wave of tax control initiatives by Tim Eyman continues.

"It is safe to say that the Legislature recognizes the cost-effectiveness of the community colleges," said State Rep. Shay Schual-Berke, D-33rd District. "But the crystal ball is in smithereens when it comes to the budget...economic recovery is not around the corner."

Schual-Berke is on the appropriations committee which deals with the state budget, and she said that legislators need to know from students what students are doing that makes funding programs and lowering tuition worth it.

"Every dollar that goes to you does not go to someone else," said Schual-Berke in response to the plea from students to save student programs and current tuition rates.

Student government members gave some accounts of their individual experiences at Highline and voiced their fears of what might become of the



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services that have helped them along their way.

Highline student Jennifer Villaruz spoke of the aid that Highline's transfer and tutoring centers provided her throughout her time here.

"The tutors there are peers, so they can explain things in my own language," said Villaruz.

Highline student Shelly Farmer said that she knew what she wanted to do, but had trouble with how to do it.

She recounted how the entry services program helped her become involved in music theory, and ultimately gave her something to show off to her mother, in the form of an original vocal composition that she performed



Upthegrove

for the student body.

"It's not just repeating facts back to a professor on a final," Farmer said.

At the beginning of the meeting, Student Government President Stefan Alano gave a present to each legislator to, "continue the spirit of the holidays." As the legislators opened the gifts, wrapped in golden paper, he read the card attached aloud for the audience.

"Please don't cut the thread that higher education hangs by," Alano said, as the packages revealed three pairs of scissors for each respective representative.

Highline's administrative staff also gave their perspectives on what funding cuts could

mean for the school.

"Our staff is doing more than you can imagine to shore up the budget shortcomings," said Dr. Priscilla Bell, Highline president.

Dr. Jack Birmingham, Vice President of Academic Affairs told some stories of professors who have had to tighten their belts and loosen their class load limits.

Shay Schual-Berke finally gave a bit of direction to students. "You've got friendly folks on your side, but you need to arm us."

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