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 just to find a parking space,” student Elaine Tahsili said. “I 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.”

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 budget 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 million to be cut from the two-year college system budget for 2003-05, and allows for the State Board for Community and Technical Education to set the amount.

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.
Crime Blotter
for Dec. 5-Jan. 15

Dazed and
confused
A man smoking inside Build-
ing 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 En-
ter" 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 docu-
ments, three open boxes with
blades, four different medica-
tions, and a photograph. The
Des Moines Police were in-
formed and confirmed that the
contents were from a stolen ve-
hicle.

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 ap-
proximately $1,500.

-Compiled by Blossom Birkebak

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" ad-
dressed the main theory of what
did the dinosaurs, a meteor
impact, and a less popular
theory, volcanic basin 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, ornithishia
which included the stegosaurs,
the sauropods which included
the sauropods and theropods
which included the tyrannosa-
urus rex.

However, the theropods did
not all die out, and actually out-
numbered mammalian species 2

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
di moderneay birds.

"Modern birds are the direct
descendants of the Theropods,
and therefore within
Dinosaurs, " 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 extinc-
tion of the dinosaurs is that a
 giant meteor careened into
Earth and wiped out the dino-
saurs 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
basals being a possible cause of
what killed the dinosaurs and
and two thirds of all species 65
million years ago.

"Many other impacts have
occurred without mass extinc-
tion," said Baer, "some much
larger."

One such extinction occurred
Jan. 31. Contact Laura Man-
nings for more information or to
pick up an application. She can
be found in Building 5, or at ext.
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The forms and guidelines are
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Building 9 or at
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Highline can be
seen on the bus
The college's new advertis-
ing campaign, "The Faces of
Highline, " has launched and
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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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. Dan Fortin, 20, has filled the vacant senator position that Barrera left behind. The new Student Senator Minh Hua was promoted to fulfill the Treasurer position.

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.

"Di 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, Jesse 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 Karg
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 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.
- Lecture: "Health Issues in the African American Community" by Mayet Dalila, 1:10 p.m., Building 7.
- Lecture: "Women in the Civil Rights Movement," by Zoharah Simmons, Ph.D., 10 a.m., Building 7.
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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.

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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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 will 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’re the vital ingredients that keep us from becoming static, that push us on. Our answer is right here, on campus. The resources we have available to us here at Highline are invaluable. They are highly accessible and 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 questionnaires that will help you make good career decisions.

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 emphasis the exact opposite principle? Instead of admiring honest originality our society scorns those who fail to comply with the standards of style. Sure, we miss out! It will be held on Jan. 23, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. upstairs in Building 6 is the Winter Transfer Fair. There will be 30 representatives from colleges and universities all over the state.

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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 bore 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.

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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, Chasitay Bodice, 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 more are Breeders Theater regulars.

Among the actors in the play are also Highline students Jim Cooper and Julian Schrenzel, a previous music student of Highline professor Dr. Sandra Maggio (Christopher Walken) and Sal Maggio's (Dyan Canen) mother.

The “heat” shows up and is notittered 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.

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 lasting 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.

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 young boy and stumbles upon a plethora of stolen goods, which puts our heroes in a real pickle.

Then all of a sudden the kangaroo wakes up and hops away from the car crash 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).

Along the way, while singing Land Down Under and cruising at high speeds they hit a kangaroo. Instead of moving the car, Cass 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).

The three friends set out to get the money back for 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 thinking? 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 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 mar- supial. Not to mention there is some pretty impressive land-

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See Kangaroo page 6
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 to come to see plays here before 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.

Kangaroo
Continued from page 5

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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.
Choir seeks fresh voices

BY NATHAN BIRKEBAK
Staff Reporter

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

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 the 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 Cassandra 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 Winter’s Recital where they’ll receive a cash reward.

A few select students will have an opportunity to play Highline’s Estonian 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.

By 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.

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40 Enthusiastic
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60 Spooky
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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 Crossfire 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. Anu 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 Tiere Alalima 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 boomed back with 12 points, Alalima added another 10 points, and Aurelio picked up 8 rebounds for the team.

Then came the Crossfire tournament, which lasted from Dec. 19-21. Highline went 2-1 in the event, 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 Alalima.

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 fourth double-double of the year for Aurelio, who contributed 11 points and 10 rebounds. Foster contributed 11 points and 11 rebounds. Alalima had 10 rebounds, 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. Whitehead 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 momentum with them into their next game against top seed Yakima Valley. 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 definite 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 T-Birds 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 Christoph and Jared McDonald each grabbed eight rebounds.

Highline then got their first win of the season when they defeated Columbia Basin, 77-70. Jaron Cardenas lead they way for the T-Birds with 20 points and 15 boards. Highline also got help Caine, Aldrete and Matt England 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 78-60 to Chemeketa. McDonald and Aldrete each scored 17 points in the losing effort.

Highline then lost to Yakima Valley 82-80 in the Shoreline tournament. Aldrete had 26 points and England had 17 points in the losing effort. McDonald also contributed 10 points and eight rebounds.

The Thunderbirds then lost to Shoreline 78-76. Caine posted 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 Christoph 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," Christoph 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 couldn't 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 them 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 their," forward Jawande Simpson said.

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

The T-Birds feel that they will rebound from losses this week.

"We are a unit and we now are a team. As a unit we knew each other but didn't know of other," said Marcus Mosby.

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

The Thunderbirds is a team of improvement," Assistant Coach, Marcus Mosby 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.
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 NACC, 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 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,” says 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 BLU 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, 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 superpipe 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.

Payment was due Jan. 15, 2003, but late entries will be accepted for a $10 surcharge.
Shenkman leads discussion 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 students 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 mistakes 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.

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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 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.

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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.

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Highline clubs featured at fair

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Construction may resume in spring

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 Babington.

Campbell is a self-proclaimed non-denominational Christian, and he is a member of the debate in order to inform those people who are undecided about the existence of God. "I hope that both myself and Professor Babington 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," he said. Campbell also wishes the debate to be more atheistically inclined to come to the debate. "I would also encourage the audience 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.

The debate will feature an Internet-based platform that allows the audience to participate in the debate, and it will be moderated by a moderator from a Christian college.

The debate will be free and open to all. Most are located in Building 23, room 111. On Jan. 23, Lance Gibson will be discussing the topic of "Finding Your Purpose." On Jan. 30, in Building 30, room 318, an Internet-based workshop will be offered to research selected occupations, will be offered by the Washington Occupational Information System.

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Winter workshops focus on jobs

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For more information, contact Career Connections in Building 6.

By Peter Puccio

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 Sue 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.

This 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.

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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 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 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 Bermingham, 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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