They’re back!

Dozens of alumni find their way back to Highline to work

By Blossom Birkebak
Staff Reporter

Although John Dunn had only intended spending two years at Highline, he ended up here for 13.

For two years in the early '80s he attended Highline as a student after which he transferred to Washington State University, where he took an assistant basketball coaching job at the University of Nevada.

Eleven years ago he returned to Highline to take an assistant coaching job. Within two years he became the head basketball coach as well as an instructor. He later became Highline’s athletic director.

Dunn is only one of many Highline faculty and staff who were once students themselves at Highline. Some enjoyed their time at Highline, and some did not. Some got an invitation to come back, and others simply answered an ad for a position. Each sees differences in Highline since he or she was a student. And each has a story to tell about his or her journey from then to now.

Many members of Highline’s faculty and staff are former students who chose to attend Highline over other colleges for many different reasons.

Some came to Highline because of the cost. “It cost maybe $60 per quarter for 15 credits,” said Executive Director of Foundation and Director of Resource Development Mark McKay, remembering when he was a student in the early ‘60s. He was one of many who chose Highline partly because of the cost.

Location was a factor that many others also took into account. Some said the location was nice. A few said they had connections in the community.

State Sen. Don Carlson, R-Vancouver, has proposed State Senate Bill 5135, which would create tuition surcharges wherein, “Resident undergraduates who accumulate more than 150 percent of the credits required to complete their degree or certificate program at a public community or technical college pay tuition fees equal to a sum not less than the average instructional support in general funds and operating fees per full-time equivalent at each respective institution,” according to the bill. The same applies to four-year colleges, but allows for only 120 percent before the surcharge is incurred.

The bill comes from Republican concern for the current budget crisis and the effects of hangers-on at public colleges where a fraction of each student’s education is subsidized by the state, and the “increasing number of years it takes to complete a baccalaureate degree,” according to the bill’s report. The bill ideally would increase two- and four-year colleges’ student capacity.

“Students need to be very deliberate, thoughtful, intentional,” Carlson said, “It bothers me that some students think it’s OK to be in the higher education community for a long time because it’s really kind of a fun place to be.”

Carlson said that students can’t expect to be allowed to stay on at college on the state’s tab. “We don’t have the money for it.”

The bill has already passed

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Car vandals back in Highline lots

A GMC Yukon had its pas-
senger window smashed out by two males driving a green Cherokee. The incident hap-
pened at 8:50 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 7, in the East parking lot.
The GMC's owner reported that his in-dash tape deck was stolen and his PlayStation was gone. Des Moines Police were called and took fingerprints from the pas-
senger door.

Thief inspired
by love of music

The passenger window of a student's 1994 Mazda was smashed out and a CD case, holding between 50 and 60 CDs, was taken. The incident happened in the South parking lot Monday, Feb. 10.

Thieves fast,
violents furious

Two individuals were re-
ported breaking into cars in the Midway parking lot Tuesday, Feb. 11. The eye-witnessed said the duo were driving a red sports car and were using a slim jim to open vehicles. Security patrolled the lot but could not locate the suspects.

Head-on collision
west of campus

Two vehicles collided head-
on yesterday morning, at 6 a.m.
in State Route 516. Three people are in the hospital, two in critical condition.
A PT Cruiser was traveling east in a westbound lane when it ran into a Plymouth Neon. The road was closed until 8:30 a.m. for the Washington State Patrol to investigate the cause of the accident. Currently alco-
hol is thought to be the culprit.

-Hungry maggots eat away your troubles

BY RACHEL PLATT
Staff Reporter

When Donna Rydberg sees
an infection she just tells it to "bug off."

At last Friday's Science Seminar, Highline nursing in-
structor Donna Rydberg dis-
cussed how biosurgical treat-
ment is making a comeback in modern medicine.

"Biological sounds so much better than maggots, I think," said Rydberg.

Maggot debri dement therapy is used when a wound has reached the inflammatory stage of healing but due to necrotic/ dead tissue the wound will not continue the healing process.

"Healing cannot occur when a wound has necrotic tissue present," said Rydberg.

When healing cannot occur due to necrotic tissue, three methods of removing the tissue that typically used in hospitals including: surgical, surgical, au-
tolytic and enzymatic debride-
ment. However, each of these methods poses problems.

"One of the problems remov-
ing tissue surgically is you can't just get the dead tissue," said Rydberg. "You have to remove the good tissue as well."

When a wound is treated with enzymatic debri dement therapy, enzymes that are given to tenderize the meat around the wound continue to eat good flesh. This type of treatment is typically used in the middle of big wounds, said Rydberg.

"The fastest, most precise, economical, and versatile of any method is maggot debri dement therapy," said Rydberg. "Maggot debri dement therapy (MDT) is the treatment of wounds with larvae of the Green Bottle Blow-
fly."

The first recorded note of the beneficial effects from using maggots to remove dead tissue was taken on the battlefields during the Civil War. They later lost favor with the development of penicillin and antibiotics, and became obsolete in the 1940s said Rydberg.

However, there was "a resur-
gence in the 1980s with the in-
crease of drug resistant bacte-
ria," said Rydberg.

Maggots are considered to be a wonderful treatment for mul-
tiple reasons. Not only are they able to eliminate necrotic tissue, but are also able to promote wound healing, reduce odor, disinfect wounds through mi-
crobial killing, they are pain free and carry no risks, said Rydberg.

"There are not other things available that will do that," said Rydberg. "They do a number of things that haven't even been discovered why by scientists."

Rydberg continued that many people in America have a diffi-
cult time with the idea of MDT because of the bad image asso-
ciated with maggots.

Rydberg assured the audi-
ence that all of the maggots are sterile before treatment and disposed of properly after treat-
ment by either being washed down a drain with chemicals, or incinerated.

When a person is treated with MDT a physician requests a consultation to determine if it is appropriate treatment for the patient's wound.

Then the patient and the fam-
ily are asked to discuss the ben-
efits and possible problems with the treatment.

Rydberg said that in all the time she has used MDT, she has never had a patient back out. Instead, she usually has prob-
lems with the nurses.

When the process of MDT begins, 150 maggots are placed into the patient's wound. At this point the maggots are very small.

"They are about 2-3 millime-
ters long," said Rydberg. "By the end of the treatment they will become about 10 millime-
ters long."

The wound is then dressed with a bandage of Owen's Silk. The dressing allows for the maggots to be contained.

"Patients get cranky when they wake up to find maggots everywhere," said Rydberg.

At the end of three days the dressing is taken off and the maggots are removed and dis-
posed of. By this point the mag-
gots are so large that they often crush one another.

Another dressing is then put on, containing another 150 mag-
gots, and the process is repeated until all of the necrotic tissue is eaten away.

"It's amazing how much they can eat," said Rydberg.

Rydberg concluded that while maggots may not be the most high tech way of treating wounds, their use has undeniable benefits.

MDT has saved at least 20 people from what were consid-
ered imminent leg amputations and has been able to heal wounds from 10 months old to 50 years.

By Rachel Platt

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Students send smoke signals

In a recent survey, nearly half of Highline students said they would like a smoke free campus

BY JENNIFER VILLARUZ
Staff Reporter

Thirty-nine percent of Highline students said they feel smoking is a major problem on campus, and 49 percent would like to see Highline smoke free. Students had the opportunity to voice their opinions about smoking on campus in a recent survey conducted by the King County Public Health Department.

Surveys were passed out during the week of the Great American Smokeout in November. The original goal was to have 360 surveys completed, but Highline ended up with well over 1,000.

The surveys are part of the application process Highline is going through to receive a mini-grant from the Health Department. The Seattle and King County Tobacco Prevention Program has set aside $10,000 for mini-grants in amounts of $500, and a maximum grant of $2,499 for various colleges in King County.

Eric Blanchard, student senator and chairman of Highline’s Health Committee, said that in the application for the grant, Highline must show where and how the money will be allocated.

One feature the college would like to see is a health information booth. This booth will mainly be for smokers who want to quit.

“In the past, there have been other attempts for reducing smoking here at Highline. This is the one that seems like it’s actually going to go through,” said Blanchard.

Highline is one in seven community colleges who participated in the survey, including Green River, South Seattle, Lake Washington Technical, and Seattle Central.

Highline has the highest percentage of non-smokers, at 65 percent. Next is Seattle Central at 59 percent.

“I don’t smoke, but I try not to mind the smoke. At the same time I don’t like the smell of it,” said Maria Solmiano, Highline student.

“I think designated smoking areas would be all right,” she continued. “At least they would have a place where they can smoke rather than totally being banned from campus. But I definitely wouldn’t like them smoking right outside of the classrooms.”

This is a common concern across campus, from outside of classrooms to where you get your coffee. The ironically named Johnny Smokes operates the espresso stand outside Building 6, where he faces second hand smoke daily.

Despite signs all over campus prohibiting smoking, some people are still oblivious.

“It’s irritating. Some people come up and smoke right around the counter. It’s kind of a public health issue because I’m preparing food out here. Some people are good about it, they’ll stand away from the cart, but a lot of them don’t care, they’re oblivious to it,” said Smokes.

Twenty-eight percent of Highline students feel that smoking is only a problem and 16 percent do not know.

The survey also indicated that 11 percent of Highline students smoke, but 47 percent of those students plan to quit. An additional 10 percent plan to quit within 30 days.

When the seven colleges were asked if the campus offered services to help people quit smoking, Highline answered yes at the lowest—a mere 5 percent.

Eighty-three percent of Highline students do not know whether there are services for kicking the habit.

When compared to schools such as Seattle Central at 23 percent, and Green River at 33 percent, it is apparent that students feel Highline lacks an evident health support service.

Highline’s Health Committee is currently dealing with the smoking issue and is open to all students. They address health concerns and exchange views about health awareness on campus. The committee’s current goal is to establish a smoking policy by the end of the school year.

Other schools have smoking policies already in effect. Casadia has designated smoking areas, and Centralia’s students have smoking shelters.

“We are currently discussing what procedures we will take for tobacco prevention to reach Highline,” said Blanchard.

There are varied opinions at Highline about which prevention services would be of most use for students.

Sixty-four percent believe there should be resources to help smokers quit. Thirty percent prefer health fairs or booths and 39 percent think media ads that promote quitting would be useful.

“I think the whole thing (smoking prevention) is good. I think it should be targeted more towards non-smokers and younger kids because those are the people that are really being influenced. The commercials and what not that are on TV, I kind of wish those were around when I had started smoking because I didn’t have that influence,” said Kristen Brock, Highline student.

“Now I’m addicted. We (smokers) know that the effects of smoking are bad, we still do it. We put money into it. I think things should be focused more on prevention of the addiction,” she said.

Student Government does not currently know when they will be notified if Highline has been approved for the grant.

Two women take a smoke break outside the cafeteria doors. One of the main concerns among the surveys was people who smoke in and around doorways.

Photo by Nick Trullerch
Act your age in the college classroom

We’ve all at some point or another flipped through a “how-to” book on behavior or some type of etiquette. Everything from a formal dinner to meeting your in-laws, these books are full of “do’s and don’ts” detailing proper and appropriate behavior.

But what about for the college classroom? What kind of guide do we have to help us here?

You might say, “C’mon, we’re college students, we don’t need behavior guidelines!” And although that statement may ring true for many, it cannot be applied across the board.

We are now college students and expected to behave as such (regardless of our age or experience). Unfortunately we do not always live up to these standards. Since common sense has not quite kicked in for some, here is a brief refresher course on behavior.

Talking, whispering, giggling, passing notes, this absurd behavior should have been abandoned in middle school and high school, and yet we still see it in college classrooms. Laughing and enjoying a class is one thing, giggling and carrying on private conversations is quite another; please, save it for after class. The fact that something so obvious is not clear to some students is disturbing.

As a side note, let’s all keep in mind that discussion time in class is not provided as a soap box for your voice alone.

If you’re too lazy to get out of bed, take someone drench you with icewater when you won’t get out of bed; something so obvious is not clear to some students is disturbing.

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At one time or another all of us have forgotten to turn off our cell phones, but if you repeatedly are having a problem turning off your ringer, do something about it, don’t let yourself become a constant annoyance and distraction to your classmates.

One last pet peeve for classroom behavior in college is eating. Of course it is understood that a class around noon is going to be full of snacking students; but when someone brings in hot teriyaki and gobbles it for the first half hour of class, then you have a problem.

In short, we are here to study and we are here to learn, not to eat. We’re in big-kid college now, so act like it.

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Pitcher Danae Munsell, top left, gets ready to fire. Outfielder Sara Macris, top right, digs for a grounder in practice. Andrea Hinckley, right, waits for the ball. Below, the team warms up with some short tossing.

**STORY BY ROSS L. TIMBROOK**
**PHOTOS BY ADRIENNE HUGHES**

It's a typical day at practice for the Highline Women's fastpitch team. The coach yells out instructions to the players and the team works on agility and hitting drills.

The one difference is that it is 7 in the morning and the women are practicing in the Pavilion. This might be a measure of the dedication of the team but at least one of the players states that it is simpler than that.

"We practice in the morning in the gym because the weather is bad for one thing and because the basketball teams have the gym in the afternoon," said Co-Captain Selina Gatz, who plays third base.

"Because we live in Washington we can't really workout outdoors during this time of the year," said Co-Captain Tara Jansson, who plays second base.

The early morning workouts are just one of the steps that the women take in preparing for their pre-season trip to Hawaii on March 24.

Last year's team sent several players on to four-year programs, which Head Coach Kristin Jensen attributes to the way that the program is run.

"It helps a lot with becoming a better team. If we can get here at 6:30 in the morning to work out as a team then it will help us become more unified," Jansson said.

"It helps us with being on time because you have a partner and if your partner does not show up you have to run until they do," said Selina Gatz.

Workouts in the Pavilion are used for working the players' arms into shape and for conditioning until the weather becomes better for outdoor work.

"We've been down here for the last month or so working on our conditioning and our hitting," Jansson said. The team moved outdoors this week to begin practicing in real-game conditions.

"It is kind of hard to take a ground ball off of the floor in here because you don't get the hops and movement that you would get on a regular infield," Jansson said.

Highline's fastpitch team begins practice while most of the campus is still asleep.
Wrestlers to open new chapter in rough season

By Dustin Nickerson

Staff Reporter

Five Highline wrestlers are all fixed on one thought right now, and that's overshadowing a rough season with some tough performances this weekend. Francisco Gonzalez, Jonathan Muri, Peter Puccio, Kennie Pewitt, and Brad Luvaas all have solid chances of making it to the national stage, and their shots come Friday at the Region 14 Championships in Clackamas.

The regional competition Highline faces is some of the stiffest in the nation, but if they are able to squeak into the top three, they'll earn a ticket to the NJCAA Championships. Francisco Gonzalez, in the lightest class of 125 pounds, probably has the heaviest competition. Other than Jeremy Gunderson of southwestern Oregon, who as of Feb. 6 was ranked fourth in the nation, there is no clear favorite.

Right after Gonzalez, and coming back strong from a knee injury, is 133-pounder Jonathan Muri, who has a good shot at working his way to Minnesota as well, going into this weekend seeded No. 2.

"I have just to look past the season's hardships, and take things one match at a time," said Muri.

Next in the line of weight classes is sophomore 149-pounder Peter Puccio, who is going into the tourney ranked third and determined to make up for last year's close miss. Puccio, needing to finish in the top three last year, finished fourth.

"I've used that as my motivation since last year," said Puccio. "It all comes down to this.

But Puccio has his work cut out for him just as much this season as he did last.

In his division, he runs into a previous national qualifier in Josh White from southwestern, and the top 149-pounder in the nation in Keri Stanley from North Idaho. Right above Puccio at 157 pounds is freshman Kennie Pewitt, who redshirted last year and is getting his first shot at NJCAA glory.

"I know I can beat anybody that I wrestle," said Pewitt.

The sixth ranked 157-pounder in the country is Nick Ammerman from southwestern Oregon, and it is likely Pewitt will be shaking hands and hugging him sometime in the tourney.

Finally, Brad Luvaas at 165 pounds is proving what good coaching can do in his collegiate career. Luvaas fell short of anything noteworthy at Port Angeles High School, but now is likely on his way to the national tournament.

"I'm capable of beating anyone in that tournament," said Luvaas.

One of the studs Luvaas may collide with is a national qualifier from last year in Matt Bray from southwestern Oregon.

In total, southwestern has three wrestlers ranked in the top six of the nation, and two that were at the national tourney last year.

Though North Idaho still remains the favorite in the league, and a fierce competitor to repeat last year's national championship. The Cardinals are sitting on a 14-1 record, with six wrestlers who are nationally ranked, including an ace in Keri Stanley.

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-Kennie Pewitt, Highline wrestler

Regardless, the T-Birds plan to come out this Friday, and hopefully slam some of the season's plagues to the mat.
T-Birds’ playoff hopes slipping away

By Ross Timbrook and Fabio Heuring
Staff Reporters

The Highline men’s basketball team lost two games last week, putting a dent in the Thunderbirds plans for the post-season.

Highline fell to South Puget Sound on the road last Wednesday night by a score of 73-69 and then returned home to face the Green River Gators on Saturday night, losing 100-85 falling to 4-7 in league play.

Last Wednesday night the T-Birds traveled to Lacey to take on the South Puget Sound Clippers.

“South Puget Sound was a weird game,” said Mosby, smiling broadly and chuckling at the air conditioning,” said Mosby, “I wouldn’t be here if not for the Green River Gators.

Midway through the first half the score was tied at 24 due to outstanding three-point shooting by the T-Birds. The T-Birds took their first lead of the game with 8:23 left in the game on a three-point basket but Aldrete put the score at 28-27.

“We played a good first half. Our shooting was on point,” Aldrete said.

Matt England was the leading scorer for Highline with 21 points. Jason Cardenas also chipped in 13 points and 10 rebounds.

The T-Birds had an off shooting night, shooting just 39 percent.

The T-Birds shot six free throws to the Clippers’ 17, which Head Coach Jeff Albrecht said was a factor in the game.

Danny Aldrete goes for two during the T-Birds’ 100-85 loss to Green River on Saturday night.

“Our game plan was to go inside, which we did but the refs were not giving us the calls. We need to adjust to the way that the game is being called which we did not do,” Albrecht said.

“We had them beat. We let them back in the game. We started to slack off. It was like we didn’t care. They beat us when they shouldn’t have,” said T-Bird guard Marcus Mosby.

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Matt England was the leading scorer in the first half for the T-Birds with 19 points on six for six shooting, including three three-point baskets.

The second half started out well for the T-Birds but in the last ten minutes of the game Green River used good shooting and ball handling to turn a four-point advantage into a 15-point win.

“...and put it back in at halftime. We hung with them at half but in the second half they were hitting everything,” said Jaland Christophe, who finished the game with 13 points and seven rebounds.

“No matter what happens Mosby realizes that there is a lot to life besides basketball. After finishing his associate of arts degree, he plans to transfer to a university to begin studies in pre-medicine.

Mosby, who absolutely adores children, has known his goal since he was little. “I want to be pediatrician. No, I’m going to be a pediatrician,” Mosby said.
Highline students share Valentine's stories

BY KRISTEN WALLACE AND NATHAN BIRKEBAK
Staff Reporters

Valentine's Day is here again, and although many people are very excited about the big day many are still feeling the let-down of last year's V-Day. In an unscientific survey, Highline students talked about what Valentine's Day is all about the gifts. Good ones bad ones, where they wish they could have gone to see them or how they would spend it with. Students all had something to say about their Valentine's Day dreams and nightmares.

"If I could spend Valentine's Day with anyone it would be John Cusack. We'd sit, we'd talk about women, what we don't like about them, how they break our hearts," said Neil Estep, Highline student.

Other students, such as Diana Krouse and Josh, said they would be spending Valentine's Day with their significant others who happened to be imaginary. Student Aaron Boswell is planning a somewhat unconventional Valentine's Day.

"If I could do anything for Valentine's Day I would go to Canada because I met these two beautiful Canadian chicks and I want to go back to see them."

Boswell continued to think about this when he asked who wanted to spend the 14th with. "Two hot chicks in Canada."

Some students know exactly what they want. "I want no work, no school and somebody I care about," said Steven Morgan. Besides knowing who and where they want their Valentine's students are also anxious for their gifts. "The best gift I ever received was a pound puppy." said Neil Estep. Other students were happy with the ever popular candy. "I haven't gotten anything on Valentine's Day. My boyfriend doesn't like to give gifts on holidays," said Laura Hyatt.

Along with the good there must be the bad and Highline students were ready to talk about the bad gifts they had received on past Valentine's Days.

"The worst gift I ever got was a piece of paper that said happy Valentine's Day on it," said Diana Krouse. The most popular answer, however was the dreaded card. "The worst gift is a card. I don't like cards, waste of paper," said Tim Hastings.
Guys vs. Girls on V-Day

The girls’ view

In theory Valentine’s Day is a supremely romantic, beautiful day. It’s sort of like communism, in theory it sounds great, but in its application it isn’t quite the Utopia we ladies had imagined.

So what is it that girls want from Valentine’s Day? Well, guys, it is actually very simple: planning. Don’t worry about the gift being polished because if it looks like you worried your pretty little heads for more than five minutes we will be content.

The girls’ view (continued)

Mostly we just want to know you took the time to consider our personality. A bad idea is to repeat something you did for a girl during previous Valentine’s Days.

For example, one of Rachel’s friends was taken on a date to feed the ducks at the park last Valentine’s Day. The date would have been fine, had the boy not mentioned that he’d had more fun the previous year feeding the ducks with his old girlfriend. Way to kill the romance.

Here’s a unique idea that one of Jessica’s friends is doing this year for his girlfriend.

He bought a movie poster of his girlfriend’s favorite romantic movie, and (with the help of Kinoko’s and some home photos) replaced the original actor’s faces with his and hers and personalized the credits to be full of little messages and love notes.

He asked his girlfriend’s roommate to put the poster up in the middle of the night so that Valentine’s Day morning she can wake up to a surprise.

But don’t just think that you can get away with being romantic one day a year. In fact, a girl is not as inclined to get mad at you if your plans for Valentine’s Day aren’t straight from a Disney movie, providing you are taking time to express your love the other 364 days of the year. It’s those unexpected surprises that we really love. Like leaving a card and a daisy on the windshield of your girlfriend’s car, or dropping off lunch with a love note at her job. Not that we’re hinting or anything. Jess and Rachel want something that sparkles for V-day.

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Children bring revolution to Federal Way

BY NATHAN BIRKEBAK
Staff Reporter

The Children of the Revolution brought their amazing talent and inspiring message to a diverse audience. “We come from different countries. In other times, we might have been at war. But today on the stage we’re in harmony,” said lead singer and front man Vassili, during their performance on Saturday, Feb. 8 at the Knutzen Family Theatre in Federal Way.

Children of the Revolution’s concert featured band members playing a wide range of instruments including the violin, the tabla, a stand up bass, many different drums, and every kind of guitar you could think of. Salsa, Flamenco, and belly dancing were also featured in their performance. Amelia and Encarnacion are the band’s official dancers, while also singing background vocals and occasionally playing instruments. Amelia and Encarnacion add a mystic and elegant touch to the band’s stage presence with Eastern attire and seductive choreography.

“I love their belly dance. I want to belly dance just like them,” said a 9 year old girl after seeing their show.

Children of the Revolution attracted quite a mixed crowd to their concert. Everyone from college students to families to the elderly seemed to enjoy their music. “They’re so very talented. I have been to see them twice,” said Adeline May, age 72.

Although the crowd was rather sparse, the band made it clear that their hearts were in the performance and not in the pay. “When you decide to become a performer, and all of us have... it becomes our job and duty, no our calling, to give 110 percent no matter if there’s one person in the audience or 30,000. And we’ve played for all of them and everything in between,” said lead singer Vassili.

Children of the Revolution’s music is basically about life, love, and loss, but particularly loss. “Most of the music we play has to do with the suffering we go through in life,” said Vassili.

They ended the concert with their song Eletheria, meaning “Freedom!” in Greek.

“Our song is now triumphed, for the darkness is a memory. Let us shout it from the hills, Never will we live in chains.”

The exhibition includes artfacts, oral histories and personal treasures that date back to before 1900. Museum hours are Tuesday-Friday 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m and Saturday-Sunday noon-4 p.m. Adult admission is $4, students and seniors $3. Children are $2 and children under five are free. The museum is open free of charge on the first Thursday of every month.

• Sam Green will be the writer featured this month in Highline’s jump start your writing series. Bring three poems and a self addressed stamped envelope. Green will critique the poetry and then send it back. The workshop is today from 6-8 p.m. in Building 2. The cost is $10. For more information call 206-870-3765.

Crossword Solution

FARM LIFE

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ACCR SICLE RARE
CHICKEN OF THE SEA
KEN RIEL AUTHOR
MISS MANS FAN
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Crossword 101

Across
1 Seasoning 5 Keith Lockhart’s forte
9 Bistro’s lists 14 Sandwich starter
15 Earthware crock 16 Answered the alarm
17 Defendant’s answer 18 New Mexico art colony
19 Fastener 20 Kentucky Derby winner, perhaps
23 Method 24 Carte lead-in
25 1040 starting point 32 Scientific workplace
35 External Prefix 36 Tiger
37 Burn plant 39 Long time
41 Serious disease 42 Latin dance
43 Grass covers 48 Plumber’s joint
49 TGIF 52 Controller’s employer
53 Felt 57 New York Times, e.g.
59 Golden calf, e.g.
60 Roof overhang
61 Answered the alarm
62 Household implement

Down
1 Mr. Jefferson 2 Bronze, e.g.
3 Ogles 4 Pleasantly warm
5 1040 starting point
6 Former King of Norway
7 Scheme 8 Square dance movement
9 Evans: Pen name of George Eliot
10 Penn/sylvania port 11 PBS documentary series
12 Consumer 13 Theatrical scenery
17 Teatrical scenery 21 Wide shoes for men
23 False director Kazan
25 Bermuda, for one
28 Audacious Ames employer
60 Roof overhang
61 Prolific singer
62 Household implement

50 Messiah composer
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Quotable Quote

Time is an illusion.
Lunchtime doubly so.

Douglas Adams

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High schools build unity at Highline

BY KIMBERLY MCLEAN AND MIKE ALTON
Staff Reporters

A thundering mass invaded the erstwhile deserted Highline campus, with one thing on its mind: school pride.

1,200 high school students from more than twenty schools, crammed into the Pavilion on Feb. 7 for the Josten's Leadership Conference.

"Honestly, we basically came as a desperate attempt to rebuild school unity," said ASB President Nick Shedal from Highline High School. "I hope it'll work."

Motivational speakers enticed the students to create change in school, giving them ideas and asking for opinions.

Mark Scharenbroich was one of the favorites in Kelci Miller's opinion. Miller, dressed in a red shirt and yellow pants, was representing Franklin Pierce.

"I am having a great time," Miller said. "The speakers are energetic."

Scharenbroich, presented a comical window to high school and growing up. Mimicking the cluelessness of bubbly high school girls, he emphasized, "thank you sooo much," and "seriously?" After lecturing the importance of maintaining happiness, Scharenbroich swore the students in as "Happy Campers."

"Our students are very interesting. They come from different countries and it's very new and very exciting. So they have a lot of cultural interesting experiences. Things that we take for normal are very unusual for them. And of course some of our students are having a hard time with the rain. We have couple of students from Thai-land and they do not like the rain," Moa said.

Barry Fatoumata is a student of Kaplan International Programs who speaks French and is a doctor in Pediatrics and Nutrition in her native country, Guinea.

"One of my friends in my country told me about Kaplan International Programs. I came to Kaplan to improve my English quickly," Fatoumata said.

Andry Polinknevych, a missionary from Moldova, is another student of Kaplan International programs.

"I love this program and my teachers. We get one on one attention from the teachers," he said. "I want to learn English so I can use English as a missionary in Moldova, Romania and Germany."

Kaplan offers four levels of English courses from beginner to advanced. On the first day of the class students take a diagnostic test to determine which level is appropriate for them.

The tuition cost varies from $225 to $315 per week depending on the level of the English courses.

"Kaplan International Programs has been around for 60 years. We started to rent office space and classrooms at Highline since 1997," said Moa.

Their office is currently located on the fifth floor of Building 25.

"Kaplan is a private company and we prepare the students to go into Highline. Students have to have 480 on their TOEFL (Test Of English as a Foreign Language), which is a vocabulary test that they take," said Melissa Blakeslee, academic adviser and instructor of Kaplan International.

"Some of the students come to America and their test score is not high enough to enter Highline so they come to us for preparation so that they can enter into Highline with the language ability that they understand what is going on and that they can function within the classroom," Blakeslee said.

Kaplan not only teaches students English but also makes it fun with activities like river rafting, hiking, bowling and trips to Canada.

Kaplan students also publish a newsletter called The Kaplan Chronicle, where the students share their stories, views and ideas.

Kaplan prepares international students

BY JYOTI PRADHAN
Staff Reporter

Kaplan International Programs allows students from all over the world to learn English while exploring other educational opportunities for their future here at Highline.

"Ninety percent of our kids complete intensive English studies with us and then continue academic studies at Highline," said Ingrid Moa, director of Kaplan International Programs.

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Photo By Mike Alton
Over 20 high schools participated in mascot games at the Josten's Leadership Conference.

School mascots were present, and competed in the "Mascot Games," an event that riled the audience. Seas of red, green, blue and purple cheered on their school as mascots ran the three-legged race and played bumper-
Comfortable feel makes for good business

BY KELLY RIGGIO
Staff Reporter

Entering Carriage Country Quilts is like walking into the middle of a rainbow after a summer storm. The colorful fabrics in all patterns and designs are the essence of the quaint shop located on Marine View Drive in Des Moines.

Owner and manager Debbie Elhere opened the shop in July of 2000 after owning restaurants for 20 years. “I decided to open a quilt shop because it has always been my passion,” Elhere said.

Elhere opened the store a short two years ago but it is already become a booming, well-known business.

“There are many things that have made the store successful. The homey feel of the store, the variety of things and services we offer, and my wonderful and knowledgeable staff. I love coming to work each day,” Elhere said.

Carriage Country is located in a remodeled house. Its unique layout includes a basement for classes, a main floor for fabric, books, and other supplies, and the top floor for an office and meeting room. Classes are available for quilters at every skill level. Whether you are a beginner or a third-generation pro, there are many classes taught by well-known authors of quilting books and prominent women in the community.

“Beginning classes are almost always full. There are many people of all ages wanting to know how to quilt. We even have 80-year-old ladies whose mothers were quilters and now they want to be,” Elhere said.

Classes range from free to $50 and are offered at all times of day. Kids ages 7 to 12 also have classes available where they learn to make quilts and pillowcases in designs of their own.

Old-fashioned quilting is not the only thing taught. How to make quilted jackets, pants, boxes, and backpacks are some of the other classes offered through the store.

The Carriage Country website also has much to offer for those seeking quilting instruction, supplies, and accessories. Check out all you need to know about the store and its resources at www.carriagecountryquilts.com.

Quilting has been around for generations. In days past it was done simply out of necessity. Now with technology as it is quilts are no longer needed to survive. Luxury, tradition, and fellowship are why women of today carry on with the age-old hobby.

“Quilting is a wonderful way to express oneself artistically. Also it gives working women a chance to interact with others,” Elhere said.

Free tax help for students

BY JYOTI PRADHAN
Staff Reporter

Free tax help will be offered by the Accounting Department in Building 25, room 120-B from Feb. 11 until April 10 from 1-4 p.m., on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

Last year the department processed 170 returns and e-filed 97 returns. The accounting department has many student-volunteers to help Highline students do their tax returns.

“Highline students, their families and members of the community saved approximately $5,000 last year,” said Cathy Pitts, coordinator of the Accounting Department.

Last year almost a dozen students volunteered to help process tax returns. Students are trained either through self study or by going to Saturday workshops given by the Internal Revenue Service. After four of those all day Saturday workshops, they have to take a test to be certified.

“They have to pass at least two parts of the test with 70 percent to do taxes here at Highline, and if they work in the libraries, which they can do, then they have to take the third part,” said Pitts.

Pitts said most students volunteer because it looks good on their resumes and business school application.

For students who are going to be accounting majors, they get the preparation they need on taxes before they go to a four-year school.

Pitts added that Highline is the only community college in the Puget Sound area that offers free tax help.

“It takes around 30 minutes for the student-volunteer to do a tax return on the computer,” said Pitts.

Students who need help with their taxes should bring some kind of identification, any 1099s from banks or other financial institutions, Hope Scholarship information, and W-2s. Also bringing last year’s return is helpful.

Pitts also said that there is a difference in having a tax return done by a professional accountant and the student volunteers here at Highline.

“The students here are really doing 1040A, 1040EZ and just simple forms. And because we don’t sign the form, and because we are not paid, in case there is a problem we also won’t go to the audit with them and we won’t represent the client,” said Pitts.

“Most of the students are not in that situation. It is a pretty simple situation.”

Business Tech gives a peek at new classes

Highline’s Business Technology Lab will be holding an open house on Friday, Feb. 14 from 12-1:30 in the afternoon.

Everyone is invited to the open house- students, advisors, and faculty. It will consist of information on computer classes being held Spring Quarter and all aspects of the lab will be explained thoroughly.

The B-Tech Lab provides modular classes students can sign up for. They may choose classes at their skill level and can then work at their own pace. The lab classes range from beginning keyboarding to Microsoft Word Perfect.

“The B-Tech Lab can benefit any student no matter what major they are working on,” said Jessica Gilmore who is hosting the open house. “And I’m bringing my famous homemade chocolate chip cookies!”

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Fortin returns to government

By Jyoti Pradhan
Staff Reporter

Student Government Senator Dan Fortin graduated from Highline but did not leave.

Fortin, 20, looks like any average college student. His short brown hair complements his hazel colored eyes. He often dresses casual at school. The Gap, Nordstrom and Structure are some of his favorite brands.

This 5-foot-7-inch college student believes that he has great potential and thinks positively toward what a college student can do.

Fortin wants to keep on pushing himself until he hits the limit. Fortin said he is the kind of student who can handle whatever is in front of him. He does not limit himself even with tough situations.

He says that people are able to do more than sometimes they think they are capable of. Fortin was involved in his high school. He played basketball, ran track and field, and also took part in debate.

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Fortin is taking 15 credits at Highline and five credits at University of Washington-Tacoma. He is planning to major in Computer Science at UW-Tacoma.

"I continued to take classes at Highline that count as prerequisites for the Computer Science program that I am going into," Fortin said.

"The Computer Science department encourages students to finish the calculus series and the physics series at the same institution. So I am finishing these series at Highline."

Apart from serving Highline students as a senator and attending classes, Fortin also tutors computer science in the Instructional Computing Center (ICC).

Fortin said that he feels he has a unique responsibility as a senator at Highline.

"My responsibility is not to a specific committee or to a specific purpose, like the vice president of Legislation has to deal with," Fortin said. "Senators are kind of free to take up projects that represent students and to work on projects that meet those needs."

He is also currently working with another student senator, Owen Wagenhals, on security issues.

"I am also working with ICC to get more information available to students," said Fortin. Fortin encourages students to come and talk to any of the Student Government members if they have praises, complaints, issues, or anything that might be of benefit to Highline.

"I am a huge advocate for student involvement. I want to encourage students to get more involved," said Fortin. "We are here to help them. I think it just helps our academic life so much better through involvement in the campus."

Alano tackles obstacles with attitude

By Jennifer Villaruz
Staff Reporter

Stefan Alano's steady climb in Student Government has brought him much responsibility in life.

As Highline students focus on recovering from midterms, HCC student body president is behind the scenes trying to make the school better for everyone.

Alano first discovered opportunities in student government through Phi Theta Kappa, Highline's honor society. His desire to do something beyond the classroom inspired him to run for the senate Fall Quarter of 2001.

After winning, he discovered a new path of leadership which suited his interests perfectly. Serving as senator led him to run for student body president Spring Quarter of 2002. Both victories have given Alano many difficult tasks to manage and various obstacles to overcome.

Alano is currently responsible to various organizations ensuring the resources members need to finish their jobs. He also must find a balance between what students want now and what might be better for them in the long run. Alano's mission is to try to seek ways to create a long-lasting system, solid for both the present and the future.

As a little boy, Alano aspired to be a lawyer. His uncle practiced law, which helped spark his interest in the legal profession.

But by high school, he became less interested in academics. He didn't get involved and his heart really was not into school. His ambition for scholastic success just wasn't there.

In college life. He offers a bit of advice for those who may find themselves where he once was. Find out what makes you tick, ask yourself why you're here, and strive for more involvement.

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Fortin, who is now in the leadership in Student Government, Alano recently displayed his talents with his desire to do your best. Everything can be exciting if you simply want it to be, and that adds to your ability to become successful, said Alano.

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Sanson honors sister with defibrillator

BY JYOTI PRADHAN
Staff Reporter

Highline student Darrell Sanson's wish to have a defibrillator on campus is coming true. Sanson, 21, lost his sister, Jean, in September of 2000. Jean was a 16-year-old student at Thomas Jefferson High School.

She died of a sudden heart attack at Mount Rainier Pool during a swim meet. "She had passed her physical just fine. There was no known indication that there was anything wrong," Sanson said. Sanson said that if a defibrillator had been available at the scene, the probability of saving his sister's life would have been higher.

Sanson took an opportunity during his speech class last Winter Quarter to discuss why a defibrillator is an important equipment to have on Highline campus. "It is basically a safety issue because what happened to my sister could happen to anybody," Sanson said. "With the amount of students and faculty there are at Highline a defibrillator is really a safe piece of equipment to have on campus because you never know who it is going to happen to."

Students in Sanson's class were moved by his speech and raised money to buy a defibrillator for Highline. Meanwhile Sanson got involved in the Student Government and brought the need for a defibrillator at Highline to their attention. "Student Government was really the main factor that helped me figure out what to do and how to go about it," Sanson said. "They basically set aside some money so we can get a defibrillator."

Student Government President Stephan Alano said that Sanson came to them and talked about how he is trying to get a defibrillator for the campus. "We sat down and had an information meeting with him," Alano said. "Jonathan Ganak, a representative from Medtronic Physio-Control, was also there. Alano said that Ganak talked about how certain cardiac arrests affect people and what the chances are in preventing some-body from dying, and how by having a defibrillator on campus potential lives could be saved. "So, we supported the idea," said Alano.

The LIFEPAK CR Plus is the type of the defibrillator Student Government is purchasing. The LIFEPAK CR Plus is designed for the minimally trained rescuer and it is semi-automatic. Alano said that the defibrillator will cost $2,495 plus tax, and it will be kept in the security office.

The exact arrival date for the defibrillator is undetermined. "The security officers do CPR training through an organization and the same organization provides them training on how to use the defibrillator," Alano said. Sanson said that without the Student Government his wish would have been impossible to come true. "It is really cool to go from start to finish to conclusion," Sanson said. "I never thought I would be involved in something like this."

Speech program goes beyond the classroom

BY RYAN SHELL
Staff Reporter

Highline's communications program has been named the 2002 Model Teaching Program by the Western States Communication Association (WSCA).

The award will be presented this weekend as part of the WSCA's conference held Saturday through Tuesday in Salt Lake City, Utah. Shannon Scott, a part-time communications instructor at Highline, will be in attendance to accept the award as well as give a panel presentation sharing the qualities that won the program the award.

Each year the WSCA recognizes high schools and colleges whose communications programs have raised the standard for communications education. This year Highline's program was the only two-year program to receive the award. "Obviously we're very proud," said Barbara Clinton, program coordinator at Highline.

"The program is taught by an unusually well-qualified group of instructors," Clinton said. In addition all 200-level courses participate in service projects outside of the classroom.

Speech 213, the public speaking class, is conducting a "College Success Day" in which they will bring to light ways for high school students to make the transition to college a smooth one.

The speech 200 Intercultural Communication class, will be holding "Diversity Day" as a way to, as Clinton said, "help them to look for their own diversity as a handicap. In college we celebrate diversity."

Finally, the 210 course, a class focused on interpersonal communication, is tutoring and mentoring high school students that are considered to be at risk. "Among high school adolescents such a high value is placed on fitting in," said Clinton.

All three of the 200 level courses are working toward the same goal of building community.
Alumni who are now working at Highline

Janice Adams - instructional designer
Melanie Bell - assistant coach of men's basketball
Robert Baughert - psychology instructor
Marie Carpenter - nursing instructor
Kat Chappell - medical assisting instructor
John Dunn - physical education instructor and athletic director
Arline Garcia - spanish instructor
Lange Gibson - director of counseling
Sandie Glover - music instructor
John Huber - Worker Retraining Program Manager
Connie Johnson - assistant to the vice president
Judy Johnson-Wise - nursing instructor
Jason Landgraf - writing instructor and journalism/TV department coordinator
John Lindsay - travel and transportation coordinator
Bear Mattson - speech instructor
Mark McKay - executive director of Foundation and director of Resource Development
Sandy Moser - president's office executive assistant
Kathleen Oberg - education/health and physical education instructor and education division coordinator
Jason Prenovost - director of Outreach and head coach of men's soccer
Molly Reitz - financial aid advisor
Joyce Riley - childcare development director
Ron Sabado - accounting instructor
TM Selk - journalism and political science instructor
Melissa Selk - administration
Virgil Stieger - community and government relations director
Carol Stilms - computer science and computer information systems instructor
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on a state party vote, according to Carlson. While the bill does allow for exemptions in cases of credits earned at private or out-of-state institutions, dislocated workers’ earned credits, institutionally established double-degree program credits and credits earned by certified teachers pursuing certification requirements, there is a relatively large opposing force against the bill.

Opposition of the bill includes Loretta Sepannen of the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges, several staff members from colleges around the state, including Washington State University, Eastern Washington University, and countless students and parents.

The new staff required to automate a tracking system would eat up any potential savings, opponents say.

Creation of any new enrollment capacity would be minimal, said those who testified against the bill in committee. Many received some type of personal invitations or recommendation to come back.

"I thought it’d be a great experience," he said. "I couldn’t get good help," said Huber referring to when he worked as a Chiropractic Technician. His business had to hire people and train them themselves. This was frustrating to Huber and eight years ago he decided to do something about it. He saw and responded to an ad in the paper for a chiropractic instructing position at Highline. Huber later also became the worker program manager. Just last year Highline decided to dissolve the chiropractic department.

Although most seem to have plans to stay at Highline for some time to come, some are looking at other options for the near future.

"I plan to stay till they take me out in a wheelchair or a gurney," said Gibson jokingly. He said, that in reality he’s been here about 35 years and only plans to stay a couple more years. After which he hopes to get more involved in the community and to be able to participate in some service projects in Eastern Europe.

Others plan to stick around a while, but are looking at moving on to something else in the distant future. Dunn is a prime example. His personal long term goal is to continue to build this program while at the same time looking for new professional challenges, particularly at a higher level," said Dunn.

Most, however, enjoy being back at Highline and have no plans of leaving any time soon. Landgraf said that she’s still excited to be at Highline and plans to stay as long as possible.

"This is home," she said. "Highline was a wonderful experience then, and still is," she said.

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-Lance Gibson, head of counseling

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