

The Thunderword

October 30, 2003

Volume 43, issue 6

Highline Community College

RECEIVED
NOV 06 2003
HIGHLINE COLLEGE LIBRARY
PERIODICALS

Pumpkin pride



PHOTO BY JANIE LARSON

Many children pick their pumpkins from the patch on Kent-Des Moines Road.

City squashes local business

BY CHANDRA SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

Among the assortment of pumpkins bedecking the brown antique truck off of Des Moines Memorial Drive in Seatac, a sign reading "Pumpkin Hollow" announces that pumpkins are indeed for sale.

The cash register chirps and sings inside the blue and white striped tent as families bring their children

out of the crisp cold to select pumpkins that will be carved into toothy jack-o-lanterns and goblins.

The blue and white structure, reminiscent of a circus tent, dwarfs the Colello rambler in the background.

Inside the tent, William "Bo" Colello obligingly takes Polaroid photos of the children with their choice of pumpkins and sits at the register under a shabby sign bearing the name of "Bo" Colello Produce - Arcade 8, a sign that used to declare the family produce business at Pike Place Market in Seattle for 25 years.

"My dad was down there (at Pike Place Market) since the late '20s. We were farmers and then we were in the produce business," he said.

It is a circus for Colello these days because he wants to stay in the produce business, but the

city of Seatac is limiting the spectacle to a temporary 90-day production.

This is the sixth year Colello and his family have offered pumpkins for sale at the same residence from the first weekend in October until Halloween.

The pumpkins, which sell for 20 cents per pound, come from Bo Colello's cousin, who raises 88 acres of the squash in Kent.

Colello explained how he progressed from pumpkins to pineapples.

"All of a sudden last year, I ended up selling 70,000 pounds of pumpkins, so I thought, 'Geez, maybe I can sell some produce'," he said.

"I'm out of a job, I'm 60

See Colello, page A12

Student Government election results in doubt

BY VALERIE GOLLIER
STAFF REPORTER

Students may be asked to vote again for student senator.

Problems in last week's election may have compromised the results, Student Government officials say. Students voted via www.highline.edu for senator on Oct. 22 and 23.

The nine candidates that were vying for three positions were: Reid Baughman, Alicen Collier, Eddie Dha, Tina Higashi, Christopher Monfort, Stephanie Raghubeer, Mark Thomas, Joe Tran, and Monaka White.

Results from the election were supposed to be posted at noon on Friday, Oct. 24, but when the eager candidates showed up, Student Government told them they could not verify the results.

Last Friday, Student Government said that they could not get a clear picture of what happened.

Apparently there is a discrepancy within the voting records.

They are doing their best to find out exactly what happened, but it's difficult because they were short-staffed at the end of last week.

They are trying hard to verify the results, but there is a chance that they might not be able to. If that is the case, a re-election could occur. The candidates are showing some frustration.

"I think that we (the candidates) have a right to know what the discrepancy is," said candidate Eddie Dha.

Jonathan Brown, Student

"I am extremely frustrated and angry. Not only should I be pissed, but the students should be too."

-Jonathan Brown, Student Programs

Government adviser replied that they do not know what the problem is for sure, but they will let it out in the open as soon as they find out.

"It's complicated. We're checking to make sure that there was no duplication or ballot disruption," Brown said.

Earlier this week, Student Government said that they are showing more progression than last Friday. They said they're under pretty heavy scrutiny. What they are suspecting is voter fraud.

They're asking themselves, "Did fraud happen?"

They have confirmed that a number of people registered to vote did not in fact vote themselves.

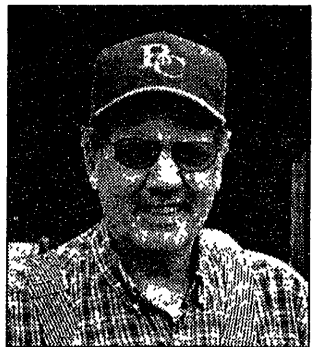
Eddie Dha wondered if this issue is widespread, but officials say that they are not at liberty to talk about the nature of the activity any further.

However, Brown did express his feelings on this raging problem.

"I am extremely frustrated and angry. Not only should I be pissed, but the students should be too," Brown said.

Candidates are not happy about this, but are still patiently

See Election, page A12



Colello



Brown

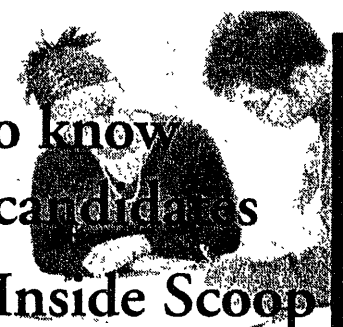
Index

Arts.....pages A5-A7
Campus Life..pages A2-A3
Opinion.....page A4
News.....pages A1, A11-A12
Sports.....pages A8-A10
Inside Scoop pages B1-B8



Kent Arts Center
features famous singers
-see story, page A5

Get to know
your candidates
-see Inside Scoop



HIGHLINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Internet 2 will be bigger, more complex

By KASEY REGA
STAFF REPORTER

Just when you got used to the Internet it's time to get ready for the high-performance Internet2. Highline CIS networking instructor Dee Skinner explained the newest thing in cyberspace at last Friday's Science Seminar.

"The Internet2 land speed to download a DVD movie is approximately 30 seconds compared to DSL/cable at 25 hours," said Skinner. "You think the Internet is fast but you just don't know how slow it is."

Skinner explained that the Internet was not designed for millions of users, or for high commercial traffic. She also said that the Internet doesn't provide reliable end-to-end performance or allow for testing of new technologies because of the limitations of the Internet backbone structure.

The Internet2 is a research



Dee Skinner

and development partnership led by more than 200 U.S. universities working together with industry and government to develop and put into use advanced network applications and technologies.

"The new network technologies will be used to promote the development of the Internet," said Skinner. "Tomorrow's Internet will have billions of users and devices which today's Internet just can't handle."

"Tomorrow's internet will have billions of users and devices which today's internet just can't handle."

**-Dee Skinner,
CIS networking
instructor**

Skinner said that the Internet2 has leading edge technology including: distributed computation, virtual laboratories, digital libraries, distributed learning, digital video and Tele-immersion.

"These advanced applications require advance network capabilities," said Skinner. She explained that the Abilene Net-

work is the Internet2 backbone network that employs optical transport technology and advanced high-performance routers.

Skinner also said that currently there are over 70 corporate members, more than 40 affiliate members and 30 international partners using Internet2.

Skinner went on to say that Internet2 participants have conditions of use. She said that users must advance Internet2 goals, carry traffic that serves higher education and research and cannot carry commercial traffic. "There is also a \$20,000 a year service fee," said Skinner. Nonetheless, she explained that one day we all will have access to the technology developed by Internet2.

The next Science Seminar will be on Oct. 31, with Sam Shabb. The lecture entitled "The Senses" will be from 2:10-3 p.m. in Building 3, room 102.



Crime Blotter

for
Oct. 24-Oct.30

Building 5 door vandalized

It appears that an upset individual was walking by Building 6 because there was a large crack put into the automatic doors facing the East Parking Lot in on Oct. 22. The crack in the glass was put into the bottom of the door.

The thought that a rock could have been used to hit the door is not likely because there is an absence of rocks near the area.

Gas leak in Building 13

Natural gas was leaking from an unsecured valve in Building 13, room 105 on Oct. 24. The building was ventilated and the gas valve was secured around 7:30 a.m.

Faculty member injures shoulder

A faculty member injured his left shoulder as he was pulling his luggage carrier while walking on the sidewalk next to Building 6 on Oct. 24.

Car stolen from North Lot

A black Honda Civic was stolen from the north parking lot on Oct. 25, between 3 p.m. and 5:55 p.m. The owner was not able to recall what his license plate number is.

Compiled by
Bryan Swanson



Deaf speaker to give presentation today

Sheli Barber of Abused Deaf Women's Advocacy Services with interpreter Molly McGuire will give a presentation today to conclude the month of events dedicated to raising awareness of domestic violence.

Women's Programs, in tandem with Campus Security and the American Sign Language Club will be sponsoring the event held in Building 7, from 11 a.m.-noon.

Success with tough bosses seminar today

A workshop entitled, "Help! My boss is an idiot!" will take place today. The seminar will

suggest strategies for working successfully with the less than perfect supervisor.

The workshop will take place in Building 23, room 111, from 12:10-1 p.m.

For more information, contact Erik Tinglestad in the Career and Employment Services office at ext. 3599.

Deadline for fund drive approaches

Friday, Oct. 31 is the last day for the Washington State Employees Combined Fund Drive.

All contributions need to be made by 5 p.m.

Faculty and staff can make contributions to one or more of their favorite charities.

If you took part in the campaign last year, your contribution will remain in effect, so you don't need to fill out another form.

For more information, contact Mark McKay, director of Resource Development at 206-870-3774 or at ext. 3446.

Good Time Ernie's in Burien has an opening for an Experienced Grill Cook. One Person Kitchen. Duties include prep, cleaning, inventory and running specials. Must have breakfast experience, be self motivated. Apply at 15747 Ambaum Blvd SW, or fax your resume to 206.248.1835

Cafe offers Halloween treats

Cultural Cafe will have Halloween snacks and drinks on Friday, Oct. 31 in Building 3, room 102 from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Special speaker and Sociology professor Derek Greenfield will speak about "How we have fun during Halloween in America".

All are welcome and this event is free. For more information, please contact Lucky at sbuamane@highline.edu.

EPAC offers new program

The Educational Planning and Advising Center (EPAC) is featuring "out of the box," a

program to help students, staff and faculty with information and services EPAC offers during the quarter. The program will assist in assigning students with faculty advisers, show students how to look up registration appointments on the web, and will help students and staff reach the EPAC website.

**Know of an
event?**

E-mail us!

thunderword@highline.edu

Thinking about
your future?

Want to earn
real-world
experience &
college credit?

*Think
Co-op*

Bldg 19 Room 107



October 30, 2003

The Thunderword

Students have mixed feelings for construction

BY JESSICA BROWN
STAFF REPORTER

Walking around the construction projects on the Highline campus, many students grimace as their new shoes get covered with dirt, and squint in pain as dust is blown in their eyes. Many students just stare blankly at their feet as they trek the obscure route to the library, but confess that the construction is no real problem, merely a slight inconvenience.

"The Child Care Center, during the dry and dusty times, has gotten really grimy and really dirty," said Jonathan Brown, the associate dean of Student Programs, who had to change buildings due to the construction.

But he sees the light at the end of the tunnel, when the projects will be finished.

The main problem with dirt has been by the library, due to trucking it out of the student union site by way of the library.

"We have to try to keep it clean and swept. When we get all the sidewalks poured, there will be less dirt," said Mike McDonald, superintendent of Lumpkin General Contractors.

Trucks moving too fast have been a main concern of students, and that's a concern of Highline, said Brown. When concerns are brought up, the contractors try to make arrangements. Things that the contractors and Highline plan to fix are the truck paths and using flaggers for pedestrians when moving the big trucks.

"Parts of the construction process require sacrifices to move forward into progress," said Brown.

Despite the general accep-

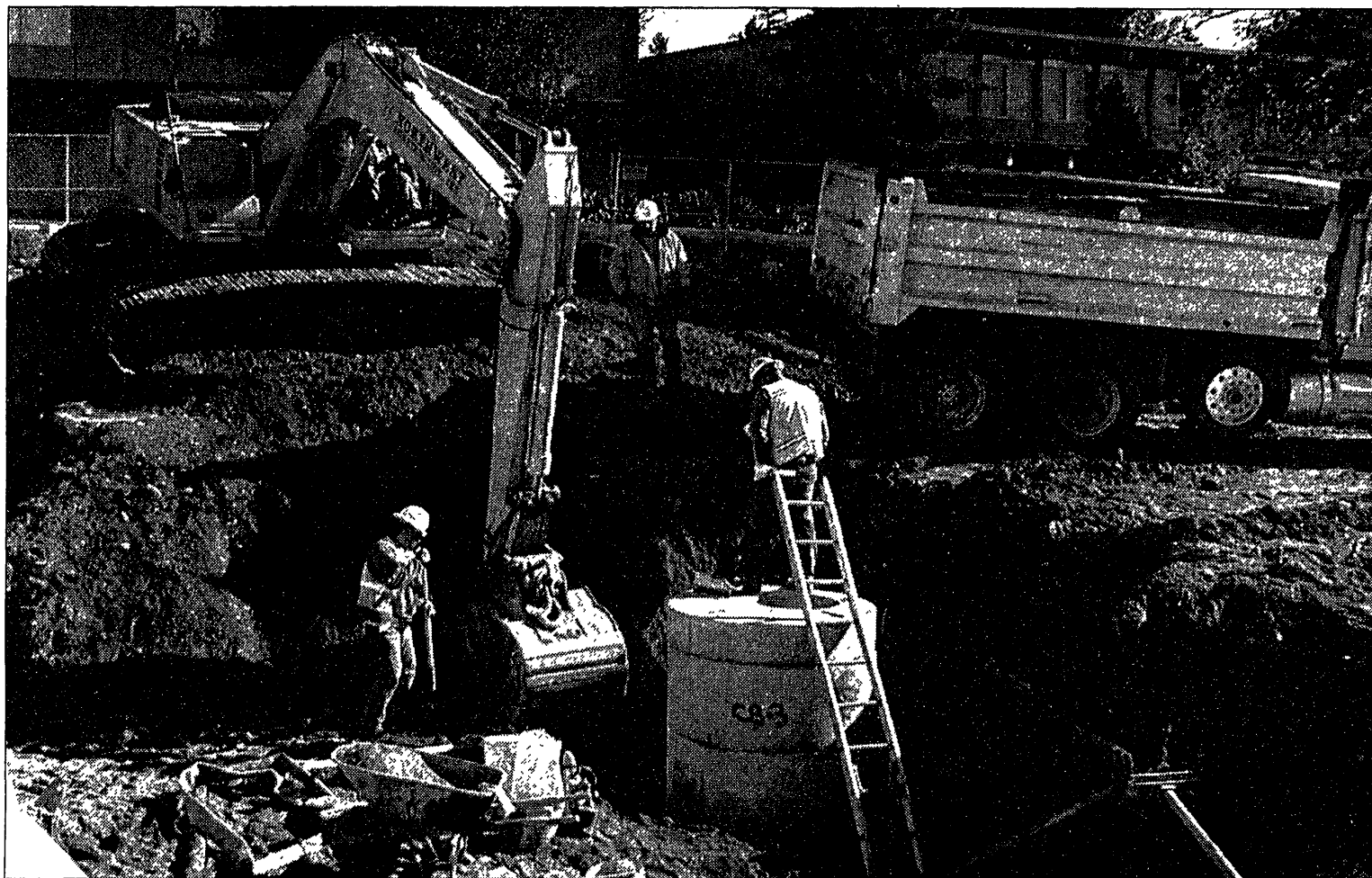


PHOTO BY JANIE LARSON

Construction workers digging holes for pipes for what will be the new Student Union Building.

tance of the construction, some still feel as if it was approached without consideration of students.

"It made everything more expensive I mean, we had a functioning cafeteria. It just seems unnecessary," said Amanda Crock, a second-year student at Highline.

The \$25 tuition surcharge to pay for the Student Union Building frustrates many students, and these rates will be around for at least a few more years.

"So we get to pay for it, but we don't actually get to enjoy it. The tuition is staying up for the

rest of the time most of us will be here," Crock said.

Money is not the only problem with the construction. A fast-moving construction vehicle almost nicked her with its side-view mirror, Crock said.

When another student was coming out of the North parking making a right had turn on a blind corner in her car, a dump truck came toward her without stopping.

"He just kept going. I don't think he saw me. If he had stopped I would have gone around him or backed up so he could go by, but he just kept coming so I just pulled over,"

said the anonymous student.

However, when the student pulled over to get out of the truck's way, the side of her car was scratched by a tree that she had to pull into.

"It looks like my car was keyed," said the student.

Although nothing has been done about her car at this point, the driver of the truck was reprimanded and precautions are being taken to assure that construction drivers will go more slowly.

"She came around the corner too quickly, the dump truck came down the road too quickly. They're going slower now,"

said McDonald, the construction company's superintendent.

Loose Bricks:

A recent plan to fix the lack of heating in some buildings on campus has been addressed by the decision to use piping that is currently in place that runs under Building 23. Highline was going to replace the heating water pipe that heats buildings 20,21,22, and 23.

Eventually, the pipe will be replaced because it is 30 years old and it leaks a lot. The current pipe in place is a maintenance pipe and the plan is to replace it with a non-maintenance pipe.

Teri Trillo has big dreams for her future at Highline

BY MISTY PHILLIPS
STAFF REPORTER

Alumna Teri Trillo is the Highline Nursing Program's newest intern, who hopes to become a nursing instructor here on campus.

"I would like to see the next generation of nurses at Highline have just as good or better experience than I had," Trillo said.

Trillo said she enjoys working as a nurse but especially likes working in an acute-care setting. She currently works in the emergency room at Highline Hospital.

"I love being an ER nurse. You learn to deal with many dif-



Trillo

ferent situations, instead going through the same scenario everyday," said Trillo.

Trillo joined the Air Force Reserves right after high school and was trained in aviation me-

chanics. She went back to school and received her nursing degree from Highline's nursing program. She then went on to get her bachelor's of science degree in nursing from the University of Washington, Tacoma.

While in school she simultaneously worked towards advancing her position in the reserves and is now a Captain as well as the executive officer in her unit.

"I'm required to fly every 60 days to show competency in both nursing and proper flight procedures," Trillo said.

Trillo is an extremely active woman who exudes energy. She coached soccer, was a Girl

Scout leader, and has been active in the Parent Teacher Association while going to school and working.

Trillo has been married twenty-three years and has two daughters, one who attends Highline and the other is in high school.

She is also currently enrolled at Seattle Pacific University, working towards master's degree in nursing. The master's degree in nursing is an advanced degree in administration and teaching. She is required to teach in a nursing program to fulfill the teaching requirements.

"My goal is to be a resource

for the nursing students, as well as increase my competency as an instructor and to increase my ability in front of a classroom," Trillo said.

This is the first time that Trillo has had to teach students at the college level.

"I am not experienced with adult learners and look forward to the challenge," Trillo said.

"The beauty of nursing is that nurses can work in so many different areas," she said.

"Nurses are not just stuck out on the floor, there are so many options out there including research and legislation. There is something for everyone," Trillo said.

editorial

Help one another rain or shine

Exercising your rights and making a change

Next week a monumental event will take place; an event that thousands of people including students fought for the right to have; that event is an election.

In 1971 the 26th amendment was passed and the national voting age became 18. Thirty years later that right is still maintained and next week's local government elections are open to anyone over 18. Who will participate?

According to statistics probably not very many college students. There is evidence that the rate of turnout among 18-24 year olds is the lowest of any age group population in the country.

This poor turnout has led to the conception that citizens in the 18-24 year old group, including most college students, are lazy, self-absorbed and uninformed when it comes to politics.

Whether you feel this is a misconception or not, the numbers do not lie. Students may feel passionate about certain topics or issues but they are not taking their opinions to the voting booths, they would rather just complain to one another about how nothing gets done and then in return not vote.

Students' personal reasons for not voting vary. Some students feel that they don't know what the issues are and who they are voting for.

Well, being that you are in college now, it can be assumed that you can read, therefore a wise suggestion for those with the plea of ignorance would be to pick up a free voters pamphlet which is published every time an election is held by the office of the secretary of the state and the county records, elections, and licensing services division. Found at public libraries or post offices, these packets are filled with helpful information about the candidates and the issues. You can also find the same information at www.vote.wa.gov.

Another common excuse is that students can't find time in their hectic daily schedules to stop somewhere and vote.

Reality check, many people are busy and not making time is no excuse to skip voting. Anyone registered to vote can request an absentee ballot up to 90 days before the actual election and fill out their ballot on their own time and return it via mail.

Still some students are reluctant to vote because they feel that the issues don't pertain to them or their daily lives and their one vote will not make any difference. This is one of the worst excuses not to vote. Students' everyday lives are impacted by voting.

Have you ever complained about potholes in the roads, or how much money is being sunk into construction projects? What about complaints surrounding rising tuition costs? You may not realize it, but everything from your morning cup of coffee to your tuition is dependent upon elections and elected officials. If you don't choose candidates that make a positive change, who will?

Finally you can not ask officials to consider your issues if you are not voting. Have you ever noticed that most of the candidates appeal to the senior citizens' need. This is not by coincidence. Senior citizens are among the largest voting community both locally and nationally.

If increased voting occurred among the 18-24 year old voting bracket, then candidates would be more likely to concentrate on the issues these younger voters are concerned about.

You are an adult now, act like one. Time spent complaining about tuition costs or construction woes could be time spent in the voting booth making a difference in your day-to-day life.

A person left out in the rain with no umbrella is bad enough. Imagine it's dark, you are alone, speech-impaired and your wheelchair is sticking to your soaking wet clothes.

You can't see very well either because your glasses are fogged up. You have to stay at the bus stop with no covered area or the Access bus will miss you.

The front entrance to Building 6 is locked after 7 p.m. and your aid is nowhere in site.

Two of us walking to our cars after an evening class see just such a student. She tells us twice she has an aid before we adjust to her way of speaking through the noisy downpour.

Waiting in the rain for what seemed like an eternity, we tried to give her an umbrella to hold but her hands were unresponsive. I held it for her while my classmate ran to get paper towels and another umbrella. My classmate had the Mother Theresa touch as she wiped off her glasses and dried her hands.

The aid finally returned. We



CHRIS MEINHART

offered the umbrella.

"She's already wet," the aid said.

My ears froze in disbelief. Perhaps our fussing over her charge unsettled her.

"Just keep the umbrella," I pleaded. Ultimately she did.

I kept thinking of my own sister back home, who also has a disability. We entrust her care to others when she goes to and from school. Are they on the ball or do they leave her out in the rain where she might get pneumonia? I wondered how this could happen.

Apparently, it could happen here. Carol Jones, the Access Services director, says Highline has more than 170 students

with disabilities, not all of them involved in college programs.

"In addition, there are students with disabilities who attend here through government and employment programs. They are not under our direct supervision though their care is overseen by their program directors," Jones said.

Jones suggested that we might have called security. She did not blame the aid since the aid may have thought she'd only be gone for a minute.

It was in many ways a painful experience. I was glad we were able to help. I hope that somebody, somewhere is helping my sister, or somebody's sister, with an umbrella, or a shove up the hill, or a door held open.

We all have a responsibility as human beings to see one another in need and offer a helping hand.

If we don't look out for each other we're all left out in the rain.

Chris is a staff reporter.

Is it possible to live outside of the box?

What box am I? As I leave Highline and move on to more academic smartness, it is time to fill out all that dreaded paperwork again.

As I move through the cold, impersonal, pieces of paper I come to the box for race. Am I Caucasian? Mixed? Other?

Well being that I am now smarter (after going to Highline for two years) I look up the word Caucasian in the dictionary.

One dictionary says "white person: somebody white or of European origin." This sounds like white Wonder bread, I think to myself. I have more flavor than that. When I was little I didn't use the white crayon when I colored I used peach.

As for the European origin, my parents are from Los Angeles but I think I remember them saying we might be from En-



KASEY REGA

gland. Where is the box with my origin in it?

I look up another dictionary definition for Caucasian and it says "of, pertaining to, or denoting on the major human racial groups, loosely called white, that is characterized by fair to brown skin, straight to curly hair of any various colors, and relatively thin lips and nose." This sounds like a catch-all category.

This could be me because I have light (not white) skin, straight hair with bleached color (should I consider my

natural hair color?) and I think my lips are full but my nose is thin. Is this a matter of opinion?

Now I wanted to know why this box is required.

"This information is required data that we collect for the State Board of community and technical colleges," said Becky Riverman, Associate Dean for Enrollment Services. Although this was the best information she could give me, it didn't give me anything.

Why can't there just be a plain old "American" box? I was born here. This box could be for everyone born in America or has become a U.S. citizen. After all isn't America called the "melting pot" because all ethnicities live here? Maybe I need more education to fill out my admission papers. Maybe I'll try at graduation.

Kasey is a staff reporter.

The Thunderword

STAFF

Editor-in-chief.....Victoria Anthony
Managing editor.....Ben Johnston
News editor.....Shauna Bjork
Sports editor.....Dustin Nickerson
Arts editor.....Colette Woods
Opinion editor.....Amber Trillo
Graphics editor.....Jordan Goddard
Photo editor.....Melissa Flesch
Reporters.....Windy Butler, Chandra Smith, Nathan Brink, Jessica Brown, Richard Cho, Brianna Church, Taurean Davis, Valerie Gollier, Asa Hall, Aron Higgins,

Lauren Howell, Elizabeth Kephart, Shelby Lancaster, Chris Meinhart, Donnie Mel-drum, Jenny Park, Misty Phillips, David Porada, Kasey Rega, Rachel Scanlon, Linda Sewerker, Bryan Swanson.
Photographers..Chuck Cortes, Janie Larson
Design Editor.....Mak Zuljevic
Adviser.....Dr. T.M. Sell
Advertising Manager.....Amanda Hetzel
Bus. Manager.....Lyudmila Voznyarskaya
Office Manager.....Galina Sullivan

There are different kinds of cute... and you aren't any of them.

Graphic Artist.....Michael Wallick
Pho.....Patrick Wagner
Newsline.....206-878-3710 ext. 3318
Fax.....206-870-3771
Address...P.O. Box 98000, Des Moines, WA 98198 Building 10-106
Advertising..206-878-3710 ext. 3291
Email.....thunderword@highline.edu

October 30, 2003 The Thunderword

Got art? Kent Arts Center has plenty of it

A number of performances are spotlighted for new year

By LINDA SEWERKER
STAFF REPORTER

The city of Kent wants to bring the descendents of the Von Trapp family and the Peking Acrobats to local audiences.

This year, the Kent Arts Commission presents Spotlight 2003-2004. Spotlight is a series of family entertainment performances scheduled from October through April, featuring award-winning entertainers in music, theater, and dance. The performances are held at the Kentwood Performing Arts Center, the Kent-Meridian Performing Arts Center, and local schools.

Rhonda Billerbeck, Kent's Cultural Division manager, Brenda Abney the Visual Arts coordinator, and the art's commissioners are committed to increasing cultural awareness of the importance of the arts through their programs.

"Building the arts is a positive and economic force," said Billerbeck.

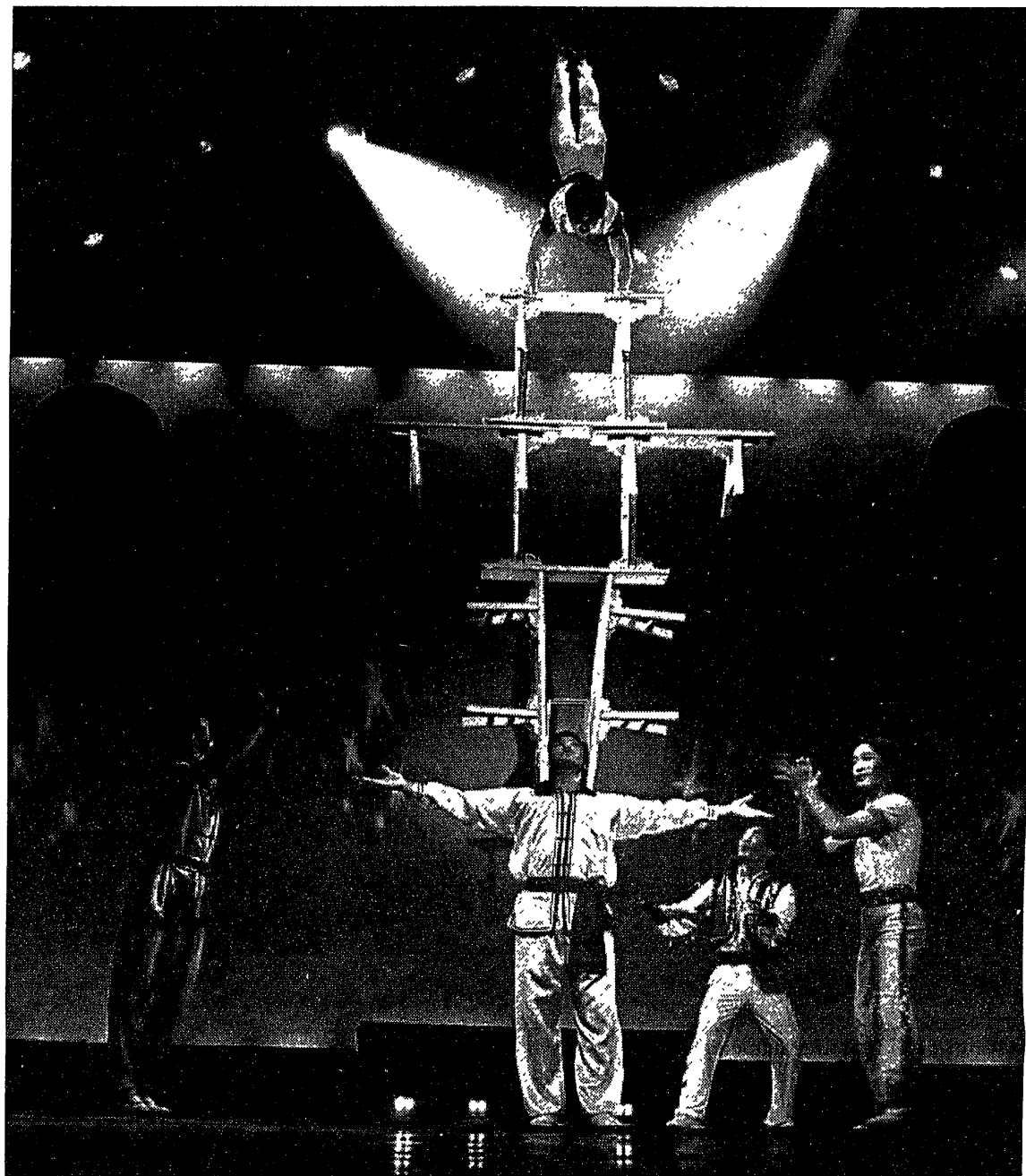
Billerbeck, Abney, and the Arts Commission actively plan cultural events and an arts presence in two distinct arenas. One focuses on performance-based events such as this seasons Spotlight shows, and the other provides local and nationally known visual artists via the city's galleries and permanent installations in Kent's public spaces.

The Kent Arts Commission is comprised of a group of 12 mayor-appointed volunteers who select the programs year round. The commissioners travel twice a year with Billerbeck to conferences to find artists and entertainment shows.

"We usually find a variety of performers this way," said Billerbeck.

"We are looking for family entertainment. To get the type of quality entertainment we want, we block a performance series with other cities. Normally a performance artist will not perform for only one night so it works that we share with cities like Bellingham or Kirkland," said Billerbeck.

Arts Commissioners aggressively seek entertainers and artists that provide educational value to the community.



PHOTOS COURTESY OF KENT ARTS COMMISSION

The Peking Acrobats will perform at the Kent Arts Center.

Spotlight On Arts is designed to enrich school curriculum by extending student's learning beyond school walls, and helping students improve in studies in social studies and history. This winter's series of performances that have a multicultural educational emphasis include: The Blind Boys of Alabama, a spiritual rhythm and blues band will perform March 5; the Chvatal / Krutzer Duo, a pair of classical musicians will perform Feb. 13; and The Peking Acrobats will perform Jan. 10.

Internationally known solo pianist and guitarist George Winston will perform Nov. 12 at the Kentwood Performing Arts Center. Winston has produced eight solo albums, that have won gold, platinum, and multi platinum awards.

For the holidays, the Spotlight series offers a variety of entertainment.

"We wanted to do something different, shows that are not the same year after year," said Billerbeck.

On Nov. 30, the great-grandchildren of Captain Von Trapp, featured in the *The Sound of Music*, will sing holiday favorites and classics from

the movie.

On Dec. 13, the Boulding family returns for their 17th Annual Magical Strings Celtic Yuletide Concert. The group will perform Irish step dancing, singing, instrumentals and storytelling.

For those who like a traditional Christmas concert there will also be traditional perfor-

mances at the Kent United Methodist Church.

Kent also offers a strong visual arts program. Abney is responsible for introducing public art in gallery spaces, freestanding sculptures, murals and public benches by local and well-known artists.

There are two galleries and public art permanently installed

throughout Kent's parks.

The Kent Arts Commission Gallery is located on the fourth floor of the Kent City Hall. Local artists are rotated through on a monthly basis. To present work in this space, local artist submit their work to Abney and a panel each spring. The panel decides which exhibits will be shown for a month.

The Centennial Center Gallery on the first floor of the Centennial Building on Gowe Street (across from City Hall) is for special exhibits.

Currently Thu Nguyen, a Monroe artist, is featured there. Nguyen's oils realistically depict landscapes of her years living in China, and her present home in the Puget Sound Region. Some paintings are of well-known areas such as the Port of Tacoma, the Port of Seattle and Yakima.

This spring the Centennial Gallery will feature Kent artist Danny Pierce's work of woodcuts from his limited edition books. Mr. Pierce is an internationally known painter with shows at the Smithsonian.

Some permanently installed art in Kent Parks include a series of sculptures in Morrill Meadow Parks called *In the Grove* by artist T. Ellen Sollod, and natural landscape forms by artist Ruth Marie Tomlinson in Clark Lake Park.

"The arts program we provide here is more forward thinking than in other cities," said Billerbeck.

"Kent's city ordinance requires for every person living in Kent a \$2 amount is allocated towards the arts programs," she said.

Information about the Spotlight program and is available on line www.ci.kent.wa.us/ArtsCommission.



The Von Trapp children are great-grandchildren of Captain Von Trapp from the movie, *The Sound of Music*. The children will sing holiday songs at the Kent Arts Center.

Drama puts finishing touches on play

By BRI CHURCH
STAFF REPORTER

In two short weeks, the Highline stage will be graced by an upbeat and talented cast of uniquely diverse characters for a play that can only be described as consuming.

"This play will seriously swallow up the audience," says Erik Hanson, a virgin to the Highline stage.

Hanson is, of course, talking about David Campton's *The Life and Death of Almost Everyone*, the fall play that opens to the general public on Nov. 13, and is said to be quite a treat for both the audience as well as the cast.

"It's rather enjoyable for the actors because it's straightforward and has interesting material, and for the audience, there's a lot of on-stage action," says veteran Highline actor Kirsten Olds.

This action on stage is clearly a result of the action going on during the week's rehearsals, which resembles that of a group of friends gathered together to share in a singular passion and to feed off each other's positive attitudes.

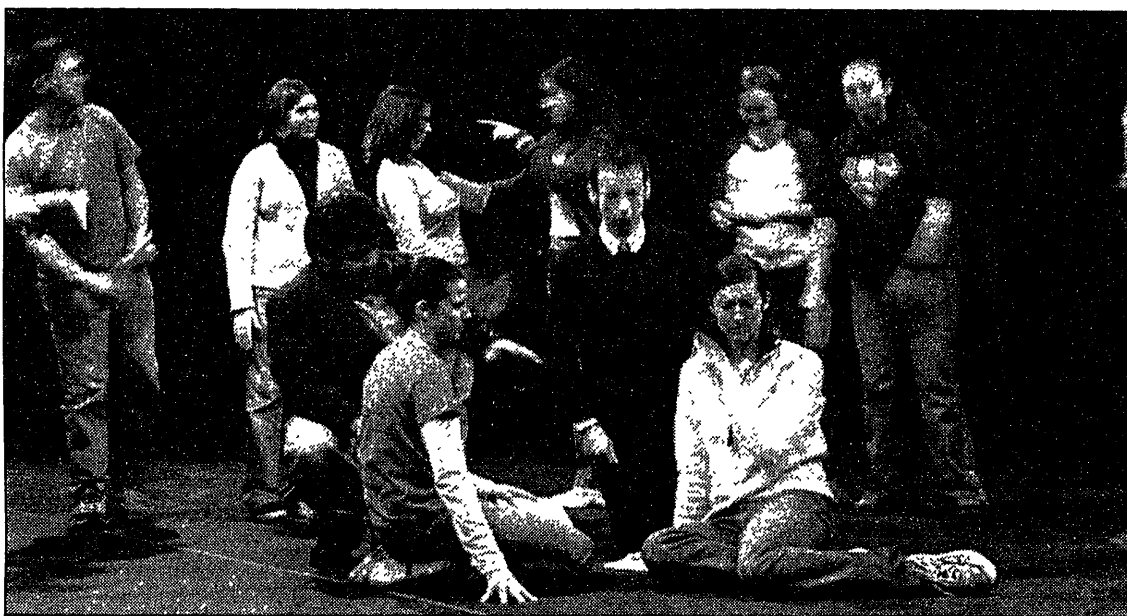


PHOTO BY JANIE LARSON

Students rehearse for fall's only production, *The Life and Death of Almost Everyone*.

"We get along and work together really well. We're like a big family," says actor Kim Elenich.

Much of this caring work environment is due to the unending support of the fall play's director, Dr. Christiana Taylor.

"Christy is fabulous," adds Elenich, "she is really here to help us. If someone does a line that she thinks they can do it better, she will tell them how to do so. She's always making us strive to be better actors."

After a quick vocal warm-up, Taylor insists that the actors run through lines "with motivation" and then move on to blocking.

"What's really interesting is that there will be no set for the play. We just kind of block as though there were," states Elenich.

The vacant stage sets the scene for what Olds calls a "play with something for everyone. It's philosophical and can parallel current politics if audiences look for it. It's a classic

political satire and it's also quite comedic."

Elenich advises all audience members to come to the show with an open mind and be prepared for an all-out spoof on war.

"We focus mainly on the Vietnam war, but the play pretty much makes fun of the entire concept of war," she says.

Most of the actors are keeping characteristically tight-lipped in regards to the fundamentals of Campton's political

comedy, as to not spoil the surprise for any audience members, but they cannot hide their obvious and all-too-addictive excitement.

"This play is just written really well and it's a joy to put on," exclaims Elenich—who is then joined by a slew of cheers and hugs from her fellow cast mates.

Despite this obvious excitement circulating around the drama group, not to mention the fact that the entire theatrical experience is one that most of the actors have been through before, a nervous tension lies beneath many of their cool facades.

"It's just really nerve-wracking because we open in two weeks and we don't even have our costumes," says another veteran Highline actor Mike Bacalzo.

This truth, in addition to the strenuous rehearsal schedule and extensive line memorization, would normally crush the spirits of a less strongly united cast—but this is not the case for these Highline drama students.

To put it in Bacalzo's own words: "by God we are looking forward to this production. It's going to be a whole lot of fun."

Tacoma Actors Guild brings play, *No Exit* to audiences

By BRI CHURCH
STAFF REPORTER

The stage is set, the actors are rehearsed and the director is prepared to introduce the newest play to be performed by the Tacoma Actors Guild, the South Puget Sound's only resident professional theater company.

2003 marks the 25th Anniversary for TAG and in honor of this momentous occasion, director Leland Patton brings to the stage Jean-Paul Sartre's existential classic, *No Exit*.

The play opened to preview audiences Wednesday, Oct. 29 and will run through Sunday Nov. 16 at Theater On The Square in downtown Tacoma. Opening Night for the general public will be on Saturday, Nov. 1 at 8 p.m.

Chris Shelton, TAG's general manager, says that the existential belief that "hell is other people," is spotlighted throughout the dialog between *No Exit*'s main characters, Monsieur Joseph Garcin and two ladies, Inez and Estelle.

A comfortable, yet slightly cramped sitting room sets the scene for the three character's strange predicament, in which they find themselves trapped together with no way out. The



PHOTO COURTESY OF TACOMA ACTORS GUILD

Actors in the play, *No Exit*.

room's lack of mirrors, bricked up windows, lights that never turn off, and quite literally, no exits, fuels the companions' desire to escape—but leads them to a stunning realization as to why they were originally placed together.

Under the direction of Patton, a veteran TAG director, Shelton says that the production should be a "great success."

Well known for his multi-layered production vision in such plays as *Gaslight*, *Dial M*

for Murder, and *Terra Nova*, Patton will be joined behind the scenes by sound designer Nathan H. Kahler; lighting designer Scott O'Donnell; and scene designer Matthew Smucker.

Under Patton's direction on stage as Garcin, is returning actor David Ivers, who previously appeared in Patton's *Gaslight*, as well as the TAG productions of *Much Ado About Nothing* and *The Merry Wives of Windsor*.

Also returning to the stage is

Kate Wisniewski, who plays Inez, and Amy McKenna as Estelle.

No Exit showtimes are Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. and Wednesday, Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 p.m., with matinee performances at 2 p.m.

Ticket prices range from \$20-\$28 for adults, \$12.50 for

children under 18, and \$19 for groups of 10 or more.

TAG also offers a variety of cost-saving subscription packages for seniors of 62 years and up and for students of all ages.

Tickets can be purchased at the TAG box office at: 253-272-2145, or stopping by the Theater On The Square at 915 Broadway, Tacoma.

You are cordially invited to

DANCE TO YOUR OWN BEAT

WHEN:
Now

WHERE:
Bastyr University, Seattle

WHY:
*Be bold. Embrace the eclectic. Go east.
Heal the world. Start right now with a degree
and career in Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine.*

BASTYR UNIVERSITY

FOR A
CAREER
LESS
ORDINARY

I N S I D E S C O O P

2003 ELECTIONS

CITY COUNCIL
SCHOOL DISTRICTS
PORT DISTRICTS



The
Thunderword

10/30/2003

"B" SECTION

BURIEN CITY COUNCIL

Business and third runway fuels race for six candidates

By BEN JOHNSTON
STAFF REPORTER

Jumpstarting business in the city of Burien and mitigating SeaTac Airport's third runway project are the two hot-button issues in the race for three city council positions this Nov. 4.

Six nonpartisan candidates are vying for the three open positions, and none of the candidates received a flat-out majority vote in the primary election in September.

Position 2: Parkins vs. Krakowiak

Position 2 is a race between retired businessman Dean Parkins and Burien businesswoman Lucy Krakowiak.

Dean Parkins says his upper management experience for over 26 years, during which he has built a strong reputation for integrity, is what wins him the toss.

"I have impacted thousands of lives during my career," Parkins said.

Parkins said that he has sent out 15,000 paychecks, all on time, and has completed 20,000 tax returns in his time as a tax preparer.

Parkins also points to his community involvement.

He has co-founded Discover Burien, a nonprofit organization focused on community involvement. Parkins helped put on a farmer's market and an Octoberfest during his 1,000+ hours of community service in the last two to three years.

Parkins' goals for Burien include; making Burien a better place to live, making the city more business-friendly, and smoothing out the business permitting process to make it easier for new businesses to start up in the city.

"We need to recognize the contributions to the retail tax revenue (businesses supply to the city)," Parkins said. "All of the programs hurt if this is not done."

Parkins said the fight against the third runway has gotten results. "But I don't write blank checks for anybody," Parkins said. "I am for holding the Port (of Seattle) accountable, and for medication for any problems the city is having with the Port."

Parkins believes that the third runway could help business in the city, in that more traffic will be headed into Burien from the airport.

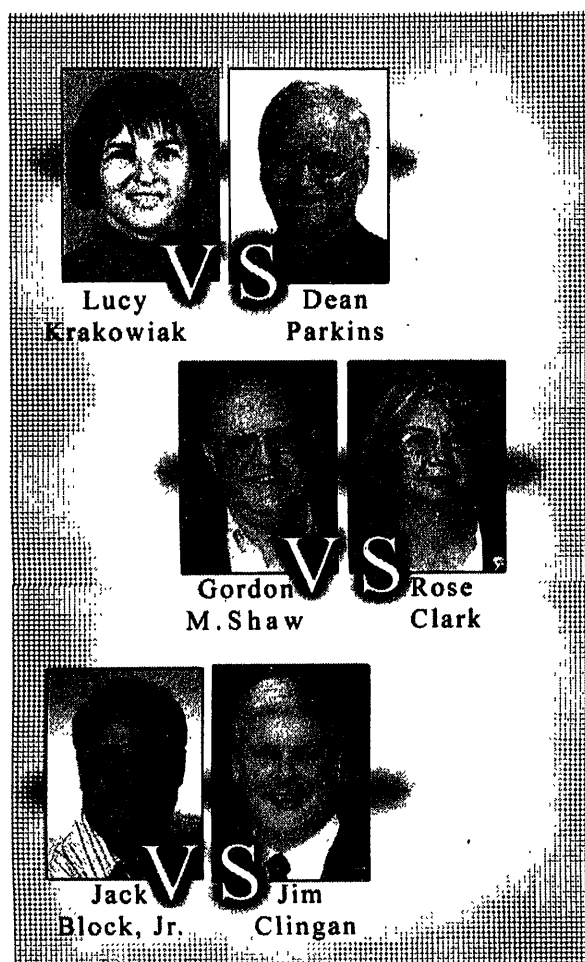
Parkins said that the reason voters should pick him over his opponent is his experience.

Lucy Krakowiak's motto for her candidacy is, "the best for Burien."

Krakowiak believes that the most important step in fostering a business-friendly Burien is the development of downtown.

"This will increase the revenue base, which will create funds for public safety, human services and services for seniors," Krakowiak said.

Krakowiak vows to support initiatives that invest in downtown businesses.



Along with fostering business in Burien, Krakowiak believes that the best for Burien also involves protecting the environment.

She believes that the third runway would indirectly, negatively affect the city, including business.

"The third runway will reduce real estate values, thus adversely affecting Burien's economy," Krakowiak said.

Krakowiak says that although Parkins may have more hours of community service, hers is more diverse and stronger.

"I have the passion, energy and leadership experience," Krakowiak said. "He (Parkins) might have more experience in the tax preparation arena, but my public service experience is stronger and more well-rounded."

Position 4: Clark vs. Shaw

The race for Position 4 on the Burien City Council is being contested between Rose Clark and Gordon M. Shaw.

Clark has been politically active since the mid-1970s, noting that Burien has only been a city since 1993.

Her campaign promises are to continue to work with the Airport Communities Coalition in the fight against that third runway, to work with Burien business and citizen groups, and to continue work on the town square currently under construction.

"The third runway diminishes property values," Clark said. "It's like being next to a chemical plant."

Stormwater runoff from the current runways damage creeks that run through the city, especially during big rains, Clark said.

"I am concerned about our grandchildren's drinking water," Clark said.

She also believes the airport has negative effects on

business.

"Since the second runway was put in in the 70s, business has dwindled," Clark said. "And, we have had to fight for 30 years to prove that the airport (negatively) affected the (Highline) school district."

As the incumbent, Clark points to her dedication.

"I have missed four council meetings in the last four years, I was one of the writers that wrote the city's comprehensive plan, I am honest and forthright, live here year-round, and I embrace a diverse city," Clark said.

Gordon M. Shaw says that he has been involved since the incorporation of the city in 1993.

Shaw was a charter member on the city planning commission, built for Habitat for Humanity and was an owner of a small freight company for nine years.

"I think that the council didn't hear what the citizens were saying," said Shaw of the recent envisioning process for the city. "I voted in the minority, as my opponent will tell you, but the city has dropped in median wealth since that time. Zero attention is paid to business in Burien, that's my platform. We have a relatively hostile attitude toward business in this city."

Shaw pointed to a sign code passed by the council that made 40-50 percent of the business signs in the city illegal. Also, the city council voted to ban used shipping containers from being reused, which forced the local Fred Meyer to discontinue using them to store old advertisements, disallowing the store from following state guidelines for advertising.

"We have to change the atmosphere to one that is more inclined to facilitate business," Shaw said. "I was successful enough to retire in my early 50s and do the things I want to do. That's the best lifestyle; to be able to do the things you want to do."

Shaw says that the airport has been bad for business in Burien, but it could be good.

He stated that the capacity planned for the third runway project will be outdated in 10 years.

"The third runway fight, which has had some substantial results, is at a point where we need to start negotiating with the Port of Seattle and make sure mitigation is gotten is gotten for Burien," Shaw said.

Shaw says that being in the minority in the city has not necessarily been a bad thing for his campaign.

"Not very many of my ideas have been listened to," Shaw said. "I show an 'if it's not broke, don't fix it' attitude."

Position 6: Block vs. Clingan

Position 6 is contested between Jack Block Jr. and Jim Clingan.

Block has lived in the Burien area for 40 years, and used to deliver papers in the neighborhood.

Block has been on the Parks Board since 1999, but says he has been involved in politics since his father ran for the state Legislature when he was 3 years old. He is the owner of a small business and an executive member of the IWOU.

"I have a firm grounding in business relations," Block said.

Block looks to expand the parks system, capitalize on the city's successes and streamline the business permitting process.

"The city lacks a business startup checklist," Block said. "I want to include Hispanic immigrants in city

see Burien, page B3

STAFF

B O X

Scoop Editor.....Ben Johnston
Page Editors.....Victoria Anthony, Shauna Bjork, Ben Johnston
Design Editor.....Mak Zuljevic
Photo Editor.....Melissa Flesch
Photographers.....Chuck Cortes
Reporters.....Chandra Smith, Aron Higgins, Shelby Lancaster, Donnie Meldrum, Bryan Swanson

ELECTIONS

HIGHLINE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Higher standards for schools, safer environment for kids marks campaigns

By BEN JOHNSTON
STAFF REPORTER

Two seats on the Board of Directors for Highline School District 401 are open and contested, with one seat open and unopposed.

Position 1: Slattery vs Mullen

Position 1 is a race between incumbent Tom Slattery and challenger Patrick E. Mullen.

Slattery says that schools should be held to higher standards and supported so that all students can do better academically.

"The WASL (Washington Assessment of Student Learning) has raised standards," Slattery said. "It also forces teachers to look at how they teach."

Slattery said that the test has had a positive impact on the district, which has a good record that shows six years of steady progress.

Of the third runway, Slattery said this, "We have an agreement. The airport needs to be a good neighbor."

Safety is an important issue to Slattery.

"We are making inroads on safety with the Safe and Civil Schools program," Slattery said of improved school safety. "My record shows I've done a good job. I have experience and bring a lot of experience to the job."

Mullen believes that his real-world experience helps him to know what kids need to learn in order to survive and thrive.

"I have worked as a microfilm worker, a fish processor, a sweeper, a longshoreman and a warehouse laborer," Mullen said in his statement.

Mullen wants to see a strong focus on teaching civics, world history, American history, mathematics and physical education. He also believes in restoring

corporal punishment in the schools, "and kicking out all trouble-makers who sell drugs and carry arms to school," Mullen said.

Mullen is self-educated, and would like the district to help students become lifelong, self-motivated learners, Mullen said.

Position 4: Byers, unopposed

Phyllis L. Byers is an incumbent running unopposed for re-election to Position 4.

Position 5: Pina vs Prindle

Position 5 is a race between incumbent Matthew Pina and challenger Cass L. Prindle.

Matthew Pina points to the advances made during his time on the board.

"The last bond passed was in 1986. There are 31 structures in the district, most built in the 50s or before," Pina said. "Approximately \$4 million is spent every year (on maintenance) in our district. Surrounding districts spend only \$1 million a year."

Pina says that the district needs to keep as much money in the classroom as possible.

"The budget needs to be conducive to maximizing student achievement," Pina said. "The state doesn't finance arts, music or sports programs in the district. The community supports those (programs) if they think it's important."

Pina says he agrees with raising the bar with the WASL testing, but says also that it is a test that is still being fine-tuned.

"We need to make all students successful," Pina said. "If you're going to do that, you have to put the appropriate funding behind it."

Pina said that a big part of that is realizing the diversity in the district.

"About 71 different languages are spoken by students in the district, from 85 countries," Pina said. "It is difficult to have everything rest on one test, and it is important to note that the Highline School District continually beats national and state averages for the SATs. The bottom line is student achievement."

Pina says that the second and third runway issue is one that can only be taken care of by community involvement.

"It's more than just noise, it's air quality, it's environmental issues," Pina said. "If you just throw money at it, some believe it will fix it. I believe it's more than that. It will take some money, but a lot of cooperation."

Prindle is seeking election because, "our district not only needs to prepare students for college, but also for careers that require specialized vocational training," Prindle said in his statement.

Prindle has lived in the district for 30 years, raising two children here, and has served on the advisory committee for the Highline School District Occupational Skills Center for 15 years.

"This kind of experience is what our school board needs to develop the best futures for our children," Prindle said. "We must all do what we can to meet the goal of truly leaving no child behind."

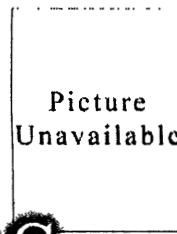


Matthew Pina

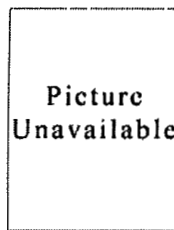
Cass L. Prindle



Tom Slattery



Patrick E. Mullen



Picture Unavailable

Phyllis L. Byers (Unopposed)

Burien, from page B2

business. I bring a pragmatic approach, with an attitude to details. City Hall doesn't have a bilingual person on staff. We need programs to stay ahead of the curve."

Block said that the third runway project is adversely affecting Burien's economy. "The school district is affected by house buyouts, because the state funds by

enrollment, and property values drop," Block said. "However, businesses could see some good effects."

Jim Clingan is a lifelong Burien resident of 49 years. Clingan is a board member of the Burien Arts Association, Merchants of Burien and Discover Burien. He was a coordinator for Burien's Strawberry Festival and says he has worked with and for people in a variety of other ways, all volunteer work.

Clingan has 25 years of small business experience running his own sales agency.

"I know how to get past and deal with problems and find solutions," Clingan said. "I'm a good listener and I work well with people."

Clingan's goals for Burien are to revive the economic vitality of Burien, helping to grow its tax base and to build a profitable town square.

Clingan said that he is the more qualified candidate for the position because he has attended council meetings for five years, is familiar with the issues and has some possible answers to Burien's problems.

Clingan sees job opportunities in the third runway project, but is for holding the Port of Seattle responsible for negative impacts.

"We need to get into the hospitality business," Clingan said. "We could take better advantage of the Port's proximity."

KENT CITY COUNCIL

City Council candidates all want to bolster business

By CHANDRA SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

Kent City Council candidates all have one goal in common: they all want to bring businesses and jobs back to the city of Kent.

Positions 1, 3 and 7 are the contested choices on the ballot Nov. 4. The three council members selected will set up city policies, regulations and ordinances, as well as approve the city budget and respond to citizens for a four-year term.

Dr. Deborah Ranniger, running for Position 1, said overhauling and making huge changes is not the way to approach the city's problems.

"The challenge is how to maintain quality of the city we have in the face of declining revenue," she said. "Let's not reduce programs but rather do a little tweaking here and there."

Meanwhile, she recognizes that some current policies need to be changed. Ranniger, who had to close her family business Ranniger's Nursery last year because of the economy, said the city of Kent needs to streamline the building permit process and regulations.

"The amount of hoops to jump through is time-consuming and costly," Ranniger said. She also said that Kent should be more proactive and involve the community.

Ranniger has lived in the Pacific Northwest since she was a teenager. She got her degree in landscape and architecture from the University of Washington, and went on to earn a doctorate in speech communication in 1988.

Ranniger said her educational background in small group decision-making makes her an effective candidate for the city council. She sees herself as a team player and motivator willing to maximize the strengths of each person on the council.

"What I have to offer is creative problem solving and a positive approach to problems," she said.

One problem she solved for the city of Kent was keeping the Kent-Meridian pool open with a bond levy campaign.

Ranniger continues to be involved in the community as a member of the Kent Police Drinking Driver Task Force. She is also a member of the Land Use Planning Board and the Kiwanis.

She resides in Kent with her husband and has two children.

Ranniger's opponent, Ted Kogita, wants to focus on making Kent more friendly for business by lessening utility taxes and recruiting world-competitive businesses.

"Kent needs to tighten its belt and save some money for the taxpayers," he said.



Kogita said seven out of 100 homes are empty in Kent because the citizens are being laid off from higher paying jobs here and accepting entry-level jobs in other states. "You can't tax the people who aren't there," he said.

Kogita, who is from Seattle and retired from Boeing where he worked as a contract estimator, said the business occupation tax percentage is too high. He has also been pushing Kent to enforce an ordinance for a utility tax break for low-income households.

"We're not using that ordinance correctly," he said.

In addition, Kogita is concerned about the city paying for three full-time administrative positions when other cities of Kent's size do not have as many executive employees.

"Get rid of the administrator or the mayor, one or the other," he said.

Kogita wants to preserve as much of the fire and police force as possible, but he said the fire department is covering more ground than Kent city limits.

"Are we taking care of another community? If we are, then why?" he asked.

Kogita does not support annexations because he says the city cannot afford it. Kogita said his previous experience at Boeing will help him on the Kent City Council.

Kent city council Position 3 candidate Bill Boyce's top three priorities are public safety, creating a place for family, and financial responsibility.

Boyce wants to make sure the police and the fire departments have enough resources and technology. His goal for the city is for Kent to become an optimum place for families to live and work, and he would like to see downtown Kent restored. He intends to inform the public on upcoming projects and manage the budget wisely.

Boyce is married and a father to five children. Bill Boyce was not available for comment.

Boyce's opponent, Les Thomas, attended Highline the first year it was established and later instructed gemology courses at Highline from 1989-1990.

"There were only six or seven buildings and the girls had to wear dresses," he said. "There was no library yet, and we had to study in our cars."

Thomas, who is from Kent, graduated from the University of Washington in 1968 as a business major. He joined the US Army Finance Corps the same year and was honorably discharged in 1970. He received an MBA from University of Puget Sound Tacoma in 1971. The following year, he opened Blessing's Jewelers in Kent, which he operated for 22 years.

"My heart has always been in downtown Kent," he said. "I grew up here and I have a lot invested here. My grandfather moved here in 1886, and my dad is from here, too."

The business had to close after Smith and Meeker streets were rerouted. "The new route moved 8,000 cars

per day away from businesses," he said.

Thomas suggested making Smith street underpass to Washington Avenue and improving other streets to bring a "viable shopping destiny" back to Kent. In addition, Thomas wants to keep police and firefighters on the job, and supports aggressive annexation.

"I want to represent the entire city and its citizens, not just east, west or downtown," he said.

He currently works on the management team for International Jewelers in Southcenter. Thomas also expects to take on a leadership position within the council because of his experience.

He served as a State Representative in the legislature in the House of Representatives from 1994-1999 and was a King County councilman in 2001. He was a board member of the Kent Chamber of Commerce and was on the Kent Land Use and Planning Committee from 2002-2003. He was a past president of the Kent Kiwanis in 1986 and continues to be involved with the organization.

Thomas is endorsed by Kent firefighters, the Kent Police Guild, the Realtor's Association, the Affordable Housing Council, and Boeing.

Thomas, his wife, and his four children each went to Kent-Meridian and three of the family members have masters degrees. He has two grandchildren.

"Education is the key to so many different things. For me it was the key to several doors," he said.

Ron Harmon, who is running against Ted Nixon for position 7, also encourages students to be motivated about politics.

"Get involved early in a problem you see whether you are in favor or against it, be passionate and your early influence will be heard," he said.

Harmon, who is supported by the Kent police department and the Kent firefighters, said he is concerned about safety in the city of Kent.

For that reason, he is in favor of 1.6 percent utility tax raise. "For an extra \$2 per month, we are able to secure public safety," he said. "Both fire and police should be fully funded."

In 2001, Harmon was appointed by the fire chief to design the strategic plan which sets the goals of the department for the next 10 years. He also is a member of the steering committee of the Kent Drinking Driver Task Force that regulates underage alcohol and tobacco sales, provides bicycle helmets, and promotes youth activities.

He is retired and currently chairman of the Land Use and Planning Board in Kent. During the school year, he drives a school bus for special needs kids in Auburn.

Harmon is an advocate for property rights. "For

see Kent Council, page B5

KENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

One contested race deals with higher standards

By CHANDRA SMITH
STAFF REPORTER

While the race for Kent School District board of directors in districts one and three are uncontested, the Nov. 4 election will determine who will represent district two. Both Chris White and Lisa Holliday are vying for the position, and both say they have the energy and vision to tackle the job at hand.

The main duty of the Kent School District director is to review the district's policies and budget. The board of directors also hires and fires the superintendent.

"I believe in the Kent School District mission to successfully prepare students for the future," Holliday said.

"In an effort to raise standards, school districts are narrowing focus to students who are college-bound. In Kent, there is a wide diversity including students in a troubled economic situation," she said. "We are dealing with a district with over 100 languages spoken."

Holliday wants students to be educated with tools they can use for daily life, such as knowing how to fill out tax forms and understanding what personal debt entails whether they attend college or not.

"We are keeping up with technology, but not necessarily teaching the technology," she said.

Holliday said she wants to find out what can be done to enhance programs that are working while still preserving a balance with the district's resources.

Holliday said programs need to be equitable to needs, meaning funds should be dispersed where they are needed the most and not equally spread out to each school program.

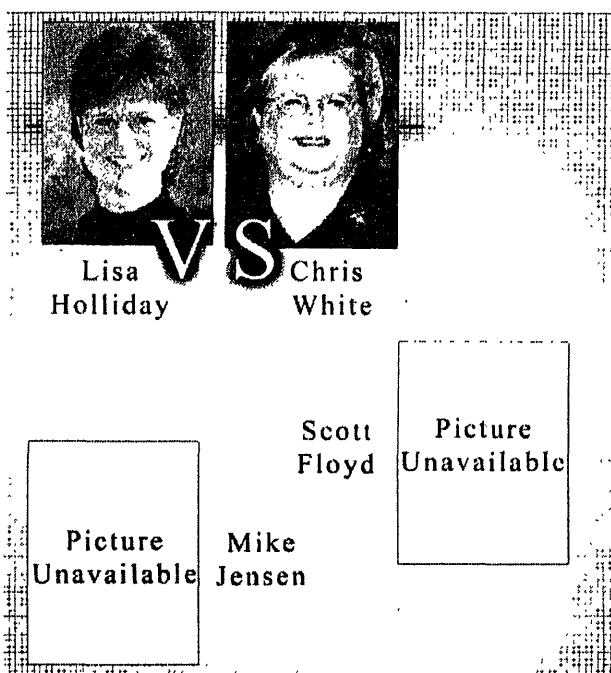
She has experience relating to budgeting resources.

Holliday is a member of the Citizen's Budget Review committee that reviews portions of the district's budget every year and gives recommendations to the school board. She has attended the school board meetings for over a year.

She works as a consultant for both small and large companies with clients including Horizon Airlines and Alaska Airlines.

"Running a district is complex," Holliday said. "It is similar to the airlines in that you have regulations, unions, the parents and the students to listen to."

She vows to ask questions of the entire community and not only listen to the most vocal group.



"I like to gather information first before making judgments," she said. "Whatever issues that come in front of me, I want to be educated enough to make the judgment. I want to gain a fair sample of the community's opinions and represent people who might be unable to come and speak."

Chris White is also passionate about education and helping all students learn, but she said that the district needs more resources.

"The Kent School District has major issues, from shrinking state funding to low academic achievement scores," White said.

White said her experience in networking and expanding resources would be a valuable asset to the board.

"We need to work with district administrators to do what we can to increase resources," she said.

"Kent has already tried to get grants but the test scores and the need is not high enough. Why wait for a grant?" White asked.

White volunteers on the board of Communities in Schools of Kent, an organization that helps kids build strong connections with adults through a mentoring program.

One of the goals of the organization is to arrange to have 10 adult mentors in four elementary schools in Kent. White mentors a boy from Springbrook Elementary once a week for 45 minutes.

"We spend time reading together, playing cards and reserve time for playtime. It's important for the adults to build rapport and relationship with the kids," she said.

She worked as a management consultant to help the organization gain legal, non-profit status. With White's help, the organization has

secured grants from businesses like Valley Medical Center, Costco, Boeing, and the United Way.

She has been involved with the leadership of the Kent area PTA for several years as well as vice president for the Washington State PTA from 2001-2002.

White has been involved in all levels of the school system as the mother of her two daughters who each graduated from Kentridge.

Currently, she works as a secretary for Family of Grace Lutheran Church in Auburn, and volunteers on the church council.

One of the primary dreams White has is the development of community learning centers in the Kent area, particularly the valley where not much is being done to support kids, she said.

White said the community learning centers, driven and supported by the school district, could involve kids in all grade levels who have nowhere to go after school.

The centers would be available on a regular daily basis and could cooperate with Lighthouse, a preexisting after-school program that provides recreation and some counseling.

White said she supports allowing the activity-based learning centers to be a real presence in kids' lives, but it would involve long-term commitment and participation from both the schools and the community.

White is not sure what location would be best for a community center and laws and policies would limit that dream, but she intends to talk to the community for support.

"One of my strong points is being the person to facilitate consensus among groups and networking within the community," she said.

White is concerned about new changes within the Kent School District as students will need to be redistributed to other schools while Kent Junior High will be closing for a year for rebuilding.

"Some obstacles are the lack of space in schools and the availability of resources. The growth does not equal available space," she said.

Another consideration, White said, is that next year students in the seventh and eighth grades will be attending middle school while high schools will be comprised of eighth through twelfth graders.

"We will need a new busing plan," she said.

White encourages Highline students to vote for her because "they should vote for someone who believes in all children succeeding. We need to help kids at risk of dropping out."

Kent Council, from page B4

me, property rights are human rights along with good common sense," he said.

He encourages construction of owner-occupied homes and traffic improvements.

He also supports funding for education.

"If we can provide good schools with great education, it yields great citizens," he said.

Harmon is single with one daughter who lives in Boise.

Ted Nixon is also concerned about safety in Kent, especially pertaining to sidewalks. For example, Nixon said crosswalks need to be constructed from Earthworks Park to Kent-Meridian as there are no crosswalks on Smith street for almost a mile.

"If the goal is to make a pedestrian friendly city, we need to have crosswalks," he said. Nixon recommends brick pavement, shelters and a gateway for the Smith and 2nd Street intersection for the future site of a shopping center.

His goal is to keep Kent Station and historic downtown connected. His other main goals are modeled after Boeing's evaluation of the 7E7 program: to improve infrastructure, improve the building permit process, and lower tax rates.

He is a veteran of the US Navy Submarine service, scout leader for Boy Scouts of America, president of the Kiwanis in Kent, president of the Kent Downtown Partnership, on the engineering advisory board at Highline, chairperson for Kent Downtown Design Committee, member of the Kent Chamber of Commerce Committee on Downtown Excellence, and Greater Kent Historical Society. Nixon earned a bachelor of arts in Architecture in 1983 and 90 credits in Civil Engineering at the University of Washington.

He now is an architect and small business owner of Campbell/Nixon & Associates in Kent. With 35 years architectural experience, Nixon says he is the right for the city council. "It costs so much to do business here, the businesses can't profit and relocate," he said.

Nixon intends to attract businesses by reducing fees and tax rates. His other plan is to shorten the amount of regulations and time it takes to get a building

permit. Nixon said the current process is frustrating people and ultimately, the businesses.

"In 1975 permit time would run two weeks, today 24 weeks is the norm and can take up to two years," he said.

Nixon said he wanted Kent to become the "City of the 60-day permit". In order to achieve this, Nixon said the city should make the approval process parallel and in series, rather than multiple departments reviewing independently.

Another thing Nixon does not approve of is the mayor accepting a 26 percent salary increase when city jobs were cut. He didn't like the fact that two Salary Commission members were not from Kent.

"I will strive to eliminate the Salary Commission," he said.

Nixon said it is necessary to elect city employees that share the same vision.

"What we have here in the city is very separated and distinct departments, such as fire, police, and public planning that often do not work cooperatively," he said. "We need to get people on the council willing to restore control back to businesses and people in Kent."

DES MOINES CITY COUNCIL

Candidates stress concern of city overspending

BY ARON HIGGINS
STAFF REPORTER

Lines seem to be drawn in the sand as the election for Des Moines city council draws close. Incumbents vs non-incumbents set up battle camps reading for the final days.

Des Moines seems to have shifted into two parties, cutting costs and increasing business or returning back to basic needs and focuses of the community.

This can be seen heavily with the third runway conflict coming to a close, and the revision of regulations to decrease the amount of money cities have to spend.

Position 6: Back vs Sheckler

Rob Back and Bob Sheckler are the two candidates running for council Position 6.

Back has been a resident in Des Moines for the last 22 years and a business owner for 15 of those.

He believes that the city of Des Moines is in need of a change from "career politicians."

Back sees major changes that need to be made in Des Moines as road way improvements, more responsible zoning growth and increased police staffing.

He also feels very strongly about spending money on the third runway, and is opposed to spending any more money fighting it.

Back feels that continual fighting against the third runway is a waste of the city's money and that the money can be used in other ways.

"I don't want the runway, I don't want the noise, but I don't want to waste anymore money" Back said. "I am not pro-runway, I am anti-wasting money."

Back believes that roadway improvements are much needed. These roadway improvements would include accelerating arterial construction and adding sidewalks for pedestrian protection.

Back also believes that we need to regulate the growth of multi-family dwellings in single family neighborhoods.

Sheckler is the incumbent in the race for Position 6. He has been on the city council since 1996.

He also chaired the Airport Cities Coalition from 1999-2001.

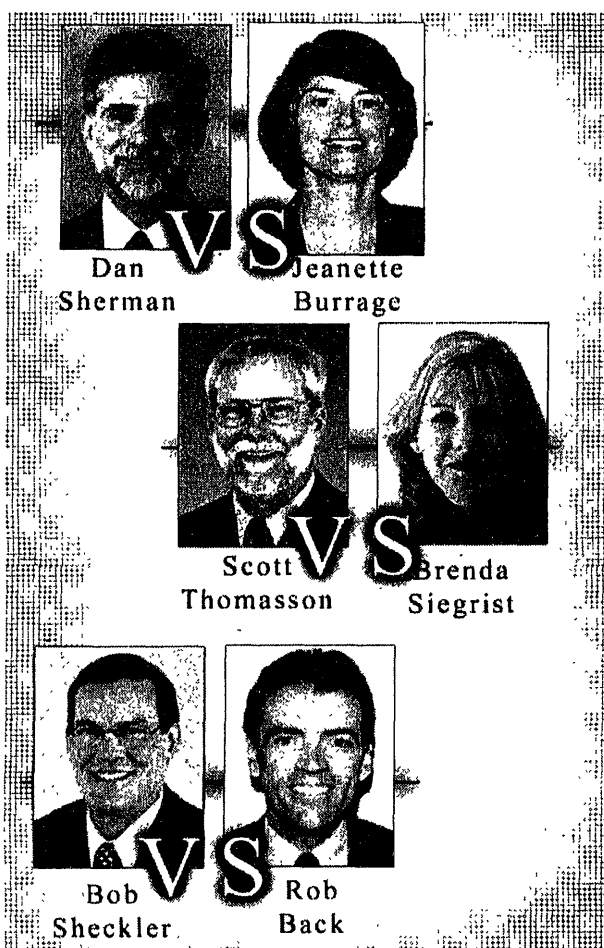
Sheckler also has a B.S. in business administration and a B.A. in education.

He served in the United States Air Force from 1966-1972.

Sheckler believes that the major issues for this campaign are fighting the third runway, protecting citizens rights redeveloping the roads, developing business and protecting creeks and streams.

Sheckler believes that by redeveloping Highway 99 between south 216th and Kent-Des Moines road, the city can create a showpiece entrance to Des Moines.

One of this campaign's major disagree-



ments is the third runway. Sheckler opposes the runway very strongly.

His web site states he will, "continue to vigorously fight the third runway at Sea-Tac Airport, a fight he is totally dedicated and committed to win."

Sheckler said that the funding for the ACC has paid for itself ten times over in soundproofing of the schools alone.

One of Sheckler's major goals in protecting citizens rights is preserving single family neighborhoods from multi-family developments, and placing multi-family developments in high infrastructure areas.

Sheckler feels that past difficulties with the chamber of commerce will be ending now that new leadership is in place with in the chamber.

However Sheckler is still taking steps along with the council to gather information on an economic developer for the city. Sheckler also plans to protect Des Moines creeks and streams.

One of the major steps taken to that end is the ACC establishing some of the strictest environmental restrictions on the area; this will begin in testing the dirt for the third runway.

Position 4 Thomasson vs. Siegrist

Running for Position 4 are Scott Thomasson and Brenda Siegrist.

Siegrist lives in Des Moines with her family of four. Her two children attend local schools and she does volunteer work at a local high school.

She feels that one of her major qualifications is the fact that she was a manager for a UW residents hall. Doing that she gained a lot of experience in budgeting and she said she really had to learn to work within the letter of the law.

Siegrist feels that the major problems in our city are: the lack of business development, the continual spending of money on the third runway, over taxation and overspending on other projects.

Siegrist believes that by easing the permit fee and process along with lowering the traffic impact fee, more businesses may be coaxed into setting up shop in Des Moines.

She also suggested that perhaps a tax break might help bring businesses in. Siegrist also states that she would like to improve relations with the chamber of commerce.

Siegrist feels that the third runway is wrapping itself down into the final stages and now we need to drastically lessen if not cut the spending fighting it.

Siegrist believes that over taxation on things like franchise fee and utility fee need to be lessened and that this can be done by refinancing the budget and cutting out many of the maintenance fees the city pays.

An example of her plan was to increase volunteer work for the parks department to decrease its maintenance fees.

Scott Thomasson is the incumbent for position 4. Thomasson has been on the Council for 16 years, six of them as mayor.

Thomasson has 25 years of experience planning and designing road, water, sewer, and drainage systems. Thomasson served as a former water commissioner and is a representative to numerous regional boards and committees dealing with municipal league.

Thomasson believes the major issue facing Des Moines is the change in tax laws that have left Des Moines with fewer resources to maintain the services its people require.

His major plan for overcoming this is to focus on improving transportation systems and park facilities, while making sure Des Moines is a safe place to live.

Position 2 Burrage vs Sherman

Jeanette Burrage and Dan Sherman are competing for council Position 2.

Burrage served on the Des Moines city council from 1994-1995. She holds both B.A. and J.D. degrees from the University of Washington.

He has held positions as a judge and as a teacher.

Burrage feels that the two major difficulties facing Des Moines are in fighting among the council members, and the overspending of the budget.

Burrage plans to help the council reach agreement through "ending personal rancor" and returning the cities focus back to "basic needs."

Burrage's plan to decrease the budget is to do away with "excess bureaucracy." Burrage also plans to bring in new revenues to the city.

Sherman is the incumbent for council Position 2.

Sherman has held two prior terms on the city council and is running for his third term.

He is a psychiatrist with a local practice and has been rated outstanding by the municipal league.

Sherman has also been endorsed by four former mayors, women's political caucus, and the sierra club.

One of Sherman's major beliefs is that "you only reserve your freedoms if you are active," and that the endorsements he has received speak very highly of his character and activity.

Sherman's priorities for Des Moines include protecting basic services such as police and roads. Sherman opposes the third runway and seeks to modernize the marina.

He also seeks to bring business to Des Moines to increase the cities funding. Sherman feels that the council needs a change of pace and a return to cooperation with out blame.

Sherman suggests that it might be time for the city to look into hiring an economic developer to act as a liaison in bringing in new business.

Sherman believes that Pacific Ridge is an area ripe for redevelopment because of the high crime rate in the area.

"Pacific ridge receives percent of our police attention," he said.

He believes that redevelopment into low crime housing will be an aid to Des Moines police.

Sherman thinks that while the fight for the third runway is coming to a close, the ACC should not be ended, but redefined.

He believes that its use has gone beyond the third runway and that it has been a great support to the city of Des Moines.

If reelected as a council member, Sherman feels that the council will need to adopt a more cooperative proactive stance.

He says that the council needs to be more focused on the issues not the personalities.

"We are here to do a job for the people of Des Moines," Sherman said.

FEDERAL WAY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board candidates have plans to stay the main

By **BRYAN SWANSON**
STAFF REPORTER

The Federal Way school board has two contested positions that will be filled after the November elections. Charlie Hoff and Suzanne Smith are running for director Position 2 while Bob Millen and Don Putman are running for director Position 5.

Charlie Hoff hopes to be able to be re-elected to the Federal Way school board as the director of Position 2, while Suzanne Smith hopes to be elected so she will be able to bring her interest and excitement to the board.

Hoff has been involved with the Federal Way schools in the classroom as a teacher, and his children have had schooling in Federal Way.

"Successful education revolves around you the student, parents, and educators," said Hoff.

By making sure everybody in a student's education understands the expectations for the student to be successful, the tripod of student, teacher, and parents, stands evenly on the ground providing the desired results, Hoff said.

Hoff plans on making a priority list of important things to spend the money on.

He does not want to stretch the budget over all of the issues but would focus attention to the priorities at the top of the priority list.

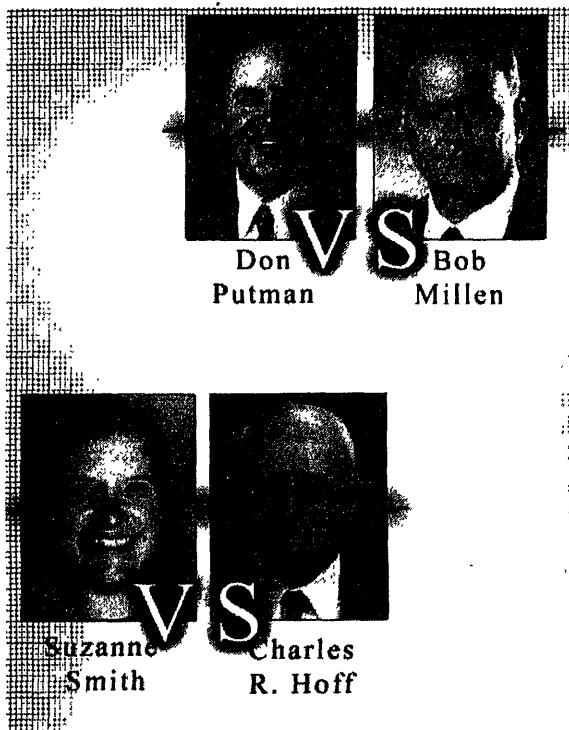
"I have the time, passion, and interest to work on the issues," said Hoff.

Suzanne Smith has been involved in education since she started volunteering in the classroom in 1995. She received a Golden Acorn Award, has served on the ad-hoc budget committee, and on the Federal Way School District Community Advisory Council.

Smith hopes to bring her interest and excitement for education to the Federal Way school board. The top priorities that she has are the budget, WASL scores, and the No Child Left Behind Act.

"I will keep myself constantly informed on how we are doing and how we are spending our money. We need to look at what we need to accomplish and set our priorities based on where we need to get," said Smith.

To work out the budget issues Smith would make a



priority list. If programs were to be cut, the electives such as sports and music would be cut before any academic program.

The WASL is the benchmark for the district. The information measures how the district is doing and helps make decisions.

The district needs to work on making adequate yearly progress, Smith said. She plans to continue accelerated classes with the purpose of catching up students that did not pass the WASL in all of the areas.

These classes focus on teaching students the skills they will need in order to pass the test and at the same time the classes make sure the students keep up with the curriculum they should be learning that year, Smith said.

Smith would like to see preparation classes that will allow students to take classes that will get them where they need to be for college or whatever program they plan entering.

"I hope to bring new ideas and to keep the focus of our schools on our children," said Smith.

The race for Position 5 consists of two fellow board members that are forced to go head to head because of redistricting.

Bob Millen has been forced to run for Position 5 because of this boundary change, rather than being able to stay in his current Position 3.

Millen was appointed by the board members to fill the empty director Position three. Seven months after his

appointment he was elected president.

He is a lead engineer at Boeing and has had experience in Federal Way Public Schools with his three sons and three nephews who have attended all their lives in Federal Way.

The most important educational issues the community and schools face are making sure that in 2008 today's eighth graders graduate, decreasing the drop out rate, and meeting yearly adequate progress, Millen said.

To face these issues Millen would like to continue with the transition plan and involve the parents.

The transition plan lets educators get to know the kids so the kids do not fall through the cracks, Millen said.

The WASL gives the board and educators an idea of the progress they are making.

To help the kids that do not pass the WASL, classes focused towards the test will be provided as a help in passing the next time around.

"There is a high mood and morale on the board right now," said Millen.

He hopes to be able to keep the high morale and continue the transition plan and get kids graduating. Don Putman has had the experience of being on the school board already.

He feels that this experience has given him the training to be a better school board member.

"I bring a focus on what needs to be done and a compassion for the people on the end of the decisions," said Putman.

When faced with a decision Putman plans to look at the personal effect that any decisions may have. He says that the personal effect he is looking at is the people and families that each decision impacts.

The board is aware of the potential for budget cuts. If budget cuts are necessary then it will be tough for the school district to fund the elective programs, Putman said.

"A vast majority of the money goes to the teachers and teacher support. We can't apologize for money problems, it's the best we can do," said Putman.

Putman feels that the parents need to be involved to help the kids meet the higher graduation standards. We have to inform parents so they and their students are not surprised when the kids are behind, Putman said.

"If we raise the bar the kids will reach it," said Putman.

FEDERAL WAY CITY COUNCIL

Federal Way's future up for grabs

By **BRYAN SWANSON**
STAFF REPORTER

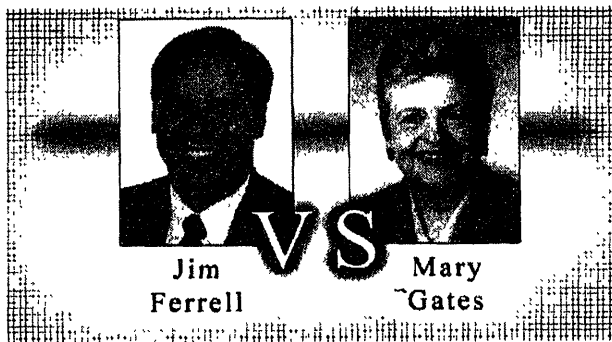
Two very different candidates are running for the Federal Way City Council Position 1. The incumbent Mary Gates and her opponent Jim Ferrell have opposing visions for Federal Way's future.

Gates has lived in Federal Way for 29 years. She was elected mayor of the city back in 1994, and has worked heavily on transportation in Federal Way.

The city has developed very conservative budget policies and it is pleasing that the city does more with less, Gates said. Gates said that she values the input of the community.

"Complaints are taken and worked through. There are lots of opportunities for citizen input," Gates said.

When Federal Way first became a city there were



more regulations dealing with businesses than King County had set and this seemed to drive business away from Federal Way.

To change this, Gates and the council have invited CEO's and business managers to meet with them and have briefed them on current situations. Gates has plans for a new community center that will replace the city's pool and be a senior center.

"By replacing the old pool we save on maintenance charges," Gates said.

As Federal Way journeys through its progression from small town to city, Jim Ferrell has been observing from a distance, but now wants to be a part of that

growth.

Ferrell worked his way through law school, which led him into the prosecutor's office in Renton and King County. Some of Ferrell's top concerns, if elected, are listening to the people, public safety, and addressing the regulatory structure of the city.

"I want the community to feel they had a true impact on the city," said Ferrell.

To accomplish this goal Ferrell plans to include the community in an idea from the beginning to the end decision.

"We're not the entertainment business. We need to be frugal with the city's money as if it were ours," said Ferrell.

The number of officers on the street is one of the public safety issues Ferrell is concerned with. There needs to be more officers so they can look to prevent crime, not react to it, said Ferrell.

"It will take time, the problems didn't arise over night," said Ferrell.

The businesses that are leaving the city are taking jobs with them. Hiring someone who would field complaints from businesses and facilitate to make the businesses happy is a step in bringing businesses back to Federal Way, said Ferrell.

SEATAC CITY COUNCIL

Extra funding from the Port of Seattle is wanted by city candidates

By SHELBY LANCASTER
STAFF REPORTER

SeaTac City Council candidates will square off on how to deal with the Port of Seattle in the upcoming elections.

Six candidates will compete for three contested positions on Nov. 4. Candidates include Mike Siefkes and Chris Wythe, who are running for position 2; Will Wurdeman and Ralph Shape, who are running for position 5; and Don DeHan and Rodger D. May, who are running for position 7.

Council Position 2, expiring 2005

Mike Siefkes wants the Port of Seattle to be held responsible for its impact on the city of SeaTac.

He was appointed to the council last July and is now running for retention.

Siefkes wants strong representation in dealing with the Port because SeaTac has more traffic on its roads and need for police and fire because of the airport. He is looking for "equitable relations" between the two entities.

"The city should be compensated for the burden of the airport," he said.

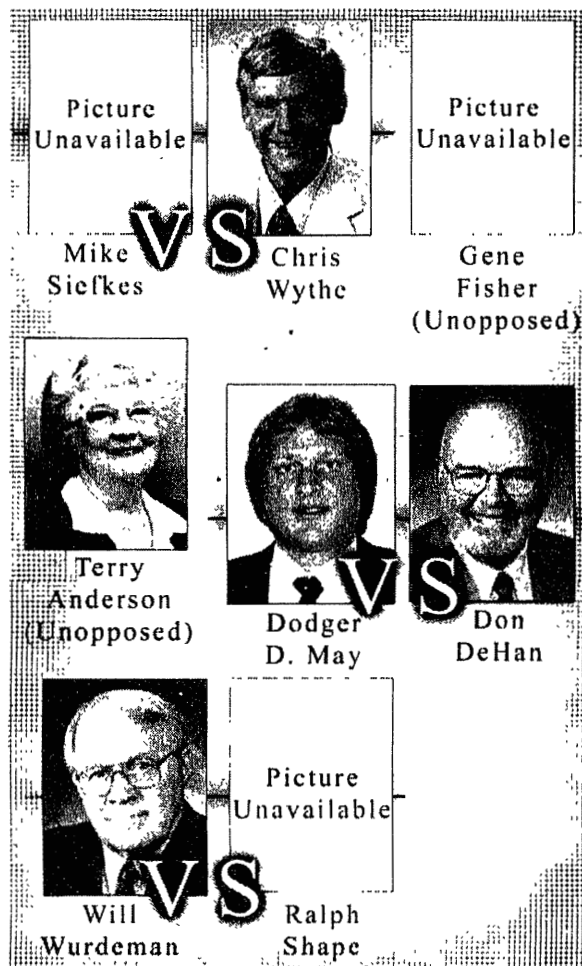
Siefkes is also concerned about livability and safety in the city. In particular, he would like to see better streets and more sidewalks.

"The kids need to be safe," he said.

Siefkes graduated from Highline in 1993 and continued on to earn both law and masters degrees. He is now a practicing attorney in Burien.

Chris Wythe wants to alter the infrastructure of SeaTac to make it not only focused on the Port, but to help residents and local businesses come together to form a community.

Because of the city's zoning practices and its reliance on businesses such as warehouses and parking



lots that support the Port, SeaTac is unable to support neighborhood business, he said.

"We need people with depth and integrity to put up and maintain a fight for residents and livability in our city," he said.

He also insists that he is not against the Port.

"It is a wonderful thing," he said.

Council Position 5, expiring 2007

Will Wurdeman is an incumbent city council member who says he wants to make fair, efficient, and equitable decisions on the behalf of the citizens of SeaTac.

His priorities on the council include child and senior services. One way that he is attempting to do this is to put together a package for a YMCA in the city that would accommodate both groups.

"I am learning to hear issues being presented, ask questions, and make decisions," he said.

Wurdeman was appointed to the council seat in March. He serves on the Land Use and Parks Committees.

"I want to insure safe parks and open spaces to improve our quality of life," he said in the voters pamphlet.

Wurdeman is a retired teacher that has lived in SeaTac for 38 years.

Ralph Shape wants SeaTac to look for new small business opportunities and infrastructures to support these ventures. He sees the city as relying too heavily on hotels and parking lots for its businesses.

SeaTac relies too much on hotels and parking lots and lacks the small businesses that other similar communities have he said.

For him, the key to this is more emphasis on transportation.

"Regional transportation is a great move," he said.

His plan for this includes extending I-509 to I-5 and implementing a system of mass transit from the downtown area to the airport.

Shape is a Seattle native, an Air Force veteran, and a retired airline pilot.

Council Position 7, expiring 2007

Don DeHan would like the city council to be mindful of the SeaTac's special situation of residents living next to the airport.

"I am mindful of the people who live near the impact of the airport," he said.

He argues that the airport and its impact challenge the city with unique issues relating to public safety, police, and fire.

Projects that he has been involved in while serving the council include the extension of I-509 and the renovation of International Blvd.

DeHan is a former mayor of SeaTac that has served the council for 12 years. He is the Transportation and Public Works Committee Chairman, and has lived in the area since 1964.

Rodger D. May feels that he can use business skills to make for SeaTac a better place to live.

He is the founder of Smöki Foods Inc, a seafood business which employs more than 300 people.

"I understand the difficulties faced by businesses and pledge to make SeaTac more business friendly with the goal of providing more jobs and revitalizing the community," he said in the voters pamphlet.

Also, he would like to fund what the community wants without further taxing the residents. To do this, May proposes looking to the Port and tourism.

"Tourism is the city's biggest asset," he said.

May is a Seattle-area native who has been very active in SeaTac for many years. His involvement includes the sponsorship of the annual Angle Lake Fourth of July Fireworks Celebration and major food bank donations through his company.

P O R T O F S E A T T L E

By DONALD MELDRUM
STAFF REPORTER

Clare Nordquist, six-year member of the Port of Seattle Commission, is facing some experienced competition in opponent Alec Fiskien. Both candidates are concerned about the economic vitality of the Port, but Fiskien is dissatisfied with the Port's results.

"I think the Port has a very important role in the region and I don't think it's doing a very good job of filling it," said Fiskien.

As an investment banker, Fiskien worked with a number of ports in the Northwest, including the Port of Seattle, on various types of debt financing. For experience Fiskien also emphasizes his familiarity with the operations of ports around the Puget Sound.

"For 10 years I was the publisher of *Marine Digest and Transportation News*, a trade magazine that covered West Coast ports and shipping. I traveled up and down the West Coast regularly, meeting with ports, steamship lines, and labor organizations," said Fiskien.

Fiskien commented that most other container ports do make money and that the Port of Seattle has lost its focus on its core mission.

"Most big ports on the West Coast earn a net profit for their communities," said Fiskien. "The Port raised its property tax levy last fall to \$58 million annually."

Fiskien proposed that the amount of money collected in levies could have been used to support hundreds of new teachers, or thousands of hours of transit service.

"Instead, that \$58 million is subsidizing hundreds of acres of empty docks," he said.

The current commissioner Nordquist was appointed to the commission in 1998 and was later elected

in 1999. He is running for re-election to fund the construction of the third runway, promote economic development and create jobs for the region.

"The Port must continue to invest so that King County continues to be a great place to live, work and raise a family," said Nordquist. "As a Port Commissioner for six years I have worked for every King County, resident to create family wage jobs and economic opportunity."

Nordquist claims the endorsement of several elected officials including King County Executive Ron Sims, former Seattle Mayor Norm Rice and Bellevue Mayor Connie Marshall.

Both Nordquist and Fiskien have expressed concern about the Port's responsibility towards environmental issues.

"The Port has won numerous awards for environmental management. We've built the region's first public compressed-natural gas fueling station and we're active in local efforts to restore salmon runs," said Nordquist.

Before his appointment to the Commission, Nordquist's involvement in the community included the Bellevue Schools Foundation and chairmanship of the Washington Technology Center at the UW.

Arts Calendar

• The 12th annual Polish Film Festival starts Nov. 7-9 and 14-16. General admission is \$8. The festival will be held at Broadway Performance Hall at 1625 Broadway, Seattle. For more information, call 206-901-0146, or visit www.polishfilms.org.

• On Thursday, Nov. 6, four local poets will read from a new poetry anthology, *O Taste and See: Food Poems*. Poems written by Elizabeth Bishop and Robert Frost will be read by local poets. This event will also have book signings by Alan Braden, Tamara Kaye Sellman, Martha Silano, and Susan Rich.

This event will take place in Building 7 at noon. This event is free.

• Painter d'Elaine Johnson's art show at Auburn Commision's City Hall continues through Nov. 28. Auburn City Hall is located at 25 West Main St., Auburn. The hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free. For more informaton, please call 253-931-3043.

• The 7th annual WPEA Craft Bazaar will be held Nov. 24 and 25, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Building 2. There will be raffles and gift baskets, as well as fur-

niture and baked goods. For more information, or if you would like to participate, please contact Lauri Spivey at 206-878-3710, ext. 3445.

• The Ready to Fly Tour will feature Big Daddy Weave and special guest Warren Balfield. The concert will be held Nov. 7 at 7 p.m. at Covenant Celebration Church, 1819 E. 72nd St., Seattle. Ticket prices range from \$12-20. Tickets are available online. For more information, please call 206-546-7350, or go online at spirit1053.com.

AN ASSOCIATE DEGREE IS JUST THE BEGINNING

How far you go is entirely up to you. At DeVry University, our goal is to give you the skills, education and confidence you need to live up to your career potential.

We offer Bachelor's degree programs on your terms: Classes are available days, nights, weekends and online at locations convenient to where you live or work.

Where you are is a great place to start, but it's only the beginning.

Bellevue
425-455-2242
Seattle (Federal Way)
253-943-2810
www.devry.edu

DeVry
University

YOUR BEST CAREER MOVE™

© 2003 DeVry University Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission and a member of the North Central Association (NCA), 30 N. LaSalle Street, Chicago, IL 60602, ncahigherlearningcommission.org

Election Recall

Across

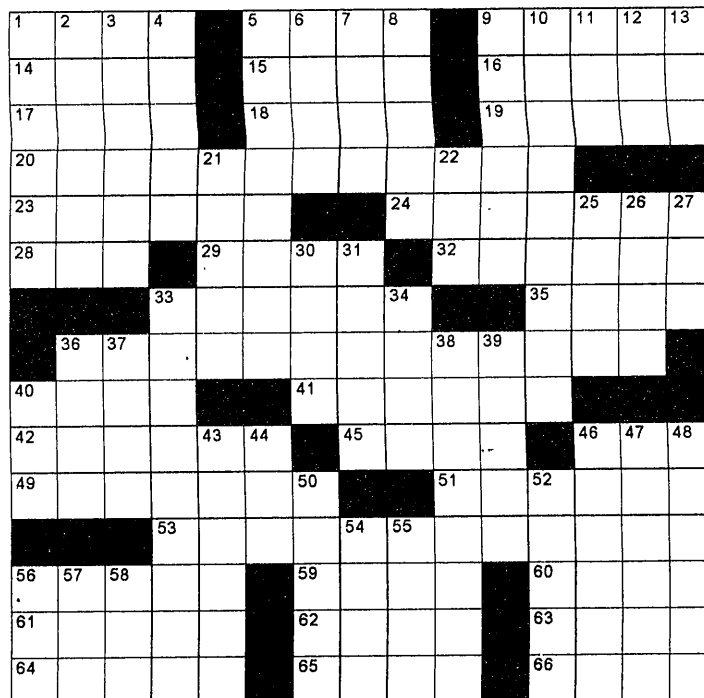
- 1 Gas station sign
- 5 Unfreeze
- 9 Ski resort
- 14 Jane Austen novel
- 15 Wraths
- 16 Picture
- 17 Like a tennis pro
- 18 Actress Foch
- 19 Word before cap or circle
- 20 1980 election recall
- 23 Calm
- 24 Space Needle locale
- 28 Tee lead in
- 29 Happy
- 32 Perpetually
- 33 Mixed together
- 35 Assist
- 36 1924 election recall
- 40 _____ Rapids, MN
- 41 Surgical solution
- 42 Snobby
- 45 Fence part
- 46 Wrestling area
- 49 Salvages
- 51 Pinpoint
- 53 1960 election recall
- 56 Seeped out
- 59 Keats' output
- 60 Follows Father
- 61 Tractor man
- 62 Citrus fruit
- 63 Give off
- 64 Attire
- 65 Tiger's needs
- 66 Cysts

Down

- 1 Last taxi?
- 2 Hosts
- 3 Defames
- 4 Beatle Bailey's boss
- 5 Singer Liza
- 6 Singer Clapton
- 7 Singer Horne

Crossword 101

By Ed Canty



- 8 Former Russian big wigs
- 9 Ask for a review
- 10 Kind of radio
- 11 Dem. or Rep.
- 12 JFK abbreviation
- 13 Neither's partner
- 21 Gabriel, for one
- 22 Afternoon reception
- 25 Japenese sock
- 26 Strong solutions
- 27 Wintertime in NYC
- 30 Tallies
- 31 French painter
- 33 Nicknames
- 34 Computer name
- 36 Strive to overcome
- 37 "_____ I dropped it"
- 38 Failed kidney treatment
- 39 Russian writer Chekhov
- 40 Mutt
- 43 Like Elvis' blue shoes
- 44 Farm resident
- 46 The upper limits
- 47 _____ Energy Commission
- 48 Beliefs
- 50 Prominent feature
- 52 Quotes
- 54 Border
- 55 Proofreaders remove sign
- 56 Roulette bet
- 57 Poet's oft used word
- 58 Zuider _____

Quotable Quote

Democracy substitutes election by the incompetent many for appointment by the corrupt few.

George Bernard Shaw

CROSSWORD SOLUTION

REFUSE TO LITTER

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| U | R | G | E | | A | C | C | R | A | | I | R | M | A |
| S | I | A | M | | S | H | O | A | L | | N | O | E | S |
| E | C | R | U | | S | E | P | T | I | C | T | A | N | K |
| D | E | B | | N | O | S | Y | | | L | E | N | D | S |
| | | A | P | A | R | T | | S | P | U | R | | | |
| S | A | G | E | S | T | | S | T | R | E | N | G | T | H |
| O | P | E | R | A | | C | H | A | O | S | | A | R | E |
| F | R | O | M | | S | H | A | R | P | | A | R | I | A |
| I | O | U | | S | T | O | V | E | | A | M | B | E | R |
| A | N | T | E | L | O | P | E | | P | L | E | A | D | S |
| | | | N | E | W | S | | S | L | A | N | G | | |
| A | G | I | L | E | | | S | P | A | N | | E | G | G |
| S | A | N | I | T | A | T | I | O | N | | S | C | A | R |
| A | I | D | S | | S | A | D | I | E | | P | A | V | E |
| P | L | O | T | | S | M | E | L | T | | A | N | E | W |

Highline men still standing tall

BY LAUREN HOWELL
STAFF REPORTER

The Highline's men's soccer team is the Southwest Division Champion and is confident in their run for the playoffs.

The championship spot was secured by winning last week's games against Peninsula on Wednesday, Oct. 22, and Green River on Friday, Oct. 24. It is the T-Birds third time clinching their division.

In Wednesday's game, Highline came out with less intensity, said Head Coach Jason Prenovost.

"The score was tied in the first half," Prenovost said. "They got a sloppy goal on us."

Travis Bailey scored Highline's first goal from the 18-yard line and drove the shot into the back of the net.

"We came out extremely flat and our focus just wasn't there in the first half," Prenovost said.

During halftime, Prenovost reminded the team that they control their own destiny and that winning this game was up to them.

"I questioned their hearts," Prenovost said. "It was the first game where I didn't see them playing with fire. It was frustrating because we weren't making good decisions. I really tried to wake them up at half-time."

In the second half, Highline came out with more energy.

"They did it themselves,"



PHOTOS BY MELISSA FLESCH

Joe Patterson gets tangled up with a Green River defender in Friday's match-up against the Gators.

Prenovost said. "They really turned up the intensity."

Matt Nuebauer, Lem Connineur and Brian Koo scored in the second half to end the game with a 4-1 win.

Prenovost said that it wasn't their best game, but the long trip and bad weather may have had something to do with their poor first-half performance.

"The weather affected our

play, it was extremely nasty outside. There was a boggy mud pit in the center of the field and the wind was blowing," Prenovost said.

Friday's game was just as tough, as Highline faced their rival, Green River, at home.

Paul Lower scored Highline's only goal for a final score of 1-0.

"Lower had a free kick about 22 yards out and drove a nice shot into the back of the net," Prenovost said.

Highline tried to change things up in this game.

"We knew that they had us scouted well so we tried to change up our offense," Prenovost said. "We wanted to adjust ourselves to make us less predictable."

Highline created many opportunities but had a tough time getting past Green River goalie

Joe Covey.

"Their keeper had a great game. He had 10 saves and five of them were incredible," Prenovost said.

Prenovost said in games like that it's important that they play their game.

"When you play big teams like this it gets scrappy and you have to remember what you've done in the past," Prenovost said.

Prenovost is very confident about going into the playoffs.

"Our chances of winning are very good, we're a veteran team with good depth, so I'm definitely not worried," Prenovost said.

Highline faced Clark College at home on Wednesday, Oct. 29, with results unavailable at press time. Their last game of the season is on Saturday, Nov. 1, at Shoreline at noon.



Patterson deflects a shot off the Gator's keeper. Paul Lower scored the only goal.

Scoreboard

MEN'S SOCCER STANDINGS

| NORTHEAST | W-L-T |
|-------------|--------|
| S. VALLEY | 10-1-2 |
| EDMONDS | 9-1-3 |
| NORTH IDAHO | 6-1-6 |
| WALLA WALLA | 6-2-5 |
| T. VALLEY | 6-3-5 |
| SPOKANE | 4-7-3 |
| WENATCHEE | 3-7-3 |
| COL. BASIN | 1-10-1 |

SOUTHWEST

| | W-L-T |
|----------------|---------|
| HIGHLINE | 16-0-0 |
| BELLEVUE | 14-2-0 |
| S. PUGET SOUND | 10-5-1 |
| SW OREGON | 10-5-1 |
| CLARK | 9-6-1 |
| SHORELINE | 6-8-2 |
| GREEN RIVER | 6-9-1 |
| TACOMA | 4-10-2 |
| PENINSULA | 10-15-1 |
| PIERCE | 10-15-1 |

October 30, 2003

The Thunderword

Women head to playoffs as team to beat

By **SHAUNA BJORK**
STAFF REPORTER

The Highline women's soccer team clinched the Southwest Division title and has home field advantage going into the quarter finals.

The team clinched by beating the Green River Gators Friday, 3-1.

This was the second meeting of the season between the Gators and the T-Birds. The first game resulted in a 2-2 tie.

Marianna Palermo remains the leading goal scorer for both the team and the league. She scored one goal bringing her total for the season to 19, only four goals away from the NWAACC record. She has 11 assists this season as well.

Krissi Shimp scored the other two goals in the game. She has a total of eight goals and eight assists this season.

"In the Green River game, there were some positives and negatives. The positives were that we won, clinched the Southwest championship, finished more of our chances and basically, we dominated the game," said Head Coach Jaimy McLaughlin. "The negatives were we allowed a late goal (80th minute), we were content at playing just good enough to win, and we didn't work on the things we have been doing in

training."

The team is happy with winning the Southwest title but, still has big goals for the remainder of the regular season and the postseason.

"The team feels pretty good about achieving another team goal (Southwest Division Champs) but we still have bigger things in mind before the end of our season," said McLaughlin. "Like to win the remaining two league games, win the quarter final at home next Saturday, get to the final four, and win the NWAACC Championship."

The team will work hard in order to accomplish their goals.

"Our training will get tougher and our work rate will increase to prepare for the quarters," said McLaughlin.

The team played Clark at home Wednesday, however, the results of this game were not available at press time.

Highline beat Clark 4-0 in their first meeting.

The T-Birds take on the Shoreline Dolphins in their final game of the regular season, the game will be at Shoreline on Friday at 3 p.m.

Highline will play in the quarter finals at home Nov. 8, with the time and opponent still to be determined. If the women win, they'll travel to Clover Park in Tacoma to play in the NWAACC Championships.

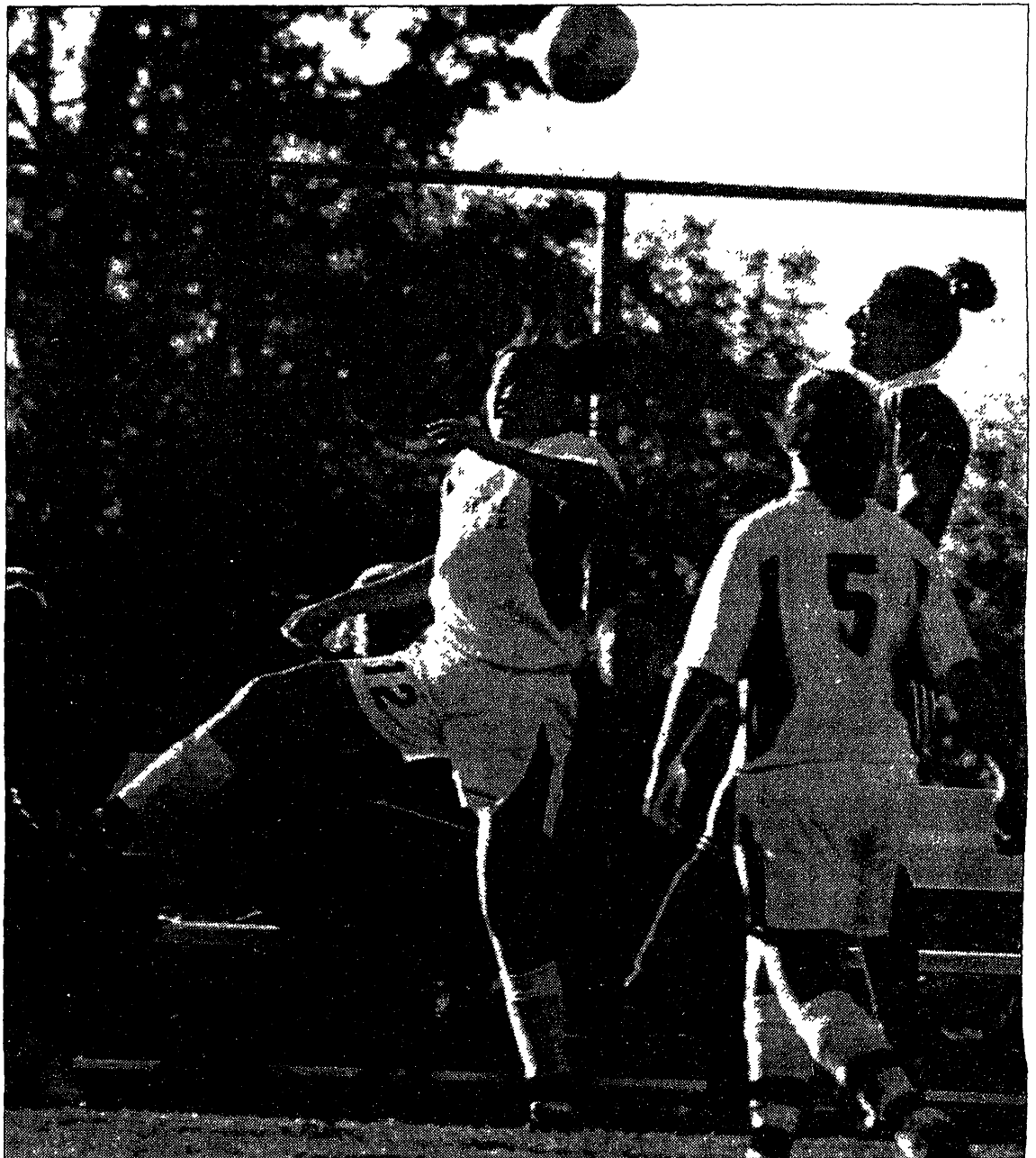


PHOTO BY MELISSA FLESCHE

Krissi Shimp clears a ball during Friday's game. Shimp had two goals in the match-up.

Scoreboard

WOMEN'S SOCCER STANDINGS

| NORTHEAST | W-L-T |
|-------------|--------|
| WALLA WALLA | 10-2-1 |
| SPOKANE | 9-2-3 |
| EDMONDS | 9-3-1 |
| NORTH IDAHO | 9-3-1 |
| TREASURE V. | 9-4-1 |
| WENATCHEE | 4-9-0 |
| SKAGIT V. | 3-10-0 |
| COL. BASIN | 1-9-2 |

SOUTHWEST

| HIGHLINE | W-L-T |
|-------------|--------|
| CLACKAMAS | 8-5-1 |
| GREEN RIVER | 7-4-3 |
| L. COLUMBIA | 7-5-3 |
| CLARK | 6-3-5 |
| SHORELINE | 5-5-5 |
| SW OREGON | 4-5-5 |
| BELLEVUE | 4-7-3 |
| EVERETT | 0-12-1 |
| TACOMA | 0-15-0 |

Treat Yourself to the Advantage
come down to the

Tutoring Center

Specializing in turning good students into better students

Sign up for FREE tutoring in:

- Accounting
- Science
- Writing
- Computers
- Languages
- Math

...and most other classes offered at Highline

Building 26 Room 319

Mon - Thurs.....7:30AM - 7:30PM

Fri.....7:30AM - 12:30PM,
2PM - 4PM

Starting a life over...

Laid-off aerospace industry worker pursuing new career!



Bettye Wiggins-Stubblefield

- Favorite people to hang out with - Husband & three daughters
- Favorite around town activities - Movie watching, going to the library
- Favorite solo stuff - Reading, cooking & singing
- Favorite vacation activity - Road trips

After being laid off in 2001 Bettye is seeking a new career and is starting with an education at Argosy University/Seattle in counseling. "I found out that Argosy University has been around for at least 25 years and Argosy University/Seattle offers a degree completion program that nicely fits my career change and schedule. I'm entering a new phase in my life and career..."

Your Connection

Have you completed a portion of your undergraduate coursework and wish to finish your bachelor's degree? Argosy University/Seattle has an accelerated program that allows you to complete 9-12 credits a semester while on campus only one evening a week! Our program prepares you for a variety of careers as well as providing an excellent foundation for graduate-level training. Financial aid is available for those who qualify. Call (206) 283-4500 or (866) 283-2777 for more information today.

Programs by Argosy University/Seattle:
BS - Business ; MBA - Business Administration; DBA - Business Administration; MA - Education; Ed.D. - Education; BA - Psychology; MA - Clinical Psychology; MA - Mental Health Counseling; Psy.D. - Clinical Psychology.

ARGOSY
UNIVERSITY

Argosy University/Seattle
www.argosyu.edu
1019 8th Avenue North
Seattle, WA 98109

Argosy University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

Women win their first Volleyball stuck in middle of pack meet ever in Bellevue

BY SHELBY LANCASTER
STAFF REPORTER

The Highline women's cross country team won a meet for the first time ever at the Bellevue Open on Oct. 25. They finished with the low score of 17.

The men claimed their first win of the season with a score of 19 as well.

The Bellevue Open was the T-Birds' last meet before the NWAACC championships on Nov. 8.

"We are going to the championships on a really positive note," said Head Coach Robert Yates.

On the women's side, Skagit Valley came in second with a score of 41.

For the men, Bellevue came in second with a score of 38, Everett came in third with a score of 90, and Skagit Valley came in fourth with a score of 102.

"We did a great job. We trained really hard, and it was a good team effort to have before the (NWAACC) championships," said Yates.

For the first time this season, the women had a full team. They had previously not been able to place in a meet because of too few runners.

"Having six women is a huge deal," said Yates.

Sophomore Amanda Kamm led Highline with a second place finish and a time of 19:32 in the 5-kilometer race. She improved from a time of about 23:30 on the same course last year.

"Amanda's a little sore, but she ran a really good race," said Yates.

Freshman Sitges Marshall followed for the T-Birds in fifth with a time of 20:56. It was the first time that she has run a 5-kilometer race in under 21 minutes. Fellow freshman Jami Jablonski came in seventh with a time of 22:11. She has been improving all season despite illness and injury.

"Jami keeps getting stronger and felt a little bit better about her performance," said Yates.

Freshman Zori Garasimchuk finished 11th with a time of 22:55 in her third cross country meet. Yates was again pleased with her improved performance.

"Zori had a better all-around race," said Yates.

Freshman Marlene Blackburn ran despite nagging injuries. She finished 15th with a time of 25:38.

"Marlene did a great job of going out and running for the team. I really appreciate it," said Yates.

Freshman and former swimmer Leslie Campos ran her first cross country race ever after recently joining the team. She finished 19th with a time of 27:49.

For the men, Clay Hemlock led Highline with a first place finish in the 5-kilometer race with a time of 15:37. He beat the course record that he set last year by 15 seconds.

Freshman Dylan Bailey joined Hemlock to be the first two Highline men to run the course in under 16 minutes. He finished second with a time of 15:55. His time was the third fastest ever ran on the course. Josh Frazier came in third for Highline for the second week in a row. He placed seventh with a time of 16:44.

Sophomore Robert Bartholomew followed closely for an eighth place finish and a time of 16:48. Yates was extremely pleased with his efforts.

"Bartholomew had a really good race. For the second week in a row, he really stepped it up," said Yates.

Other top 20 Highline finishers included David Larpenteur, who finished 12th with a time of 17:01, Trevor Kulvi, who finished 14th with a time of 17:10, and Jess Lawson, who finished 18th with a time of 17:37.

BY NATHAN BRINK
STAFF REPORTER

With a road loss to Tacoma (8-2), and a win at home against Grays Harbor (1-9), the Highline women's volleyball team has fallen to 7-3 and into fourth place in the NWAACC's West Division.

The Lady T-Birds handled Grays Harbor easily, beating them 30-19, 30-18, and 30-18 on Friday, Oct. 24. The team may well have been taking their frustrations out on Grays Harbor, after losing to Tacoma two days earlier.

Tacoma evened the season series with Highline by winning in four sets 30-26, 25-30, 30-28, and 30-26.

Michelle Aurelio had 17 kills, Blythe Howard 13, and Tymmony Keegan pitched in with 12.

All that effort went for not, as Tacoma's athleticism and determination overcame.

"We didn't play particularly well against Tacoma," said Coach John Littleman. "We made too many mistakes, and they're a very quick and aggressive team. We've got to improve our mobility and get to the ball."

Highline had another chance to get healthy against a 1-9 Centralia team on Wednesday, Oct. 29 at 7 p.m. The results from that game were not available at press time.

The Crossover Tournament is being held at Bellevue Friday, Oct. 31 and Saturday, Nov. 1.

"There are five teams in the tournament," Littleman said. "Everybody plays everybody,

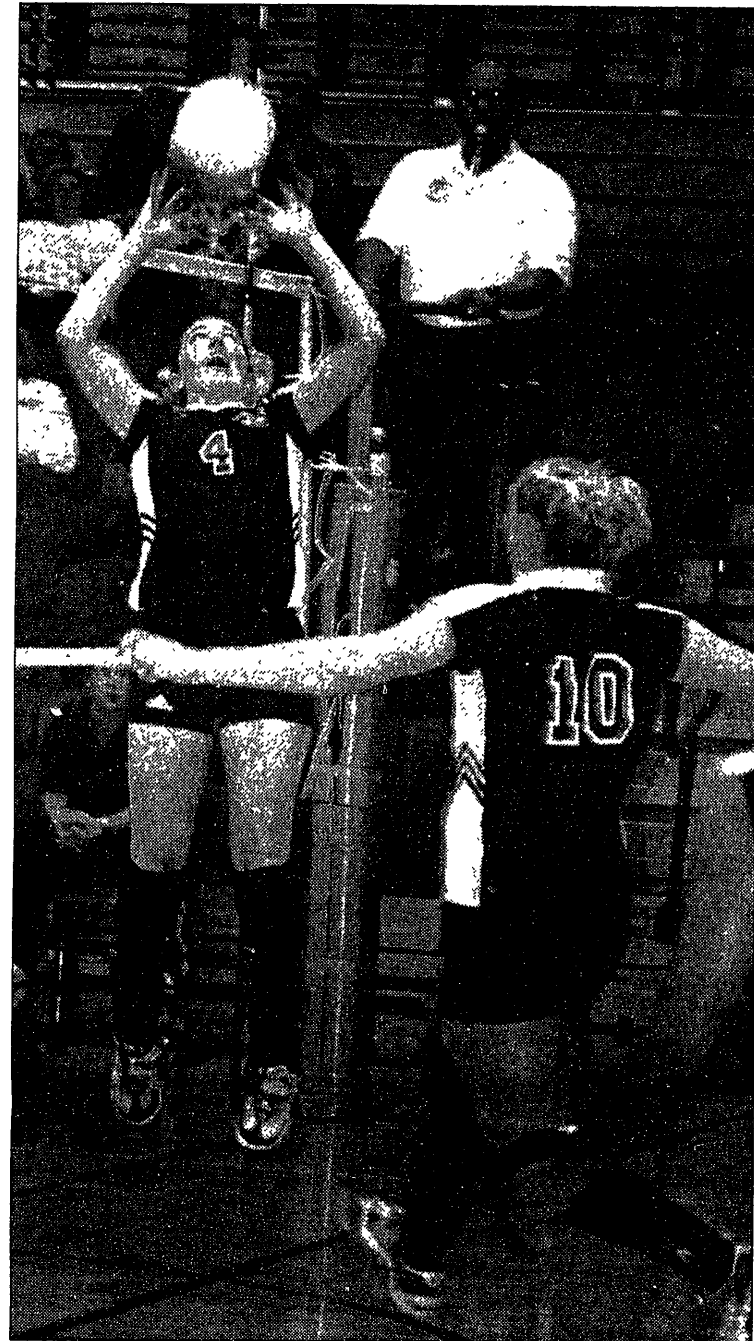


PHOTO BY MELISSA FLESCH

Khia Behrendt sets as Jennifer Patnode prepares to spike.

and we'll see who we can compete with. It's a tough tournament though. Everybody else has a better record than we do, and we have the lowest seed."

With just three division

games remaining after the tournament, Highline will have a much better feel for what this postseason holds by Saturday night at the end of the Crossover Tournament.

Student Health Insurance

Affordable

Choice of Deductibles

Easy to apply

You choose your doctors

Year round coverage

Coverage is renewable even when you are done with school

Call Today for a **FREE** Quote
(425) 378-3700

**Bartender Trainees
Needed**
\$250 a day potential
Local Positions
1-800-293-3985 ext. 763

Muslim event enlightens Highline campus

By BRI CHURCH
STAFF REPORTER

In this post 9/11 era, being Muslim tends to raise more than a few eyebrows. After the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, more people are inclined to hold gross misconceptions regarding the Muslim community, and the Muslim students at Highline believe that any negative views regarding their religion need to be corrected—and they are more than willing to correct them for you.

The Muslim Student Association, a club created by and for students of both Muslim and non-Muslim descent, is designed to assist curious students in discovering the truth about this unique faith.

"Media does not show the truth about Muslims. It's often associated with terrorism, which is not true," says Najma Jeylahi, the MSA Treasurer.

Meeting every Wednesday in Building 10, the MSA spends its time discussing and preaching the fundamentals of the Muslim religion and enjoying the wisdom of its expert speakers.

Jeylahi says the club is a great way to meet new people and learn the basics about being Muslim.

In order to delve a bit deeper into the religion the MSA also sponsors larger group events, which are open to every Highline student who wishes to immerse him and/or herself in the Muslim culture.

"During the event, we hold one-on-one questions and group question sessions. We also offer great visual displays," said Jeylahi.

Guests of the most recent group event, which was held Wednesday, Oct. 22 in Building 7, were greeted with a mixture of vibrant scents and colors, as



PHOTO BY MELISSA FLESCHE

Muhamed Shire and Najma Jeylahi discuss the Muslim faith at the Muslim Awareness event.

the display tables were filled to the brim with unique artifacts and food from the Islamic culture.

While the food tables consisted mainly of various pastries and dessert delicacies, the item displays ranged from prominent and meaningful articles, such as versions of the Quran, Muslim Holy Book, all the way to basic decorations, mini salli's—a Muslim praying mat.

"The salli is vital for Muslims to pray on. It must be clean and it's very decorated," said Sabrina Sabir, the MSA Vice President.

Sabir also noted diverse books and tapes explaining the Islamic culture and its beliefs, as well as the Taspuh, otherwise

known as Muslim meditation beads.

Abdi Farah, the MSA President, made sure to point out one of the more significant artifacts on hand, a large picture taken of the Ka'abah, which is located in Mecca's Grand Mosque, and which Muslims consider to be the holiest place on earth.

Millions of people gather in Saudi Arabia to pray at the Ka'abah, a holy shrine located in the middle of the great praying ground.

At this time, Muslim faithful circle around the structure seven times, mimicking what they believe the angels do to the Father in the Seven Heavens.

"It's a magnificent picture. Millions upon millions of

people all here for one purpose—to show their faith," says Farah.

The MSA hosted a well known Muslim scholar at a Oct. 29 event, to lecture on "Miracles of Signs Revealed in Islam."

All Highline students were welcome to attend, learn something new and form their own opinion about the Muslim religion.

If the Muslim Student Association manages to generate enough interest and student involvement during basic club meetings, Highline can expect more group events similar to the gathering held on Oct. 22.

In the meantime, Ramadan, a famous Islamic tradition, kicks off this week.

Ramadan is the ninth month of the Muslim calendar and it is believed that this month is when the Holy Quran was first sent down from Heaven.

It is during this time that Muslims take part in what is known as the Fast. Of Ramadan, a time when the main focus in the daily lives of Muslims is put towards their faith.

For the participating Muslims, eating, drinking, smoking and sexual relations are prohibited during daylight hours.

At the end of the day, these Muslims break the fast by sharing a prayer and a meal called Iftar, and then bursting into celebration amongst families and friends—until the fast is resumed the next morning.

The Fast of Ramadan, and Ramadan itself, are only two of the many unique Muslim traditions and beliefs that can be learned by attending any MSA meeting.

Muhamad Shire, the Muslim Student Association club advisor, says that all students are more than welcome to come and see what the MSA has to offer.

Got News?

Call 206-878-3710
ext. 3318

Get your UW degree in Tacoma.

The University of Washington, Tacoma was designed for transfer students. It's a place where world-class faculty engage students in educational experiences on a historic campus. And it's all right in downtown Tacoma.

UWT advisers are on your campus regularly—check your advising office or the UWT Web site for our next visit.



(253) 692-5723
www.tacoma.washington.edu

"UWT has done a great job of gathering top-notch faculty. You can tell they really care about students."

— Valerie Burns
Social Welfare

Transfer to UW Tacoma for undergraduate programs in: Accounting • American Studies • Arts, Media and Culture • Business Administration • Communication • Computing and Software Systems • Environmental Science • Ethnic, Gender and Labor Studies • Financial Services • Geographic Information Systems (GIS) • Global Studies • Human Rights • Information Systems • International Business • Management • Marketing • Museum Studies • Nonprofit Management • Nursing (RN to BSN) • Organizational Leadership • Political Economy • Politics and Values • Psychology • Public History • Restoration Ecology • Self and Society • Social Welfare • Urban Studies

Colello

Continued from page A1

years old and I need something to do. So I opened this little fruit stand, and upgraded everything. I thought that I could do this since they gave me a business license," he said.

"I want to be in business here. Why should I only be open for 90 days when the business license is good for a year?" Colello asked.

Steve Butler, planning director for the city of SeaTac, said the license wasn't the problem.

"When you apply for a business license, there are other requirements and timelines that may be for less than a year. We want businesses, but ones in the right locations that follow requirements," Butler said.

Colello obtained the business license in August 2003. Since then, SeaTac city officials have come around and declared Colello's tent and business out of code.

"I used to work out of a little 17x17 army tent. I had extension cords coming out of

my house and I was totally out of compliance, but I was only open 21 days (per year)," Colello said.

He upgraded from the army tent and made other improvements totaling about \$20,000 this year.

SeaTac city officials say the improvements aren't enough.

Steve Butler said that the area Colello lives in is zoned for residential use only. The city expects Colello to apply for a rezone if he intends to keep the produce stand running on a permanent basis.

"According to our zoning code, a permanent produce stand is not allowed there. A temporary produce stand on the side of the road is treated differently than a permanent structure," Butler said.

Butler estimated that it would cost about \$4,000 to apply for new zoning but Colello's taxes would not necessarily be raised.

With the third runway, Butler said the area would be slated for industrial use anyway.

Colello doesn't think he should have to rezone his business to industrial.

"But if that's what I have to do, I will do it, as long as they leave me alone. I'm not hurting anybody," he said.

"I realize it's a residential area but I have no neighbors to the north of me and no neighbors to the south of me. And I have plenty of parking. I got a little bit of everything here. Fruits and vegetables, you betcha," he said.

Colello said the mayor of SeaTac has even stopped by to purchase some produce.

"He was really impressed. It's not like he said, 'you got a little tiny, junky joint'," Colello said.

Earlier in October, Colello's son Michael talked about the produce stand at a SeaTac city council meeting and presented the council with more than 550 signatures on a petition to keep "Bo" Colello Produce open.

"The signatures on the petition mean people want me here. They love my produce, and with my 25 years on the market, I know what I'm doing," Colello said.

Colello is still collecting signatures until his 90-day permit runs out on Nov. 17.

Meanwhile, the city of SeaTac will make a decision.

"The city has taken a proactive and cooperative role with the Colellos," Butler said.

"If he applies for a change in zoning, some changes will need

to take place in complying with the rules. The final decision is for the city council," he said.

One of the issues is the signage.

For example, the city's municipal code states that no sign with the occupant's name should be more than two square feet. Colello's sign on top of his tent is three feet by twelve feet. Colello also constructed a readerboard of wood that SeaTac city officials want torn down.

"There's a lot of things they want me to change, and I will change it but I want to show the people that I do have specials," Colello said.

If the SeaTac city council refuses to let Colello stay in business year-round without rezoning, Colello said he will probably have to relocate.

There are no potential relocation sites, but Colello said he would advertise the move.

"We'll stay within the immediate area," he said.

Colello is optimistic either way.

"I see good things happening (in the future). It's not going to be gangbusters knock-down drag-out, but I just want to make a little living. It's a family business," he said.

Election

Continued from page A1

awaiting their results.

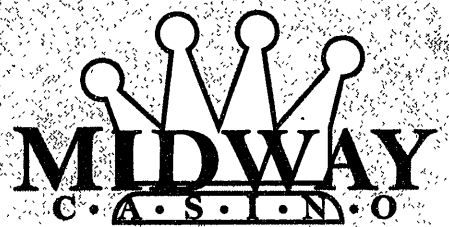
They've been returning day after day to the Student Government offices promptly at noon, ever since Friday Oct. 24.

"I'm kind of angry. I really want to know what happened. To think that someone would spend the time to rig this; it's shocking," said candidate Mark Thomas.

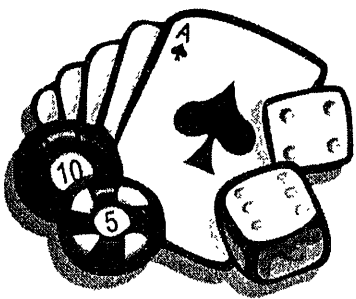
On a good note, Student Government is definitely progressing. They are investigating with resources not only on campus, but off campus as well. They say that they've also done a lot of narrowing down. Officials say that if anyone knows of any fraud pertaining to this issue, to please report it immediately. They are asking for all of the help they can get. And when this issue is resolved, they promise full disclosure.

"We're very diligently working towards being able to verify the votes that have been cast. We really appreciate everyone's patience," said Kolest Moore, Student Government president.

Midway Casino Restaurant & Lounge



22855 Pacific Hwy South • Des Moines (1/4 mile north of Midway Drive-In)
206.592.9888



18 Year Olds Welcome Casino & Poker Room

7' Big Screen T.V.

Blackjack • Fortune Pai Gow • Spanish 21

\$1⁰⁰ Draft & \$1⁰⁰ Beers @ Tables

\$4⁹⁵ Steak & Eggs

\$2⁰⁰ Tables All Day

Karaoke Friday Nite

Huge Halloween Party Friday 31st

\$300⁰⁰ 1st • \$200⁰⁰ 2nd • \$100⁰⁰ 3rd

Best Costume

Poker Room Now Open
Texas Hold-em

