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Parents fight for parking

Childcare lot draws many cars

By Madeline Jagger and Tanner Weber

staff reporters

Highline students are still being educated on where they can park.

Although the college has more than enough parking spaces with the resurrection of the Midway lot, students apparently still hanker for close-in parking. That's led them to seek parking all over the place, from nearby neighborhoods to the new Childcare Center.

In the first week of Fall Quarter, students were taking spaces at the new center, but tickets from Security and signs warning them off seem to have helped, Childcare employees say.

But safety concerns remain



Photo by Cazzeri Upton

Crystal Clark takes her daughter, Verity, to the Childcare Center on Wednesday. Parents say other students are clogging up the new center's parking lot.

as students cruise the Building

Zero lot while parents attempt to take their children to the center. "It's really disturbing to see

parents with diaper bags rushing their strollers across the busy parking lots," said Joyce Riley, director of the Childcare Development Center.

Parents dropping off their children at the Childcare Center arrive each day to find the parking lot buzzing with activity, including people searching for

parking as well parents and children just trying to get into the new center.

"The Childcare Center does have a drop-off zone, but that takes 15 - 30 minutes and I'd rather find a parking spot so that I know that I have one. Though that means I have to carry my daughter all the way from the bottom of the parking lot," said Andrea Nelson, a studying parent.

On Sept. 22, temporary minute-limit parking signs were installed, but students are still stealing stalls from exasperated employees.

"We don't like it," said DeDe Michaud, physical technician at the Childcare Center.

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Enrollment down by 1,000 students

By Sara Loken

staff reporter

last couple of years."

Enrollment services

associate dean

The numbers for student enrollment have gone up, but they're still down compared to last year.

In fall of 2003 8,097 students were enrolled. The start of classes this quarter showed 7,104.

However, the numbers have gone up 7 percent since the first day of classes making the total number enrolled 7,644.

"It feels the same, we're still pretty busy," said Becky Riverman, enrollment services associate dean.

The economy is the most talked about reason for the low enrollment this quarter.

"The economy is turning around and people are going

back to work," said Riverman.

Student James Roach is surprised that the numbers are down, "wouldn't it be more expensive to go to a university?"

It's still too early in the quarter to determine what classes are feeling the effects of the low en-

> rollment, s a i d Riverman.

"We've been really But from spoiled, we've had numbers rebig enrollments the leased on the first day of classes, the worker retraining -Becky Riverman classes had 367 students

> enrolled. That number is down from the 489 stu-

dents who were enrolled last Fall Quarter.

Specific numbers aren't available until the 10th day of classes. That's when colleges

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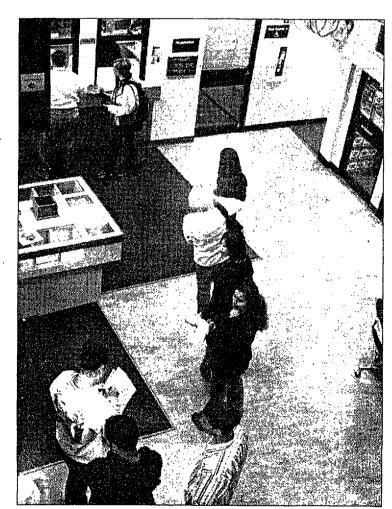


Photo by Cazzeri Upton

Students line up to pay tuition in the first week of school.

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A late night run for security

A Security officer chased two juveniles out of an enclosure at Building 29 around midnight on Sept. 25.

The officer is unaware of what their intentions were at Highline that late in the night.

Car break ins

A CD player and cell phone were stolen out of a student's car while he attended class on Sept. 25. He parked his Honda in the North lot.

Another student had his car broken into while attending class. He had his car stereo, subwoofer and amp stolen.

Two cars stolen

Two vehicles were stolen last week, one was a blue Honda, which was parked in the Midway lot.

The other vehicle was a blue Chevy Pickup which was parked in the North lot.

Small fire in **Building 6**

A fire was reported around 12:45 a.m. Tuesday Sept. 26 on the south east corner of building number 6. The security officer removed the burning the log.that caused the fire.

Reward offered for returned data

\$40 is being offered to the person who either returns a jumpdrive or just returns the data on the drive.

The jumpdrive is a ScanDisk, minicruiser, it's black and grey and is approximately two inches.

The student believes that it was lost as she was walking from Building 30 to the Baskin-Robbins on Pacific Highway.

The data on the disk is what's important. The information can be transfered to another disk and the award can still be collected.

If you have any information contact the Highline security office.

Correction- The July 24 armed robbery incident occured in the Baskin-Robbins parking lot, not the East lot.

> -Compiled by Ryan Barkley and Sara Loken

By Maurice Williams

staff reporter

That garbage can is convenient.

You have trash, you throw it away; it is so simple and yet so destructive, said Woody Moses, Highline biology professor.

Despite the easy access of the garbage can, Moses has decided to break the cycle of waste on campus.

The Non-Recyclable Waste Initiative is a petition supporting the recycle awareness movement headed by Moses.

The goals of this initiative are to reduce the amount of waste at Highline by the increase of recycling paper, plastic, aluminum and glass.

The initiative includes several petitions that can be signed by staff and students alike.

"There isn't a quota for the signatures. We wanted to show the interest and support of the students and staff through the petitions," said Moses.

The number of signatures acquired from the petitions has not been tallied.

This initiative has caught the attention of students around the campus.

In fact, most of the support comes from students.

"When I started at Highline, I tried to recycle a soda can and I found no place to recycle it. I found out that Highline used a lot of disposable cups and plates," Moses said.



"Recycling is a lot cheaper than shipping stuff off to a landfill. It is a great way of saving money."

-Woody Moses

Thanks to people like Moses, there are steps being taken to raise awareness of these factors. One of these steps is the Non-Recyclable Waste Initiative.

Moses plays a major role in this initiative.

"It is up to individual institutions to be responsible for their waste," said Moses. Combined with his concern for the environment as a biology professor, Moses decided to take initiative.

"I have gotten a lot of support. This wasn't my idea. The Student Government created a committee to improve recycling at Highline. Because of my common interest I became an advisor. Students did most of the work."

Two other colleges are involved with this project: Lane Community College in Eugene, Ore. is in collaboration with Highline. Bellevue Community College is part of the project as

"Recycling is a lot cheaper than shipping stuff off to a landfill. It is a great way of saving money," said Moses.

The initiative has been up and running for the past year.

With support from Highline as well as support from staff and students, the initiative seems to have a long future.

Students around campus had mixed feelings about the initia-

"When I was first approached with the petition, I asked 'do we not recycle?' I have seen recycling bins around the campus and assumed that we did," said student Kathy Sendlove, who signed the petition, "that is the problem; you assume that everyone else is recycling. It brings up questions. It should be a requirement that everyone go and visit a landfill and see where we toss everything."

Student Matt Hussey said, his family recycles, at least his parents do. They feel that it is worth the extra time and effort. They are doing their part for the environment.

There are some students who don't see the initiative as imperative.

Student Nina Kuppu said, she didn't sign the petition. It is not like she doesn't care about recycling, she just doesn't go out of her way to sort her trash.

Recycling isn't as popular because the garbage can is more convenient. People are always on the go and don't have the time or energy. That seems to be the main cause of pollution this time.

Moses said, he wants to see recycling as a norm. shouldn't take extra effort to recycle but it does.

He wants this initiative to show people how important recycling is and that it is worth the extra effort.

Cars cause pollution but it cuts the time to get from here to

Factories produce pollution but they provide jobs for millions of Americans.

"I'd like to see the initiative in the policy development counsel being discussed in order to become an official college policy," said Moses.

Perhaps with a little time, recycle bins will become convenient.



Learn about the honors program

Phi Theta Kappa and the Honors Scholar Program invite students to an orientation where they can learn about the benefits of the Highline Honors Pro-

Students who have earned 12 college credits and have a 3.5 GPA or above are invited to join Phi Theta Kappa.

Students with a 3.25 GPA can join the Honors Scholar Program.

There will be two chances on Oct. 7 to attend an orientation. The first one will be held in Building 25, room 510 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The second orientation will be in Building 7 from 6 p.m. to

Donate blood at Highline

Highline is hosting a blood drive on Tuesday Oct. 2 and Friday Oct. 8 from 9a.m.-3p.m. in Building 2. There is a great need for blood in the Western Washington area, says Meagan Yapp, Highline's coordinator for this falls blood drive.

Each day over 880 donors need to donate blood to meet the transfusion needs of Washington, said Yapp.

The need of red blood cells is also very critical because they must be used within 42 days. Every three seconds someone needs blood. Yapp wishes to get every one involved and to educate more people about donating

If you have any other questions you can call the donor representative Christen Martian, her direct number is 425-656-3010.

If you have any doubt to become involved and donate, Yapp encourages you to just go and check it out or contact her by calling (206) 878-3710 ext. 3537. If you do decide to donate blood expect to be asked some personal questions and to have a small needle injected into your arm. The whole process takes about 30-45 minutes.

Interns wanted for campaigns

Candidates for governor, Republican Dino Rossi and Democrat Christine Gregoire, are looking for students interested in an internship. The internship requires students to work on either campaign to help spread the word about the candidates on campus.

Students who are interested in working on the Gregoire campaign should contact,

Carl cale@gregoire2004.com, or go to www.gregoire2004.com.

Students interested in the Rossi campaign need to e-mail their resumes to Erika Monges, Erika@dinorossi.com. The resumes should include what they want to learn from the campaign experience and how much time they have to commit for the rest of the campaign season.

Food is focus at science seminar

Learn about what's really in the foods you eat. The controversy of factory farming and G.M.O.s (genetically modified organisms) will be the topic of discussion at this Friday's science seminar. Highline professor Tracy Brighman will be the presenter. The presentation will be in Building 3, room 102 from 2:10 p.m. to 3 p.m.

New officers for paralegal

The Highline College Paralegal Association, announced its club officers for 2004-2005. Sherry Roberts, president; Linda Larson, vice president; Deb Crow, secretary; Amanda Jackson, treasurer; Renee Reiche, news coordinator.

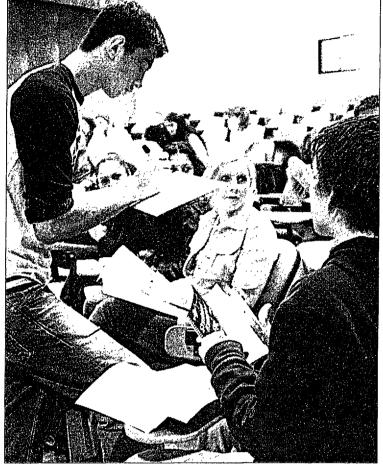
They will be having a fall social on Oct. 29 in Building 2 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

There will also be a meeting on Oct. 12 in Building 23 room 111 from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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Photos by Amber Trillo



Above: Hasan Advic looks for answers from students.

Left: Ngoe My Tran and Margarita Gomez search for the answers

Students meet Highline challenge

Competition helps students learn Highline

By Catherine Matsuura

staff reporter

The blue team shared the victory with the green team, and the white team was left blue after they lost at the first Ultimate Highline Survival Game Show last Tuesday.

Conceived by Highline's Educational Planning Department, the game show aimed to help students learn to navigate the ins and outs of Highline.

Topics included the hours of the Tutoring Center (Monday thru Thursday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., Friday, 7:30- 12:30 p.m. NS 2-4 p.m.). To how to land yourself on academic probation (below 2.0 GPA).

A second round of the game show was held on Wednesday in Building 7.

Educational Planner Denny Steussy formed three teams: Green, White and Blue.

Steussy and committee mem-

bers Sieu Lai Lilley, Karen Steinbach and Mouy'Ly Wong patterned the show after Survivor and Jeopardy.

"When people think of workshops they think of something boring, so this is what the committee and I came up with; a game show to attract students," Steussy said.

Stuessy expected 30 to 60 students to attend. Thirty-four attended, so his expectations were met.

At first the students didn't know exactly what to expect, but Stuessy handled the game show like a professional game host.

His committee served as cheerleaders and quickly created a game-like atmosphere by showing their support in rallying, shouting, shaking rattles, and cheering.

The students were asked a variety questions, for example, "What is the last day to officially withdraw from a class?" Steussy asked.

Students searched their quarterly class schedules, seeking the right answer before the 15-second bell rang.

With each right answer, ap-

plause, shouts, and cheers echoed through the room. Wrong answers stunned students as they sat with the look of perplexity on their face.

Students who gave the right answer earned between 1-3 points. Except for the lightning round question concerning knowledge of calculating your GPA was worth 10 points.

"Students should know how to figure out their GPA," Stuessy said.

The overall purpose of the game show was to inform students about what's available to them to ensure their success at Highline and in life.

It also helps them get involved in workshops and use the tutoring services that are available to students on campus.

"This is the first time this has been done," Steussy said.

Students who participated earned a certificate for class extra credit.

The winning teams, blue and green, shared the first-place prize.

After the game was over, participants said the show was informative, fun and they learned a lot they didn't know.

Free workshops to help students succeed

By Elizabeth Tacke

staff reporter

Stress abounds as the season rounds the corner into the colder months of fall. Studying. Tests. Deadlines. With summer seemingly long gone, the class day comes all too early. But, exhale: Highline comes to the rescue with student success workshops.

"These are fun," said Patricia Haggerty, counselor and coordinator of the free workshops. With topics ranging from compulsive gambling to reducing holiday stress, student success workshops cover it all.

Workshops are usually hidden away back in Building 26 rrom 319. Getting students to realize they're out there and taking advantage of them can be difficult. Everyone's too busy.

When it reaches a critical point, faculty needs to have awareness and alert their students of upcoming workshops, said Haggerty.

Word-of-mouth, as of yet, seems to be the most powerful tool of communication. "Some

instructors used to give extra credit: talk to your teacher," Haggerty said.

Some of the workshops taught by the personable Haggerty include hands-on learning and individualized goals. "I try to add a little humor...it's very practical information," Haggerty said with a smile.

The Counseling Center hopes to expand the workshops and reach out to more students once the Highline Student Union opens. Its larger and more accessible rooms could catch more students on the go.

"There's so much rush to get in and out [of classes]. These things don't cost anything; it could make their time easier," said Haggerty.

Another Highline counselor, Thressa Alston, tries to teach important life lessons through her workshops. "How to set your own priorities—that's what it's really all about," she said. Business etiquette and winning attitudes are some of the topics that she will discuss.

With the job market looming in many students' near futures, Alston stresses self-realization to succeed. "The more you know about yourself, you're less intimidated by others," she said. Alston says she has learned from the success of others and encourages her participants to do the same.

Not only do these workshops leave you with helpful tips to succeed, they're also free. Haggerty and Alston say there are a variety of workshops to meet the needs of the diverse student population.

Highline takes a "wholistic view of the student," according to Alston. "These issues all interact and affect a person's personal career and educational development."

With workshops like these usually ranging from \$100 to \$200, Highline's price tag of "free" is a gift to Highline students, faculty, and staff, said Alston. For more information, contact the Counseling Department in Building 6. 206-878-3710, ext. 3353.

Success Workshop calender of events

All workshops held in Building 26-319C, unless otherwise noted:

Sept. 30: Study and Testing Tips for Math and Science, noon or 1 p.m.

Oct. 6: Avoiding Cheating and Plagiarism, 11 a.m.

Oct. 7: National Depressing Screening Day, noon, Bldg. 2 Oct. 12: Controlling Test Anxiety, 11 a.m. or noon Oct. 13: Are you a Procrasti-

Oct. 14: Perfectionism vs. Excellence, 1:10-2 p.m. Bldg 23-

nator? noon

Oct. 19: Test Taking Secrets, 11 a.m. or noon Oct. 20: Controlling Test

Anxiety, noon or 1 p.m. Oct. 21: Tips on Ways to be Successful, 1:10-2 p.m. Bldg

23-111
Oct. 26: Alcohol Awareness

9 a.m. to noon, Bldg 6 Lobby Oct. 27: Coping with Anger, 11 a.m.

Oct. 28: What is your Learning Style? noon or 1 p.m.
Nov. 3: Compulsive Gambling Workshop, noon

Nov. 4: Business Etiquette, Part III, 1:10-2 p.m. Bldg 23-111

Nov. 9: Quick Steps to Career Decision Making, noon Nov. 10: AIDS workshop, 11 a.m.

Nov. 16: Smoking Cessation: Kicking Butt! 9 a.m. to noon, Bldg 6 Lobby

Nov. 17; Reduce Holiday Stress, noon or 1 p.m.

Nov. 18: Peace Corp Opportunities, noon, Bldg 23-111 Nov. 18: Showing a Winning Attitude, 1:10-2 p.m. Bldg

Dec. 2: AmeriCorps Opportunities noon, Bldg 23-111

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Looking for larcency

Picture this: You're streaming down the hallway, basically rushing to get to your next class. Your professor of whatever-ology is pretty upset about tardies so you don't want to be late.

Suddenly, you see pretty average looking guy (any John Doe) trying to remove a cart with a projector from an empty classroom. Seems that he's kinda stuck in the door.

Do you: (A) Say hello and keep rushing by, (B) Hold the door open to help the mover get out of the room and help him get to where he's going or (C) Check to see if the guy is wearing a badge marked Highline on it?

Choosing method (A) would be a bit rude but forgiveable seeing as your teacher threatened hellfire if you were ever late. (B) would certainly be a lot nicer but (C) is what you should watch out for.

The difference of the guy wearing the badge means everything, especially since technology staff members are required to wear them now. Since our recent crime wave over the summer (check out last week's issue of the Thunderword), a lot of focus is being put into being more alert of the going-ons around campus.

Everything is sunshine and harmony if this aforementioned mover is really a member of Highline staff, but what do you do if he's not? As safe as our campus is, Highline isn't invulnerable. There will be idiots from around this area that will show their appreciation for community colleges by stealing (or wrecking) property, cars, and equipment.

It doesn't matter whether it's morning or evening either. Some crooks may tried to blend in with the passing crowd while trying to lift one of the projectors. Maybe that person loitering near that car is plotting something.

Or how about those vandals who get their kicks by knocking, breaking, and smashing various pieces of equipment? Chances are this happens when hardly anyone is around (2 p.m. to beyond).

So how do you wage war against vandals and villains? By catching them with their hands in the cookie jar. We, as students, staff, and faculty, need to keep a close eye on those people who look like they are just moving equipment but actually might be stealing it.

Look for the Highline technician staff badge. It should have their name and Highline's emblem on it. Coincidentally, faculty members who want to borrow a computer-on-wheels [COW] or other such equipment should wear the badge where it could be easily seen.

So suppose Mr. John Doe says he happened to misplace his badge. What do you do: (A) Drop everything, scream, and run away (B) Tackle the guy (C) See if you can find his missing badge (D) Play it cool, find out who this guy is and where he's going, and find the nearest faculty member or security guard?

Hopefully the answer should be obvious at this point.

Question of the Week

Is Highline a safe campus? Tell us whether or not it is...

Write a letter to the editor and have your opinions in print! Email your letter to tdavis@highline.edu or deliver it to room 106 in Building 10. Please include some contact information, like your name and phone number. For more information, contact the Thunderword at 206-878-3710, ext 3317.



Akerman prepares new year

As your Student Government president, I want to take this opportunity to welcome you to Highline.

Whether you're a new face on campus, or a returning student, it's an exciting year to be a Highline student!

To help you out this year, I want to give you a preview of what Student Government and Team Highline are working on, as well as provide you with some tips for success.

Right around the corner is our Candidate's Forum on Oct. 7 at 11 a.m. in Building 7. Our Vice President of Legislation, Paul Kalchik, has been working hard to bring our local representatives to Highline.

Student Government would also like to give students a chance to meet our group, so our Vice President of Administration, Christina Higashi, is planning "Meet & Eat" on Oct. 19 at noon. It is an opportunity to find out who is representing you and get some free food.

Student Government has three senators: Joshua Oakley, Ilya Kaminsky, and John DuBois. They will be dealing with issues such as parking, starting recycling and book ex-

Student Government



change programs and educating students about the new smoking policy on campus.

James Turner, our Treasurer/ Club Diplomat, is busy following up with information gathered at Club Fair. He will also be working with Club Leader Council and is the go-to-guy for our clubs.

Team Highline, our group of students that plans events, has many opportunities for fun and education in the works for this

Maegan Yapp is coordinating quarterly blood drives; the first one is coming up on Oct. 5 and Marquis Faulcon and Dominic Lepule are working on "The Blend," which is music/ events that will be in the Fireside Bistro every other Wednesday. Keep an eye out for future Team Highline events.

I'd like to end with some tips for a successful year at Highline.

First, use the Tutoring Center in Building 26, room 319. They offer free help in a variety of subjects and you just can't beat

Second, use the wonderful reference librarians; they can save you a lot of time and stress.

Third, access the resources in the advising and counseling centers. Take advantage of their transfer information so you won't waste time and money taking classes you don't need.

Fourth, be aware of programs on campus designed to help you succeed. Attend the Student Success Workshops; it's worth your time to go, and you will learn something.

Last, talk to your teachers; they have an office hour but they can't help you unless you communicate with them.

The best thing you can do to increase your chance of success is to get involved. There are many ways to do that and Student Government would be happy to help you get connected. Until the Union opens, come visit us in Building 16 with any questions, concerns, or comments you might have.

Good luck this year!

Alicia Akerman is proud to be Highline's Student Government president.

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• The work of photographer Ron Reeder will be on display in the Highline library's fourth floor gallery from Sept. 30 to Oct. 20.

Reeder is a molecular biologist turned photographer. The show is free and open to the public. Library hours are Monday through Friday 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sat 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.

 Burien Live Theatre presents The Rivals through Oct. 10. Showtimes are 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays with 2 p.m. matinees on Sundays.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$12 for seniors and students.

Richard Sheridan's brilliant comic masterpiece satirizes the pretentiousness and sentimentality of 18th century society and has entertained audiences since its birth in 1775.

Burien Live Theatre is at 4th Avenue Southwest and Southwest 146th Street, Burien. For more information call 206-242-5180 or visit them online at www.burienlivetheatre.org.

· Chicago's legendary comedy theater troupe The Second City comes to Kent for two perfromances on Saturday, Oct. 9.

First, they will present their version of The Big Bad Wolf, a hilarious show for young audiences, on Saturday, Oct. 9 at 3 p.m. in the Kentwood High School Performing Arts Center. Located at 25800 16th Ave. Southeast, Covington.

Tickets for Big Bad Wolf are \$10 for adults, \$8 for students/seniors, and \$30 for a family pack (two children, two adults).

That evening, Second City continues its 45th anniversary tour with a performance of some of the best best sketches, songs and improvisations from Second City's history.

Tickets for the Second City evening show are \$18 for adults and \$16 for students/seniors.

Tickets for both performances can be purchased at the Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N. or by phone with a credit card during business hours at 253-859-5050.

- Arts - Blend stirs up cafeteria

Team Highline to host musical entertainment

By Olivia de Leon

staff reporter

Team Highline would like you to acquire and enjoy a taste of The Blend.

The Blend is an ongoing series of concerts featuring local artists performing live at Highline. This event will take place every other Wednesday at 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the cafeteria.

The first taste of The Blend were The Coats, an a capella group who gave a rousing concert Wednesday in the cafeteria

The four-voice group supplied an excellent dessert with their '50s doo-wop to jazz and country ballads to rap.

The Coats originated in 1987 at the University of Washington as The Trenchcoats. They started off by combining their love of singing and harmonizing together around campus and street corners such as the Pike Place Market.

Throughout their 17 years together, they have appeared on numerous stages, television, sporting events, festivals and According to their



Picture above of The Coats from left to right: Keith Anderson, Doug Miller, Jamie Dieveney, and Kerry Dahlen.

website, The Coats are the national grand champions in the National Harmony Sweepstakes.

Group members include Keith Anderson, Dieveney, Doug Wisness and Kerry Dahlen.

Students in the tent seemed to appreciate their work.

"Their songs are better than the people that wrote them," said student Michael McCurdy.

During their performance, students requested songs,

clapped, danced, and sang along.

"They are great entertainers. They don't just sing songs, they make it fun," said student Jesse Nordstrom.

Team Highline's Dominic Lepule said they haven't chosen the next act but hope to have a lunchtime concert every two

The next scheduled performer in the Blend series will be Jonathan Kingham. This will take place Jan. 12 at 11 a.m. in the cafeteria.

Kingham is known for his guitar and artistic voice. According to his website, he has taken home numerous awards such as the John Lennon Song Contest, Unisong International Song Contest and USA Songwriting Competition.

"If this is just the beginning, Kingham is going to be a major talent in the near future," said Performing Songwriter Maga-

Burien can't quite conquer 'The Rivals'

By Jessie Elliott

staff reporter

Burien Live Theater is taking on a large task with their 2004-2005 season opener. The Rivals, a comedy of mistaken identities and misconceptions about life and love, is a play that leaves little room for error.

Directed by Diane Zebert, The Rivals is a comedy about the upper class' view on love and marriage in 1775.

In this play, Sir Anthony Absolute plans an arranged marriage for his son, Captain Jack Absolute.

Captain Absolute is already in love with Lydia Languish, a woman whose aunt, Mrs. Malaprop, tries to sound superior by using words without really understanding their true meaning.

Once Captain Absolute learns that Lydia is the very woman his father wants him to marry, he must continue his charade as Beverly until Lydia is convinced to marry him as Captain Absolute.

Between the meddling servants, the controlling Mrs.



Dan Suitor and Doug Cottrill in The Rivals.

Malaprop, Captain

Absolute's friends and Beverly's foes, The Rivals has the potential to be hilarious.

Zebert's vision for the play could be sensed; the blocking and creative use of the stage has potential.

The swordfight scene in the second act between Captain Absolute and Sir Lucious O'Trigger was both comical and entertaining.

While there was some stumbling over the complex language used in the play, the actors made very good use of the set and created good imagery for the audience.

Three of the actors in The Rivals articulated the difficult script excellently, making their characters come alive for the audience.

Matthew Middleton, who played Captain Jack Absolute,

was impressive in his grasp of the language and his presence on stage.

Steven Hulet took on two roles, David and Fag. Hulet managed to make both of these indentured servants unique, as well as keeping with the time period to make him truly stand out as a skilled actor

Mrs. Malaprop, played by Lee Ann Hittenberger, was very expressive in her actions, although her character would have been even better portrayed had she accentuated the words she was misusing.

Overall, the cast of The Rivals did well considering the level of difficulty and skill that the play requires.

The Rivals will be playing at Burien Live Theater from Sept. 24 to Oct. 10, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2

Tickets are \$13 general admission, \$11 for students and seniors, and are available at the

For directions and season ticket information, go to www.burienlivetheatre.org or call 206-242-5180.

THE THUNDERWORD

PUZZLES

Rational Numbers

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by Linda Thistle

Using the clues, simple arithmetic, and a little logic, place a single digit (0 to 9) in each empty box in the diagram. To help you get started, one digit has been entered in the dia-

ACROSS

- 1. Consecutive digits in descending order
- Digits of 9-Across reversed
- Two times 5-Down
- Four hundred more than 13-Across
- One-fourth of 3-Down
- 10. Nine less than 14-Down
- 11. Seven less than 6-Across
- 12. One-fifth of 4-Down
- 13. Digits of 11-Down rearranged
- 9-Across plus 12-Across
- Thirty more than 5-Down
- 17. Consecutive digits in descending order

7. PRESIDENTS: Which U.S. president oversaw the con-

8-Down minus 9-Down

Two less than 4-Across

One more than 1-Across

Sixty more than 4-Across

Forty more than 2-Down

11-Across plus 15-Down

Three times 4-Across

Three times 9-Down

Digits of 17-Across

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Digits of 12-Down

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struction of the Panama Canal? 8. ANATOMY: Where in the human body is the ileum?

9. ETIQUETTE: What is the proper address for a baroness?

10. SAYINGS: To whom is attributed the saying, "There is always a majority of fools"?

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10. Heraclitus

9. Lady

8. Small intestine

7. Theodore Roosevelt

6. Friendship 7

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4. Emma

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Super Crossword

MEN OF LETTERS



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by Fifi

1. GEOGRAPHY: The island of Baffin is a part of which na-

2. HISTORY: In what part of the world did the Hanseatic League once wield enormous economic power?

3. LANGUAGE: In medical terminology, what does the prefix "hyper" mean?

4. LITERATURE: What was Madame Bovary's first name?

5. GENERAL KNOWL-EDGE: How many languages does the United Nations officially recognize?

6. SPACE: What was the name of the space capsule used by John Glenn when he became the first American to orbit the

Al Stewart to play concert in Kent

Platinum-selling folk-rocker Al Stewart will perform in an acoustic concert at the Kentwood High School Performing Arts Center, 25800 164th Ave. S.E., Covington, Saturday, Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m.

Stewart's hits include Year of the Cat, On the Border and Time Passages.

Tickets for Al Stewart are

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\$18 for adults and \$16 for students and seniors.

Tickets may be purchased at the Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N., Kent, or by phone with a Visa or Mastercard during business hours at 253-856-5050.

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Short-handed T-Birds win two

By Kim Ducharme

staff reporter

Catch the Lady

T-Birds in action

this weekend

Oct. 1 and 2 for

the Highline

Crossover Tour-

nament. The ac-

tion begins at

4 p.m. in the

Thunderdome

The Highline women's volleyball team won two of three matches to open its season last week.

Highline beat Grays Harbor

and Tacoma after opening the season with a loss to Clark.

The Lady T-Birds defeated Grays Harbor 30-12, 30-22, 30-14 on Friday, Sept. 24. Jennifer Patnode led the team with five aces, four blocks, seven digs and nine kills.

In the season opener at Clark on Sept. 17, the T-Birds dropped three straight sets, 30-25, 30-24, 30-27. Blyth Howard had seven kills.

Highline next faced Tacoma on Sept. 22 and beat them in

three sets, 30-27, 30-14, 30-27. Howard also had nine kills in this game.

Head Coach John Littleman says the season is getting progressively better, but the team still has a few more things to work on.

> The Lady T-Birds started off the season a little short handed with five players. But Littleman is confident in strong the players that have come out this year.

These players include Jenna Bloczyanski, Khia Behr-

endt, Emily Melver, Patnode, Melissa Fisher, Howard, Shelly Avaava and Adela Vargos.

"Each of those people is a specialist in that position," said Littleman.

Littleman went on to say that each player brings greatness to her position and everyone brings equal contributions to the games and practices.

"We have a very talented team. We are going to be very competitive. I think we are going a long ways," said Littleman.

Although the Lady T-Birds have a few new faces on the team since the start of season it is still hard because everyone on the team has prior commitments that have been conflicting with practices.

The T-Birds are still looking for a few new players. If anyone is interested contact John Littleman at 425-255-8102 or you can e-mail him at jlittleman@sportsforou.com.

Results for yesterday's match against Centralia were unavailable at press time.

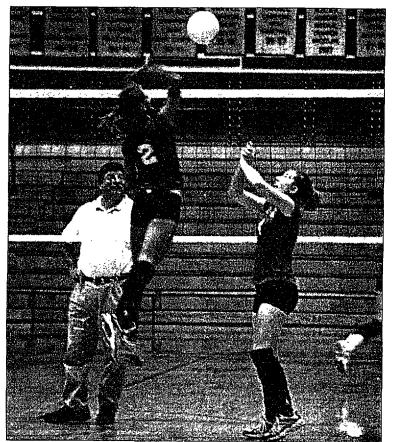


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Women's volleyball team warms up before Wednesday's match.

Men's soccer strikes back to win two

By Jamie Grossmann

staff reporter

This year's men's soccer team started the season off on the fast track and after two disappointing losses has once again found itself in the win column.

"They are starting to play more as a team," said Jason Prenovost, men's head soccer coach.

"The team is quiet and unassuming, but they are beginning to talk and communicate more,' Prenovost said.

"We are a young team," said defender Kyle Colbath. "Once we click we will be hard to

On Sept. 18, the Highline men suffered a 4-1 loss against Bellevue. Anthony Melchior had the lone goal for Highline.

"The losses were a good learning tool. It is easy to have good team chemistry when you are winning," said Prenovost.

"I like the way it is coming along individuals are figuring out where they stand. I am excited about the rest of the season," said Prenovost. "We had

the effort but

couldn't get

the ball in

the net and

in the other

game we got

down and

lost hope,"

said Colbath

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Colbath

of the two losses. Last Thursday, the men's soccer team played against longtime rival Green River and came away with a 3-1 victory. Raphael Cox, Josh Dworsky, and Betheal Habte each had a goal in the win.

This was also the first meeting between Coach Jason Prenovost and Green River's coach Brian Iblings. Iblings played for Highline during the fall of the '99-'00 school year.

"It was a lot of fun to see Brian over there being successful," said Coach Prenovost. "It is always fun to see former players after their college career teaching and coaching."

On Saturday the men picked up their fourth shutout of the season in a 3-0 victory over Shoreline. Jacob Potter played all 90 minutes to earn his first shutout as a college goalkeeper. Cox and Melchior both added their sixth goals of the season in the victory. Ben Stark also added a goal in the victory.

"The guys came out playing hard and controlled the game from the start," said Prenovost.

The bench, when given the chance, has to be able to perform and they did that against Shoreline, Prenovost said.

The men are returning only two starters from last year, Dave Klein and Colbath. Brian Koo and AJ Koenig are two of the reserves from last year who have come on strong and played well for us so far this year, said Prenovost.

"Last year we had the right pieces in the right places," said Colbath, "but we are beginning to blossom."

"We were at our peak performance last year. We have to work hard to get back there this year," said Colbath.

Through nine games the men are in second place in the Southwest Division with a 6-2-1 record and have four shutouts. They look to continue their winning ways at Tacoma today at 5 p.m. The men take on the HCC Alumni at home on Saturday, Oct. 2 at noon in non-league action. Thursday, Oct. 7 the men resume league play when they travel to South Puget Sound.

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Basketball manager opening

By Jamie Grossmann

staff reporter

The men's basketball team is looking for a couple of individuals to act as managers for this year's upcoming season.

Individuals must have an interest in basketball, great initiative and the ability to work independently. Applicants must be available to put in about 20 to 30 hours of work per week Monday through Saturday.

As a manager you will be treated the same as every member of the team and coaching staff therefore you will be required to attend all practices and games home and away, said Che Dawson, head men's basketball

The job as a manger is to assist the coaches in all aspects of the program. Managers are responsible for setting up for practices and home and away games. They also must be physically able to walk around the gym for several hours at a time and able to lightly participate in drills.

For more information, contact Coach Che Dawson at 206-878-3719 ext. 3087 cdawson@highline.edu.

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Sports

Women's soccer defense steps up

Lady T-Birds shut out Bellevue and Green River

By Martha Molina

staff reporter

The Highline women's soccer team continues to battle for first place.

As of Tuesday, Highline is currently in third place in the Southwest Division in the NWAACC with a record of 5-1-1, with undefeated Clackamas in first at 7-0-0, and Clark in second at 6-0-1.

Highline's last game on Saturday, Sept. 25 versus Shoreline was postponed. Shoreline only had seven players who were able to play. They had lost some players and had injuries which kept them short-handed for Saturday.

"Normally a team would have to forfeit," said Athletic Director John Dunn. "But we are good people at a good school and decided to help out."

The teams met with the league and were allowed to reschedule. Highline and Shoreline plan to meet again on Oct. 12, but it's not yet official.

The T-Birds have also made an addition to the team. Freshman Nicole Reames from Stadium High School is the 10th midfielder added to the team.

Highline shut out Bellevue 5-0 on Sept. 18, with three goals by Mariana Palermo and two



Photo by Martha Molina

The Highline women's soccer team takes a run at the end of a practice this week.

from Katie Keniston. The T-Birds were up 1-0 at the half, and came back the second half scoring four more goals. The women won this game despite not having any substitutes avail-

The T-Birds were down to only 11 players due to a series of injuries.

At the game versus Clark, Krista Cobb rolled her ankle and has been currently out for two weeks, and will miss one more.

During the game versus Clackamas, Alex Pielak suffered a slight tear in her knee, which resulted with her receiving arthroscopic surgery. She has missed two weeks already, and will miss two more.

The T-Birds followed up with another shutout against Green River 7-0 with two goals by both Lisa Groce and Palermo. Alicia Wolfskill,

Nicole Veth, and Keniston had one goal each. This shutout was their third of the season.

"The game was pretty even the first half," said Coach Jaimy McLaughlin. "For the second half, we applied what we've been training and scored seven goals."

After allowing a combination of nine goals in two games when playing Clackamas and Clark, their defense has stepped up, said McLaughlin.

"We haven't allowed a goal

The T-Birds' defensive unit consists of defenders Nina Kupu, Karin Nichols, Kristie Pricco, Tonya McLaughlin, and goalkeeper Sarah Snyder.

Highline will be visiting Tacoma today at 3 p.m. followed by a road trip south for a game at Southwest Oregon on Oct. 9.

Cross country improves in first two meets

By Mark Knight

staff reporter

The Highline's men's cross country team came up big after a slow start in it's first meet. The women's cross country team started out with good times but not many runners and had good times in their second race with more runners.

Both teams ran in the Sundodger Invite at Lincoln Park in Seattle on Sept. 18, running against many four-year schools. Both teams also ran in the St. Martin's Invite in Lacey, on Sept. 25 running against St. Martin, SPU, Seattle University and others.

In the men's race at Sundodger, only three runners impressed the head coach Robert Yates, but the rest of the runners "did not get out and compete," he said.

score of 391, good for 14th place. Simon Fraser from British Columbia won the meet.

David Larpenteur, Josh Frazier, and Mike Essig "ran very well," said Yates. Larpenteur finished 39th overall and had a personal best of 26:23 over eight kilometers.

Josh Frazier finished 66th overall also with a personal best of 26:49, which was an excellent improvement, said Yates.

Mike Essig ran at his very first college cross country meet on the 18th and did very well, said Yates.

At St. Martin's, the men "ran much better than last week," Yates said. The men placed fourth overall as a team. St. Martin's College earned first place.

Josh Frazier placed sixth

As a team, the men had a overall with "easily his best race Saturday we can be a much bethe has had in his one and a half years here," Yates said.

David Larpenteur was sick this whole week and ran the race in 27:41 and finished 22nd.

Robert Bartholomew and Hassan Kalif, "ran so much better than last week," Yates said. Bartholomew ran the race in 27:48 and finished 27th and Hassan Khalif ran it in 27:49 and finished 28th.

Ryan Huff, the last runner, running in his first race, had a time of 27:54 and finished 31st. Yates saw lots of potential in

"He has a lot of talent but he can run so much faster. He could easily be the best freshman in the league," said Yates.

Yates was a lot more impressed with the second meet than with the first.

"If we can run like we did on

ter team," Yates said.

The women made a better impression on Yates. At the Sundodger the women received an incomplete because they ran with only three runners.

The women competed with three very big weapons, Sitges Marshall, Sarah Hudgins, and Jami Jablonsky. Marshall ran a personal best at the Sundodger Invite and a Highline's women's cross country record with a time of 18:24 over five kilometers and placing 13th overall.

Marshall now has the fastest time Highline has ever seen in women's cross country.

Hudgins ran very well, said Yates. Hudgins got a time of 21:16 and finished 155th overall.

At the St. Martin's Invite, the women's team had, "the best showing in a couple of years,"

Sitges Marshall had another outstanding time of 18:51 and finished second overall. Her improvement is very big from last year, Yates said.

Sarah Hudgins had a time of 21:04 and "did really well," Yates said. It was a slower and harder course than last week's and she ran faster, Yates said.

Crystal Lundhal, in her first race of the year, ran 21:16.

Jami Jablonsky, "ran faster than last week," Yates said. Jablonsky finished with a time of 21:40.

The last runner was Zori Garasmichuk, who also had her very first race of the year and had a time of 21:59 but "she feels like she can do much better," Yates said.

The T-Bird men and women next compete at Willamette Invite in Salem, Ore. on Oct. 2.

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Heart and passion in athletics

In the current world of sports, talented athletes are abundant. However, athletes who are talented and also excel in heart and leadership are not.

I was one of these athletes I had the talent to make the team but not as an everyday player. I played junior varsity and varsity baseball at Thomas Jefferson High School. While I may not have been the most talented it was the positive energy and leadership that made me an asset to the team.

My senior season I went 1 for 3 with one RBI, two strikeouts. Baseball for me was a release that allowed me to leave it all on the field emotions, energy, and enthusiasm.

Besides having a senior season to forget statistically, the memories that I gained and the respect that I have for the game will be the best moments. I was a part of a team that was dubbed the "cardiac kids" by the Federal Way News; we missed winning the division, for the first time in the school's history, and were the school's first baseball team to make the playoffs. Memories like these are what keep my passion for baseball alive no matter what direction the sport is going.

Stephanie Greiner had a prep career much like that of mine. Greiner had played basketball since she was in the seventh

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grade at Kirkland Adventist School and Auburn Adventist Academy. While she was not very good she was always picked to play on the team because of the positive energy with which she played. I got to know her over the past two and a half years through her sister, Kristen, who happens to be my girlfriend. Her positive energy also stretched off the basketball court and into her life and the lives of those around her.

This past year during the NBA finals it was easy to see which team had the heart and desire to perform at their best. The Los Angeles Lakers were a team full of all-stars and they were expected to walk through the season uncontested.

The Detroit Pistons had put together a team over the course of the year that had a goal as a team rather than individual goals. The Pistons had the passion, heart, and drive to overcome even the toughest of obstacles. The result was the Pistons beat the Lakers 4-1 in the finals.

Another individual example is that of Alonzo Mourning.

Mourning was drafted second overall behind Shaquille O'Neal in the 1992 NBA draft. Prior to the 2000-01 season Mourning was diagnosed with a kidney disorder that caused him to miss major parts of the following two season and the complete 2002-03 season. Mourning again is attempting a comeback after having only played in a handful of games last year. Why would an individual who makes millions of dollars a year risk his health to play a game? Mourning has the talent to play, the ability to lead, and the passion to comeback and play again.

On Oct. 3 the end of an era will arrive in Seattle in the form of Edgar Martinez's retirement. Edgar has played his whole career with the Seattle Mariners, which in this era of free agency is a remarkable feat in itself. However, Martinez has played through some of the worst of times with the Mariners. He was apart of the tortuous years in the Kingdome prior to the 1995 season. The passion and heart with which Martinez played over his 18-year career is now being shown on this final road trip. Since he announced his retirement he has been shown the same respect in all of the cities the team has played in.

In Texas last weekend, Edgar was given a standing ovation during every at bat. The passion

that he had shown has been translated back by the fans as a sign of appreciation and respect.

On Sept. 15, another athlete who wasn't the most athletic but had the heart and passion to do what was best for the team and the ability to lead was lost. She was not a professional or even a collegiate athlete, she was just a young woman driven to do what she had always dreamed of doing. Stephanie Greiner was most noted for always giving her best when she was on the court and not complaining of her lack of playing time.

"Stephanie hardly ever got discouraged she was always practicing and always gave it her best," said Becky Beckfield, Stephanie's mother.

What makes her story significant is that through the end she fought and did all she knew and that was give it one hundred percent. Stephanie Greiner succumbed to complications of a malignant brain tumor the morning of Sept. 15 and was laid to rest Sept. 20. While I did not know her as well as I would have liked, she has taught me an important life lesson. No matter what you are participating in, whether it be athletics or life, immerse yourself show your passion and those around you will follow.

Stephanie, you will be missed but not forgotten.

Sports

By Chris Richcreek

- 1. How many pitchers have won three games in a single World Series?
- 2. Who was the first pitcher to start an All-Star Game for each league?
- 3. Three players have rushed for 1,000-plus yards in each of their first seven NFL seasons. Name them.
- 4. The 1997 Arizona Wildcats, NCAA men's basketball champions, had four future NBA players in their backcourt rotation. Who were they?
- 5. In 2003-04, Florida goaltender Roberto Luongo set a mark with 2,303 saves. Whose record did he break?
- 6. Name the five NASCAR drivers to win both races in a single season at Pocono International Raceway.
- 7. Who was the last Englishborn male to win a singles title at Wimbledon?

Answers

- 1. Thirteen, the last being Arizona's Randy Johnson in 2001.
- 2. Vida Blue started the 1971 and 1975 games for the American League and the 1978 contest for the National League.
- 3. Curtis Martin, Eric Dickerson and Barry Sanders.
- 4. Mike Bibby, Michael Dickerson, Miles Simon and Jason Terry.
- 5. Toronto's Felix Potvin had 2,214 saves in 1996-97.
- 6. Bobby Allison, Bill Elliott, Jimmie Johnson, Bobby Labonte and Tim Richmond.
 - 7. Fred Perry in 1936.
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Scoreboard

NORTHEAST W-L-T 6-1-0 **Edmonds** 4-1-1 North Idaho Wenatchee 4-3-0 Spokane 3-1-1 Walla Walla 3-2-0 Col. Basin 2-4-0 Treasure V. 2-4-0 Skagit Vly. 1-3-0 0-6-0 Everett **SOUTHWEST** W-L-T 6-0-2 Clark 6-2-1 Highline 5-2-1 S Puget Snd 5-3-0 SW Oregon 4-2-2 Tacoma 4-4-1 Green River 3-3-2 Peninsula 3-4-1 Bellevue 2-5-1 Shoreline 0-5-3 Pierce Olympic 0-8-0

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Skagit Vly.		3-1-0
North Idaho		3-3-0

Col. Basin	2-4-0
Wenatchee	1-6-0
Everett	0-6-0
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Everett	0-1
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Green River	2-1
Highline	2-1
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Centralia	1-2
Tacoma	1-2
Pierce	0-3
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Columbia Basin	3-1
Big Bend	2-2
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Got work? Job fair seeks season hires

By Tammy Schuster

staff reporter

If you are looking for extra money during the holiday season, you will want to attend Highline's first Seasonal Job Fair. The

fair will be Wednesday, Oct. 6 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Building 2.

The fair is open to the public free of charge and refreshments, such as coffee and cookies, will be available.

The Director of Highline's Testing, Career, and Employment Services, Erik Tingelstad said, "There is a tremendous need for employees on part of employers during the holidays."

The purpose of the fair is to present part-time work available in the community, since there is not enough available employment on campus, said Tingelstad.

Local employers attending

the fair will include Petite Sophisticate, Best Buy, Avon, Dollar Tree, Lowe's, Fed Ex, Bath & Body Works, J.C. Penny's, Bear to Love, The Buckle, Sears, Old Navy, Casual Corner, and UPS. These employers will be prepared to speak about possible employment with their companies and some of the employers will have free give-aways

Tingelstad would like participants to walk away from the fair

with job opportunities that could turn into more than part-time, seasonal work.

In addition, he hopes local employers will find that Highline has plenty of good potential to offer in terms of employees.

With limited space in Building 2, Tingelstad wants to see how the fair goes before considering other possible locations for the future. Eventually, he would like the fair held in the

new student center currently being built.

Prior job fairs have had good responses from employers and the reaction from students has been great, said Tingelstad.

Arrive prepared to speak with employer representatives and, if at all possible, bring your resume.

For more information, contact Erik Tingelstad at 206-878-3710, ext. 3599.

Construction begins for new housing

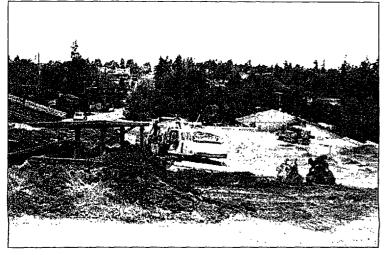


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Construction equipment litters the otherwise empty lot.

By Amanda Downs

staff reporter

A piece of land close to the North Parking Lot is being prepared for the future installation of new houses.

The property is located at the corner of 20th Avenue South and South 240th Street and will hold a projected 30 attached single-family townhomes.

An alley will be around the back for parking.

So far the construction will not cause any street closures or overall delays to Highline students using the North Lot for parking.

At the moment water vaults are being set in to manage the storm water runoff and a retention wall is forming.

Official building of the houses will not happen for a few months because the city of Des Moines still needs to approve the building permits. The property had various owners over the past 17 years who attempted to build but didn't go through with the plans due to permit issues.

Des Moines Development Services Manager Robert Ruth said that this particular piece of property is a challenge to build on but now, with the right engineering and planning, the land can be successfully used.

One of the reasons why the land is difficult to build on is because the property has a wetland area on its northwest end. The newly installed water vaults will aid in storing and draining the storm water that collects in the wetland area.

Ruth said that the wetland will be protected and separated from the housing area by 100 feet.

Transfer center wants to help you leave Highline

By Elizabeth Tacke

staff reporter

The time to start working on your transfer application, college officials say, is now. Some students say that the first quarter is too early to think about it, said Siew Lai Lilley, director of transfer center, but before you know it, the time has gone by.

Although the prospect of the admissions process may seem daunting at times, resources are available for students to take advantage of. College representatives, transfer fairs, and specialized workshops are all at student's fingertips, there for the taking.

Highline's first transfer fair will take place on Monday, Nov. 15 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Baccalaureate schools from all

over the state of Washington will have representatives present to answer any burning questions that students may have.

"I encourage anyone who's interested in transferring in the state of Washington to show up to the fair," said Lilley. Students will not only be able to talk to representatives, but pick up information and application packets as well.

Lilley suggests that students prepare a list of questions beforehand. Get a card—get a contact, she said.

Surveys taken in past years have shown students to be pleased with the effectiveness of the fair. Students can also take the opportunity to receive structured, focused help on transferring by attending the free trans-

fer workshops available throughout fall quarter.

Workshops are available for certain majors such as pre-med or pre-dental, but there are more general workshops to benefit all students such as "Writing a Winning Personal Statement," and "Transfer 101."

"They [students] just don't know what classes they need for what major. They don't know what it takes to get there, that's why they need to start early," said Lilley. "Transfer 101," one of the many free workshops offered, takes students through a lot of the basics of transferring in half an hour, from tuition to requirements to deadlines.

Individual college representatives are scheduled to visit the campus throughout the year and students are able to sign up for one-on-one meetings with them by going to Educational Planning in Building 6. Lilley encourages these meetings: Never pass up a networking opportunity.

Another event, "UW Majors Day," is scheduled for Nov. 9. It's basically a direct information session held right here at Highline. "We're bringing UW on campus," said Lilley.

Majors Day will have transfer sessions hosted by various majors at University of Washington including: health sciences, business, and pharmacy. Many other majors will be represented booth-style. Students can pick up applications, prerequisite requirements, major descriptions, and even contact cards.

For more information contact Siew Lai Lilley in Educational Planning, Building 6. 206.878.3710, extension 3936.

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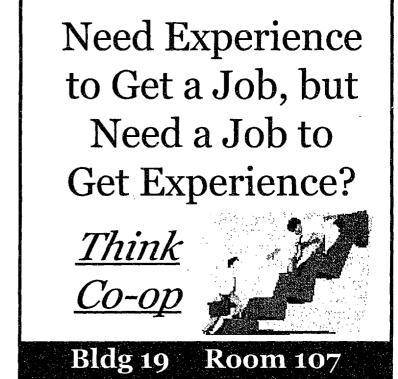
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New series to educate voters

Students are urged to get informed

By Jackie Graybill

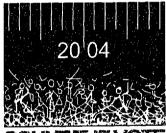
staff reporter

Teachers at Highline want your vote. They don't care who you vote for, but they want you to cast an informed vote this November.

To achieve that goal, they have put together a series of events that will run through the election and will end the day

Defining Democracy 2004 will allow attendees to meet the candidates who are vying for their vote, will educate them on the political process, and will help to clarify issues they will face on the ballot this November, organizers say.

The second annual event of its kind on campus has been organized by Susan Langraf, Sharon Hashimoto, Cheedy Rosemary Adang,



Glenn Dodd, Davidson Avantaggio, Janice Adams, Shannon Proctor, and Paul Kalchik.

Hashimoto, a writing teacher at Highline, said that all of the organizers are very excited about how it has expanded this year. She also said that she hopes students are inspired to "take part in decisions that affect their lives."

According to Hashimoto, the events are for everyone including students, faculty and the public. She also said that the college is expecting attendance to be very high and that Building 7 (where all events are scheduled to meet) will likely be packed out for each phase of the symposium.

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"Students will probably be surprised that there are many more sides, issues and ideas than they thought."

> - Sharon Hashimoto

Candidates come to Highline

By Jon McAllister

staff reporter

More than a dozen candidates will come to Highline for an election forum on Oct. 7.

The forum will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Building 7, with candidates for attorney general and state Legislature talking about their platforms and to answer questions from the community.

Scheduled to attend at 11 a.m. are Attorney General candidates Republican Rob McKenna

and Democrat Deborah Senn.

The forum will continue at noon with State Rep. Mark Miloscia, D-30th District, and his Republican challenger, Tony Moore; State Rep. Skip Priest, R-30th District, and Democrat Joe Henry; State Rep. Shay Schual-Berke, R-33rd District, and Republican candidate Bruce Elliot; State Rep. Jack Cairnes, R-47th District, and Democrat Pat Sullivan; State Rep. Geoff Simpson D-47th District, and Republican candidate Steve Atlick; State Rep. Dave Upthegrove, D-33rd District, who is unopposed.



McKenna

Paul Kalchik, Highline's student vice president for legislation, organized the forum Student part of Government's drive to get students involved with this fall's elections.

"I think this is a very important election year," said Kalchik "and I think it's important for students to have the chance to speak with the people who will be representing them in their legislature."

Kalchik pointed out that although students will have the space to ask the candidates questions, there will be some type of screening pro-

cess in order to ensure that there will not be any inappropriate statements comments.

This candidate forum is a part of Fall Quarter's Defining Democracy series.

Additionally, Team Highline has undertaken a voter registration drive and voter registration forms

are available in the Student Programs office.

There are other opportunities besides the forum for students to both meet politicians and gather a better understanding of our government.

Woody Moses, a Highline biology professor, will be hosting state representatives Skip Priest and Dave Upthegrove. The event will be in Building 7 from 11noon on Oct. 11.

Highline's election events line up

All events will be held in **Building 7**

Thursday, Oct. 7

- Attorney General debate: Democrat Deborah Senn and Republican Rob McKenna, 11a.m.
- · State legislative candidates forum: Candidates from the 30th, 33rd and 47th districts, noon.
- · Social hour with the candidates, 1 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 11

- Discussion on politics, featuring State Rep. Skip Priest, R-Federal Way and State Dave Upthegrove, D-Des Moines, noon.
- •Panel Discussion with Highline faculty members, 1

Wednesday, Oct. 20

- · Candidates for State Representative, Democrat Jim McDermott and Republican Tony Moore, 10 a.m.
- Student Panel on Democrat, Republican and Libertarian points of view, 11 a.m.
- · Open discussion time,

Wednesday, Nov. 3

· Davidson Dodd and Vickie Ropp speak on how to live with the election, 11 p.m. · Open discussion time,

"Most people have lives and

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they held.

Deadline soon for voter registration

By Danny Kang

staff reporter

If you want to register to vote by the November elections, time is running out. The deadline to register is Oct. 2 via the Internet or mail-in.

The voter registration application is also available in Building 6 at the front desk. You can pick up a registration form, fill it out and mail it out yourself.

The official last day to register to vote is Oct. 18 at the King County Auditor's Office. The Auditor's Office is located in Seattle at 516 Third Ave., room W-1020. If you need to get directions you can call 206-296-

The requirements to become a registered voter are you have to be a United Sates citizen, a legal resident of Washington, and be 18 years old by the elections, according to the Washington's Secretary of State's official website.

Highline political science professor Davidson Dodd said it's important for students to vote.

This particular upcoming election is very important to the voters between the ages of 18-25, Davidson Dodd said, a Highline political science pro-

Dodd strongly believes this due to the direction that the Bush administration is handling foreign policy there could potentially be a draft for soldiers. This issue especially affects young voters.

Dodd stresses the importance of voting in his classes if people want their voices heard.

The reason is that since he lived through the 1960s, he experienced firsthand people fighting for their right to vote.

"Voting is the same speech for every citizen," Dodd said.

Some Highline students say they intend to vote in the November elections.

Everyone's vote makes a difference and that is why you should go out and vote, said Dandrill Taylor, a Highline student and registered voter.

"Yes, I feel that it is important to vote because that is a way to show that you care about your country, school system and jobs," said Crystal Parker stu-

sues," said Landgraf. She also pointed out that "most people get their information from TV

> "The symposium will provide a chance for clarification and will give people the chance to be part of this debate. The most important thing is to be informed," Landgraf said.

She also stressed the fact that our political system demands that people debate and argue their point of view and that true argument is about backing up your point of view with information.

"It's not about opinion, it's about being informed," said

As to cost, Hashimoto stated that the events are "free, free, free." And food will be at cer-

than they thought. There is always another perspective and always more to learn. Attendees are encouraged to learn from discussion, to realize that their vote affects other people and to think about their responsibility as citizens and as voters," Hashimoto said.

Defining Democracy has

brought together educators from across fields of study as diverse as biology, math, political science, speech, history, and philosophy. This is reflected in the fresh approach the election issues will receive.

Symposium topics will range from forums with candidates, to American history of voices and communities that have not always had the right to vote, to a Nov. 3 session on how to live with the election results.

Landgraf, another organizer of the project, emphasized that everyone who attends a symposium event will likely learn something new or will better understand the previous views

NEWS

Walk to make strides against breast cancer

By Carmen Glover

staff reporter

Highline's Women's Programs is joining the American Cancer Society in the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk, this Sunday, Oct. 3.

"The goal is to raise awareness and get people involved," said Jean Munro of Women's Programs and WorkFirst Services. "It doesn't only strike women over 40. Women in their 20s and 30s as well as men are being diagnosed with breast

According to the American Cancer Society, breast cancer is the most common cancer among women other than skin cancer and the second leading cause of cancer death in women after lung cancer. Approximately 215,990 women in the United States will be diagnosed with invasive breast cancer this year. And 40,110 women will die from the disease. More than 2 million women living in the U.S. have been treated for breast cancer.

Early detection is a key component to successful treatment. The American Cancer Society encourages monthly breast self-

examinations, yearly mammogrms and reporting any signs of abnormalities immediately to your physician.

This Sunday's event is open to anyone who would like to walk, volunteer or make a donation. The walk will begin at the Downtown Park in Bellevue at 9 a.m., continuing along city streets and returning to the park at 11 a.m. There are no registration costs and parking is free at Bellevue Square.

"We're also collecting Yoplait yogurt pink lids. Student and staff members are asked to bring in their pink lids to help in the fight against breast cancer," Munro said. Hansen soda drinkers can turn in the red tabs from soda can tops and Hansen will donate 10 cents for each one they receive.

February is breast cancer awareness month. Highline will have several activities and events taking place around campus that student and staff members can get involved with.

For more information contact Jean Munro at 206-878-3710, ext. 3365, or stop by the Women's Programs Office located in the lower level of Building 6, or visit the American Cancer Society's website at www.cancer.org.

Parking

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PARKING

Parking is not just an issue inside the Highline parking lots. The surrounding neighborhoods are also being plagued by illegal

The Des Moines Police Department has been issuing tickets to automobiles that do not have residential parking per-

Residential parking permits are issued by the city to the residents in the area.

Parking in the lots of nearby apartments results in having your car towed.

"The parking at Highline is ridiculous. I get to school at 8



Photo by Cazzeri Upton

A student hunts for parking in the East Lot this week.

so I can find parking, but if I'm 15 minutes late I have to park at Midway," said student Natalie Hanley.

Parking could have been worse; the Midway lot was supposed to be closed this quarter as a new Lowe's Hardware store went up.

But Lowe's construction plans have been delayed, giving the college a breather, probably until Winter Quarter.

Parking fees meanwhile have doubled, from \$16 summer quarter to \$32 fall quarter, to help pay for lot maintenance, college officials say.

Parking at the Midway lot is free, although you still need a permit. They are available at the Security office in Building

Students still have some options, however. Carpool permits are free of charge as long as both drivers fill out an application and each has a qualifying vehicle.

Another option is to ride the bus. The Highline bookstore sells one-zone Metro and Pierce Transit bus passes at a 50 percent discount.

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Enrollment

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submit their numbers to the

"Funding from the state is driven from the 10th day counts," said Patricia James, institutional research director for Highline.

Another count is taken at the end of the quarter and more funding is based of those numbers, said James.

The enrollment numbers have been steadily falling since 2002 when 9,385 students were enrolled for Fall Quarter.

"We've been really spoiled, we've had big enrollments the last couple of years," said Riverman. "These numbers reflect years back."

There is still hope though that students will register for classes, in addition to post cards being sent out to students, calls are also going to be made.

"We're going to spend some time calling students that have applied but haven't registered," said Riverman. "We've just got to find out why."

Students are feeling the effects of the low enrollment, but in a positive way.

"My friends have been able to get into classes," said Donald Burns-Radtke.

The parking situation seems to have improved because of fewer students.

"I think everyone was scared about parking," said student Amy Bennett. "I used to have to park at Midway, but now I can find parking on campus."

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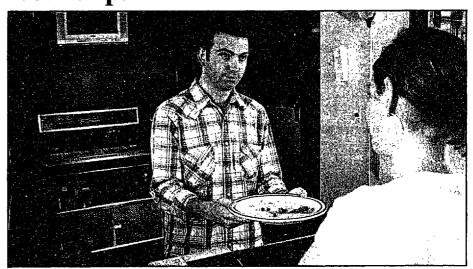
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College student tries to return uneaten food for partial refund



Andy Pernsteiner, above, cautiously approaches counter with chicken bone and a few peas.

"I didn't eat the

bone, so why should

I pay for it?"

By POLLY BROWN

Checking his dignity at the cash register, college student Andy Pernsteiner recently presented a local diner cashier with a plate of picked-over food, demanding money for the vittles he Deluxe-thought his childhood friend needed to

didn't ingest. The cashier—who wishes to remain anonymous-was flabbergasted by the whole incident. "It was both sick and sad at the same time," she said. Pernsteiner had a different take: "I didn't eat the bone, so why should I pay for it?" Pete

Woychick-a childhood friend of Pernsteiner'ssaid it was monthly fees tacked on to his friend's said Woychick, "I'm never eating out with him checking account that drove him to the shameless act. "Andy has been pounded for months by fees calls either. I might even change my name."

on his checking account. He's pathetic. I never really liked him when we were kids either." Woychick—who says he personally was financially saved by Washington Mutual's Free Checking

> get his act together and visit a Washington Mutual Financial Center or go to wamu.com. Then he, too, could sign up for their Free Checking Deluxe—a free checking account with optional Deluxe services like free online bill pay.

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