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## Student battles store over mags

By Billy Naylor  
staff reporter

A Highline student wants to get sex and drugs out of the bookstore, but the store's manager says he stocks what people want to buy.

Amelia Gilbert is planning to spearhead a movement to remove

the Playboy, Playgirl and High Times magazines from the student bookstore. She has said she is representing a large population that don't want these magazines sold in school for one reason or another

Bookstore Manager Randy Fisher said that over the years he has only had a few complaints

and recently, only one at his desk.

Gilbert doesn't think it's fair that students should be presented with the sight of these magazines in the only place they can buy their textbooks and said she is doing this because "it's just me being a concerned student."

Gilbert said she has multiple reasons for her stance on this is-

sue, but she maintains that first and foremost, these magazines are annoyances and distractions, and because of this, might possibly be in breach of the Highline mission statement.

Although she has never read the magazines in question, she

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## Midterm blues

By Elizabeth Tacke, Jackie Graybill, and Jon McAllister  
staff reporters

Drinking too much coffee. Not wanting to get out of bed. Procrastinating on homework. Falling asleep in class.

If you are experiencing one or more of these symptoms, there's a good chance you have the Midterm Blues.

"I'm just tired of coming [to school]," said Highline student Mason Debato.

This is a completely normal process for any student to go through, said Psychology professor Dr. Bob Baugher. "Students need to have enough good reasons to do something."

Some students say that right now, the "reasons" are starting to disappear.

"I figure it's getting old - I need to change every three weeks to keep it interesting," said student Doug Baughman. "Highline should have 'eighths' instead of quarters."

Maria Juarez, fellow Highline stu-

dent, agreed that the routine of class was monotonous.

"I'm taking a test about every week in my class so [missing] one more won't make a big difference," she said.

Dr. Sandra Glover of the Music De-

partment offered some helpful tips for students' problems.

"When you get an assignment, do it right away. It will help if you keep up your studies, read a little every day, and self-discipline on a daily basis. If you do those things, you'll make it through," said Glover.

Washington's rainy season is just another hurdle in the race to the end of the quarter.

"I don't like the rain-it makes your mood go down," said student Ilona Kovalevich.

Glover illustrated the effect of the weather on Highline's students.

"People are experiencing low barometric pressure and a slight lowering of blood pressure, which makes them

"Sleep is so critical."  
-Dr. Bob Baugher,  
psychology professor

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## Pacific Highway work continues

By Amanda Downs  
staff reporter

Certain parts of Pacific Highway South will soon be construction-free, but improvements still are needed for other sections of the road.

The cities of SeaTac, Des Moines, and Kent all have construction projects happening on the highway, stretching from South 200th Street to South 272nd Street.

Highline students using Pacific Highway South as a main route to the campus should plan accordingly and allow plenty of time to arrive; foresee at least a 10-minute delay throughout the highway and make the arrangements needed to arrive at Highline on time.

Because of the delays and lane closures, some students are trying to avoid Pacific Highway South altogether.

Barry Sims said that he used to take

Pacific Highway South every day to get to Highline, but now he cuts through Des Moines using Marine View Drive.

"I doubt that I'm saving any time going the scenic route, but at least I don't get a headache from sitting and waiting in my car on the highway," said Sims.

Andre Howman said that driving from her house in Federal Way to Highline using the highway at the moment takes 45 minutes; before the construction it took about 25 minutes.

"I usually have to sit through two lights because the trucks and diggers move so slow across the highway," said Howman.

Construction work hours vary by city, but most of the crews work from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Tom Gut, city engineer for the city of

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Photo by Cazeri Upton

Commuters on Pacific Highway deal with daily traffic and ongoing construction. Work is expected to continue for some months.



# Students chew up parking at Meet and Eat

By Linh Tran

staff reporter

## Stolen stereo is returned

A car theft suspect was caught with a car stereo in hand. Construction workers on campus spotted the suspect and called 911 immediately.

The incident occurred between noon and 12:30 p.m. The point of entry was the driver's side door.

The victim of the theft was contacted and the stereo was returned.

## Pyramid peddler on campus

A possible pyramid scheme may have occurred at Highline.

A concerned parent stated that an unknown male tried to enroll her son in some type of pyramid.

She found a business card with name and numbers on it. That card was given to Highline's security.

## Two males cause suspicion

Two suspicious males were seen in the Omni Building on Oct. 19.

A staff member called security but when they showed up the two males had already left.

Security checked the building and found nothing stolen but did find possible urination on the building.

-Compiled by Ryan Barkley

Parking was the biggest concern many students had at the first Meet and Eat.

Meet and Eat is a forum where students attend and voice their opinions and discuss campus issues.

It was held in Building 2 on Tuesday from noon to 1 p.m. There were over 20 people that attended.

About half the time spent during the forum was discussing the parking problems. "We are at the threshold of a parking crisis," said one student.

Associate Dean Jonathan Brown from Student Programs, responded quickly to student concerns.

"This quarters parking is easier than the past couple of quarters, so when Midway closes parking will seem worse," said Brown.

Another student attending the forum questioned the increase in parking fees. She assumed that the fee would go towards a parking garage or towards the parking issue but wonders now where the money is going.



Murray

"The doubled parking fee is to discourage people from driving to school; we hope students would find other forms of transportation such as the bus or carpool," she said.

Ryan Murray, another student, felt the same way.



Photo by Amber Trillo

Ilya Kaminski and Tina Higashi from Student Government listen to students' concerns at the first Meet and Eat.

"I think the increase in parking fees is a backward way of dealing with the issue. I assumed the funds will be going to more parking. If that is not the case then I think that's a very wrong way to discourage parking when you are not giving students any other options," said Murray.

Murray said that even if there are options, they're not available for him to choose. Right now he is parking at Midway.

"I am parking at Midway which seems like where half the students are parking and I don't want to think about it. But park-

ing is going to be a real issue and taking the bus will not be my first choice. I don't know what I am going to do," said Murray.

Murray was forced to take the bus for several months and through his experience he suggested that the bus is not one of the best ways to get to school.

"A year in a half ago my wife and I were hit by a drunk driver which forced me to ride the bus for six months. I'm driving now and I'd much rather fight with the parking issue than actually ride the bus. We have a lot of work to do as far as mass transit

being close to being able to accommodate our needs," said Murray.

Murray explained that there aren't enough bus routes to Highline at the right hours to accommodate to student schedules and based on his knowledge the bus hours will either take them to Highline about an hour early or an hour late.

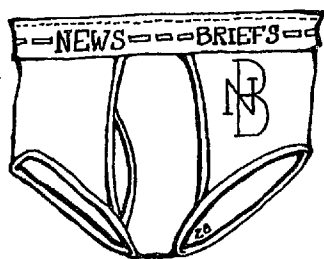
"I believe we either will have a lot of 10 minute late students or a lot of 50 minute early students. I don't know if anyone has even asked Metro to accommodate to Highline students based on the hourly timeframes that the buses run, and I don't know what they would be able to do. But what I do know is we need to ask them," said Murray.

Despite Brown's best efforts to answer questions and address concerns, Murray doesn't feel that the parking situation has been taken seriously because the people that deal directly with the parking issue were not there to make comments or answer questions.

"Considering the staff members that deal with parking aren't here and the majority of what we talked about is parking, it doesn't seem like the issues has been taken as seriously as it should be. I mean, we spent an hour, we talked about roughly a half an hour about parking and the person in charge is not available," said Murray.

Murray said he feels the forum is a start and will be attending future Meet and Eat forums.

"I feel like the Meet and Eat forum is effective in the sense that it is a start and I'll definitely come back to more meetings like this in the future because there is a lot of potential to solve some issues," said Murray.



## Intern with state commission

Three internships are open to college students at The Commission on Hispanic Affairs. Some duties of the internship include doing research on the Latino population and issues that affect them; tracking legislation with Internet research; and writing memos.

To be eligible for the internship you must be working toward a four-year degree and have one quarter of college completed or be a state em-

ployee.

Fluency in Spanish is preferred.

For questions about the position contact Cindy Garcia, executive assistant in The Commission on Hispanic Affairs, at 360-753-3159.

For a complete description of the internship and an application, contact Nancy Warren, cooperative education and worker retraining director, at 206-878-3710, ext. 3343.

## UW transfer newsletter

Students now have an easier way to access information on transferring to the University of Washington. A website has been set up for students to learn about the UW and what life is like on campus.

"The Transfer eNewsletter is

quarterly on-line publication for advisers, students, faculty or anyone else who wants to learn more about transferring to the UW and what successful transfer students find once they arrive," said James Meadows, Transfer eNewsletter editor.

The newsletter can be found at: <http://depts.washington.edu/trnews/>

## Two unrelated topics to relate

Science Seminar will explain how to use economics and anthropology to explain each other. Jean Harris and T.M. Sell will be the two presenters.

All students, faculty and staff are welcome to attend. It will be held on Friday, in Building 3, room 102 from 2:10 p.m. to 3 p.m.

For more information contact

Eric Baer, 206-878-3710, ext. 3513.

## Trip to Gameworks

Discounted tickets are being offered for a trip to Gameworks. For \$5 students will get passes

for two hours of unlimited play and transportation to and from Highline. Team Highline is sponsoring the event. The trip is this Saturday from 1-6 p.m.

Tickets are available in Building 6.

For more information contact Team Highline at 206-878-3710, ext. 3537.

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## President plus: anything but average

Akerman is not the traditional college student

By Linh Tran

staff reporter

Alicia Akerman is taking on more than just Student Government president this year. Ever since she started here at Highline she has participated in multiple activities.

Akerman is involved in various activities such as Phi Theta Kappa, along with being a psychology tutor, chairwoman of the Services and Activities Budget Committee and a member of The Black Student Union.

She is hoping to join Rainbow Pride this year and possibly The United Latino Association.

"I think right now I'm just sort of settling into my schedule and trying to figure out what I can cut back on and find out what's most important. Prioritizing is the biggest thing I have to do. I don't really know what I am getting into but I am learning. Right now I have all sorts of plans but I don't know how much time I have to do all of it," said Akerman.

Akerman said her involvement with other activities has allowed her to work well with new people. Her leadership skills were put to use during her summer training.

She trained with other groups including Team Highline, International Leadership Student Council and the design team.

The groups worked together learning about the mission statement of the school, the diversity policy and took a one-day trip to Camp Seymour, where Akerman used her leadership skills in team building activities.

"We (the student government officers) had a month of training that started Aug. 23. We've been together almost everyday since, even in our spare time. We've become friends as well



Photo by Amber Trillo

Alicia Akerman wants students to use available resources at Highline to be successful.

as co-workers," said Akerman.

Participating in all these activities and committees was rewarding to her, but she wanted a permanent home on campus that would last more than a quarter

or two.

Persuaded by adviser Jonathan Brown, she was convinced to run for president.

"I was excited to find out I was elected president. It means a lot to me because I was a high school drop out, and being president, I never have to think of myself as a high school drop out," said Akerman.

Dropping out of high school is one of the reasons why she describes herself as a traditional and a non-traditional student.

Although she didn't finish high school, she went to college and worked for a few years but she was laid off in 2001 and decided to go back to school to gain new skills.

"In some ways I think I am much like the other students. I am here in the morning and taking classes and as far as work goes I am working at Student Government, so school is my life," said Akerman.

"But I dropped out of high school, so in a way it makes me a non-traditional student. I've already been to college before at Eaton Technical College for Computerized Office Administration and got a job at Bank of America and worked for a few years, however I got laid off after Sept. 11 and went back to college," said Akerman.

Going to high school and being at Highline are two different experiences for Akerman.

At Highline, Akerman finds

herself being more motivated to do well and to become an active participant in school activities.

"The staff and the faculty here care extremely for the students; when they say student-centered on the quarterly catalog it is the truth," said Akerman.

They are so available and have an open door policy and their support is what encouraged me to get involved. They believed in me, and it made me believe in myself," said Akerman.

As president, Akerman is the voice of the student body to the administration, rather than working on projects with other officers.

Although she is not directly organizing projects, she has the responsibility to voice student opinions and inform the administration on the plans student government has.

"I hope to be an effective voice between the students and the administration. It's really the senators and the other people that I work with that have a lot of projects that they are working on. For me, I go to the Board of Trustees meetings and report on what Student Government is doing, so I hope I can be an effective voice between Student Government, the student body and the administration and back from the administration to the student body," said Akerman.

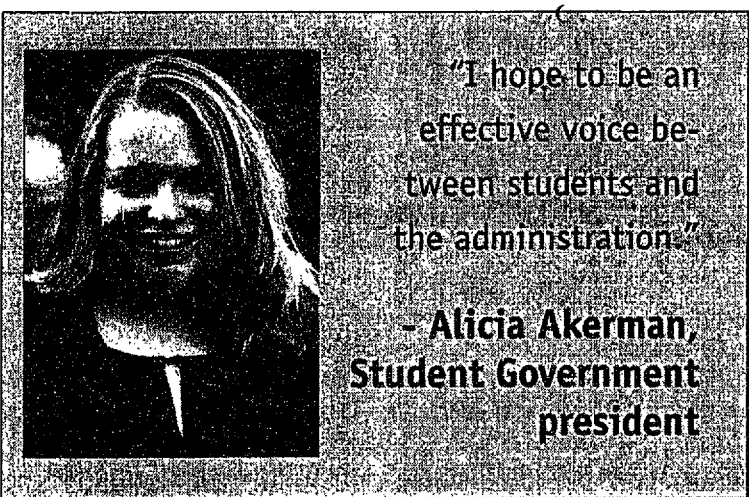
Being an effective voice means Akerman has to reach out to students, which is something she is working on.

She tries to get students involved by plugging upcoming activities/events in her classes and she hopes to keep in touch with the student body by talking to as many students as she can.

"During training one of the biggest things we we're talking about is how students actually get involved when they come to events, and personal invitations such as word of mouth is a big key to get students involved," said Akerman.

Akerman wants to let students know that being successful and getting involved doesn't mean you have to join Student Government but just use the available resources.

"I think that the key to being successful at Highline is to use all your resources and talk to your instructors during their office hours, use all the books that come with your classes, use the tutoring center and the reference library so if you can use all the resources available then you can be successful," said Akerman.





# Editorial

## Give the Transit a try

Highline should give the idea of a universal transportation fee a lot of thought. In the last issue, students were introduced to a new parking plan that has been enacted by several other community colleges. In addition to quarter tuition and fees, \$10 is tacked on for students who are taking classes totaling more than 10 credits.

The schools use the extra funds in various ways, from repairing the parking lots to price discounts for bus passes. The latter subject is especially varied, with options ranging from subsidies on one-month Metro passes to a \$75 quarter pass.

However, this is only applicable if you take the bus. Whether you drive a car or not, you pay the extra fee.

The universal fee works remarkably well at community colleges like North Seattle and Seattle Central. Whether we follow the same path depends on how much attention this plans receives.

It's not such a bad idea, and if Highline ever deems it doable, then they better be prepared to soothe a few doubts.

Car drivers may feel like they're getting shafted. It may seem that this plan only benefits those that take the bus, but in reality the plan benefits everyone in some way.

With all the special fees on passes, students might want to consider switching vehicles, if it's at all plausible. And if you think of it as paying someone else \$10 to ride the bus then it's not such a bad idea. Freeing up one parking space will be worth it.

But there are a couple of advantages that balance that out. For one, it's an ecological service. Mass transit, such as buses, is environmentally friendly in comparison with cars.

Also, buses cost less money (or according to the plan they should). If it came between paying \$10 a quarter plus whatever pass needed to ride the bus and paying \$10-\$15 a week on gas money, you'll find the plan is really quite economical.

Considering the possible payoffs and problems, Highline really ought consider this transportation fee plan more seriously. With Midway only a temporary solution, what have we got to lose?

If they decided to try this out, Highline will have to be prepared to answer questions as to where that funding from the extra \$10 fee will go. Some of it absorbed by the bus passes, but the rest of it will have to go somewhere.

Students will want to know what Highline would plan to do with that extra money. And if Highline can innovate this idea so drivers don't feel shortchanged, then it's all the better.

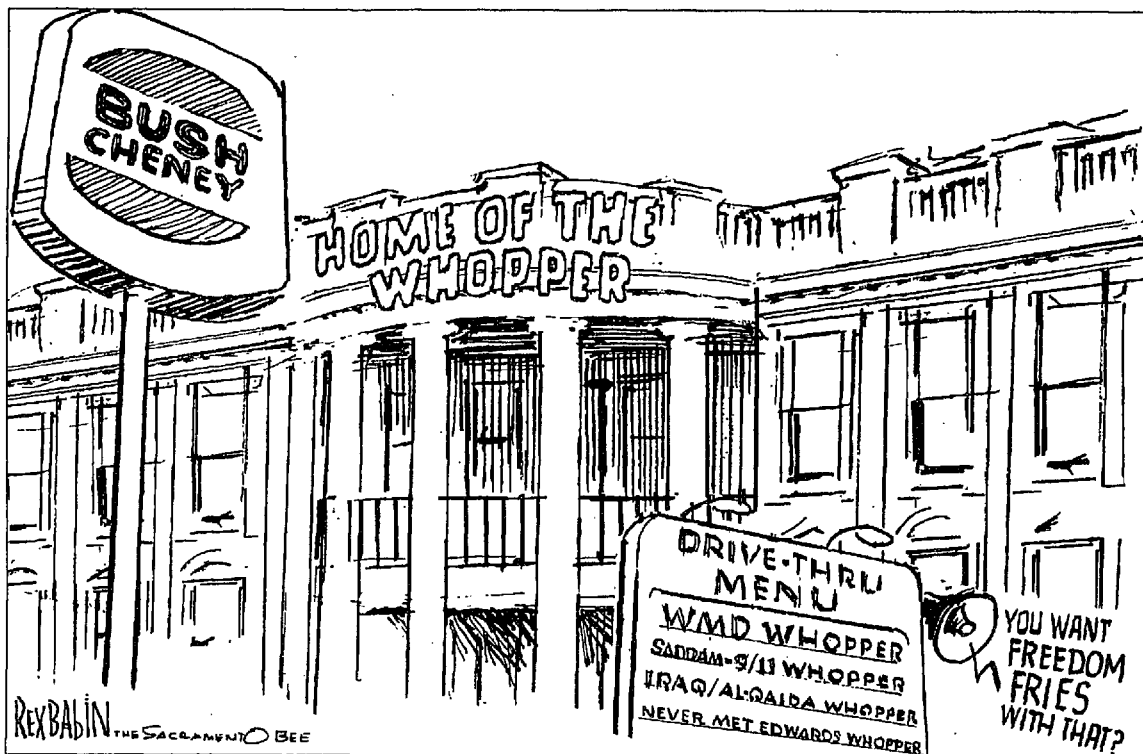
Not to mention the fact that a majority of the car-driving populace on campus might have no idea how passes and bus routes work, so even if they want to, figuring it all out will take some explaining.

The positives outweigh the negatives; it's a great idea and one that Highline might want to try soon, but it'll take extra effort.

## Question of the Week

### What would it take to make you decide to ride the bus more?

Write a letter to the editor and have your opinions in print! E-mail your letter to [tdavis@highline.edu](mailto: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.



## Student lends ear and aid

I attended the Somalia Rights Network conference on Oct. 11 because like many students, I needed a certain amount of service learning points. If not for my Writing 101 class and its focus on global issues, I would never have gone.

After meeting group members and listening to their stories, I found myself feeling a need to get involved and find out more. Maybe I could actually help in a "real" way.

I often watch movies like *Black Hawk Down* and *Children of God*, I feel the momentary disgust at what I have seen. Then the apathy sets in and I go back to my comfortable routine saying things to myself like "What can I do? I am just one person." Then I met Mohamud.

A Highline graduate, Mohamud Esmail started this organization with just an idea and a few friends. Together they worked in their spare-time, knocking on doors of members of Congress. They have managed to achieve non-profit status and are currently working with U.S. Rep. Adam Smith, D-9th District, on the Restoration of Somali Democracy Act, to help restore Somali democracy.

Smith's aide, Sean Egan, explained that the bill will get the



### Guest Commentary

By Bella Colthurst

parties involved to move toward democracy by placing sanctions on the people/warlords who wish to disrupt peace. The bill, if passed, will act as a sort of watchdog to keep warlords from putting their own interests ahead of the people of Somalia.

I spoke to one of the founders of the SRN, and she explained her need to be involved. "I couldn't feel comfortable, moving on with my life here in the U.S., knowing that my people were suffering and barely surviving. I had to do something."

At the conference, I sat with Jamal, a Somali student from my writing class. He has lived in Seattle for three years.

We listened to the personal stories of what these people had left behind and what they are trying to accomplish.

After the conference I asked Jamal to share his thoughts. "Part of the problem in Somalia is that they have no government, no police, no courts, therefore no accountability. This plus two guns for every Somali meant

that the person with the most weapons rules. This is how it has been for nearly 14 years. Warlords have ruled using fear, torture, rape, and murder."

But as of Sunday, Oct. 10, President Abdullahi Yusuf Ahmed was elected, the first president in a decade. He has pledged to help stop the violence in Somalia.

Jamal said he seems skeptical considering Ahmed's past. "After two years of peace talks in Nairobi, Kenya, they elected one of the most brutal warlords in Somalia who even has a murder case held against him in a British court. He was accused of killing a Somali chief who also held British citizenship. I hope that the election of Abdullahi Ahmed does not drag Somalia back to the clan warfare."

I plan on fighting my own apathetic ways by supporting this bill and attending the next SRN meeting which will be held in December. As Mohamud says "When we believe we are powerless, then we truly become powerless." For more information on Somalia and SRN's bill, please contact <http://www.newsomalia.org>.

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# Haunted house finds new home

Scare Productions moves after Des Moines says building not safe

By Chad Martinez  
and Amanda Downs

staff reporters

For the first Halloween in 17 years, Des Moines is without a haunted house.

You may have noticed the eerie searchlight that returns every Halloween season to haunt the night skies of Des Moines and help the walking dead, vampires and devilish characters of all sorts find their way to the Des Moines Beach Park.

Scare Productions, creators of the annual charity event, have been forced to move to Federal Way after the Beach Park house they previously used was declared unsafe by city officials.

The city says the building

needs a new sprinkler system, so Scare Productions was forced to find new digs to haunt.

"Originally we had heavy duty garden hoses with massive sprinkler heads located throughout the scare house and back in 1992 the city approved our system," said Rob Buchta, vice president and director of promotions for Scare Productions.

"However, the city has just recently reviewed our permit and deemed it unsafe for a haunted house to operate," Buchta, "which is very frustrating and puts a damper on things due to the late notice. If we had more of a heads up we could have either raised the money to fix the gymnasium or find a suitable location to house us."

The haunted house got its start in 1987, when a select few of veteran haunters came together and fell upon the Beach Park and its gymnasium. The group sold tickets, with proceeds going to local charities.

This year the haunted house has been reallocated to the Federal Way Commons, formerly known as SeaTac Mall.

"The new location is great but the Des Moines Beach Park is home to us and many of our



Photos by Chad Martinez

A Scare Productions monster greets visitors to this year's haunted house.

loyal visitors," said Buchta.

Scare Productions is having a very slow start this year because of this sudden move to Federal Way.

In addition to the new location, Scare Productions is not allowed to have a searchlight on the property.

"It turns out that a certain store in the mall, and we will not say who, has in their contract that no other stores can have a searchlight other than them," said Buchta.

Scare Productions was given the chance to lease this space in the Federal Way Commons at a deeply discounted rate as long as the proceeds benefit a local charitable organization.

In the past, Scare has received help from many sponsors such as the Des Moines Rotary club. However due to the recent changes the rotary club has directed its assistance elsewhere.

"The Des Moines Rotary Club is no longer involved with the haunted house because of the move," said Ric Jacobson, president of the rotary club.

"Ideally Scare Productions would have liked a better reception from the city of Des Moines and the Rotary club, we have been there for over 17 years," said Buchta.

The whole team of Scare Productions is very sad that the city of Des Moines didn't assist them in their time of need, he said.

The city of Des Moines has also assisted Scare in getting permits and helped them meet their timelines, but now the city has a different agenda. The city hopes to preserve the beach park and turn it into a historical attraction.

"The Scare team used the building for storage for the majority of the year, and it could be used for so much more," said Des Moines City Council member Susan White.

In the past five years alone, over 100,000 people have attended the Des Moines Haunted House, and proceeds have topped \$1 million in 14 years, Buchta said.

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A victim waits to scare already terrified visitors at the Scare House

## Reggae groove comes to Highline

By Olivia de Leon

staff reporter

The Blend will stir up the cafeteria with an infectious feel of good reggae next week.

If you know reggae, you know Clinton Fearon with his catching bass riffs.

Fearon will be performing live on Wednesday, Oct 27, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Cafeteria tent.

For 18 years, Fearon was a known reggae singer and bass player with the internationally famous group called The Gladiators.

Fearon's first two releases with the group reached the Top 10 on the Jamaican charts.

In addition, Fearon was a house musician for Lee "Scratch" Perry's Black Ark Stu-

dio in Jamaica.

In 1989 Fearon relocated to Seattle where he cofounded The Defenders, where he wrote lyrics and sang lead vocals.

Fearon in 1990 released his *Feel the Spirit* album, and its first pressing sold out in a month.

Fearon then formed his own group in 1993 called Boogie Brown Band.

According to their website, the Boogie Brown Band has now received international critical acclaim and has secured and maintained a top charting position.

The Blend is put on by Team Highline and is an ongoing series of concerts featuring a variety of local artists perform-



Clinton Fearon

ing live at Highline. Team Highline is a student-run events and promotion board.

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## Arts Calendar

• **House of Terror:** The Supermall in Auburn hosts a haunted house through Oct. 31. Oct. 22-23 and 29-31, 7 p.m.-midnight; Sunday, Thursday and Oct. 24-28, 7-10 p.m. KUBE 93 Haunted House: Fridays-Saturdays and Oct. 31, 7 p.m.-midnight; Sundays and Thursdays and Oct. 25-27, 7-10 p.m. Kids/Lights On day: Oct. 30, noon-3 p.m. Westfield Shopping Town, Southcenter Mall. Tickets: \$10, discount with food donation (except Friday and Saturday). 206-494-2868.

• **Nightmare at the Center:** Runs through Oct. 31. Variety Childrens Charities/KISS-FM (106.1) and Seattle Center present its annual Halloween Haunted House at the Center. Sundays-Thursday, 7-10 p.m.; Fridays-Saturdays, 7 p.m.-midnight. Tickets: \$10, \$15 VIP Lounge; [www.varietyhauntedhouse.com](http://www.varietyhauntedhouse.com).

• **Wild Waves and Enchanted Village Fright Fest:** The amusement park transforms into a spooky theme park with a haunted house, rides, paintball, live entertainment and more, every weekend in October, Fridays-Saturdays, 5-11 p.m.; Sundays, 5-9 p.m. Exit 142B, off Interstate 5, Federal Way. Tickets: \$29.99 plus tax, \$24.99 plus tax for seniors and children shorter than 4 feet high. 253-661-8001; [www.sixflags.com](http://www.sixflags.com).

• **The Kent Arts Commission's Spotlight Series** is presenting An Acoustic Evening With Al Stewart, a platinum-selling folk-rocker. Stewart will be coming to Kentwood High School Performing Arts Center on Saturday, Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$18 for adults and \$16 for seniors and students. For information and tickets call 253-856-5050.

• **The Seattle Repertory Theater** is presenting *Anna in the Tropics* by Nilo Cruz. Directed by Sharon Ott, *Anna in the Tropics* will run until Oct. 30. For tickets and information call 206-443-2210.

• **Team Highline** is hosting "The Poetry Exchange" Oct. 28 in Building 7 from 11-11:50 a.m. People can sign up to read their own poetry or the poetry of their favorite authors. There will be refreshments provided on a first come first serve basis. Applications are due no later than Oct. 25. To sign up, contact Marquis Faulcon at 206-878-3710 x 3537, or email him at [mfaulcon@highline.edu](mailto:mfaulcon@highline.edu)

By Quentin Taminhart

staff reporter

Trey Parker and Matt Stone, the *South Park* duo, have given us license to laugh at the war on terror with a puppet battle royale, *Team America: World Police*.

Parker and Stone seem to have created a comedy genre all their own. Theirs is the sort that can make you double over in a sort of maniacal snicker, thinking, "That is so wrong!"

Stone and Parker most certainly aim to shock with their fourth full-length film following *Orgazmo*, *BASEketball* & *South Park: Bigger, Longer, Uncut*.

This time they've presented a fairly run of the mill "hero's-gotta-save-the-world" action script that gets its laughs from marionettes, obscenity, social satire and a killer soundtrack.

Gary, an aspiring Broadway actor, is recruited to a crack anti-terrorism unit known as Team America. Reluctant at first, he finally embraces his role in fighting fundamentalists and crazed dictators.

While *South Park* is animated and *BASEketball* & *Orgazmo* were live action, Parker and Stone seem to have struck an interesting balance with their mari-



Puppet power saves the day in 'Team America.'

onettes. Many of the sets are undeniably beautiful in their complexity, even if they are frequently to be blown to bits by the marauding Americans.

The quality of the puppets is quite high thanks to the enlistment of Chiodo Brothers Productions, a puppet and special effects company that has done work on everything from *Elf* to *Robocop* and *Gremlins*.

The puppets used are wooden, which contributes to their awkward movements, making the many action scenes (and one sex scene) all the more farci-

cal and hilarious.

Still, after a few minutes you begin to lose the perspective of watching a puppet show and sink into the miniature world Parker and Stone have created.

Team America was written by Parker, Stone and Pam Brady, a *South Park* writer, and directed by Parker.

The film's crass soundtrack shines like cheap chrome, completing many of the funniest scenes. The entire score was sung by Stone, who gives voice to *South Park* resident Eric Cartman's frequent ballads.

If you aren't familiar with this type of fare, the lyrics are crude and obscenity-laced, but always tongue-in-cheek.

The film takes plenty of jabs at the both sides of the political aisle, but never lets you know exactly where they stand. Team America is

completely belligerent in their use of force and they manage to trash most of the countries that they're trying to save.

Conversely, those who oppose the *World Police* are Hollywood actors who the movie portrays as brainwashed, out-of-touch hippies. Sean Penn, Alec Baldwin, Samuel L. Jackson and many others, all take their licks in Parker & Stone's critique of their anti-war positions.

The film is rated R for graphic, crude sexual humor, violent images & strong language, all involving puppets.

## Breeders Theater seeks winter intern

By Jessie Elliott

staff reporter

Breeders Theater is seeking out a paid intern for their winter production.

A private theater company, Breeders Theater was founded in 1999, and prides itself on performing original comedies that make you think as well as laugh.

The theater company performs in non-traditional venues around the Puget Sound, but its home is at E.B. Foote Winery in Burien, which is where the rehearsals and performances will be this winter.

For two years, Breeders Theater has been offering this internship for students interested in the performing arts.

As an intern for Breeders Theater, the student will be a part of both the development and production of the upcoming show.

The intern would be working closely with directors and actors, and would be a part of rehearsals from start to finish.

BT will be performing *Viva Zavada!*, a show about an actor who finds himself in what seems

to be another world. The rehearsals for the production begin on Nov. 29, and are held Monday-Thursday from 7:15-9:30 p.m.

The production runs from Jan. 21-Feb. 6, with the performances on Fridays and Saturdays at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m.

A benefit performance for the Highline Foundation will also be shown on Monday Jan. 24 at 7 p.m.

The internship is for college-level students who are sincerely interested in the performing arts and would like hands-on experience in the theater process.

The student should have high energy and be able to meet the demands required by the entire process.

The application consists of a personal statement of 500 words or less. The letter should contain career objectives, what you ex-

pect from the internship, your experience/education in the theater, the qualities you have that recommend you to be a candidate for the internship, and your academic credentials.

Also required are two letters of recommendation, including one from a college faculty member, and a resume with current contact information.

Once the internship is completed, the student will be awarded \$250.

All applications must be received by Nov. 1, and the chosen student will be contacted by Nov. 5. Applications can be sent to Breeders Theater at 1305 S. 223 St., Des Moines, WA, 98198, or via email to [breederstheater@aol.com](mailto:breederstheater@aol.com).

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## Rational Numbers

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 diagram.

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### ACROSS

2. Ten less than 12-Down
5. Five times 3-Down
7. 1-Down times 18-Down
9. Digits of 15-Across reversed
11. Thirty more than 1-Down
12. Consecutive digits in descending order
13. Ten more than 15-Across
15. Two hundred less than 7-Across
17. 2-Down minus 13-Across
19. Seven less than 4-Down

### DOWN

1. Same digit repeated
2. 12-Down minus 10-Down
3. Twenty less than 12-

### Across

4. The first digit is the sum of the other digits
6. Digits of 8-Down reversed
8. 2-Across plus 19-Across
10. Same digit repeated
12. The first digit is the sum of the other digits
14. The last digit is the sum of the other digits
16. Consecutive digits in ascending order
18. Three less than 11-Across

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## Position Paper

### Across

- 1 Lincoln Logs competitor
- 5 Comes before anchor or iron
- 9 Moans
- 14 Particle
- 15 Spread
- 16 Scout unit
- 17 Charlie, for one
- 18 Ridge of coral
- 19 Spiritual leader
- 20 On beyond high school
- 23 Doctor's org.
- 24 Misinform
- 25 Liberal org.
- 28 Juneau native
- 32 Mata Hari's job title
- 35 Like spokes in a wheel
- 37 Rostrum
- 38 Sound reflection
- 39 Neither left nor right
- 42 European capital
- 43 Canadian tribe
- 44 Come to an end
- 45 Type of whiskey
- 46 Holy
- 48 Moray
- 49 British custom
- 50 Grassland
- 52 End the play
- 61 Girl of song
- 62 Dry
- 63 Vein of ore
- 64 Banquet
- 65 Ceremony
- 66 One more time
- 67 Musical notes
- 68 Notable achievement
- 69 NYSE membership

### Down

- 1 Plaster backup
- 2 Small ladies' bag
- 3 The \_\_\_\_ Show
- 4 Bigger than Lincoln
- 5 Cow pen
- 6 On the sheltered side

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## Crossword 101

By Ed Canty

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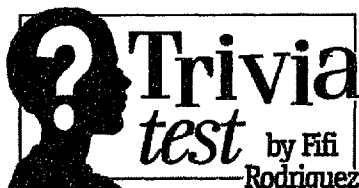
- 7 Subject of a broadcast
- 8 Nutritionists' delight
- 9 Melody
- 10 Enraged
- 11 Dry place
- 12 Rover
- 13 What press secretaries do
- 21 USPS competitor
- 22 Cymbalist's instruction
- 25 A turtle's shell, perhaps
- 26 Bicycle Built for Two rider
- 27 Confuse
- 29 Revere
- 30 Valuable storage places
- 31 Spring things
- 32 Germ killer with a mint flavor
- 33 Teenagers may pass through one
- 34 Heard in the Bavarian Alps
- 36 Promising words
- 38 Found in the laundry room
- 40 Conspicuous success
- 41 Church big wig

- 46 Green \_\_\_\_
- 47 Shook off
- 49 Up tight
- 51 Mythological muscle man
- 52 Curl
- 53 Nabisco treat
- 54 Take a bottle from a baby
- 55 Precedes roll or liquor
- 56 Pennsylvania lake
- 57 Make reference to
- 58 Top quality
- 59 Thought
- 60 Former Mr. Speaker

### Quotable Quote

"Avoid having your ego so close to your position that when your position falls, your ego goes with it."

••• Colin Powell



1. LITERATURE: What is the name of the ex-con/hero in "Les Miserables"?
2. HISTORY: What nation was once ruled by leaders called Shoguns?
3. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What was the first name of Ethel Rosenberg's husband?
4. MUSIC: What was the name of Johnny Rotten and Sid Vicious' band?
5. GEOGRAPHY: Where is the Nubian Desert?
6. LAW: In legal terminology, what is "amicus curiae"?
7. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What's the name of a group

- of donkeys?
8. RELIGION: Who is Karol Wojtyla?
9. MYTHOLOGY: What kind of a creature was Pegasus?
10. LANGUAGE: What is the most frequently used letter in written English?

Answers  
1. Jean Valjean  
2. Japan  
3. Julius  
4. The Sex Pistols  
5. Sudan  
6. Friend of the court  
7. A dove of donkeys  
8. Pope John Paul II  
9. A winged horse  
10. "E"

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## Haunted

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In the past, the resources of Scare and the Des Moines Rotary Club were tapped to fund the Des Moines Pumpkinfest.

When it was announced that Scare Productions would not be able to hold the haunted house in Des Moines, the Pumpkinfest was canceled.

Pumpkinfest was an annual event like the haunted house, which citizens brought in huge pumpkins that were carved with creative themes.

Other than their rocky start and lack of advertising due to the sudden change in location,

Scare has banded together like a family to keep their dream alive, Buchta said. Businesses in Des Moines have very graciously posted their signs advertising the new locations.

"On a given night we have over 30 volunteer actors maybe more all of which are volunteers, who put forth a tremendous amount of their time to making the house and their characters come alive," said Buchta.

Their actors come from all over; some are high school drama students and some are just plain folks who love to do this, like Harold.

"I have been doing this for 26 years now. I started haunting in 1978, I haunted malls, houses

and much more," said Harold, the greeter of the haunted house.

Harold's character is a lot like the classic butler who works in some spooky manor, with his creepy voice and gracious manners he welcomes all who dare to enter the house.

"I do this for the fun, it's my life, it's what I like to do, we're like one big happy family," said Harold.

The Scare house is now located at 1928 S. Commons, Suite F-5; admission is \$7 and

### Rational Numbers

answers

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proceeds benefit the Greater Federal Way Kiwanis Club.

The house is open from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, and 7 p.m. to midnight on Friday and Saturday up until Halloween night.

Nightly, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m., and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Halloween, Scare Productions presents a less scary version of the show for those weak at heart and the younger, still-maturing ghouls.

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# Highline hangs on to second place

By Martha Molina

staff reporter

The women soccer playoff race became tighter for the T-Birds after a 4-1 loss to Olympic on Oct. 18.

Highline came home to play Olympic with optimistic hopes after beating them the first time around 4-2.

Olympic stepped onto the field feeling confident, not having lost in the last six games, including a tie with first-place Clackamas.

"We were prepared to play Highline," said Olympic Coach Neil Megson. "Our fitness level was better and we cut down the number of mental mistakes."

Highline wasn't as ready for the game.

"We didn't play at a 100 percent effort," said T-Bird Coach Jaimy McLaughlin.

This is the first year that Olympic had a women's soccer program, and there were a lot of adjustments that needed to be done.

The first time around, Highline faced a team that started off rough, and now Olympic is the talk of the league, said Megson.

The playing system that

Olympic presented was foreign to the T-Birds, which confused the players, allowing the Rangers to score four goals during the game.

All four goals came from forward Rosie Zadra.

"Rosie can average two to three goals per game, but she doesn't like to be so greedy," said Megson.

The game was pretty even competition wise, but injuries also played a big role.

Key Highline players Alicia Wolfskill and Katie Keniston were injured while playing against Lower Columbia.

Keniston was unable to play on Saturday's game and Wolfskill played at 65-70 percent.

This threw off the T-Birds balance, and they had to make up positions, said McLaughlin.

The T-Birds beat Lower Columbia 5-1 on Oct. 14.

Goals came from Katie Keniston, Karin Nichols, Tonya McLaughlin, Alicia Wolfskill, and Mariana Palermo.

As teams focus on trying to stop Palermo, it creates opportunities for the rest of the team.

Tonya McLaughlin, who takes the team's free kicks, took advantage by scoring her third



The T-Birds scrimmage at practice the day before a game.

Photo by Bryan Yambe

goal of the season.

The other four goals came from a good combination of teamwork.

"We played a very good game," said Coach McLaughlin. "We had possession of the ball and worked for each other."

There are doubts on Keniston coming back for the Bellevue game, but she will probably be ready for Clark's game, said Coach McLaughlin.

Krista Cobb, who rolled her

ankle on Sept. 16 on a game with Clark, has been playing but not at 100 percent.

Alex Pielak, who had arthroscopic surgery after suffering a slight tear on her knee in a game with Clackamas, visited her doctor on Wednesday and will begin practicing lightly on Friday.

The standings in the Southwest NWAAC as of Tuesday, Oct. 19, are first place Clackamas with a record of 11-

0-1, second place Highline at 9-2-1, third place Clark at 8-2-1, and catching up quickly, fourth place Olympic at 6-4-3.

Tonight the T-Birds will be at home facing Bellevue, whom they beat the first time 5-0. On Saturday, they will visit Clark whom they previously tied 4-4. On Monday Oct. 25, the T-Birds will have the chance to get even with first-place Clackamas, to whom they lost 5-0 earlier this season.

## Ski Canada, eh?

By Olivia de Leon

staff reporter

Highline students take advantage of Whistler-Blackcomb's snow, shopping, and lively atmosphere for cheap this year.

The International Leadership Student Council is inviting Highline students to contribute in this year's International Student Program Ski Trip.

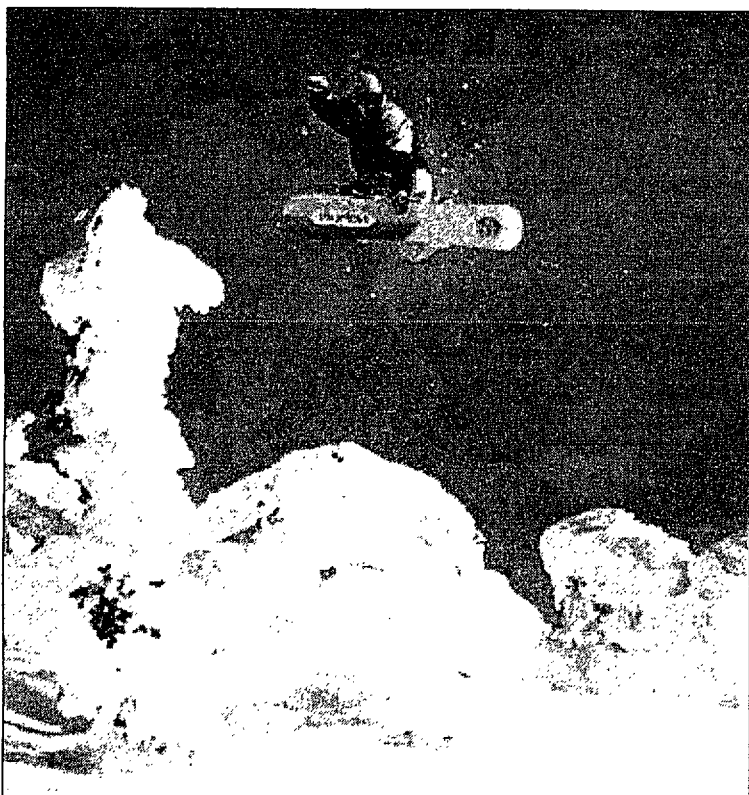
The ski trip will take students to Whistler-Blackcomb, host venue of the 2010 Olympics. Whistler is recognized as one of the top ski resorts in the world.

The trip includes two nights lodging at Hampton Inn Hotel, round trip transportation, daily breakfast at the hotel and discounts prices on rental and lift purchases.

The hotel will be located in Vancouver, B.C.

For those non-skiers, shopping will be available in Vancouver.

Rooming will consist of four



Boarding at Blackcomb.

Photo by Eric Berger

people per room with two beds. Roll-out beds can be requested. Roommates can be chosen.

The trip will take place Nov. 25 - 27.

Prices for the trip is \$175 U.S. currency and \$35 for lift and rental.

Room rates will be:  
One person per room, \$350;  
Two people per room, \$235;  
Three people per room, \$195;  
Four people per room, \$175.

Payment is due Oct. 28 at the International Programs office, Building 6.

An orientation will be held Thursday, Oct. 28 in Building 28, room 104 from 1 - 2 p.m.

Prices will go up after Oct. 28.

Payments need to be paid by check, money order or credit card.

For any further questions contact Jeffrey Martsen at 206-878-3710, ext. 3384.

## Volleyball drops to fourth with three straight losses

By Kim Ducharme

staff reporter

Highline's volleyball team lost their third straight match on Oct. 13 to drop them down to fourth place in the Western Division of the NWAACC with a record of 4-4.

The Lady T-Birds took on first-place Lower Columbia, hoping to spoil their 6-0 record.

"I think we can break their winning streak," said outside hitter Blythe Howard.

After a long drive the ladies came up a little short by losing only by a few points each game, 26-30, 28-30, 25-30.

Howard had eight kills and 16 digs.

Highline next played Clark on Oct. 15, hoping to get a win the second time around. Once again the T-Birds came up a little short by a few points, 27-30, 26-30, 25-30.

Howard had an impressive 14 kills and 10 digs. Setter Khia Behrendt had 10 digs for the T-Birds.

"We lacked coverage behind the blocker which really hurt us along with serving," said middle

hitter Jennifer Patnode.

Although the team is currently in fourth place, don't count them out just yet. They still have six games left and are very confident about the rest of the season.

"We have a strong team and great sophomore leaders and if we work hard on the little details we will make it to the playoffs," said Patnode.

The women say that if they are relaxed, the wins will follow.

"Just having more fun on the court," said middle hitter Jenna Bloczynski.

"I play better when I'm relaxed and having fun," said Patnode.

"To be the best team out there," said Behrendt.

Head Coach John Littleman is just enjoying the season.

"This season is much more fun than seasons in the past," said Littleman.

The ladies are hoping to break their losing streak when they play Tacoma for the second time around. The game is on Oct. 20 at home at 7 p.m.

On Oct. 22, they'll visit Grays Harbor.



# Two more wins makes it seven

by Jamie Grossmann

staff reporter

The men's soccer team carried their momentum through the weekend with victories over Peninsula and Olympic.

Friday night the men traveled to Peninsula and came away with a 5-1 victory. Anthony Melchior continued to wield a hot foot scoring two goals. Josh Dworsky added his fourth and fifth goals of the season and Raphael Cox scored his sixth.

Saturday, the men returned home to take on Olympic. The men were up 2-0 at half and were on the attack for most of the second half. The final score was highline 5, Olympic 0.

Melchior had his second hat trick of the season to bring his season goal total to 16. William Chang and Jordan Duke each added a goal.

"It has taken awhile to get back in shape," said Melchior. "I am at about 90 percent now."

Melchior blew out his knee during the final home game of the 2002 season and spent last season rehabbing the injury.

The men have two games this week that could shape the rest of the season. On Thursday, the men play host to Bellevue. Earlier this year the men lost to Bellevue 4-1.

"We are not looking past Bellevue," said Head Coach Jason Prenovost. "It won't be revenge. We know we can do better, we have to show it."

Bellevue is 6-6-1 in league and 4-2-1 since the last meeting, which included playing to a 0-0 tie against division-leading Clark.



Photo by Amber Trillo

Anthony Melchior looking to drive past Brian Podolinsky during Tuesday's practice.

"Against Bellevue we made mistakes and didn't help clean up those mistakes," said Prenovost. "The guys are beginning to play for each other. We just need to continue the trend and take care of each other."

We need to defend and attack

as a team against Bellevue, Prenovost said.

Since the last meeting with Bellevue, Highline has gone on a seven game winning streak. During the streak the men have outscored their opponents 24-5 with four shutouts.

One of the largest keys to the

team's success is their accountability, Prenovost said.

"Accountability is engrained into the attitude of the team. We are finding the reasons we weren't winning and making the adjustments," said Prenovost. "The guys are covering for each other, and have trust in their

teammates."

While the game against Bellevue measures up to be a test for the men, the game against Clark on Saturday holds many implications of its own.

Clark maintains an undefeated record. In the last meeting, Clark came to Highline and won by a score of 2-1.

With victories over both Bellevue and Clark the men would move into first place in the division.

"Clark will be a good challenge," said Melchior.

The team attitude is to take the rest of the season one game at a time, Prenovost said.

The men have been relatively injury-free this season with the only one of concern being an ankle injury to Bethel Habte.

"Bethel's ankle is not doing well, he was on a bike the other day," said Prenovost. "We will begin working him back in, but he is day to day."

As the team continues to improve and work together, many different players are stepping in when the time is right and providing an extra edge.

"Kyle Colbath is one of the most dominating defenders in the league over the last few games," said Prenovost. "All four of the defenders are stepping up."

"AJ Koenig and Riley Miskell were backups last year, and they have stepped in and become anchors," said Prenovost.

"The team is beginning to realizing that they are not a finished product," Prenovost said. "However they are maturing and that is what has allowed them to recognize that."

## Danner invite makes for a rough weekend

Mark Knight

staff reporter

Highline's cross country teams finished close to the bottom but with great individual results at the Jim Danner Invite in Gresham, Ore. this weekend.

The women finished ninth overall with a team score of 214, while the men finished fifth with a score of 130.

In the women's meet, Willamette won the meet with a team score of 36.

"The women were lead by Sitges Marshall," said Coach Robert Yates. Marshall finished seventh overall with a time of 18:23 over a 5-kilometer race.

Marshall was named September's NWAACC female cross country athlete of the

month. Marshall has posted the fast time of the season with a time of 18:10 at the Willamette Invitational.

Sarah Hudgins had a time of 20:31 with "her fastest time of the year," Yates said. Hudgins finished 62nd overall.

The next runner, Jami Jablonski finished with "her fastest time for her and the best race I have seen her run," Yates said. Jablonski finished 72nd with a time of 20:58.

"We should have had a party. It was a big goal for her to get under 21 and she smashed it," Marshall said.

"That was a highlight for us, we were so excited for her," teammate Crystal Lundahl said.

Brittany Boysen had a time of 21:06 and finished 76th over-

all. She had "her best race of the year and her fastest time," Yates said.

The last two finishers Cherilynn Flor and Zori Garasimchuk placed 92nd and 93rd overall.

"Both girls ran good," Yates said. Flor finished with a time of 21:42 and Garasimchuk had a time of 21:48.

"Zori improved her time by a lot, which was really awesome," Lundahl said. "A lot of the girls that ran improved their times."

The women's team was missing a crucial link, Lundahl, who would have placed them higher in the overall team score with her running. She was out with a sore knee and she is resting it. She said she would be back by the next meet.

"The women ran really strong, probably their best race all season, they looked really good," Yates said.

In the men's meet, Portland won with a team score of 29.

"The men this week ran a four-mile instead of a five," Yates said. "I was really happy with the way they competed."

David Larpenteur and Robert Bartholomew finished really close to each other. Larpenteur finished 40th with a time of 21:16 and Bartholomew finished 41st in 21:17.

"David and Robert were our top to guys," Yates said.

Ryan Huff finished in 44th place overall with a time of 21:23. "Ryan did his best for the year," Yates said.

Josh Frazier had a time of

21:29 and finished 50th overall. "The last couple of weeks Josh has seemed to be a little bit off," Yates said.

The last finisher Noah McDonald-Robbins placed 74th and had a time of 22:28.

The cross country teams get a break until Oct. 30 when they travel to Bellevue for the Bellevue Open.

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## Wells excited to join athletics

The Athletic Department is welcoming in a new member to the family.

Jamie Wells, the current assistant director of Outreach Services, has accepted the position of assistant athletic director. Wells will not be leaving her position as Outreach Services associate director, as assistant athletic director is an additional role that she has agreed to take on.

"It's going to mean a lot more time and energy, but I am looking forward to the challenge," said Wells. "Much of the athletic job is done after hours and on weekends including traveling out of town for tournaments and NWAACC finals."

In Outreach Services Wells is a liaison to the surrounding community, said Jason Prenovost, director of Outreach Services.

"Currently in Outreach I am responsible for assisting in the development and implementation of the college's outreach and recruitment efforts," said Wells.

*Wells has played host to nu-*



### Off the Bench

By Jamie Grossmann

merous events on campus; she brings thousands of people to campus and visits thousands more, Prenovost said.

"Jamie is a wonderful asset to the college," said Prenovost.

"Jamie has the support and respect of her peers on campus," said John Dunn, athletic director.

"A few years ago while I was still coordinating Commencement in the Pavilion, Jamie would show up on her own time to help out," said Prenovost. "She would just show up and ask if there was anything that she could do."

Wells has a great personality that will continue to add to the personality of the Athletic Department, Prenovost said.

"I have always thought that you should try to hire somebody smarter than you and I believe I have done that with Jamie," said Dunn.

*While Wells' responsibilities*



Jamie Wells

have not been laid out completely she has already begun to take part in numerous activities including coordination of activities, production of special events, and administrative support.

"One of my first responsibilities was to help oversee the Crossover Volleyball tournament we held on campus a few weekends ago," said Wells. "I'm also assisting with attendance and grade checks and will be gearing up to help with eligibility for the winter sports which are beginning now."

Wells has a background in marketing, works a lot with students and already has some experience with regard to athletics through Prenovost, who is also the head men's soccer coach.

"I am enjoying the chance to work with Jason in this new capacity and look forward to time with the other coaches," said Wells. "I have a great respect for all of our coaches who each year face the enormous challenge of preparing a new group of athletes for the demands both in the classroom and on the field."

"I have played pickleball with Jamie before and she is highly competitive. She always wants to win," said Dunn.

"I am excited to be a part of the Highline program which has a tradition unmatched anywhere in community college athletics," said Wells.

Wells' competitive nature and her unwavering energy looks to be a perfect addition to an Athletic Department that already knows what it takes to compete and be successful, both on the field and in the classroom.



By Chris Richcreek

1. In the 2003 season, two players had 10 more homers than walks. One was Juan Gonzalez of the Texas Rangers with 24 homers and 14 walks. Who else did it?

2. Who held the Cincinnati Reds mark for career saves before Danny Graves broke it in 2004?

3. Only one NFL team has made the playoffs after starting the season 2-6. Name it.

4. When was the last time an NCAA men's basketball Final Four had no No. 1 seeds?

5. Who was the last American coach to win the NHL's Stanley Cup before Tampa Bay's John Tortorella in 2004?

6. How many U.S. World Cup championship teams was soccer star Michelle Akers a part of?

7. When Frank Bruno won his first major heavyweight title in 1995, whom did he beat?

## Women, faculty to renew hoops rivalry

By Oksana Melnik

staff reporter

Students and faculty will play basketball next week to help raise funds for breast cancer research.

The faculty men will play against the college women's basketball team on Friday Oct. 29 from 2:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the gym.

The first 80 people who donate will receive a free t-shirt with the Highline logo, which are being donated by the Athletic Department. If you can't make it to the game but you want a t-shirt you can reserve

one for \$50.

The game was annual for many of years until the Highline women's basketball team got a new head coach.

Second year coach Amber Rowe has decided to restart the old tradition. This will be their first game in three years. Rowe said she hadn't been familiar with the game before.

In the past years the game was played for a canned food drive, but this year they are switching it up.

"The faculty loved doing it and can't wait to do it again," said John Dunn, athletic director and one of the faculty players.

The faculty men have never won a game during the many years played, but they have high hopes. "We have planed many strategies at the Yardarm (a local tavern)," said Dunn.

The Women's Programs is also involved in this fund-raiser.

"October is national breast cancer awareness month, so this is a perfect time for this game," said Jean Munro of Women's Programs.

"One misconception that people have is that it won't affect them, but it affects everyone, even men can get breast cancer," said Temple D'Amico, employment coordinator at the

Women's Programs.

The Women's Program also hopes to raise money through Yoplait pink yogurt tops; each top is worth ten cents. So if students eat yogurt they should save their tops and bring them to the game.

"Everyone's individual effort accumulates into a bigger positive impact into the fight against breast cancer," said D'Amico.

The money that is raised will be split in half and donated to The American Cancer Society, which educates people on breast cancer. The other half will go to The Susan G. Komen Foundation which researches breast cancer.

WBC title.  
7. Oliver McCall, for the  
6. Two — 1991 and 1999.  
in 1991.  
5. Bob Johnson of Pittsburgh  
(Purdue) and 8th seed (UCLA).  
ville), 5th seed (Iowa), 6th seed  
four included a 2nd seed (Louis-  
4. It was 1980, when the final  
1970.  
3. The Cincinnati Bengals in  
from 1984 through 1989.  
2. John Franco had 148 saves  
33 walks.  
Braves, who had 43 homers and  
1. Javy Lopez of the Atlanta

Answers

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### Scoreboard

Men's Soccer					
NORTHEAST	W-L-T	Tacoma	6-6-2	Everett	0-9-0
Edmonds	7-1-1	Bellevue	6-6-1	SOUTHWEST	W-L-T
North Idaho	7-4-1	Peninsula	4-6-3	Clackamas	11-0-1
Walla Walla	6-2-1	Shoreline	4-8-1	Highline	9-2-1
Wenatchee	6-3-1	Olympic	1-12-1	Clark	8-2-1
Spokane	4-1-4	Pierce	0-10-4	Olympic	6-4-3
Treasure V.	4-5-1	Women's soccer		Tacoma	7-6-0
Skagit Vly.	3-7-0	NORTHEAST	W-L-T	Lower Col.	4-7-2
Col. Basin	2-6-1	North Idaho	8-3-1	SW Oregon	4-5-3
Everett	0-10-0	Spokane	8-1-0	Green River	3-9-1
SOUTHWEST	W-L-T	Walla Walla	7-1-1	Bellevue	2-9-0
Clark	11-0-2	Edmonds	6-2-1	Shoreline	0-10-2
Highline	11-2-1	Treasure V.	5-4-1	Highline 4, Shoreline 1	
S Puget Snd	8-4-2	Skagit Vly.	4-5-0	Edmonds 4, Wenatchee Valley	
SW Oregon	8-6-0	Col. Basin	2-7-0	0	
Green River	7-6-1	Wenatchee	1-9-0	Skagit Valley 8, Everett 0	
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## Car shops recommend pre-winter tune up

By David Beukema

staff reporter

As winter rolls around once again, one of the last things on many students' minds that drive to Highline is the maintenance of their car.

As many try to balance school, work, and finding time to study, car repairs get lost somewhere in the mix.

"I never have my car serviced for any kind of weather," said student Cassidy Malone.

"I figured since I live in Seattle, I wouldn't need to worry about it."

Mechanic Terry Wolfe of Performance Auto Werks in Auburn pointed out that, most often, young drivers forget about their coolant/antifreeze system.

"It must maintain a 50/50 mix of water and antifreeze," Wolfe explained.

"I've seen situations where people only add water to their car in the hot summer months, and forget to add antifreeze as temperatures drop."

Wolfe went on to say that



Photo by Amanda Downs

Mark, a mechanic at Quality Auto Care in Des Moines, replaces brake pads on a customer's car.

when temperatures reach freezing and there's not enough antifreeze and too much water in the cooling system, it could freeze, expand, and crack the engine block.

Another item that Wolfe stressed the importance of was

the battery.

"All batteries have a certain 'life,' and when that time nears its end, the acid in the battery begins to break down, eventually turning into somewhat of a liquid, allowing the battery to freeze in the cold."

The life of a normal battery is about four years, or 30-60 months, according to Wolfe.

There is a difference between new and old cars maintenance wise, with new cars being easier to service and more trouble-free compared to older carbureted cars.

"There are things people can do to prevent the need of service," said Wolfe.

"Checking the coolant for a 50/50 mix of antifreeze, and warming up your car when outside temperatures drop, can keep your car in better shape for winter."

Wolfe said that a two-minute warm up when starting the car would help prevent the need for a tune up in the winter.

A normal winterization of a car would cost anywhere from \$40-\$150, according to Wolfe, which includes a flush of the coolant system, checking hoses, belts, and tires.

One local mechanic stressed that if car maintenance is neglected, the problems will get worse and more expensive.

"Many young drivers are faced with economic issues when it comes to vehicle maintenance," said Tim Szender, owner of Quality Auto Electric and Repair in Des Moines.

"They're afraid to spend money. Most of the time, young auto owners just have minor services done to their car, such as oil changes," said Szender.

"If your car is ready for summer, it's ready for winter."

Although it is not urgently needed every year, Wolfe suggests that drivers have their cars serviced, or at least checked by a mechanic every year.

"Maintenance is a usually a back burner issue," said Wolfe. "Of all the seasons, winter is the worst. It's a completely different ball game."

## Highline Democrat club encourages students to vote

By Ian Taylor

staff reporter

The Democrats of Highline Club has spent this year trying to involve students in politics and getting them to vote.

With the election coming up very soon, the club has been trying very hard to inform students about political issues so they can have the information they need to make their best choice at the polls.

The club has been going door to door on the weekends, doing phone banking during the week and registering 14 voters during the Club Fair in late September.

Although the club is a Democratic club, they do not oppose the idea of a Republican Club here at Highline.

"I'm really proud of them," said Sitges Marshall, the club's treasurer, about the Republican Club.

"It's really nice to see students getting engaged in politics. I like to see students get motivated."

Marshall said the club really wants young voters to get involved with this year's election, and make the best decision they can, based on facts.

She said that the club's objective is to get voters as much information as possible about the ideas of the Democratic

candidates so people can make an informed decision.

"We want both sides to be heard," said Marshall.

"We want the same things, to get the vote out and get students involved," said Marshall, again referring to the Republicans of Highline Club.

The members of the Republicans of Highline Club were un-

available to comment.

The Democrats' Club members say they want people to have all the information to be able to know which candidate they want and not just vote how they were raised.

Lori Lugo, president of the club, said the club has been trying to focus on getting female minorities to start voting be-

cause they are the lowest voting demographic.

However, this is not a limit to the people they want to see voting. They are trying to get all students to vote.

"Young people need to start getting politically minded," said Lugo.

The ages of the members in the Democrats of Highline Club

range from 18 to 30.

The idea is to get more voters so the candidates that are chosen are the ones that the people want.

The election in 2000 was one of the closest in history; more votes could mean less confusion.

The Democrats of Highline Club meets Wednesdays at 1 p.m. in Building 10, room 207.

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## Playboy

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said she is aware of what's in them. "Most people have a good idea about what Playboy and Playgirl are. I've talked to other students about what High Times is, and it basically promotes drugs which I think is almost even more ridiculous than pornography," Gilbert said.

She has also said that having these magazines in the bookstore questions the ethics and integrity of our campus.

"We need to keep the integrity and the standards high here, because if you want to demand excellence in education, I think you should also demand a level of decency," Gilbert said.

She believes this questioning of ethics and standards could leave Highline with a bad reputation and in turn, might make some parents of Running Start students opt to send them to a community college that doesn't sell these magazines.

Gilbert believes if we are going to host a campus welcoming underage Running Start students, we should have the decency to shield them from this material because most young people are unable to handle it.

"I think that young people (under 18) are incapable of having an adult mind-frame. Until you are an adult you don't know how to think like an adult," Gilbert said. "I don't think they have the capacity to make the right choices. That's why they're considered children."

Gilbert is 20 years old.

Bookstore manager Fisher

says it's not up to any one person to decide what goes in the store.

"From my point of view it has to do with censorship," said Fisher. "I don't believe in censorship and I don't think it has any place here at a community college."

Fisher has worked at the bookstore for the past seven years, and during that time Playboy, Playgirl and High Times have remained on the rack due to a simple case of supply and demand.

The bookstore only carries two or three copies of these magazines and are usually sold-out before the end of every month, which Fisher says is an obvious testament to the demand for these publications.

"Would the same kind of prejudice of publication roll over to The Advocate, a maga-

zine for the gay community? Where do you stop and draw the line?" Fisher said. "Should I bar the freedom to read from someone?"

The majority of the students have commented with more of an open-minded response.

"I don't think it's really that much of a problem. If you don't want to look at it then don't buy it. If they want to have it there, it's on them," said Highline student Dominic Lepule. "People might say they are promoting sex or drugs but if you don't want to look at it, you have a choice not to."

"They (the bookstore) might be sending off the wrong ideals to the people that shop there. But you have to give the people what they want," said Tres Jole. "I don't think there is a problem with it."

Others say they agree with

Gilbert.

"Selling it on campus is sending the wrong message because we do have a lot of Running Start students who are underage," said Highline student Dale Harada.

Gilbert is considering the steps she plans to take with this issue.

From getting a consensus of student opinions in hopes of getting more people behind her, to taking this issue to the parents and, if necessary, going as high as she can on the leadership chain.

Although Fisher is against the idea of removing the publications, he has said that if the majority of the campus decides that they don't want the bookstore to carry them then they will probably not carry them. "But it would have to be a clear majority."

## Blues

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feel sluggish instead of peppy."

Lack of sleep is another warning sign attributed to the Midterm Blues.

"Sleep is so critical," said Baugher. Without it, "your bounce is gone."

Students may be unaware of the effects of lost sleep even

though they experience them: an inability to concentrate, mood swings, and susceptibility to sickness.

"Many people don't dress warmly enough so they get cold, feel drained of energy, and are more susceptible to germs and viruses that are going around," Glover said.

Students say they are just having a hard time getting out of bed and facing the day.

"It's warmer in my bed — more comfortable," said student Baughman.

Student Black Killpack said that this time of the quarter is "just more stressful. I don't study much, and this is when I have to."

Asa Hall, another student, says that you can tell when it is time for midterms on campus.

"At the beginning of the year a lot of people at the library will be socializing, but when midterms come along, you see more people studying individually and the library and tutoring centers are packed," she said.

Glover said that the largest

number of college dropouts typically occurs at midterm, but that students can take action to reduce their stress.

Psychologist Baugher gave students some simple advice to succeed.

He said that students need to "know the problem and take the time to take care of themselves, sleep more often, and cut down on irrelevant activities."

"People who are successful manage their environment well," said Baugher.

He incorporates a basic psy-

chological principle with his advice: If you need to accomplish something you don't like doing, link it with something that you want to do.

"Drink lots of coffee — that's what I'd do," said student Sylvia Dziejwulak.

Freshman Carissa Haber says to keep a cheerful outlook on the quarter.

"I'd just say keep a positive attitude. — the weather can get you down — look forward to the holidays."

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SeaTac, said that there are no significant back-ups planned for this week.

"We are trying to keep the delays to a minimum," said Gut.

The SeaTac section of Pacific Highway South is receiving storm drains this week, along with water holding vaults and joint trenches for underground utilities.

SeaTac is in its fourth and final stage of construction of the highway. Design of the improvements has been underway since late 2002.

Visit the city of SeaTac's website at [www.seatac.wa.gov](http://www.seatac.wa.gov) to view a slide show on the first three completed improvement phases on the highway.

The city of Des Moines anticipates construction completion by the end of this year.

At this time, the medians are being filled with dirt and irrigation pipes will be installed. New signs, featuring steel sailboats saying Welcome to Des Moines, will also be placed in the medians, along with trees and shrubs.

"We planned our project time pretty well," said Assistant City

Engineer Maiya Andrews. "We're finishing up while other cities are beginning their projects."

The Des Moines section of Pacific Highway South will receive new curbs and will be restriped.

Andrews also said that no severe delays are expected.

"We're through the tough stuff," said Andrews.

The city of Des Moines website at [www.desmoineswa.gov](http://www.desmoineswa.gov) has updates and descriptions of the

project.

Kent is taking care of Pacific Highway South from Kent-Des Moines Road to South 272nd Street. General roadway construction is scheduled through Spring 2005 and includes the installation of curbs, gutters, and sidewalks.

Kent has been working on the highway since 2002, and has installed new storm drainage pipes and joint utility trenches.

Visit Kent's website at [www.ci.kent.wa.us](http://www.ci.kent.wa.us) for updates on the project.

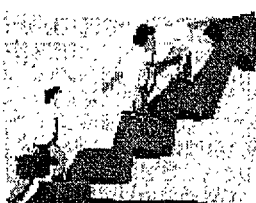
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