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HIGHLINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Tuition is likely to rise again

BY MICAH DILL

STAFF REPORTER

Students will pay more for tuition next year.

"There will be tuition increases, hopefully with clear justification," said State Rep. Skip Priest, R-Federal Way.

Priest spoke at the annual Student Government Legislative Breakfast held on Jan. 6, and the state's biennial budget

was a major topic of conversation.

Washington State's \$1.6 billion budget shortfall and the projected increase in the number of students who will be applying for admittance to area colleges will make it harder for the state to pick up the tab. More of the cost will be passed on to the students.

The average cost a full time student pays at Highline is

\$1,982. The tuition and fees students pay at Highline and other community and technical colleges only cover one third of the cost of the education. The rest of the funds have to be supplied by the state.

Governor Gary Locke's budget falls short of the resources requested by the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges. The budget allows for 3,633 new openings for students

in the state's 34 community and technical colleges over a two-year period. The board wanted 5,000.

As a result, Highline has the authorization to raise tuition rates as much as 9 percent to increase the school's ability to enroll more students.

The budget shortfall means

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Enrollment down; cause is unknown

BY QUENTIN TAMINHART

STAFF REPORTER

Winter Quarter enrollment numbers, as with fall, remain down from this time last year, but were bolstered in part thanks to a staff campaign to contact students.

"[Enrollment] at all but three of the community and technical colleges were down fall quarter and I would assume that that will be the trend all year," said Becky Riverman, Associate Dean of Enrollment.

Compared with Winter '04, enrollment is down by approximately 10 percentage, a gap that Riverman hopes to close by the end of this week as students continue to register.

"[For Highline] I think it's a combination of many many different things," said Riverman. She cited the raise in tuition and the Pacific Highway construction as two possible reasons.

"I see it as a larger trend," said student Chris Dillon. "Young people just seem more and more disinterested in school these days."

Kris Betker, communications director for the state Higher Education Coordinating Board said, enrollment for both four year universities and private colleges are up, which leaves community and technical colleges searching for answers. The State Board of Community and Technical Colleges is currently surveying the registrars, trying to gauge why enrollment is down.

The Reach Out and Touch Someone Campaign by 22 Highline employees called and mailed students who had registered for Fall Quarter but not winter and those who had taken the COMPASS assessment in fall but not registered.

"The goals of the campaign were twofold: We wanted to encourage students to come and register and we also wanted to

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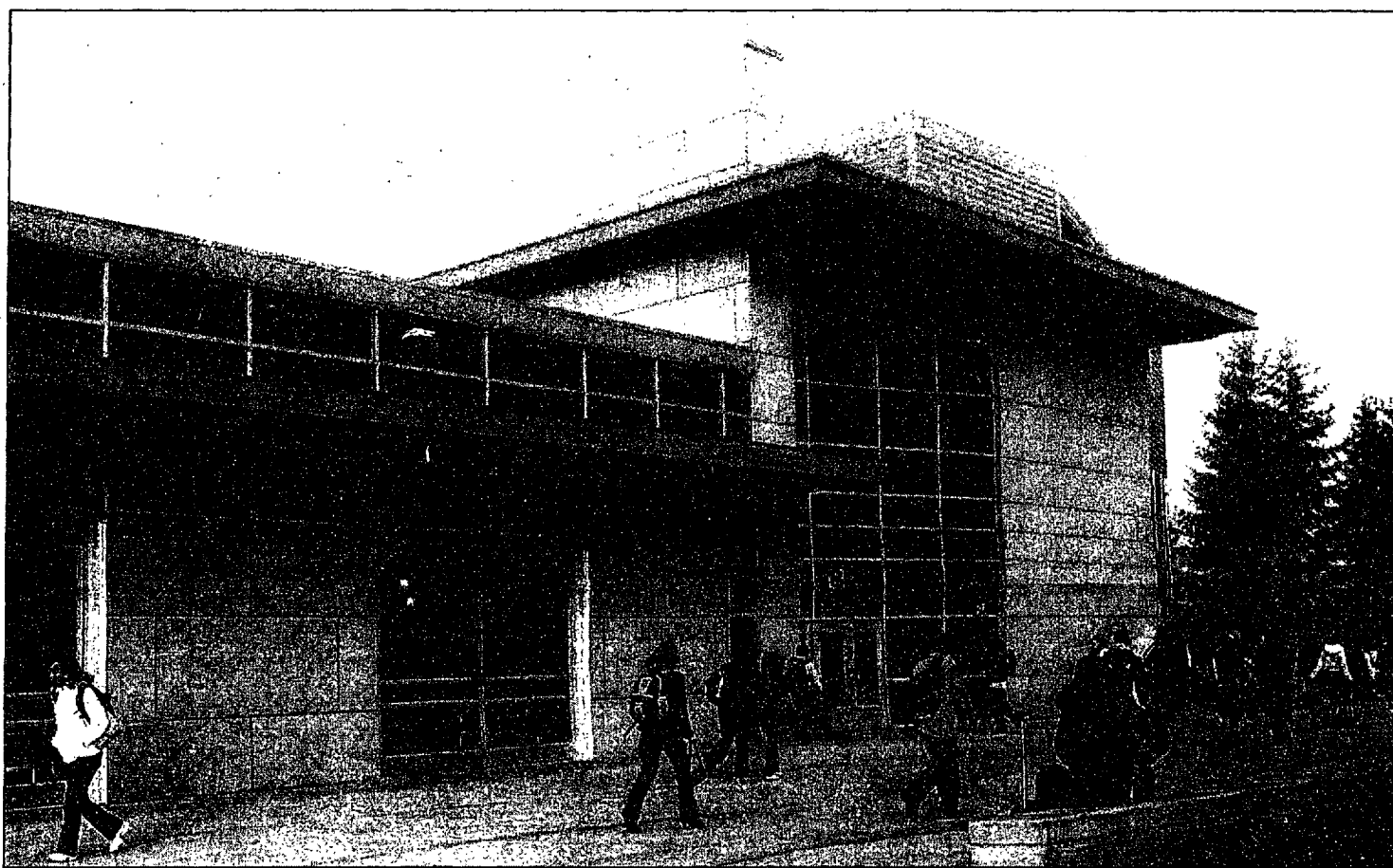


Photo by Keith Daigle

The Student Union offers a variety of student hangouts and study areas with a cafeteria and a stage for performances.

Student Union opens doors

BY BRYAN YAMBE

STAFF REPORTER

The opening of the Student Union has drawn mostly positive feedback despite a few bugs to be worked out.

Jonathan Brown, associate dean of Student Programs, said he is extremely pleased with the Student Union despite the fact many things remain to be done inside the building before it is fully operational, "...we felt that we were more ready than not," Brown said.

Principe Guity, a student, quietly studied by himself at a table across from the Union Café located on the first floor of the new building.

Wearing a black knit cap and dark sweats, enjoying chicken fingers and fries, he took a second to comment on the new building "It's beautiful, modern, and up to date," Guity said. "It is a nice change from the tent. We needed a change, and this, this is it."

In the Fireside Bistro, Zakaria Mohamed said, "The new place upstairs, for the student

programs is great,"

Mohamed was joined by a fellow classmate Omer Hoezic, who said "...I hear that it's a great place to meet chicks."

While many day students were nothing but pleased with the new facility, there were some frustrated students as well.

"There's no place to heat anything," said student Karen Morrow.

Morrow, who attends both day and evening classes, expressed her frustrations for those students who are on diets. "For those who are on low-carb,

low-salt diets, and bring homemade soup from home, there's no microwave," she said.

Evening students Graham and Kathleen Roney, who sit together at a table study for their night class, seem to be very pleased with the new building.

"Compared to what it used to be, it's fantastic. It's a five-star hotel compared to what it used to be," said Mrs. Roney.

"I don't mind downstairs being closed, it doesn't affect me.

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CRIME



BLOTTER

Thefts range in size

A vehicle was stolen from the north lot on Jan. 10. A police report was filed with the Des Moines Police Department.

A black Eddie Bauer backpack was stolen from in front of the bookstore on Jan. 10.

A computer was stolen off of a highline mobile computer station in Building 26 on Jan. 7.

A woman's purse was stolen from Building 9 between 10 and 10:30 am on Jan. 6.

A Ford pickup belonging to a Highline employee was broken into and some items were reported stolen on Dec. 14.

Vandals leave mark

Graffiti was reported in the men's restroom in Building 3 on Jan. 10.

Graffiti was also found in the fourth and fifth floor men's rooms in Building 25 on Jan. 7.

Cars collide in East lot

A woman's car was struck by another vehicle in the east lot on Jan. 10. The driver of the second vehicle was tracked down and neither car sustained much damage.

There was a fender bender in the east parking lot on Jan. 4. The two students exchanged insurance information and went on their ways.

Property Found

A brown wallet was found in Building 6 on Jan. 3.

A Palm Pilot was found in Building 30 on Jan. 7.

A leather coat was found in Building 2 on Jan. 11.

A watch was found in Building 30 on Jan. 11.

Crime tip of the week

If the winter weather closes campus you can find out at www.schoolreport.org or by listening to the school closure reports on television and radio news broadcasts.

-Compiled by Kevin Garber

Colloquy strives to open new doors

BY MICHELLE ERICKSEN

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This quarter Honors Colloquy will try to show students how to open doors.

Opening Doors is the theme for the colloquy, which brings a series of distinguished speakers to campus.

"It's an opportunity that students would normally have to pay to get access too," said Barbara Clinton, speech and honors coordinator for Highline.

Colloquy means conversation; students can speak to the lecturer and get feedback.

Anyone interested is encour-



Clinton

aged to join and come engage experts in regard to choices that you take to make doors open.

"It's a chance to network with important people that student's don't usually have the chance to meet," said Clinton.

Clinton is the head of the Honors Program and says that this quarter's colloquy will be enriching and encouraging to all

students.

Anyone can go to these seminars; everyone is invited to participate.

To receive credit for attending the seminars students have to be enrolled in Honors 101 or Humanities 101.

Dr. Rayburn Lewis will be coming on Jan. 19 for Martin Luther King Day. Dr. Lewis is the chief of staff at Swedish Hospital; he is one of the few African Americans in that position.

Matthew Hale will be telling his story on Jan. 26. He is a practicing attorney, and a member of the Washington State Bar.

He was a 2004 graduate of Gonzaga Law School and a graduate of Highline in 1999. He will tell his perspective about the difference of being "poor" and "broke" and how that difference opens doors.

Julie Villegas is the associate director of the University of Washington Honors Program. She is a Latino and is the first person in her family to go to college. She has a Ph.D. in English and will be coming to tell her personal story.

Colloquy presentations are open to the public and are every Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m. in Building 7.

NEWS



BRIEFS

Learn how to write a resume

Learn how to create an effective resume at a free career workshop on Thursday, Jan. 20 from 12:10 to 1 p.m. in Building 30, room 318.

The session will cover the essentials of organizing a winning document. There is a 25 seat limit. Bring in your own diskette if you wish to save your work.

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

Tsunami fund still accepting

Professor Tracy Bringham's Global Health Issues class is hosting a fund-raiser for the tsunami disaster relief.

The team is still in need of good prizes for an upcoming auction on Friday, Jan. 21. Prizes will be accepted until Wednesday, Jan. 19.

Some businesses have donated prizes such as movie passes, gym memberships, gift baskets, gift certificates, dental cleanings, artwork, and weekend cabins.

Cash donations are also accepted.

The money will be split between the Red Cross and Mercy Corps.

Donations given before Jan.

31 can be used for 2004 taxes.

Donations and prizes for the auction can be dropped off in Building 20, room 201 or left with the secretary in Building 20.

Some of Brigham's students are helping raise funds by auctioning themselves off to faculty and staff as laborers. These students will volunteer various amounts of hours to help.

For more information, contact Tracy Bringham at 206-878-3710, ext. 3449 or e-mail at tbringham@highline.edu.

Early College to visit campus

The students and faculty of Puget Sound Early College will gather for a community meeting on Friday, Jan. 14, at noon in Building 26, room 213.

Students are invited to attend and observe or participate.

Puget Sound Early College allows high school juniors and seniors to earn both a high school diploma and associate of arts degree simultaneously, tuition-free.

For more information contact Suzanne Sittner at 206-870-3757, ext. 4011.

Social Security is Town topic

President Bush's proposed Social Security plan will be the main focus for the first Town Meeting of the quarter today from 1 to 2 p.m. in Building 26, room 121.

Professor Jim Glennon suggests researching the Social Security plan before coming to the meeting in order to be familiar with the proposal such as visit-

ing the MSNBC website.

News articles about the proposal were also published in the Seattle Times and the Seattle Post Intelligencer.

The proposed plan has the potential of affecting people who are 20 to 30 years of age.

For more information, contact Jim Glennon at 206-878-3710, ext. 3116.

WAVE accepting applications

Applications are now being accepted for the Washington Award for Vocational Excellence (WAVE). The closing date is March 3, 2005.

The WAVE scholarship program recognizes senior high school and community and technical college students for outstanding achievement in career and technical education, leadership, and community service.

More details about the award and an application form are available at www.wtb.wa.gov/wave.html

New to this year's program is increased flexibility.

Items now covered include tuition, books, supplies, room board, transportation, and mis-

cellaneous personal expenses.

This is a significant change from the earlier program which was tuition-based.

Since its beginning in 1984, WAVE funding has enabled almost 3,000 Washington students to further their education.

Today, WAVE recipients are working in hundreds of occupational fields ranging from health care and firefighting to video games programming and food preparation.

Play to survive at Highline

Students can learn how to be successful at Highline by attending the Ultimate Highline Survival Challenge Game Show workshop today from noon to 12:50 p.m. in Building 7.

The session is an interactive survival and challenge type of game to help introduce students to some key policies, procedures, and resources on campus.

Refreshments will be served, provided by the Highline Foundation.

For more information, contact Denny Steussy at (206) 878-3710 ext. 3534.

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Chemistry show awes audience with science

By BRIAN DAVIS

STAFF REPORTER

Four little balloons, each one filled with a different chemical gas. The chemist lit the extended match, slowly approaching the first balloon, which was filled with regular exhaled air.

Silence and eagerness filled the auditorium. The first balloon made a regular popping sound.

Then chemistry professor John Pfeffer approached the second one, which was filled with pure oxygen. When the fire hit the balloon there was a boom similar to a firework.

The third balloon was filled with pure hydrogen, which exploded in to a big flame. On the fourth balloon, Pfeffer warned the audience to cover their ears. It was filled with a mixture of hydrogen and helium. The instant the fire melted the end of the balloon, it sounded like an M-80 went off 10 feet from the

front row. The combustion wave hit the crowd and the audience was left staring in awe.

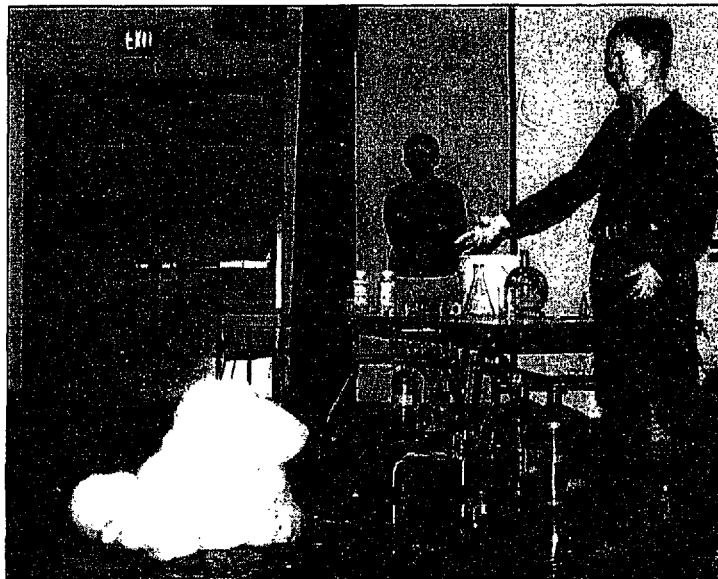
Approximately 130 people came to the first Science Seminar of 2005, the second annual Chemistry Show.

Professors John Pfeffer and Katie Gulliford demonstrated many entertaining aspects of chemistry experiments that included ethanol flames, blowing up nitrogen, and chemical reactions with potassium iodine that turned Building 7 into a lab.

Experiments such as hydrogen filled balloons and the reactions to fire blew away the crowd along with many other experiments.

"Purpose of the chemistry show is to make science fun and to entertain the audience," Gulliford said.

The pair noted that students may sometimes be challenged by chemistry because it requires patience, using observations,



Photos by Mary Raab

Professor Katie Gulliford displays the wonders of chemistry at the first Science Seminar of Winter Quarter.

and taking something that has no mathematic sequence and applying them to certain mathematical laws.

But students should study science, even if it's outside their majors, if only for the experi-

ence. You use and see science everyday, whether in the news or there out in the community.

Highline geology professor Dr. Eric Baer, organizer of Science Seminar, said the chemistry show has become an annual

event to educate the uneducated and "to show why chemistry is such a neat science to study."

The show, he said, is to show that chemistry is cool and to break the stereotypes of science.

Science Seminar was created five years ago by former Highline professor Eric Stavney. Each show has a good turn out, but the chemistry show has the best.

Next week's seminar will feature Charles Stores "Is Your Worldview Rational?" on Friday, Jan. 14 at 2 p.m. in Building 3, room 103.



Gulliford and Professor John Pfeffer conduct an experiment.

King week to provide wake-up call for students

Speakers, debates, and music planned for MLK week

By OLGA KHRYUKIN

STAFF REPORTER

College officials hope that people will wake up to Martin Luther King Jr.'s message starting next week.

Martin Luther King Jr. Week starts off Monday, Jan. 17 with a rally and march and ends with a musical celebration on Friday.

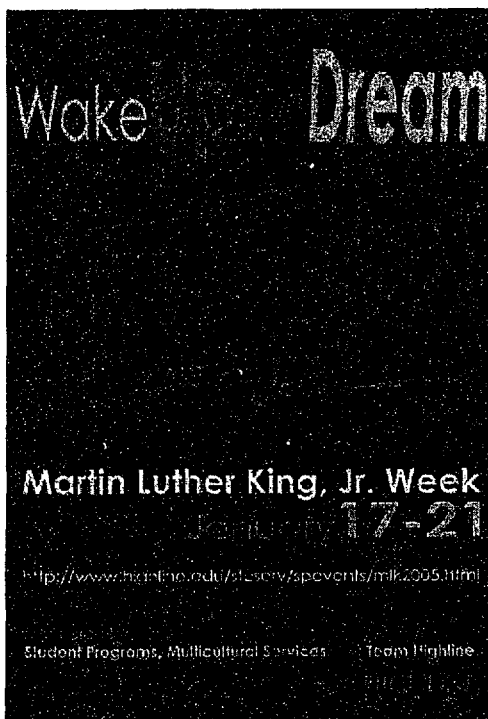
Throughout the week there will be lectures, debates with discussion, and interactive workshops, as well as a panel discussion. Everyone is welcome to participate.

The annual celebration provides, "valuable place where people can come together," said Natasha Burrowes.

Burrowes, the chairwoman of the planning committee, has been working with the program for about two years now, while the program itself has been running for approximately 10 years.

This year, representatives from Team Highline, as well as Student Programs, and Multicultural Services are aiding in organizing the events.

Faculty, staff, and others are helping to put together this pro-



gram.

This year's theme is called "Wake up to the Dream."

Burrowes said the media can sometimes mainstream and misuse Dr. King, misleading people.

The theme, however, is trying to tell people to wake up and understand the issues that are all around us. Burrowes said it's important to come together as a community, discuss issues, and carry on conversations.

Martin Luther King Jr. week has always been successful at Highline with as many as 500 individuals participating throughout the week. This year Burrowes is expecting about

the same amount of people, if not more, to partake.

The events for the upcoming week include:

- Monday, Jan. 17, although there are no classes scheduled at Highline, the week still starts. Monday is a "Day of Action," celebrating with a rally and march that will take place at Garfield High School in Seattle. The workshops start at 9 a.m. while the rally and march start at 11.

Anyone interested in going can meet at Highline at 10:15 to take a bus down to Seattle.

Even though students get this day off Burrowes says, "...turn it into a day on to celebrate and honor Dr. King's life."

To sign up for the buss contact Burrowes at 206-878-3710, ext. 3256 or e-mail nburrowe@highline.edu.

- For Tuesday, Jan. 18 there will be a "Wake Up! To the Dream" address by Dr. Joye Hardiman at 10 a.m. in the Student Union building.

Dr. Hardiman will examine the issues Dr. King fought for in the 1960s comparing them to

the issues of the current historical moment.

Later on at 11 a.m. in Building 7 there will be "Integration vs. Separation as a Strategy for Achieving Racial Equality" debate.

The debate will be about race in the 21st century and the best strategies for achieving racial equality.

The debates include Terry Ross, director for Community and Diversity at Oregon State University and Akinde Ayodeji, faculty of sociology at Green River Community College.

- On Wednesday, Jan. 19, there will be "Understanding Race," a film and discussion at 9 and 10 a.m. in the Student Union. Topics included are the anthropological unity of Homo Sapiens; sanctioned discrimination, such as segregation; cultural biases based on racial stereotypes; and the underlying humanity that inextricably links us all.

Later on, at noon there will be an "Opening Doors in the Healthcare System," a lecture by Dr. Rayburn Lewis, a medical director at Swedish Medical Center, who will talk about opening doors in the health care system for marginalized communities.

Lectures take place in the Student Union.

Following the lecture there will be a "MLK: Putting His

Words into Action," an interactive workshop that will take place in Building 2 from 1-3 p.m.

In this workshop participants will draw from the words of Dr. King to create short skits that challenge us all to take action and demonstrate concrete ways to get involved for a positive change.

- On Thursday, Jan. 20, there will be a "Racial disparity in the Criminal Justice System," a lecture by King County Councilman Larry Gossett, at 11 a.m. in Building 7.

Gossett will speak about the problem of racial profiling and discrimination in the Seattle Area.

Shortly following the lecture, at noon in Building 7 there will be a panel discussion.

The discussion, which features King County Judge Michael Spearman, Attorney Jeff Robinson, James Bible of the Racial Disparity Project, and Attorney Molly Cohan as moderator, will examine racial disparities within the criminal justice system.

- Ending the week on Friday, Jan. 21, will be a musical celebration 11 a.m.- 1 p.m. in the Student Union by the "Phat Phunk Family Band," a group of producers, engineers, songwriters, arrangers, and artists seeking to enlighten and inspire a positive message.

Editorial

HSU building well-loved

You walk in the front doors of the Highline Student Union and that new building smell strikes you with full force. Its wide expanse is breathtaking as the café-style pastel colors and cozy chairs beckon. Smells of freshly baked pizza waft from the left as you pass by the Fireside Bistro. Students, faculty, and staff pass by in all directions.

It's been a long time since Highline had a place for students to just be. The building offers a "university feel" that has brought students in hordes to its airy rooms, overstuffed chairs, and hangout areas.

It is about time that the HSU opened. The whale carcass of the old cafeteria tent was beginning to mold and its shallow walls wouldn't have done much against the cold that has ransacked the campus these first two weeks of classes. Delay after delay caused a sense of doubt that the new building would ever open (perhaps it was just a con to test the wary souls of students already overdriven with homework), but finally the doors have been unlocked and the welcome mats have been laid down.

Already the HSU is being worn in with the tidal wave of college students who take shelter from the freezing winter temperatures. Several tables have been literally loved to pieces, and groups have staked out various areas, marking their territory. The Mt. Jupiter Reading Room on the third floor is usually filled with students bent over textbooks showing that teachers really do pile on the homework and attack their jobs with gusto.

The cafeteria, located on the first floor, offers a variety of food and a great view, which can be seen through the giant glass windows if you overlook the unfinished holding pond right outside.

The Fireside Bistro has secured its home on the second floor. Already regulars can usually be found, holding up the aluminum bar stools and chairs that are clustered around tables and strewn randomly about the room. Ironically the Fireside Bistro had no fire for the first week of classes due to a slight misplacement of the key, but now it's lit and is a great place for students to defrost themselves between classes.

The new building is in no way perfect. The bookstore was a mess of students waiting to purchase books throughout the first week, and lines stretched well out into the lobby. And it's funny that the Student Programs office, housing approximately only 35 students and faculty, stretches over a good portion of the third floor while the bookstore remains stuffed to the brim in 400 square feet less than its previous location.

Although we can all be impressed with the high-tech equipment and modern building, the most important thing is that this new space offers a place for students to build a community with one another. Once again, Highline can offer its students something more beyond the classroom.

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Starbucks brews mixed reactions

It's early Monday morning. I'm running late for that math class. Yech. As I pull into the parking lot I begin to half-jog as thoughts of limits and polynomial functions run through my head. I pull open the door to Starbucks...wait.

Why am I at Starbucks? I'm late for my heinous math class. Oh, that's right - it's coffee. I'm addicted. I need it. I stand in line, foot tapping impatiently as I open my wallet; it's empty. With a sigh I pull out my Visa and cross my fingers, hoping that I haven't, yet again, overdrawn my account.

"I'll take a grande, extra-hot, non-fat Pumpkin Spice latte with whip please." Ahhh, once again my day starts on the right foot - or right latte, I should say.

What is it about Starbucks? I spend more money at Starbucks in a week than someone makes in a third world country. I've got to cut back. I had thought of it once before. About a year ago I shelled out \$50 for a Krups espresso maker. I tried it once, got bored, and ran away to Star-

bucks to nurse my wounded spirit over a mocha. Ironically, it's now collecting dust under a pile of shoes at the bottom of my closet.

But still, why must I jet away to Starbucks, my "midday getaway," as they like to call themselves, to spend more of my hard-earned cash on a caffeine stocked, legal stimulant that will do nothing but stunt my growth and give me coffee breath?

Really, I've come to find that Starbucks sells the experience rather than the coffee itself.

Fun memories have been created and friends made during my various Starbucks excursions. And, I'm not alone.

Fellow Starbucks socialite and Highline student Hayley Norton understands the love-hate relationship. "Starbucks empowers the whole idea of Seattle society - sipping coffee at your laptop with a book - that's Seattle."

But, in all honesty, Starbucks is the epitome of capitalism. That smiling green mermaid is the goddess of consumerism.

But, Starbucks, a self-proclaimed hero, likes to hide their prices behind community service projects and crisp green uniforms. After all, who in their right mind would shell out \$4 for a cup of coffee? Oh wait...me.

Even the hippie liberals from bygone eras who refuse to wear clean clothes and worship Ginsburg can often be seen circled around a Starbucks table, smashing the economy, coffees in hand. Starbucks just does that to people.

That little green logo, an instant status symbol, has the power to turn a nobody into a somebody.

And although Starbucks claims to encourage originality, it is almost becoming a cliché. Non-Starbucks-drinking Seatlites are becoming the minority.

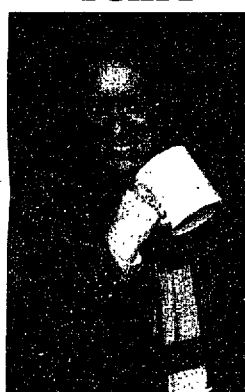
It's almost impossible not to run into a Starbucks in Seattle, which in all honesty, really isn't such a bad thing. Starbucks is a slice of heaven in my all too chaotic day.

Starbucks is the master and commander of coffee, the I-Ching of all cafes, and will always remain so in my heart.

Now, if only they would lower their prices...

Elizabeth's column took a month to write because she kept taking coffee breaks.

Coffee Talk



Elizabeth Tacke

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Highline student sings her way to nationals

BY ARIKA SHROPSHIRE
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Highline student Amber Johnson will be competing in the northwest regional level Young Artist Voice Competition Jan. 15-16.

After winning the state-level competition in November, Johnson will advance to compete against the state-level winners from Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Alaska.

The state-level competition was held at Highline, and featured many talented students.

The competition will be held at Whitworth College in Spokane.

Each contestant in the northwest regional young artist division must perform musical selections in German, French and Italian along with an English art song selection and an operatic aria.

Johnson will sing four songs in French, two songs in German, four songs in Italian, three English art songs and an



Photo by Keith Daigle

Amber Johnson practices with Dr. Sandra Glover for the music competition this weekend in Spokane.

operatic aria.

Her whole performance will last for about 35 minutes.

"This is the biggest thing (competition) I've ever done," Johnson said.

Johnson was able to get into the young artist voice competition through her

teacher Dr. Sandra Glover, who is a member of Music Teachers National Association.

Dr. Glover is a part-time faculty member at Highline, and advises the jazz band.

In order to participate in the competition the contestant's teacher must be a member of Music Teachers National Association.

Johnson started studying with Dr. Glover when she was 15 years old.

They have now been working together for eight years.

Johnson confides that before she started working with Dr. Glover, she had to overcome an obstacle with a teacher in junior high and high school.

"It was a negative experience," said Johnson. "Dr. Glover helped me get over that therapeutically."

Johnson, who sings classical music, wants to become an opera singer. She practices for one hour everyday.

Photographs provoke inspiration in library gallery

BY RACHEL LUSBY
STAFF REPORTER

Mark Vercammen's black and white photographs provoke thought in onlookers as they stand on display on the fourth floor of the library.

Vercammen is a graduate of Photography Center Northwest in Seattle as well as the Leica Academy in Solms, Germany.

Vercammen's display contains 18 black and white photographs taken and developed by him.

His work consists of a variety of subjects. These subjects range from martinis to birds in the sky to trees to human subjects and much more.

According to Vercammen, what really sets him apart from other photographers is his in-



Photo by Sarah Russell

Mark Vercammen's art will be displayed in the library until the end of January.

volvement with the scenes or subjects.

"I am more involved with the scene than just photographing it. The people in my pho-

tographs are always friends instead of models; I have close relationships with the people in my photos," he said.

Vercammen's camera of

choice is a Leica. "It is my main photographic tool," he said.

Vercammen also uses a pin-hole camera and a large format camera on occasion. Each photo is clearly taken with purpose and some may notice how individual they are, for the focus is not always clear.

"I prefer to capture mood, and spontaneity, and reflect the subjects in a natural state as opposed to having a posed picture," he said.

The photos make the onlooker think about what the story behind the photo is, what the subject is doing, thinking, or what it means.

Inspiration is important to any artist, and Vercammen is no different.

"Bruce Weber; Bruce Da-

vidson; Minor White; and Diane Arbus are some of my inspirations; I admire them. They all show the mood and feeling photos can create," he said.

What Vercammen would like to have accomplished with his work when his life is all said and done, he says is, "I would just like to be remembered."

The work of Mark Vercammen will be on display in the library until the end of January.

The library features new art every month in its fourth floor gallery, and the art styles are wide in range. In February, a new artist will be featured.

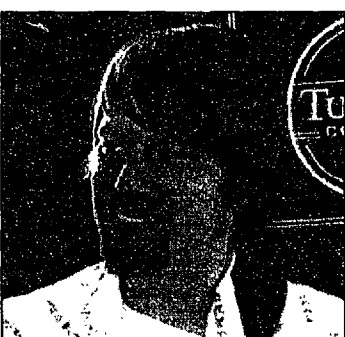
Vercammen's photographs are all available for purchase. The prices range from \$225 to \$550.

The Blend promises entertainment for Winter Quarter

BY OLIVIA DE LEON
STAFF REPORTER

Team Highline is back with The Blend at a new location and a new line-up for Winter Quarter.

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 Stu-



Jonathan Kingham

dent Union Building at the Fireside Bistro.

This event is always free of admission.

The music genres range from jazz to funk.

The first Blend of the quarter was on Jan. 12, and featured the musical stylings of Jonathan Kingham.

Kingham entertained the Fireside Bistro for two hours with his acoustic guitar.

Kingham is fairly new to the music scene, but has already shared the stage with Shawn Colvin, David Wilcox, Micheal McDonald, and Jonathan Brooke.

He has two CDs out, a self-titled debut, and *Hardwood Floors*. They are available for purchase on his website, www.jonathankingham.com.

Upcoming artists include: Kyler England on Jan. 26

with her alternative acoustic sound, The Mud Bay Stompers on Feb. 9 with a style of sound called bluegrass, Reggie Garrett on the Snake Oil Peddlers on Feb. 23 supplying an electric blend of folk and blues, and Deems Tsutukawa on March 9 with his jazz piano.

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

Arts Calendar

- Ceramic works done by Bruce Amstutz will be featured at Shoreline Community College's Gallery from Jan. 5 - Feb. 3. The works can be viewed in the college's administration building, room 1000. The gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday - Friday. For more information and directions call 206-546-4101 ext. 4433.

- Burien Live Theater presents *Off the Cuff*, an interactive play put on by improvisational actors. The show began on Jan. 7 and will run through Jan. 30. Fridays and Saturdays it will be shown at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. For ticket information and directions call 206-242-5180.

- The City of Auburn Arts Commission is presenting *Ride the Red Mare* as part of its BRAVO! Kids series. The production is a puppet play done by Tears of Joy Puppet Theater. *Ride the Red Mare* will be showing Saturday, Jan. 22 at 2 p.m. at the Auburn Riverside Theater. For ticket information and directions call Auburn Parks and Recreation at 253-931-3043.

- Burien Arts Gallery is showcasing a new show for a new year, featuring Carol Utigard's wildlife photography. Also featured will be Julie Blakemore's mixed media paintings using oil and acrylics. The gallery will also have its usual selection of Northwest artists, which includes paintings, prints, photos, ceramics, jewelry, glass, wood, and fabric sculpture. The show will open Jan. 19 and will be shown for six weeks. Gallery hours are Tuesday - Saturday, 12-4 p.m. For more information call 206-244-7808.

- *Viva Zavada!*, an original new play, will be showing at E.B. Foote Winery. This surreal comedy is about being in the wrong place at the right time. The play will be Jan. 21-24, Jan. 28-30, and Feb. 4-6. For tickets and more information call 206-242-3852.

- The Music Department will host the Tahoma Chapter of the National Association of Teachers of Annual Student Adjudications all day on Jan. 29. The competition will be held in Buildings 2, 4, and 7. Winners will go on to compete in the Winner's Recital following the competition.

- An evening of slack key guitar and hula featuring Keola Beamer will be presented Feb. 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the Kent-Meridian High School Performing Arts Center. This event is being sponsored by the Kent Arts Commission. For ticket information call 253-856-5050 or go to www.kent.ci.wa.us/arts.

Actor plays himself in 'Viva Zavada!'

BY JESSIE ELLIOTT

STAFF REPORTER

Imagine waking up one morning, believing that it will be a normal day. As you go about your every day business, you notice people acting strangely around you, as though they think you are someone who you know you are not.

Welcome to the world of Andy Zavada, an actor who does trade shows.

Viva Zavada!, a play written by Highline's own Dr. T.M. Sell, is a comedic exploration of the world we live in today.

"It's a riff on issues, identity and belonging, but also on politics and policy," Sell said.

Viva Zavada! is the latest production to come out of the for-profit theater company, Breeders Theater. Founded in 1999, this company prides itself on original comedy and music at a great price. Breeders Theater will be beginning its fourth season at E.B. Foote Winery with *Viva Zavada!*

This play is different from



PHOTO BY KEITH DAIGLE

Patricia M. Britton warns Andy Zavada of the dangers of failure in a scene from *Viva Zavada!*

others typically seen from Breeders Theater.

Andy Zavada, who has worked with Sell before, essentially plays himself in this surreal comedy, however, the resemblance stops there. Aside from his name and profession, all other aspects of the play really have nothing to do with him, Zavada said.

Zavada has been around theater for many years; his brother produced community theater, and it sparked Zavada's interest. Zavada has now been acting for 30 years, but getting over the giggles of constantly hearing his name in *Viva Zavada!* has been challenging, he said.

"The oddity of it is to hear

your name over and over again," said Zavada.

Sell decided to write the play the first time he talked to Zavada, and it only took a couple of weeks to write. Other comedies Sell has written have been fairly straightforward, but this play is out of the ordinary, he said.

"It does sort of mess with what is reality and what isn't," Sell said.

Viva Zavada! will be playing Jan. 21-24 and Feb. 4-6, Fridays and Saturdays at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. The performance on Jan. 24 will be at 7 p.m. and is a benefit performance, in which all proceeds will go to the Highline College Foundation.

Tickets for the show are \$20 and are available at E.B. Foote Winery, 206-242-3852 and Corky Cellars, 206-824-9462. Ticket prices include wine tasting and hors d'oeuvres as well as the show.

"I hope this will demonstrate that you can take a chance once in awhile," Sell said.

New class designed for movie lovers

BY MICAH DILL

STAFF REPORTER

Students now have the opportunity to explore the world through the art of motion pictures.

A new class has been created at Highline to give students the opportunity to experience other cultures while being able to relax and enjoy the company of friends.

International Student Programs and the World Languages Department have teamed up with the Center for Extended Learning to create "Movie Fridays:

Global Perspectives Through International Films."

Roman Wright, American Sign Language instructor and a coordinator for Movie Fridays, said the class was another way to celebrate our diversity.

Movie Fridays gives students access to films that are often times not shown at the neighborhood cineplex. Nine films will be shown over the course of 10 weeks.

The films were chosen for their ability to portray the culture of their country of origin as well as for their entertainment value to ensure that students

will be able to experience a variety of cultures.

The films that are featured will be French, Spanish, Chinese, Japanese, and even a film in American Sign Language, giving students opportunities to see films from many cultures of the world.

Highline student Carl Lanser showed up for Friday's movie *Amelie*, a film about a girl searching for love and happiness in Paris, because his writing teacher suggested it as an option to receive extra credit.

"My friends said they liked the movie, so I thought I'd

check it out," Lanser said.

Movie Fridays began as a movie club that met about every other Friday, and has evolved into an organized class that offers stadium seating, a theater-sized screen, and free popcorn.

Registering for the class is easy, just sign in at the door, and there are no fees for attending.

Movie Fridays is a non-credit class. The class is held Fridays at noon in Building 26, room 213.

An animated Japanese film about trying to fit into a new community, *Kiki's Delivery Service*, will be the class's next film and will play on Jan. 21.

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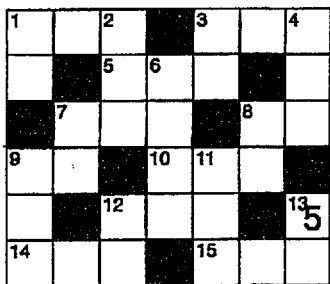
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Bldg 19 Room 107

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.



ACROSS

1. Three times 13-Down
3. The last digit is the sum of the other digits
5. Four more than 3-Across
7. Ten more than 1-Across
8. One more than 1-Down
9. One-half of 7-Across
10. Eight less than 4-Down
12. One-half of 9-Down
14. One-half of 2-Down
15. The last digit is the sum of the other digits

DOWN

1. The last digit is three times the first digit
2. Twenty less than 15-

Across

3. Digits of 9-Across reversed
4. Consecutive digits rearranged
6. Consecutive digits in ascending order
7. Consecutive digits in ascending order
8. 3-Down minus 1-Down
9. Digits of 5-Across reversed
11. Fifty more than 14-Across
12. 13-Down minus 8-Across
13. Two times 3-Down

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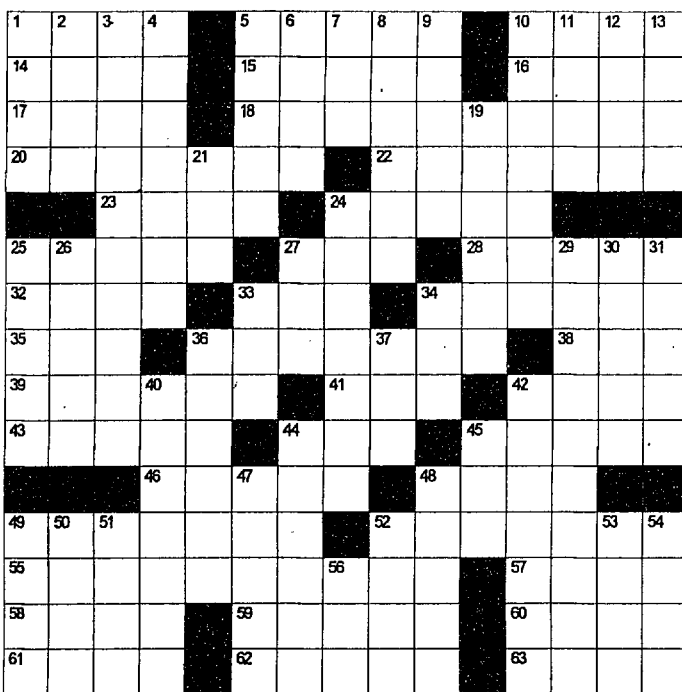
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- 10 Slaughter of the diamond
- 14 Norwegian king
- 15 Get on the horse
- 16 Alaska city
- 17 Heap
- 18 Poe's firsts
- 20 A fictional mobster
- 22 Sores
- 23 _____ Christian Andersen
- 24 Cries from the kennel
- 25 Of late
- 27 Droop
- 28 Guiding beliefs
- 32 Spoken
- 33 Not him
- 34 Have a garage sale
- 35 Encyclopedia abbreviation
- 36 A bit of water
- 38 Obit word
- 39 Murphy and Haskell
- 41 Gobble up
- 42 Shore up
- 43 Regions in Spain and France
- 44 Age or sex follower
- 45 Rendezvous
- 46 "No I _____"
- 48 Sweatshirt part, at times
- 49 Attracts
- 52 Distant friends, perhaps
- 55 Oates's firsts
- 57 Affirm
- 58 Up to the task
- 59 Liqueur flavorer
- 60 Twins' number?
- 61 Saxophone need
- 62 Asian nation
- 63 Rim

Down

- 1 One ups
- 2 Mixture
- 3 Emerson's firsts
- 4 The big picture

Crossword 101

By Pete Canty



- 5 Prayer ends
- 6 Commotion
- 7 Nut preceder
- 8 Something similar
- 9 Spread about
- 10 Signs up
- 11 _____ contendere
- 12 Neighbor of 62 Across
- 13 DC big shots
- 19 Sometimes follows fall?
- 21 _____ which way
- 24 Least soft
- 25 Lolita, e.g.
- 26 Wear away
- 27 Fix a hole
- 29 Thoreau's firsts
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- 34 Decompose
- 36 Crave
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- 42 Back yard gas

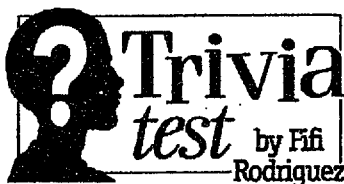
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- 45 It's heavy
- 47 Decompose
- 48 Greek beauty
- 49 Open a crack
- 50 Earring site
- 51 Singer Lovett
- 52 Sit for a portrait
- 53 Shot or hair preceder
- 54 _____ 'Pear
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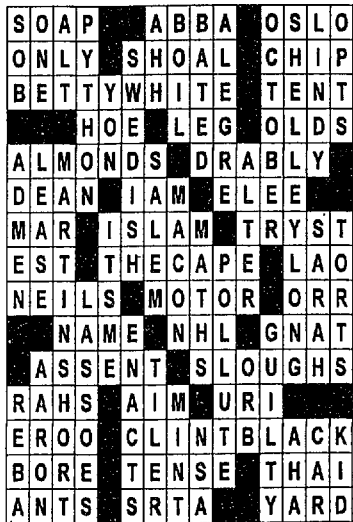


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2. U.S. STATES: In what state would one find the Talladega International Speedway?
3. MILITARY: In what branch of the U.S. military did William Halsey serve?
4. ART: What was folk artist Grandma Moses' real first name?
5. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is a santir?
6. GEOGRAPHY: The Isle of Man is part of which nation?
7. LITERATURE: Who published "The Gold Bug" in 1843?
8. LANGUAGE: Something that is nummular is shaped like what?
9. HISTORY: Who wrote the famous Monroe Doctrine?
10. MOVIES: In the animated film "Finding Nemo," the main characters are what type of creature?

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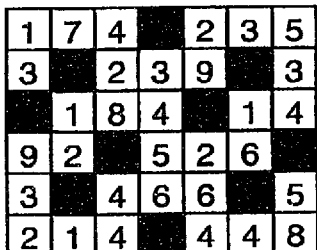
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2. Alabama
3. Navy
4. Anna
5. Musical instrument
6. Britain
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8. A coin
9. John Quincy Adams
10. Fish

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Wrestling fills in empty slots

BY MARTHA MOLINA

STAFF REPORTER

The Highline wrestling team now has a full roster.

After struggling to have a complete team in the beginning of the season, the T-Birds now have a wrestler in each weight class and a few others who can fill in when needed.

The additions to the wrestling team include Vinh Tran at 133 pounds, Johnny Wicker at 157 pounds, Josh Decker at 174 pounds, and Erik Dahlberg at 184 pounds.

Unfortunately during the break, the T-Birds lost three starting wrestlers. At 133 pounds, Manuel Plata, who was 2004 state champ at 125 pounds in the 3A Division, had to leave the team due to personal reasons. At 157 pounds, Justin Studder was forced sit out the rest of the season due to an injury on his neck. At 285 pounds, David Walker, who was nationally ranked, became ineligible due to grades.

Despite the changes that occurred during the break, Head Coach Scott Norton believes that everything that occurred has motivated the team to wrestle harder.

"I think it's good because now we aren't giving up three forfeits," said Studder.

Even though the team was giving up three forfeits, equivalent to 18 points per dual, the T-Birds still managed to come away with a 4-4 record for the first half of the season.

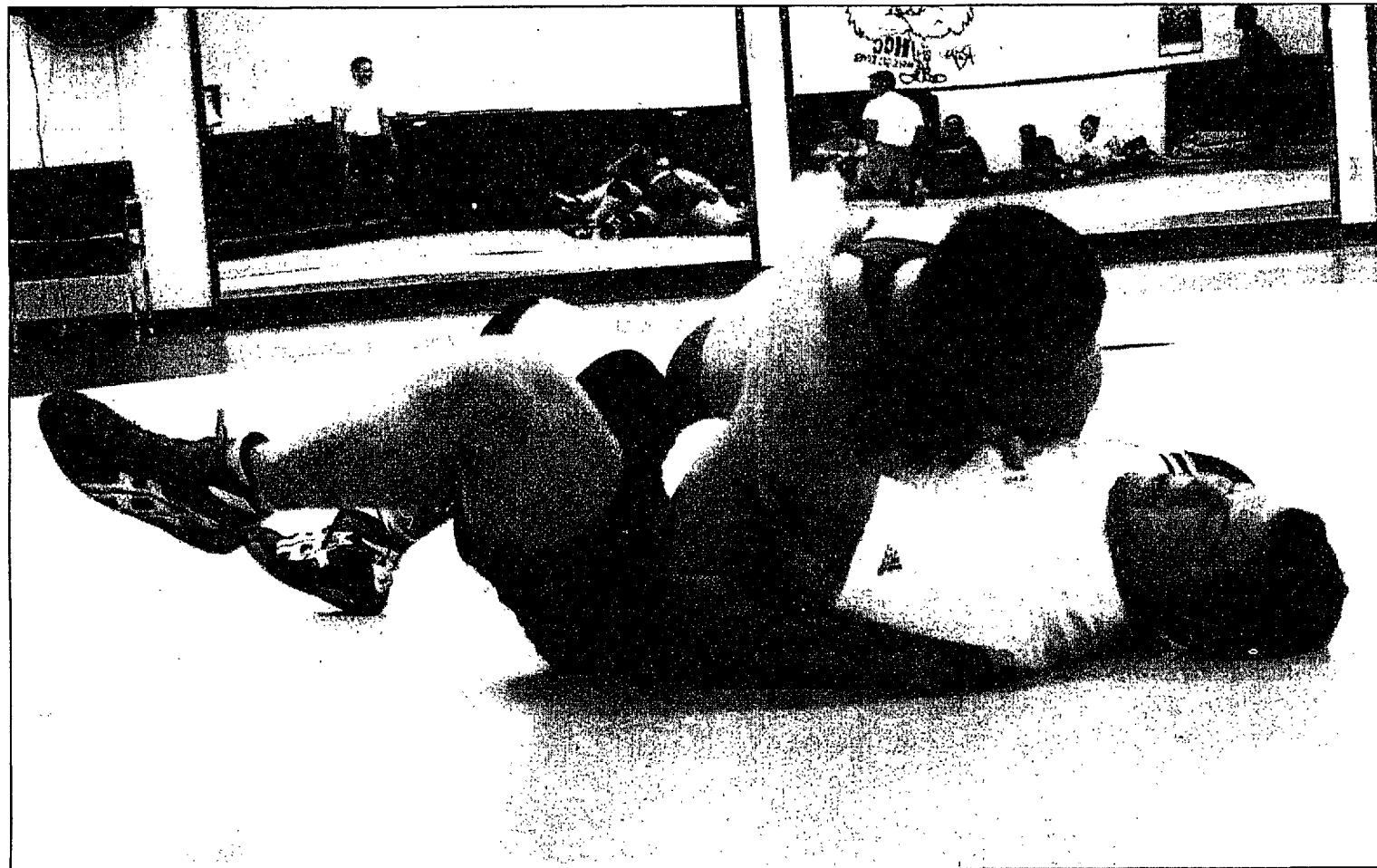


Photo by Keith Daigle

Highline's 197-pound wrestler, Yura Malamura, pins 285-pounder Jacob Peterson at practice.

Highline claimed victories over Yakima Valley twice, Clackamas, and Douglas. The three forfeits contributed to losses when to Southwest Oregon, North Idaho, Great Falls, and Simon Fraser.

The T-Birds never lost hope, however, and still remain focused on nationals. What counts for them is how you end the season, not how you start it.

The revised roster for the T-Birds includes Kyle McCarron at 125 pounds, Tran at 133, Ja-

son Mendez at 141, Jon Muri at 149, Wicker at 157, James Barr-Finch at 165, Dahlberg at 174, Decker at 184, Yura Malamura at 197, and Jacob Peterson at 285.

"He (Tran) is actually a little small for 133," said Norton. "He will probably be our 125 next year."

Barr-Finch wrestled last year, and decided to come back the second half of the season this year.

Peterson, who placed sev-

enth in nationals last year, was taking a redshirt year, but was forced out of it due to Walker's absence.

The team's goal of taking as many guys to nationals still stands. Norton hopes to at least take Mendez, Muri, Malamura, and Peterson to Minnesota.

The T-Birds debuted their complete team this past weekend at the Southwest Oregon Open, which was an individual tournament.

Peterson qualified for the

semifinals, but was forced to default because the team had to leave. He finished in the top six for 285 pounds.

Things are looking up for the T-Birds for the second half of the season.

With a complete roster, the team is motivated to do much better in dual meets, said Norton. "For the time being, we should be OK," he said.

The T-Birds will host North Idaho for a dual meet tonight in the Pavilion at 7 p.m.

Men's basketball starts off to fastbreak in league

BY MARK KNIGHT

STAFF REPORTER

After a rocky start, men's basketball has pumped into high gear and has an undefeated record in divisional play.

The T-Birds came off of a barely decent preseason record, winning only four games out of the 10 they played in.

"We took some steps back during our preseason games," said forward Tavar Proctor.

The T-Birds' losses were to Bellevue (twice), Treasure Valley, Everett, Yakima Valley, and Mt. Hood.

Highline defeated Yakima Valley, Skagit Valley (twice), and Wenatchee Valley.

"I thought we would have a few more wins at this stage," said Head Coach Che Dawson. "We intentionally played a tough non-league schedule. All

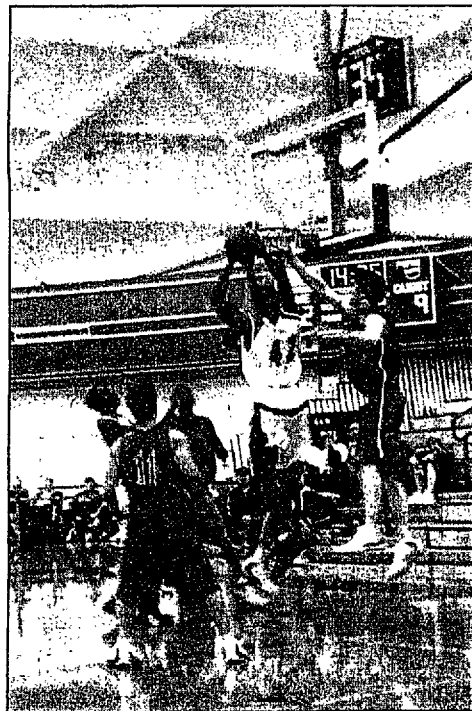


Photo by Jennifer Berg

George Irby takes a shot from the wing, in a game with Pierce.

the teams we lost to have winning records."

Highline did have a lot more success when it came to games that counted.

"The key to our success is our intensity," said guard Zennique Tellez.

The intensity that Highline had helped them win big against three of the top teams to start regular season play.

Highline started the season by upsetting Lower Columbia, last season's NWAACC champions, 63-55.

"We opened against Lower Columbia... and we beat them convincingly," said Coach Dawson.

George Irby came up big that game with 19 points,

14 rebounds, and 4 blocked shots. "He was performing on both sides of the court," said Dawson.

Proctor also did well in this game; he had 11 points and 10 rebounds, while Tellez had 10 points and seven assists.

Highline also came out on top in a real close match against Green River, 74-72.

"It was a close game. We kept up our intensity," said Tellez.

Irby dominated both sides of the court again, with 19 points, 16 rebounds, and 4 blocks. Proctor once again had a good game with 15 points and seven rebounds.

The T-Birds extended their winning streak by beating Pierce, 82-70, who had an undefeated record before facing Highline.

"We shared the ball a lot. We felt proud that our team had 27

assists," said Tellez, who had six assists.

Tellez wasn't just sharing the ball with his teammates; he came out of the game with 30 points. Irby had another big game with 10 points and 19 rebounds. Proctor scored 17 points and grabbed 10 rebounds.

"It's about us having focus on the court," said Proctor. "We are taking kind of taking baby steps to get our goal, to win the whole thing."

The next step Highline has to take is beating Tacoma. Results from the Wednesday night game were unavailable at press time.

"It's going to be a good game, because they are like our rivals," said Tellez beforehand.

The game was on Wednesday, Jan. 12 here at Highline results were unavailable for press time.

Highline visits Grays Harbor Jan. 15 and Centralia Jan. 19.

T-Bird women's basketball begins to soar

By JAMIE GROSSMANN
STAFF REPORTER

The women's basketball team is continuing its winning ways with three consecutive wins to begin the league portion of their season.

The women have a compiled record of 10-5, which includes two second-place finishes in two early non-league tournaments.

The women opened the season at home Jan. 3 against defending division champs Lower Columbia. The women met the challenge head on and pulled out the victory 77-66.

The women led from the opening tip as they stormed out to a 33-17 lead in the first half. The Red Devils made a push during the second half, outscoring the T-Birds 49-44 but were unable to overcome the 16-point deficit.

Marissa Cain had a game high 21 points and added eight rebounds. Ashley Clark added 19 points and four rebounds. Shelby Avaava shared the game's rebounding lead with Kelli Marcus. Each pulled down nine boards.

As a team the Lady T-Birds out rebounded the Red Devils 50-33 and shot 41 percent from the field and 50 percent from behind the three point line.

The Highline women also won the battle of the benches, outscoring the Red Devil's

bench 41-20.

On Jan. 5 the women traveled across the valley to take on the Lady Gators of Green River. The Lady T-Birds avoided a late push by Green River and held on for the 63-60 win.

"Green River is a hard place to play," said Highline Head Coach Amber Rowe. "It is always good to get a win on the road."

The Lady T-Birds led at half 37-23 but the second half the tables were turned and the Lady Gators stormed back to pull within three but that was as close as they would get.

"Green River made a run at the end but individuals stepped up and made the shots and defensive plays to lead us to the victory," said Rowe.

Megan Triller led the Lady T-Birds with 12 points and four rebounds. Point guard Christine Kim led the team in rebounding with seven. Cain had a game high four blocked shots.

Last Saturday, the women returned home to take on the Lady Raiders of Pierce College. The T-Birds pulled off a convincing victory after getting off to a slow start, winning 75-45.

For most of the first half Pierce kept up with the potent T-Birds. There were 10 lead changes. However, when the first half ended, Highline was ahead 34-29.

"When we started nobody was ready to play," said Rowe.

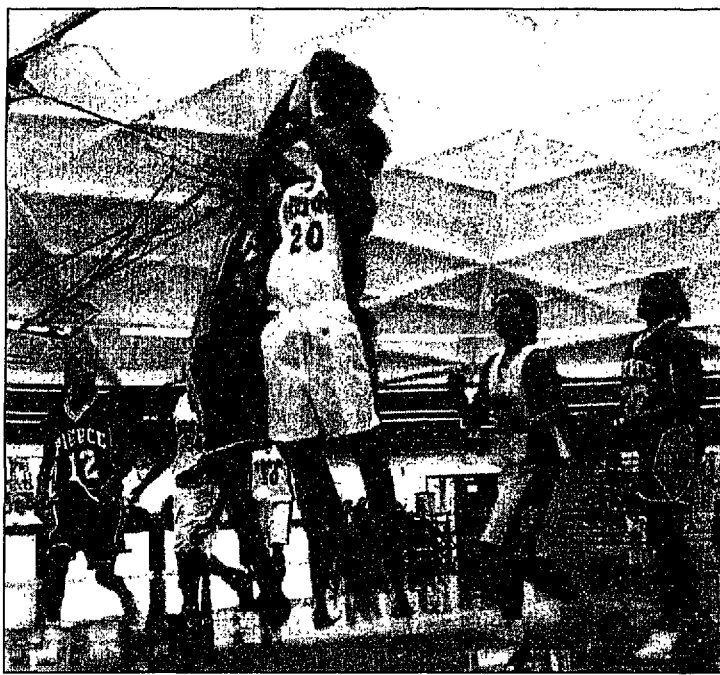


Photo by Keith Daigle

Taryn Plyplick taking a jumper against Pierce.

After halftime the Highline women came out on fire on both ends of the court as they held Pierce to 16 points and scored 41.

Triller again led the team in scoring and pulled down 10 boards to record her first double-double of the season. Taryn Plyplick helped on the boards pulling down nine and led the team with five assists.

"Taryn played really well coming off the bench," said Rowe. "Ashley Cavalieri and Taryn played with lots of heart and intensity."

The women have come a long way from the beginning of the season. The women opened

the season at the Shoreline Tournament and came away as the second place team, winning two games and losing one. After losing two of their next three games, the women traveled to the Crossover Tournament at Peninsula Community College.

The women won the first two games but lost big to Umpqua in the championship game. The tournament was a success as the women had to step up their game as they played without Cain and Bree Marcus who were both out with injury.

Marcus was lost for the season when she tore her ACL on a loose ball tie-up during the Dec. 10 loss to Skagit Valley.

Cain had been sitting out due to severe back pain; she has since received treatment and returned.

"While Marissa was missed it was kind of a blessing because it forced others to step up," said Rowe.

The team continues to work on the little things to continue to improve.

"We run a very open offense," said Rowe. "It can be hard to grasp but the team is starting to learn each other's tendencies."

Currently the team is working on a new zone offense and focusing on different individual details.

"The team is starting to come together and play for each other. Individuals are stepping up and taking charges and sacrificing themselves," said Rowe. "If somebody gets beat somebody else will step up to help."

"I am still looking for the sophomores to step up into the leadership role," said Rowe. "That forces the freshman to step up."

"I really want to crush somebody by playing our game, not by playing to there game," said Rowe. "The team set some goals and so far we are achieving them."

Results for Wednesday's home game against Tacoma unavailable at press time.

The women travel Saturday to Grays Harbor and then travel to Centralia next Wednesday.

Shelby Avaava looks to be the T-Birds triple threat

By KIM DUCHARME
STAFF REPORTER

Shelby Avaava is an all around athlete here at Highline.

Avaava, who is currently a freshman, started the school year as an outside hitter for the T-Birds volleyball team. She has since then traded in her volleyball spandex for a basketball jersey where she is a swing player.

In the spring you may even be able to find her out on the field, throwing discus for the track team.

"I've just always played three sports," said Avaava.

Standing tall at 5'10", she is the ideal height for a volleyball and basketball player. She is always sporting a friendly smile, which pops out at you on and off the court.

Avaava started playing volleyball in the ninth grade at Sacagawea Junior High in Federal Way.

She explained that she really wanted to do track but was forced into doing volleyball in-

stead.

"My parents made me," Avaava said.

But in the end it was fine because it turned out to be a lot of fun, she explained.

Avaava continued playing volleyball at Federal Way High School where she was on the varsity team all three years.

Once she graduated she decided to come to Highline, but with the full intent of playing just basketball.

"I played volleyball for the work out," Avaava said. "It helps with jumping and flexibility for basketball."

Her first season on the team was a very successful one. She averaged 4.5 kills a game and she was an all-star at the Highline tournament early on in the season.

Although volleyball is fun, basketball is Shelby's first love.

"I would play basketball over volleyball," said Avaava.

Shelby had to make the transition from volleyball to basketball immediately. She was actu-

ally practicing with both teams at the same.

This fall, Avaava had to jump from basketball practice to volleyball practice and still find time for school and herself. This may sound hectic, but Avaava explained that it wasn't hard.

"It's easier now that I'm doing just one," Avaava said.

Like volleyball, Shelby got pushed into basketball by her dad.

"He took me to a game and I thought I was just going to watch," Avaava said. "But he made me play."

Shelby explained she was so bad that it inspired her to get better and play basketball more.

"I was walking across the half court line just carrying the ball because I thought it was OK," Avaava said.

With the intention of getting better and proving to herself that she could play, she tried out for the team in the seventh grade, but got cut.

"I really wanted to play (basketball) because all my friends

played," said Avaava.

With even more drive to prove herself, Shelby tried out for the team again in the eighth grade and made varsity.

"Yeah I showed them," she said with a laugh.

Shelby continued to play basketball and improve her skills throughout high school where she played varsity all three years.

She is currently a swing player for the T-Birds women's

basketball team. A swing player is a player that plays as a guard and also a forward.

She explained that she came to Highline because of the coaching style.

"I went to a game last season and liked Coach Rowe's style," said Avaava.

Her goal for the season is to just improve each time she

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sets foot on the court. As far as team goals, Shelby would like to see Highline bring home the NWAACC championship.

"Shelby is a good vocal leader and a hard worker, which is evident by her playing both sports," said Amber Rowe, Highline's women's basketball head coach. "Shelby is very versatile and can play all five positions on the court."

After the basketball season is

over, she may be found out on the field for yet another sport. Shelby is planning on throwing discus for the track team starting in the spring.

"I did it in high school all three years and even went to state," said Avaava.

Being only a freshman her plans for after Highline are a little vague. But one thing is for sure that she will definitely be playing ball.

"I just want to work as hard as I can in sports and hopefully get into a four year," said Avaava.



Shelby Avaava

Winter intramurals feature soccer, hoops, volleyball

Once again it is time to meet in the gym for winter intramurals. This quarter will be a different lineup of events than fall quarter.

The week will begin with indoor soccer on Tuesdays, basketball on Wednesdays, and volleyball on Thursdays.

As with last quarter there will be a tournament during the week prior to finals and again there will be prizes awarded at that time.

So whether you are an all-American athlete or just somebody looking to meet some people with a mutual interest and get some exercise.

Come meet in the gym at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, and or Thursday and get involved. If any or all of these activities interest you come check it out and bring a friend. If you have questions you can contact Amber Rowe, 206-878-3710, ext. 3268.

SCOREBOARD

MEN'S BASKETBALL

NORTH		
Shoreline	2-0	7-6
Everett	1-0	11-2
Olympic	1-0	8-5
Whatcom	1-0	6-4
Peninsula	1-1	2-10
Skagit Valley	1-1	4-9
Edmonds	0-1	6-5
Bellevue	0-2	9-5
Seattle	0-2	3-11
WEST		
Highline	3-0	7-6
Clark	2-0	5-9
Lower Columbia	2-1	11-5
Pierce	2-1	11-4
Grays Harbor	1-1	7-6
Tacoma		1-1
6-9		
Green River	1-2	6-7
Centralia	0-3	4-11
S. Puget Sound	0-3	4-9
EAST		
Spokane	2-0	12-5
Walla Walla	2-0	11-3
Blue Mountain	1-1	11-5
Treasure Valley		1-1
3-12		
Wenatchee Vly.		1-1
6-9		
Big Bend	1-1	9-5
Columbia Basin		0-2
7-10		
Yakima Valley	0-2	9-6
SOUTH		
Chemeketa	2-0	11-5

Mt. Hood	2-0	13-1
Clackamas	1-1	13-2
Portland		1-1
5-10		
Linn-Benton	1-1	7-8
SW Oregon	1-1	6-10
Lane	0-2	7-9
Umpqua	0-2	8-8

NWAACC/Horizon Air Coaches' Poll

1. Mt. Hood	12-1	76
2. Clackamas	12-2	45
3. Everett	11-2	40
3. Pierce	11-3	40
5. Spokane	11-5	30
6. Bellevue	9-4	28
7. Chemeketa	10-5	18
8. Lo. Columbia	10-5	13

ALSO RECEIVING VOTES:
Highline (6-6, 8 votes),
Walla Walla (9-3, 7 votes),
Yakima Valley (9-5, 4 votes),
Blue Mountain (11-4, 2 votes)
& Big Bend (8-5, 1 vote).

Highline 82, Pierce 70
Highline 74, Green River 72

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

NORTH

- Who are the only two NBA coaches to win division titles in each of their first three years of coaching?
- Who entered the Hockey Hall of Fame first -- Ken Dryden or Phil Esposito?
- What country won its only men's soccer gold medal at the 1980 Olympics?
- Who became the heavy-weight boxing champion after 7. Ezzard Charles

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Olympic	1-0	10-3
Whatcom	1-0	8-4
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Seattle	0-2	5-7

WEST		
Highline	3-0	10-5
Grays Harbor	2-0	2-10
Lower Columbia	2-1	11-3
Centralia	2-1	13-2
S. Puget Sound	2-1	2-10
Green River	1-2	3-10
Clark	0-2	2-11
Tacoma		0-2
0-4		
Pierce	0-3	0-13

EAST		
Columbia Basin		2-0
13-3		
Spokane	2-0	9-8
Walla Walla	2-0	13-2
Wenatchee Vly.		1-1
10-6		
Yakima Valley	1-1	13-4
Big Bend	0-2	6-11
Blue Mountain	0-2	1-14
Treasure Valley		0-2
3-10		

SOUTH		
Clackamas	2-0	14-3
Lane	2-0	17-1
Umpqua	2-0	17-0
Linn-Benton	1-1	9-8
Portland		1-1
7-8		
Chemeketa	0-2	6-10
Mt. Hood	0-2	1-15
SW Oregon	0-2	5-9

NWAACC/Horizon Air Coaches' Poll

1. Lane	16-1	74
2. Umpqua	16-0	68
3. Walla Walla	11-2	47



BY CHRIS RICHCREEK

- When was the last time the Los Angeles Dodgers had a gold-glove winner at shortstop before Cesar Izturis won the award in 2004?
- Name the last Detroit Tigers player before Ivan Rodriguez in 2004 to be voted to the All-Star Game.
- Which two college football teams play for the Golden Egg trophy?

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Doctor spreads word on HIV/AIDS

By MICHELLE ERICKSEN

STAFF REPORTER

In absence of a cure or a vaccine, the choice weapon to combat HIV is prevention an expert said here Tuesday.

"If you're not infected you will be effected," said Dr. Ashraf Mohammed.

Dr. Mohammed runs the AIDS Prevention Center on the main campus of Cape Peninsula University of Technology in South Africa.

He brought his AIDS prevention presentation to Highline to heighten awareness of the disease.

Highline will be the only campus he and his wife will visit on his trip here.

About 135 students packed into Building 26, room 213 to hear Dr. Mohammed speak. Instead they found themselves part of an interactive learning

process.

Dr. Mohammed's wife, Amina, handed out long white envelopes to 100 of the students.

Ten of the envelopes contained positive AIDS results. A simple handshake was symbolic of a "sex act" that might spread HIV. Everyone with an envelope had to go shake hands with another person in the room.

After everyone shook hands and all the envelopes were open the 10 people with HIV had infected 10 more people. Then the 10 infected spread the disease to 10 more people, so 30 people had been infected.

There are 1,800 AIDS infections everyday. Of the infected people, 95 percent are in developing countries, and 2000 of those cases are children under 15 years old. One in five South Africans are infected, and one in eight infectees worldwide are South African. AIDS is

the third leading cause of death in South Africa.

The four easy steps to prevent AIDS are called the HIV ABCs: 1. Abstinence until marriage. 2. Be faithful to your partner/spouse. 3. Condoms - use them consistently. 4. Do or Die - do it yourself. Be informed, involved, and get tested.

Dr. Ashraf Mohammed has been involved in AIDS awareness for 15 years. His wife Amina Mohammed is a lecturer at the Cape Town hotel management school; she has recently been researching AIDS prevention in the hotel system for two



Photo by Jennifer Berg

Dr. Mohammed speaks with a student at Tuesday's AIDS/HIV seminar.

years. Both are third-generation Indians raised in South Africa.

Dr. Mohammed said he chose the work he does because he felt he needed to contribute. "Your

life is a gift from God, what you do with that life in service of humanity is your gift to God," Mohammed said.

Club bets on first ever poker tournament at Highline

By ANNIE RUNNELS

STAFF REPORTER

The Highline Vietnamese Student Association is organizing the first Highline Poker Classic Tournament.

"I thought it was a very creative and fun way of raising money," said Trang Le, student president of the Highline-Vietnamese Student Association.

This idea was thought up by Le, as she not only wanted to raise money for her association, but also to unite Highline as a school, said Le.

Only 60 players will be able to enter the game and the participants must pre-register at the Student Programs Office in the Student Union by 4 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 13.

The tournament itself will be

held on Jan. 14 at 3:30 p.m. in the Mount Constance room in the new Student Union.

According to the Washington State Gambling Commission guidelines the tournament can be by donation only because gambling is not allowed within the school.

Professional dealers will be at the event who are personal friends of Le's.

Prizes will be given to the top 10 winners.

Prizes include: ribbons, trophies and a great poker set for the grand-prize winner of the tournament.

There will be refreshments for those who are participating and attending the event.

The game is going to be Texas No-Limit Hold Em. The game is played by each player getting dealt two cards face down which

are called your hole cards, and then every player bets on what they have.

Once the first bet is placed, the dealer turns the flop, consisting of three cards which are the community cards.

Another round of bets is done

then the fourth card is dealt which is called the four street card and a round of betting happens again.

Finally the river card is flipped, final bets are made and everyone's cards are flipped over to see who has the better

hand.

The money raised will go towards The Vietnamese Student Association's free New Year's "Tet" Celebration.

It will be in the Student Union at noon on Friday, Feb. 11.

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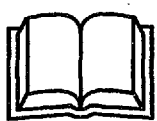
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Tuition

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making some tough choices when deciding how best to finance various services.

"We've already taken a lot of the low hanging fruit," said Priest, in reference to previous budget cuts. "The issue is where do we go from here? Let's make sure we're spending the money wisely."



Priest

While higher education enjoys the support of both Democrats and Republicans, it still has to compete with many other agencies for a limited amount of resources.

The higher education budget is not protected under the state constitution, so it's up against

all the other agencies in the budget, said Priest.

Local legislators acknowledge that funding higher education is important for moving the state forward.

"The way in which higher education distinguishes itself is its ability to produce a return towards the economy," said Rep. Dave Upthegrove, D-Des Moines.

These figures will change when the new governor is sworn in and proposes her or his own version of the budget. The Senate and House will also be producing their own versions.

The final product will be an amalgam of ideas put forth by both groups of lawmakers and the governor. This is just the beginning of what will be a long process.

"The first step is to find ways to make painful decisions," said Upthegrove. "There is no way to make cuts that people won't feel."

Numbers

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know why they weren't registering."

Some 1,052 students were sent mailings on Dec. 20 and calls were made to 894 of them between Dec. 20 and Jan. 7.

According to the campaign's preliminary report, contact was made with 379 students and of those, 234 had registered by Jan. 10.

Of the 145 who weren't returning for Winter Quarter, the top reasons given were having graduated but not yet granted a degree or certificate (53); taking Winter Quarter off and planning to return Spring/Summer/Fall '05 (44); not being able to afford tuition or having financial aid issues (26); and having transferred to another community college or university.

Though enrollment numbers are linked to the funding that

Highline receives, Riverman said that it would be premature to make predictions as to whether funding would in fact be affected. Riverman said that officials feel everything is going to be fine.

"We have all year to make our full time equivalency goals," said Riverman.

Full time equivalency measures the number of students if everyone was attending full time.

"We'll have to cancel classes that don't meet the capacity to break even, so there have been a few classes cancelled, but that happens every quarter," Riverman said.

"We're lucky to have good leaders managing our money," said Riverman citing Vice President of Administration Dr. Laura Saunders and President Dr. Priscilla Bell.

"Our business office and our foundation have planned well in case we have a down year."

Union

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After work I go home, eat my dinner, and come here (to campus)," said Mr. Roney.

In addition, some students are unclear about the hours in which the Student Union is open.

The Student Union is opened Monday - Friday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., the Union Café is open Monday-Friday from 7 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The Bookstore is open Monday - Thursday from 7:30 a.m. - 7 p.m., Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., and the Fireside Bistro is opened Monday-Friday from 7 a.m. - 7 p.m..

"The Student Union opens doors to a vibrant student life and provides access to more programs, activities, and a space to be themselves," said Brown.

The grand opening of the Student Union will be held on Tuesday Jan. 25.

Schwendeman kicked bad habits for a better future

By MICHELLE ERICKSEN

STAFF REPORTER

Never sell yourself short - you can do more than maybe you thought, a former Highline student said.

Donnie Schwendeman spoke at the Honors Colloquy in Building 7 on Wednesday, Jan. 12.

Schwendeman is 35 years of age and grew up in a blue-collar community in the South Park neighborhood of Seattle. All he wanted in life was to be a longshoreman and have a family.

Schwendeman was involved in drugs and alcohol until the age of 27. Then with encouragement from his wife and through his job, he joined a recovery program and is still in that program today.

One of his major reasons for

going back to school was to be better qualified for the position of Washington Area Drug and Alcohol Administrator for longshoremen.

Donnie Schwendeman was 31 when he started his educational career at Highline. He started taking classes on chemical dependency first through the Federal Way branch. He took 20 credits his first year at Highline.

"I struggled with the time," he said. "I wouldn't say it was hard, but I wouldn't say it was easy."

His first real college-level class was a psychology class taught by Sue Frantz.

"In Frantz's class I discovered that I had a culture and my cultural identity," he said.

He then realized that he

wasn't living his life to his full potential and that he could do so much more.

He dedicated himself to succeeding in Sue Frantz's class and aced two of her tests in a row.

He graduated from Highline

Spring 2004 as an honors scholar with an AAS degree.

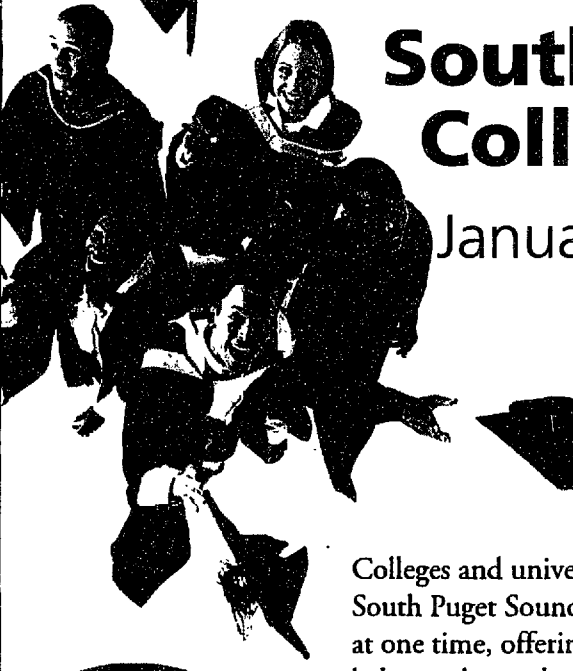
He applied for the USA Today Academic All-American scholarship and applied for the job of his dreams.

After he won the scholarship he also got accepted for the job

position.

He is now the Washington Area Drug and Alcohol Administrator for longshoremen.

The next Honors Colloquy speaker will be Dr. Rayburn Lewis who will speak at noon on Jan. 19 in Building 7.



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