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HIGHLINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Bosnians dance for joy

New club introduces eastern culture

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STAFF REPORTERS

Highline's Bosnian students want to share their culture with everyone.

More than 250 people turned to share some of that last Friday. The Student Union Building was full of dancing, food and Bosnia culture.

The event was put on by the Friends of Bosnia club, which wants to bring Bosnians, community members, and Highline students together to learn about Bosnia culture.

"We didn't leave our country by choice, but as refugees," said Hajrudin Saracevic, vice president of the club.

"We consider ourselves Bosnian Americans, not just Americans," said Elvin Misut, club president. "We all have dual citizenships."

"That's why we created this club, because we're Bosnian," Misut said. "We like our country, and Bosnia is our country."

The founders of the Friends of Bosnia club Misut, Saracevic, Selena Salihovic, secretary, and Nedim Cavcic, treasurer, all met at a refugee camp in Hungary.

"We're about as close to family, without being family," Salihovic said.

Salihovic, Saracevic, and Misut all

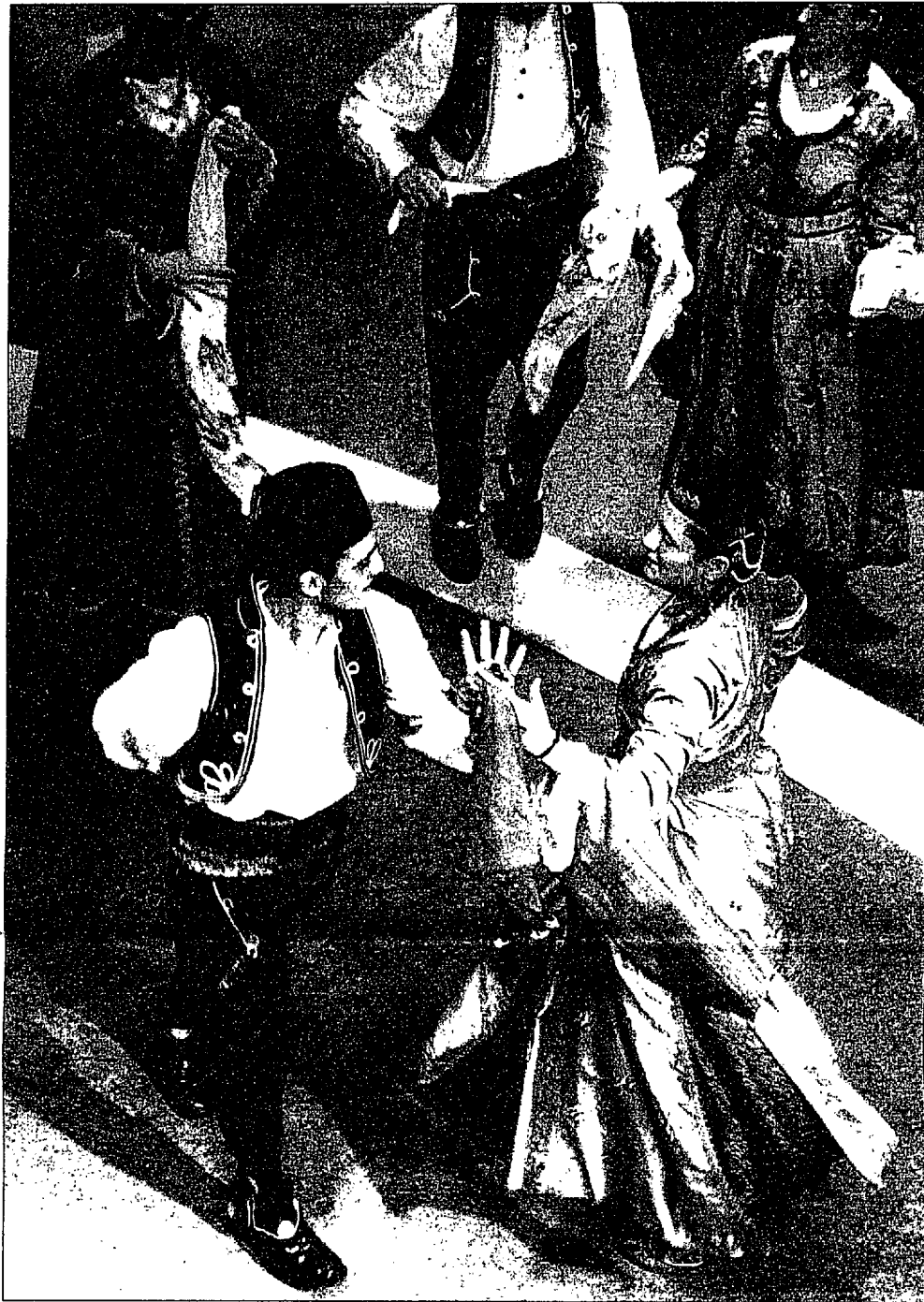


Photo by Austen Lavery

A Bosnian dance group performs in the Student Union at last Friday's event.

Lights, camera, you!

BY ERIK BREAKFIELD
STAFF REPORTER

Comcast will be taping television ads for Highline and they need students to volunteer to be in them.

Today, Jan. 26, from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. the camera crew will be in the Highline Student Union to capture scenes of life at the school.

If you are interested in taking part, all you need to do is show up near the stairwell at the south end of the building and have an hour to commit. There you will meet Sherry Reichert and/or Jessica Gilmore, who will be running the show and can help get you set up.

The areas that will be highlighted in the Highline montages will consist of the café and dining areas, study areas, bistro/fireplace, views of interior (stairs, railings, etc.), and views of the exterior. The actions seen will be of students walking and talking, laughing, studying, etc.

The goal for the shooting is to get a variety of students in locations throughout the building. There will even be an opportunity for three students to have direct on-camera speaking roles. Up to seven students could be filmed for these parts so there is no guarantee you will be chosen.

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Intercultural Center a place for students

BY AMANDA CABELLON
STAFF REPORTER

A new Inter-Cultural Center will open during Highline's ninth Annual Unity through Diversity Week on April 24-28, which will provide staff with a new lounge, and students with a comfortable area for club meetings and study groups.

Toni Castro, the associate dean of Multicultural/ Diversity Student Development Services,

and Yoshiko Harden-Abe, the Multicultural Retention coordinator, will be organizing the programs and events that will go together with the Inter-Cultural Center. The Inter-cultural Center will also provide new resources such as Computer use, typewriter use, multicultural library, assessable study space, meeting space for activities and events, and general campus information.

You are welcomed into an

open walk-in area, while flags around the world adorn the glass windows surrounding the center. To your immediate left is the information center and student programs area. And surrounding that are various rooms that will provide staff and students with a new space to study and get together.

"It's a great place for students to hang out," Castro says. "It's an education, academic space, with multiculturalism."



Toni Castro

This is one of the center's visible symbols in the commitment to Highline's diversity, Castro says.

Highline has been one of the states most diverse colleges, a fact which the college often celebrates. So with the new Inter-Cultural Center, Highline hopes to give students a feeling of ownership within the community. Castro and Harden-Abe also say

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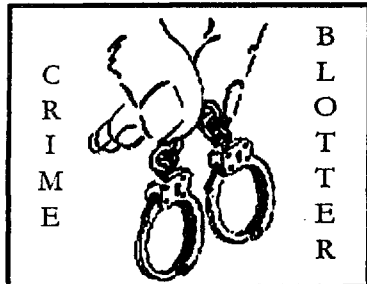
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CAMPUS LIFE

**C.O.W. thieves on the loose**

A C.O.W. was taken from Building 23 and was found deserted in the men's bathroom of the bottom floor

Car broken into, stereo stolen

A car was broken into and a stereo stolen while parked by the tennis courts on Jan. 23.

Vehicle Assists

A Toyota was given a jump and a Chevy was unlocked.

Stomach pains inflame fire rescue

A female student complained of stomach pains on Jan. 23 in front of Building 21. South King County Fire and Rescue examined her. Her status remains unknown. She was later taken home by her brother.

Ab strain results in hospitalization

A student strained their abdominal area on Jan. 24. The student was taken to the hospital by another student.

Woman claimed to have been followed

A women approached a security officer saying that a man was following her. When the officer called the Des Moines police the women said that she did not need the police and left the campus.

Lost Property

The following items were lost: calculator, brown wallet, pink purse, UGG purse, Keys, Radio, Motorola cell phone, Red wallet, blue baseball cap.

Found Property

The following items were found : pair of Highline keys; Samsung cell phone; Pair of glasses; and a My Life Prophecies book.

-Compiled by K. Daigle

Coming soon: Math Center

By MICHELLE ERICKSEN
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A group of Highline instructors hope that a new Math Center adds up for students.

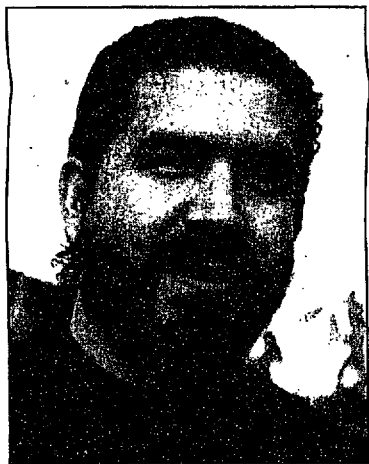
Highline is opening a Math Resource Center in the Tutoring Center, Building 26, room, 319 H.

The Math Center will provide math students with video tapes of lectures, computers with access to Excel, student solution manuals, calculator manuals, practice problem sets and math textbooks they can check out and use in the center.

"We have the space and the majority setup but unfortunately we're experiencing delays," said Jason Ramirez, a Highline math instructor "The entire department is supportive of this idea.

"I worked at a school in California that had a Math Resource Center," Ramirez said. "A lot of community colleges are moving toward these types of centers."

There is one at Green River Community College that is very successful, said Ramirez.



Jason Ramirez



Photo by Jocie Olson

Students Perry Kent and Hawo Ahmed study in the Tutoring center, soon to be Math Resource Center.

The Math Resource Committee chaired by Dusty Wilson, includes Ramirez, Kate Skelton, and Alan Walton started planning the center Spring Quarter 2005.

"What we're trying to do is increase students success and retention while trying to advise revising of placements," Ramirez said.

"In the center we're trying to create a nice atmosphere where students can create study groups."

Ramirez wants to create a place where students can go to study math and be comfortable.

"When I first came to Highline, there was no place for math students to go and meet," Ramirez said. "I want to help students to be successful in their math classes and I want them to succeed."

One of the Math Center's goals is also to alert students who are studying math and science to different scholarships available to them.

Ramirez also talked about

setting up a scholarship display for students going into science, physics, and math.

"I think it will make Highline unique," Ramirez said.

"It will help students and it will be a great resource," said Skelton, a Highline math instructor. "I think it's a great idea it's another resource beyond tutoring."

The Math Center is not open, but their goal is to be fully operational in three weeks, said Ramirez.

During Spring Quarter 2006 the Math Center will be open from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 9 a.m. to noon on Fridays.

There will also be different workshops held in the Math Center.

On Jan. 30 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. there will be a workshop on "Overcoming math anxiety." Patricia Haggerty, a Highline adviser will be speaking.

For more information contact Ramirez at 206-878-3710, ext. 3585.

Students can transfer at fair

By GREGG WALDON
STAFF REPORTER

The Winter College Transfer Fair is coming up in February. Representatives from more than 20 different colleges and universities will be at Highline, including some from out of state.

"It's a good place for looking around colleges," said Siew Lai Lilley, director of the Transfer Center. "I strongly recommend students to explore all of their options."

All the college representatives will be in the Student Union Cafeteria on Monday, Feb. 6 from 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

A workshop on "How to Write a Winning Personal Statement" will be Feb. 7 from 1:10-2 p.m., in the Writing Center, Building 26, room 319.

The UW Seattle School of Pharmacy will host a workshop Wednesday, Feb. 15 from 1-2 p.m., in Building 3, room 102. It's an informational session on how to apply to the program at the UW School of Pharmacy.

The UW Tacoma School of Business will conduct a workshop on Feb. 23 from 1:15-2:15 p.m. in Building 10, room 202, on how to apply to the programs offered at the school.

Even if students know they're getting in to a college, they "might want to double check on things



Lilley with a representative," said Lilley. "Also there might be some scholarships out there students don't know about and they can learn about how to get them."

Other information students may not know, is that Washington State University deadline of priority admission is Jan. 31. University of Washington firm deadline is Feb. 15.

All throughout the year college representatives will be coming to Highline.

The following colleges will have a representative come to Highline for individual meetings: Washington State University, Wednesday, Feb. 1 or Thursday, March 2, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

University of Washington Tacoma, Wednesday, Feb. 22, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Students can sign up for a half hour appointment in the Educational Planning/Transfer Center, in Building 6, top level or send an email to transfer@highline.edu

**Students connect with stress**

Students have the connection to release their stresses during Career Connections.

Stress at work can be a result of many different bothers. Fellow co-workers, a work overload, or even just the weather can all contribute to a negative work environment.

Faculty Counselor Lance Gibson will lead a discussion on a poor attitude, its affects in the work environment and ways to overcome it.

The Career Connections will be held in the Highline Student Union Building, the Mt.

Skokomish room at 12:10 pm to 1 pm on Friday, Jan. 27. To maintain stress and irritation at work come to Career Connections.

Radiate cancer goodbye

Can radiation be used to treat cancer? This week's science seminar will explore the concept of Radioimmunotherapy. Science Seminar will be in Building 3 room 102 from 2:20 p.m. to 3:10 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 27.

Write winning statements

For those who have trouble writing personal statements for university transfers, a Highline Writing Instructor will be offering "Writing a Winning Personal Statement", a workshop that will discuss things like content, organization, tone, and follow-

ing the directions of a personal statement. "Writing a Winning Personal Statement" will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 7 from 1:10 to 2 p.m. in Building 29, room 319.

Go beyond Waodani tribe

Campus Crusade for Christ is sponsoring the showing of the movie *Beyond the Gates of Splendor*. The film tells the story of the violent Waodani tribe in Ecuador and the missionaries who try to spread Christianity.

The movie will be shown on Jan. 26 in Building 7 at 12:10 p.m.

Correction

Barry Carel's last name was misspelled in a story in last week's Thunderword.

Out of Africa

Visiting professor is doing what she loves at Highline

By SIMONE SNOW

STAFF REPORTER

Andre du Toit, a visiting teacher from South Africa, is sharing her passion for teaching, business, and technology with the staff, students, and faculty of Highline.

Du Toit was born in the city of Vereeniging on Oct. 15, 1946. Her parents got her education

off to fast start.

"My parents put me in school early," said du Toit. "It gave me a passion for education. ... I would make little books and at breaks would use them to teach my classmates."

Voted as the most distinguished teacher at Cape Peninsula University of Technology, du Toit first came to the United States in 2002 on a program

for women leaders to teach at Wellesley College and Smith College in Massachusetts.

"It was a really great experience," du Toit said. "I really like the United States. I'm in love with this country."

Du Toit then seized the chance to return to the U.S. in 2003 and again in 2006 to help develop an entrepreneur program at Highline in association with Cape Peninsula, calling it "such a great opportunity."

Currently working for her Ph.D. at the University of Stellenbosch, du Toit has managed to find enough time to teach two classes at Highline on business information technology.

"I could really have gone into any field," du Toit said. "But business and IT is the most amazing combination. ... It's my very special field."

Du Toit described her enthusiasm for the subject, stressing her interest in economics and business combined with her joy of teaching made her career choice very simple.

"I have a passion for education.... In teaching you find instant gratification. You have an impact on so many lives. I love



Photos by Jessica Bennett

Andre Du Toit is happy to be teaching at Highline this year.

it," du Toit said. "For a time in 1967 I was living off \$15 a month to pay back my student loans. Even that didn't put me off teaching."

Du Toit also talks with great fondness about her mother, who always supported her decision to be a teacher.

"My mother played a big part in my life. She was very ladylike.... She was my mentor," du Toit said. "I always try to emulate her. ... She was my

major influence."

Du Toit also wanted to express her gratitude toward everyone at Highline, saying "Highline people are so great. I'm extremely happy. I've felt very welcome."

Du Toit will be teaching at Highline until she returns to South Africa on July 10.

"Find your passion in life," du Toit said as a final piece of advice. "If you do what you love, the money will follow."

Doctor, students prescribe changes to health care

By ALICIA MENDEZ

STAFF REPORTER

If you are poor and living in America you probably have poor health.

Stephen Bezruchka, M.D., M.P.H., led a discussion on Making America Healthy Again as part of the Martin Luther King Week on Jan. 20 at Highline.

More than 160 students filled the Mt. Constance room of the Student Union to find out if race and class cause poor health.

"Attending this presentation may be dangerous to your perceptions of health," said Dr. Bezruchka, who teaches at the University of Washington School of Medicine.

Audience members participated by throwing ideas for what could lead to staying healthy.

Eating organic food, exercising, along with doing something you enjoy were ideas pitched for ways to remain healthy.

More than half the audience said they daily do something

they enjoy.

Respect, self confidence and feeding your soul were among the things the audience felt they needed for better health.

Being successfully healthy, the audience agreed, could be determined by whether you have an illness.

"As a doctor I can guarantee that if you think you're healthy, you haven't gotten enough tests yet," Dr. Bezruchka said with a smirk.

The audience then compiled ideas to make America's communities healthier.

"Moving towards a socialist health care system," said Alex Cooley, an audience member.

Other ideas included giving people a sense of security, and educating people about how to stay healthy.

To truly determine if persons in a community are healthy or not you need to figure out the average life expectancy, another participant said.

"I like to use life expectancy



as a measure of healthy of a population," Dr. Bezruchka said.

Each community varies in life expectancy, and different factors lead to varying life expectancies.

Class and race play a role in every person's health.

"It is not health care that produces health in a population," Dr. Bezruchka said.

At a higher class you have more money to spend on health care, and each race has its illness or diseases that are more common among them, audience

members said.

"African Americans have higher blood pressure so we have more heart attacks," said student Darrick Brown.

According to the World Health Organization, America spent more than half of the entire world's health care bill in 2005, or a total of \$1.92 trillion. Each person in America is estimated to spend \$7,000 a year on health care.

Despite spending so much, America is only the 29th healthiest country in the world and falling, just ahead of Cuba, according to the United Nations Human Development report.

Over the last 55 years America has been free-falling down the health chain, Dr. Bezruchka said.

"No other country has as much health disparity as the United States," he said.

"We (Americans) pay the ultimate price for living here. We die much younger than we should."

Editorial

The poor will suffer under budget cuts

Those who rely on student loans to further their education may soon find themselves having difficulty accessing new loans.

The House of Representatives is currently considering a large budget cut in an effort to cut down the size of the deficit.

Among the sweeping changes this legislation includes is a \$12.7 billion cut to Education aid.

This cut would both cut the amount of available loans as well as increase the interest rates of the loans that are being granted.

In addition, it would impose a one percent insurance fee on the loans.

So much for no child left behind.

The need for a college education is vital in today's society. A simple high school diploma is worth far less; to even be considered for a good, well-paying job an applicant must have a college degree.

Without access to an affordable education, lower income students will find it even more difficult to attend college. An education has always been lauded as the best way to combat poverty.

If the ability to gain an education is taken from those who truly need it, what is going to change?

Nothing. If lower income families don't have the ability to gain an education, to get a job that equals their talents and lift themselves from the endless cycle of poverty, what else is left for them to do? Join the military?

It's asinine to believe that this is going to do much good in the long run.

The lawmakers themselves agree, this is just the beginning. This budget cut won't balance the budget. It is the beginning of a suc-



Felons face many challenges

A recent speaker at my Survey of Business class spoke to us about business ethics, and the subject of felons came up.

He said that he counseled them on how to get a job and how to reestablish themselves in their community. I thought the act itself was commendable, but I won-

tive about what he was doing but to help him understand the consequences of what he was saying.

Comment



He was telling these men the same thing that our school system does. It teaches us the basic skills to survive. But it doesn't always teach us to think for ourselves and create our

or prison. It is used to describe the mentality and perspective a "felon" must take on in order to make the transformation back into the dominant social environment.

Across America this has been made harder to do. In King County, apartments do background checks to filter out felons, making it harder to find decent neighborhoods to live in.

Pierce County had a program

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The Lizama brothers come back to reality -- for now

By MICHELLE ERICKSEN
STAFF REPORTER

Jude and Jacob Lizama had a taste of fame and they want more.

Last year the Lizama twins starred in their very own reality show on MTV, *Nearly Identical*, which was filmed here in Seattle.

They were inspired to audition for the show when one of the brothers admitted he was gay.

"I had just recently come out, and I thought it would be fun," Jude Lizama said. "We saw the show on the MTV website. I read about it, and then I saw that they were casting and holding auditions in Washington."

They auditioned for their own show in May 2005, and were later notified that they had been chosen.

The Lizamas show was one of 10 that got an on-air audition on MTV. It was one of the nine that didn't make the cut (the winner ran for a full season).

The filming of their show began in Seattle during the end of July and lasted into early August.

"Camera acting is easier than stage acting, because you're connecting with the camera not the audience," Jude Lizama said.

"It was a lot of hard work, but it pays off," said Jude Lizama. "We were actually going around Seattle picking up guys and girls."

The motive of the show was for the brothers to find perfect partners for each other.

At first it was awkward going up to strange people, and asking them if they wanted to date my brother, the said.

"It's easier for me to talk to girls, and it's easier for Jacob to talk to guys," Jude Lizama said.

Jude Lizama came out to his older brother and mother on the show. It was a very emotional time, he said.

"My older brother was shocked, but my mom was like 'I know'," Jude Lizama said.

Although they make their home in Lakewood, the twins started attending Highline in winter 2005.

"We chose Highline because

we wanted to run track," said Jude Lizama. "We ran on the team but we never competed."

Last year's track roster didn't list them, however.

The Lizamas play many sports including track, soccer, basketball, and gymnastics although they are not currently on any teams.

Right now the twins are at Highline trying to get enough credits so they can transfer to a university in California.

The Lizamas are identical and frequently finish each other's sentences.

The twins are identical except for their hair; Jude sports a close-cropped mohawk, while Jacob's head is buzzed.

"We want to move to California," said Jude Lizama -- "To pursue our dreams of acting and writing," added Jacob Lizama.

"That's why we're moving to California. We actually auditioned for another reality show," said Jude Lizama.

They both want to eventually have careers in acting and screen writing.

"We're completely opposite," said Jacob Lizama.

"We look alike and that's about it," said Jude Lizama.

"I'm always scared to tell dudes I'm gay, I get scared because I care about what they think," Jude Lizama said. "My brothers never knew I was gay

Jude Lizama said he wants people to realize that their dreams can come true.

"I mean this just happened to us from one drama class to having our own show," he said.

Jacob Lizama wants to get in the business off producing show and movies.

"I see myself chillin' out hard. I want to own a production company," Jacob Lizama said.

"I want celebs to know my name and be like 'yeah they're good at what they do.' Being a celeb is a job," Jacob Lizama said.

Jacob Lizama said he won't let his future stardom go to his head.

"It makes me mad when people won't sign autographs," he said. "I don't ever want to be the kind of person who forgot

where they came from.

"That's why I want to start a comedy to make fun of celebrities that think they are too good."

Jacob Lizama says he wants to entertain yet be educational.

"Actors help us escape reality. I want to bring entertainment full of lessons," Jacob Lizama said.

He also wants to find stars in places where people don't look.

"Keep in mind, everyone is not cut out to be an entertainer," Jacob Lizama said.

"I believe that two wrongs make a right," he said. "It's crazy but that's the way I like it."

Almost Famous



Brothers Jude and Jacob Lizama, stars of their own reality show, have hopes of making it big in California.

because I'm not stereotypically

gay.

"I knew I liked guys when I was younger, but I didn't become openly gay till about six years ago."

Jude Lizama said that although he's gay, he still thinks all people are attractive.

"I try to find the good in people and Jacob tries to find the bad in people," he said.

"My ultimate goal is to leave this planet fulfilled knowing that I helped people but to be comfortable with themselves."

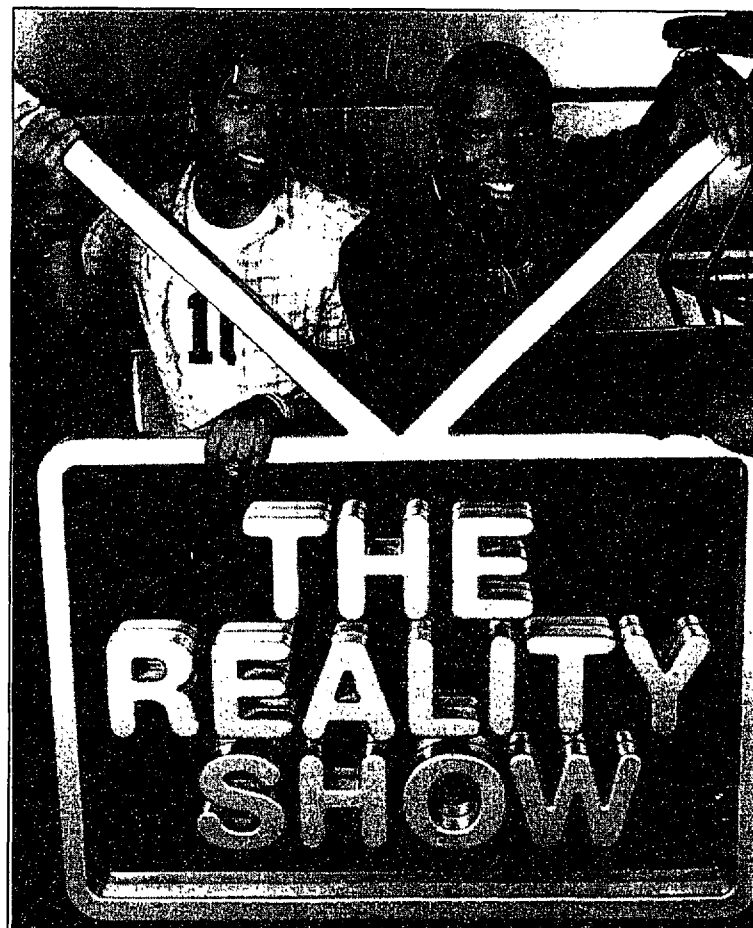


Photo Courtesy of Jacob and Jude Lizama

Brothers Jude and Jacob Lizama on the set of their short lived reality show.

"We want to move to California..."

-- Jude Lizama



"...To pursue our dreams of acting and writing."

-- Jacob Lizama.

Thunderbird, Raven remain ever watchful

BY ROBERT FITZGERALD

STAFF REPORTER

Highline's twin totem poles don't tell a story, but they do have one.

The Raven and Thunderbird Totems were raised in 1977 and 1981 respectively.

They were built by Highline students under the supervision of James R. Ploegman. A former wood carving instructor and maintenance mechanic for the college.

"These totem poles do not tell stories," said Ploegman. "Most of the stories are owned by tribes. We didn't want to infringe on someone else's stories."

They were carved to teach Native American students the art of carving, said Ploegman.

"We had to dig a hole four feet wide and eight feet deep (to set the poles)," Ploegman said. "There was no ladder and the dirt had to be pulled out in buckets."

Each pole took about three months to carve and raise, Ploegman said.

The Raven totem is located on the south side of Building 7 and overlooks the sweeping lawns and walkways that crisscross the campus.

The Raven, according to Native American lore, is a trickster — a powerful character who

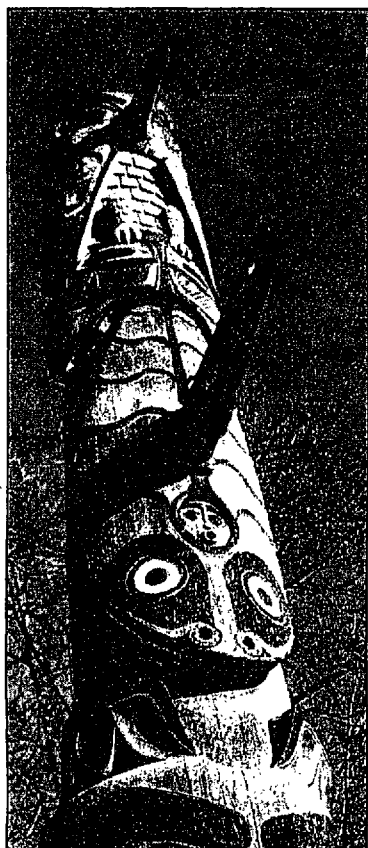


Photo by Jessica Bennett

The Raven totem pole by Building 7 is one of two such hand-carved poles on campus.

is said to have put the sun and moon in the sky and the rivers and trees in the land.

The Thunderbird totem, whose stony glare guards the East Parking Lot, is framed by two crooked pines on the front lawn of Building 6.

The Thunderbird character, which dominates the totem with outstretched wings, is con-

sidered the most powerful of all the spirits, and legend says that lightening flashed when he blinked.

A plaque is set on the back of Raven totem, etched with the names of the original carvers, the top of which reads Robin Young.

A second generation has contributed to the totems as well: both poles were restored in 1995 by Jim Ploegman and Joel Young, who is the son of the elder Young. There was a rededication ceremony Oct. 25 of that year.

Ploegman, who retired from Highline in 1997, now runs a wood carving school out of his studio in Renton, where he teaches about 80 students a week. "I teach everything from carving European coats of arms, doors, flowers. Whatever the student wants to do."

Many of his students have been with him for years, Ploegman said.

"I just had a student of 25 years pass away."

The totems were created as a project to teach students about their heritage but have since become a symbol of Highline's own history as well. The poles have stood nearly three decades and have become a familiar sight for alumni, and an unexplained wonder for everyone else as well.

Jazz band rebuilds with new talent

BY RACHEL LUSBY

STAFF REPORTER

Don't blame it on the bossa nova. Blame it on graduation.

The jazz band here at Highline is trying to spice things up and bring their ensemble together in musical harmony.

"We have a lot of new students, so right now we're just working on meshing together," said Michelle Searle, the club president and a member of three years.

The band turned 4 years old this year. It was started by the late Bo Yingling and has since been through two advisers, Tom Zimberg and currently Ben Thomas.

Ben Thomas has been the adviser for two years now. He also teaches music history and theory and percussion here at Highline.

He has been working in music for about 20 years and is pleased with how the band is progressing.

"Oh, we're a great-looking bunch," he said. "It's coming along nicely."

Because there are so many new members, the Highline Jazz Band will not be entering any competitions this year.

"Last year we were a working band, but not this year," said Michelle Searle.

"We have too many new members and we don't want to intimidate them."

Currently the band is working on learning bossa nova, a Brazilian-born style of jazz created in the late 1950s.

They don't play any original compositions, but they do, however, perform covers of the music of jazz greats such as Duke Ellington, George Gershwin, and Antonio Carlos Jobim.



Ben Thomas

The band has been debating on whether to do anything jointly with Highline's choir.

"We're thinking about it," said Michelle Searle, "but if we do decide to it won't be any time soon, simply because we have so many new members."

Currently the jazz band has five members who are consistent, but new members are always accepted.

"The jazz band is always accepting new members, and it is open to any skill level," said Searle.

The band meets and practices every Thursday usually at 2:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m.

Their next performance will most likely be on or around Earth Day in April, although a time and place has not yet been confirmed.

Questions regarding the Highline Jazz Band can be directed to Ben Thomas at 206-878-3710, ext. 6311.

Drama gears up for winter show

Aimee Bruneau gives wings to 'Seagull'

BY ERIK BREAKFIELD

STAFF REPORTER

After auditions for this quarter's drama production, the special guest director had only positive things to say about what she witnessed and what she predicts for the performance.

"I am really impressed with the caliber of the students acting at Highline and the department faculty, I am having a great time being here," said guest director Aimee Bruneau.

This is Bruneau's first time here at Highline but she said hopes to be asked back in the future.

The actors share her enthusiasm for the upcoming production of *The Seagull* and are excited about working for a new



Aimee Bruneau

director with a different angle.

"For each actor to bring themselves to their roles," said Bruneau, who chose the play and looks at it as a wonderful opportunity.

She plans to spend a lot of time working this ambition too.

She has been directing for 10 years at other schools such as Cornish, along with many Seattle theaters.

She earned her MFA from the American Conservatory Theater in San Francisco.

She lives in Seattle and if you love interesting side-notes then check this out: both of Bruneau's parents have earned doctorates.

Her father has retired from teaching communications and her mother teaches early childhood education at Kent State University.

"It is a play about relationships," Bruneau says of *The Seagull*.

She has been in a production of the play twice and is going to try and use a simple portrayal of the show for this quarter.

The show will be running March 2-4, and 9-11, in the Little Theater in Building 104.

The cast list includes: Irina, Amber Rose Johnson; Trigorin, Mak Zuljevic; Treplev, Matt Dimmit; Nina, Kate Muldoon; Masha, Mel Lorenzo; Medvedenko, Sean Sanford; Yakov, Chris Wright; Sorin, Steven Grawrock; Paulina, Karen Schmidt; Dorn, Jared Thomas; Shamrayev, Drew Miller.

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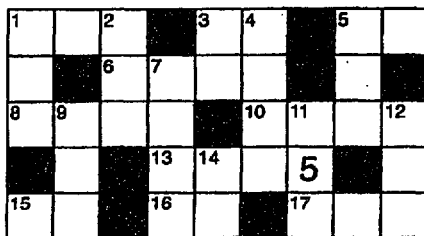
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Rational Numbers by Linda Thistle

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.



ACROSS

1. One-fifth of 13-Across
3. Same digit repeated
5. Three times 14-Down
6. 17-Across plus 12-Down
8. 10-Across minus 6-Across
10. Seven times 4-Down
13. Consecutive digits in ascending order
15. Eight more than 3-Across
16. Fifty more than 3-Across
17. Ten less than 11-Down

DOWN

1. 11-Down minus 9-Down

2. 1-Across plus 1-Down
3. Digits of 16-Across reversed
4. 5-Across plus 5-Down
5. The first digit is the sum of the other digits
7. The sum of the digits is 15-Across
9. 5-Across plus 3-Down
11. Same digit repeated
12. One hundred less than 2-Down
14. The first digit is three times the last digit

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1. GEOGRAPHY: Where is the winter-sports resort city of Innsbruck?
2. ARCHITECTURE: What is London's largest cathedral?
3. MILITARY: What was the name of the last U.S. battleship built?
4. LITERATURE: Which satirical novel's main character is named Yossarian?
5. TELEVISION: When did "I Love Lucy" go on the air?
6. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was president when the United States bought Alaska?
7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: In the Census of 1810, roughly what was the

population of the United States?

8. MYTHOLOGY: The legendary Midas with the golden touch was said to be king of where?

9. HISTORY: When did the American Revolutionary War end?

10. CARTOONS: Who supplies the voice of Lisa on the animated series "The Simpsons"?

10. Yeardley Smith
9. 1783
8. Phrygia
7. About 7 million
6. Andrew Johnson
5. 1951
4. "Catch-22"
3. USS Missouri
2. St. Paul's
1. Austria

Answers

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Arts Calendar

Breeders Theater presents a new play, *Rescues, Inc.*, a musical fairy tale comedy.

Show dates are Jan. 27, 28, Feb. 1, 3 and 4 at 7 p.m.; Jan. 29, Feb. 5, at 2 p.m. All proceeds from Feb. 1 show benefit the Highline Community College Foundation Breeders Theater Performing Arts Scholarship.

The show includes tasting of E.B. Foote's award winning wines and hors d'oeuvres, still for only \$20. Tickets are available at the winery, 206-242-3852 and at Corky Cellars, 22511 Marine View Drive, Des Moines 206-824-9462.

Campus Crusade for Christ is presenting the documentary *Beyond the Gates of Spendor*. The movie is about the Waodani, an isolated tribe in

the Amazon Basin of Ecuador and five North American families who contacted them. The movie will be shown on Jan. 26 at noon in Building 7. There will be a follow up discussion about the film on Feb. 9, at noon in the Mount Skokomish room in the Student Union Building.

The Jeni Flemming Acoustic Trio will be performing at the Kent-Meridian High School Performing Arts Center (10020 SE 256th St., Kent), Friday, Feb. 10 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for general admission and \$13 for students and seniors. Tickets are on sale at the Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N., Kent, or by phone with a Visa or Mastercard during business hours at 253-856-5050.

The Missoula Children's Theatre is auditioning actors ages 5-18 for a production of *Robin Hood*. Open auditions will be held on Monday, March

6 from 4 to 6 p.m. at Glenridge Elementary. Children must be at auditions at 4 p.m. and stay the entire two hour period. Rehearsals March 6 -11 and present two public performances. The play will be March 11, 3 and 7 p.m. at Glenridge Elementary School, 19405 120th Ave. SE, Renton. Tickets are \$5 for adults and children and are available at the Kent Commons, 525 Fourth Ave. N. For more information, pcall 253-856-5050.

Rational Numbers answers

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Crossword 101

By Ed Canty

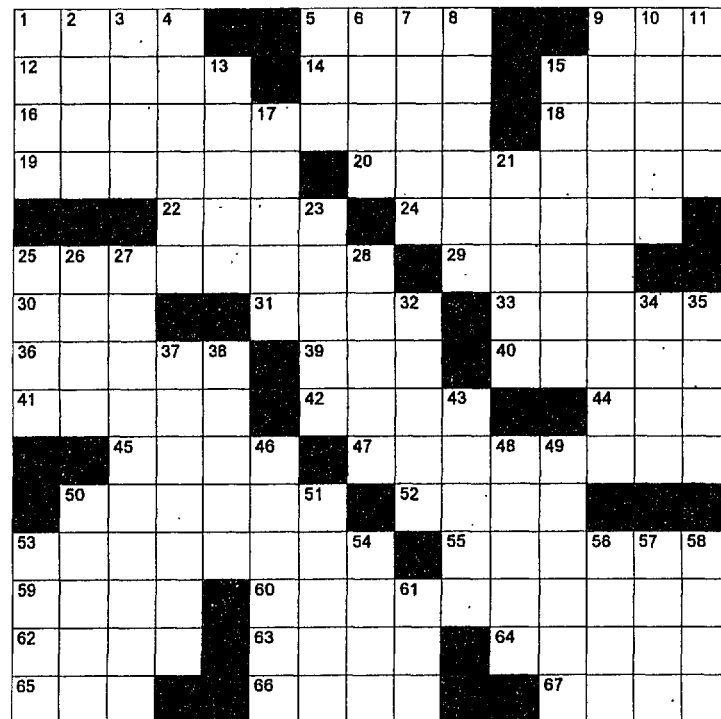
On The Town

Across

- 1 Pub servings
- 5 Heroic poem
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- 12 Stumblebums
- 14 Burn plant
- 15 Window part
- 16 New Jersey town
- 18 Luciano Pavarotti specialty
- 19 Fine-textured
- 20 New Jersey city
- 22 Pairs
- 24 Massachusetts city
- 25 Beautification item
- 29 Harness part
- 30 Hardwood tree
- 31 Trampled
- 33 Hotfooted
- 36 Jumped
- 39 Common verb
- 40 Muck
- 41 TV host King
- 42 TV entrepreneur Griffin
- 44 Vat
- 45 Cuts back
- 47 Purple quartz
- 50 Reservation lodges
- 52 Region
- 53 Sioux State capital
- 55 Designate
- 59 Pro
- 60 City on Lake Champlain
- 62 Golf club
- 63 Hip bone
- 64 Fight
- 65 A British isle
- 66 Too
- 67 Revolutionary seamstress

Down

- 1 Donation for the poor
- 2 Textile machine
- 3 Ireland monetary unit
- 4 Walked with long steps
- 5 Corrode
- 6 Plunk down
- 7 Hawkeye resident
- 8 Midpoint
- 9 Silver State capital
- 10 Bermuda, for one
- 11 Comedian Orson
- 13 Stomach exercise
- 15 Showing favoritism
- 17 A young pig
- 21 Pitchers
- 23 Get lost
- 25 Leaf time
- 26 On the Atlantic
- 27 Mountain State capital
- 28 Asian peninsula
- 32 Skin prefix
- 34 Ostrich cousins
- 35 Obligation
- 37 Stage crew member
- 38 Stress-related personality
- 43 *La Traviata* composer
- 46 Belgrade locale
- 48 Adolescents
- 49 Closet device
- 50 Jewelled headdress



- 51 Long oar
- 53 Edge
- 54 Actor Kristofferson
- 56 Cleveland Brown's Graham
- 57 Young children
- 58 Hall of Famer Slaughter
- 61 Mekong River resident

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Lady T-Birds steamroll Lady Clippers



Photo by Austen Lavery

Denay Boswell splits the South Puget Sound defenders as she scores this basket.

BY STEVE PIROTTE

STAFF REPORTER

The Highline women's basketball team came from behind to beat South Puget Sound 67-52, keeping the T-Birds in the playoff hunt in the NWAACC Western Division.

Playing at home last Saturday, Highline went into the half down by one point. Injured guard Ashley Cavalieri was able to spot the problems from the sideline.

"The first half was really close," Cavalieri said. "They had two main players that scored almost all their first half points. We weren't really able to contain them."

"In the second half we came out with a lot of intensity and defensive pressure," Cavalieri said. "We ran our full-court defense and were able to run down the shot clock."

Head Coach Amber Rowe was not surprised the team came back to win.

"It's been that way all year," Rowe said. "We just wear teams down. We pointed out the problems in the first half and the team stepped it up."

Coach Rowe was particularly impressed with the play of some

players against the Clippers.

"Olentia Dishmon came in and was very intense on defense," Rowe said of the 5-foot-3 freshman point guard. "She was a sparkplug for us. She came in and knocked down a couple of shots and played really well overall."

Guard Natalie Schmidt was most pleased with the teamwork the T-Birds showed in the second half.

"We played really good team basketball and had some awesome assists," Schmidt said. "We rebounded really well, something we had to do to win the game."

Another improvement in the team was shooting percentage, something they have struggled with all season. Coach Rowe was also impressed with the improvement in shooting. "Our shooting percentage is up to about 23 percent, but that is still low. We'd like to be at over 30 percent."

Another thing the team has been working on is rebounding.

"Stefania Green had six rebounds in nine minutes," said Rowe. "We were really impressed with her play."

"Our shooting is low, but it is a little better than in previous

games," Cavalieri said. "We just need to get our confidence up and keep doing the shooting drills in practice."

The win puts Highline in third place in the Western Division with a 4-1 record (11-7 overall), while South Puget Sound dropped to seventh with a 2-4 record.

The T-Birds now face a tough stretch, playing three of four games on the road. The one home game is against rival Green River on Feb. 1. However, they must first play Lower Columbia, who is in first with a 5-0 record.

"I'm a little nervous about the games on the road," Rowe said. "It's going to be pretty tough. This team has done well on the road, but in seasons past we were not so strong."

Rowe believes that crowd support is important for the team to do well.

"Against South Puget Sound the game turned around when the men's team started cheering for us," Rowe said. "We went on a 12-0 run after that. Thirteen or 14 people making noise makes a difference."

Results from Wednesday's contest at Clark were unavailable at press time.

Heart, spirit, tenacity, and guts push Cavalieri

BY ROSIE MEEKER

STAFF REPORTER

One incident has led to a very frustrating season for sophomore Ashley Cavalieri. Cavalieri plays guard on the Highline women's basketball team.

Cavalieri fractured her right hand, which is the one she shoots with, in a game Dec. 16 against Peninsula. She played in the first eight games of the season before her injury. Cavalieri has had to sit out of the last 11 games.

"She's a tough cookie," Head Coach Amber said. "When she broke her hand she told the trainer she thought she jammed her finger."

Cavalieri is a great shooter, and because of her hand injury, she will become the team's best left-handed player. Although she is a great shooter, Cavalieri feels that she will need to work on shooting with her right hand again once it heals to its fullest capability.

Four weeks after her injury happened, the wires that were needed to heal her hand were removed.

"I'll be good to play next



Cavalieri

week," Cavalieri said last week. She will be wearing a brace during the game against Clark on Wednesday.

Cavalieri has been a role model and an inspiration to the other team members without her being aware of it.

"She comes to every practice and works. She does drills with us if she can, but if she can't then she is always on the sidelines working on some other part of her game," said Coach Rowe.

"It would have been easy for her to sit and watch and be lazy, but she has done no such thing. When her hand is healed she will be ready to go, she will not have to worry about getting back in shape, she stayed in shape," Rowe said

At 5-foot-5 Cavalieri has to be quick on her feet, and she holds that to her advantage. Cavalieri has learned to be confident about her height in a game.

As to the team, Cavalieri said, "We are really close. Off the court we really fit in well; we have a lot in common, easy to get along."

Before every game the team prays and during the games and practices they all work together to keep everybody up and feeling good.

"She is great on the bench, loud and positive," said Coach Rowe of Cavalieri's attitude when off the court.

Cavalieri played for Decatur High School and made it to the playoffs her senior year. When she first started to play basketball her parents were skeptical, but as she continued to play and improve her parents became very supportive and really encouraged her to push hard, which she has done.

Cavalieri is finishing up her associate of arts degree, and hopes to transfer to Western, where she will continue to study to become a physical trainer.



Photo by Jocie Olson

Ashley Cavalieri prepares for Lower Columbia.

Men's basketball now atop their division

BY LINDSEY FARAH

STAFF REPORTER

With a victory last week, the Highline men's basketball team is a lone in first place in the NWAACC Western Division.

Highline spanked South Puget Sound in its only game last week, while lowly Tacoma upset previously undefeated Lower Columbia. That leaves the T-Birds with a 5-0 record (12-3 overall).

The T-Birds had little trouble with the Clippers, who came into the game with a 0-6 record in divisional play (5-11 overall).

The T-Birds ran up a 20-point first-half lead on their way to a 95-70 victory. Guard Derek Webb led Highline with 19 points.

Morris Anderson added 12 points and seven assists. Jaxin Skyward chipped in another dozen and Nate Jackson had 11 points.

Highline again applied great defensive pressure on the Clippers, while moving the ball and communicating on offense.

"Just being motivated coming out in the second half after

having such a big lead, I would say that's our biggest challenge," said sophomore Jaxin Skyward, the team captain and guard for the T-Birds.

"We did a much better job establishing ourselves early and for the most part maintained the necessary level of intensity in the start of the second half, kind of the situation of the last game I was definitely pleased," said T-Birds Head Coach Che Dawson.

Results of Wednesday's game at Clark were unavailable at press time. Highline was favored to beat the 1-5 Penguins.

In last years matchups, Clark and Highline split the season series.

Clark won the first match up in Vancouver, 84-75. Highline took the rematch in Des Moines 80-68.

Highline next travels to Longview to face Lower Columbia at 7 p.m. Saturday, before returning home to host Green River on Wednesday, Feb. 1 at 7 p.m. in the Pavilion.

The momentum heading into the match-up with Lower Columbia has now switched as the Red Devils try to rebound from

their loss to Tacoma.

While Highline was beating SPSCC, Lower Columbia was having some trouble at Tacoma.

Lower Columbia entered the game against Tacoma as the top ranked team in the NWAACC with a record of 17-0.

Tacoma entered the contest with 4-13 record.

Tacoma ended up beating Lower Columbia 76-72 in overtime.

In last year's meetings, Highline and Lower Columbia split the season series, with each team winning on their home court.

In their first matchup, Highline won 63-55. Lower Columbia took the rematch 74-64.

After the Lower Columbia matchup, the Gators from Green River will storm Highline.

Highline swept the season series last year and have won three of the last four matchups between the programs.

Highline won the first matchup in Auburn by a score of 74-72.

Then in the rematch in the Thunderdome, Highline won again by a score of 78-73.

The game's opening tipoff is set for 8 p.m.

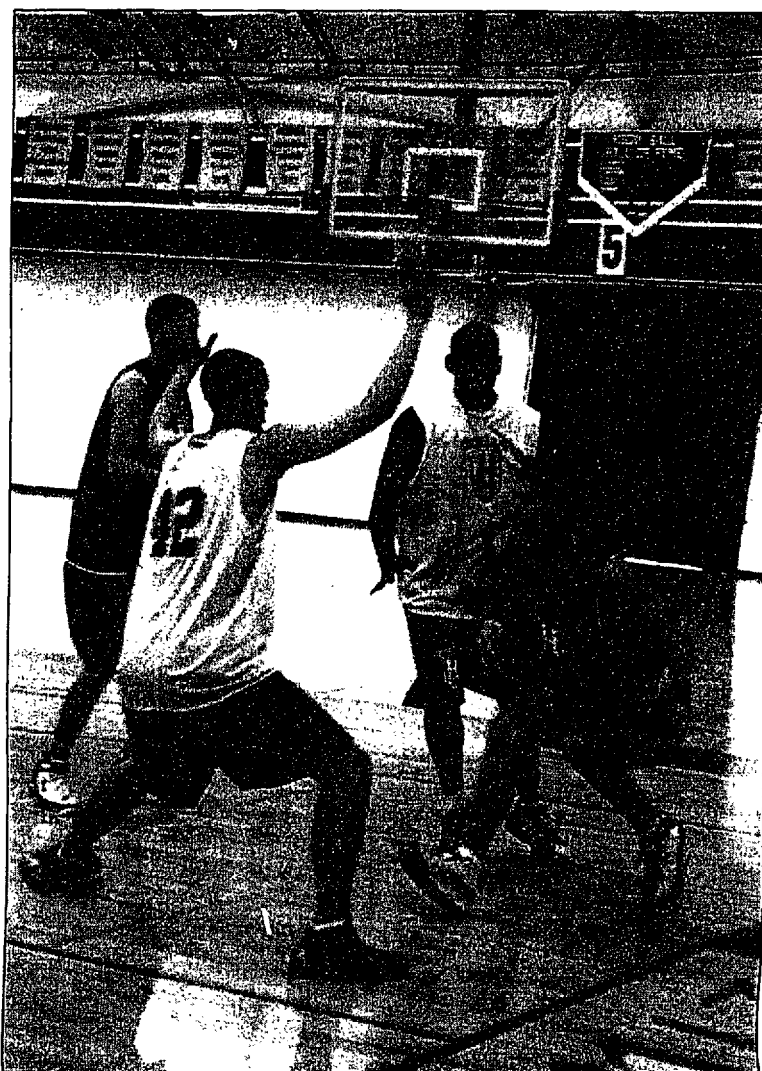


Photo by Austen Lavery

Matt Mgebert and Mandela Bunting close in on Mike Dorr while Jessie Campbell looks on during practice.

Wrestlers close regular season, aim for nationals

BY TREVOR KULVI

STAFF REPORTER

A third-place finish by Brad Padgett, a fourth-place finish by Yura Malamara and other great showings led the way for the Highline wrestling team at the Clackamas Open on Jan. 21.

A total of 10 teams, five junior colleges and five four-year schools, were in attendance at the match.

"It was a good meet," said Assistant coach John Clemens. "We only took five guys with us because some were not feeling well and we did not want to push it."

"Even though we only had five guys, it was still a good meet even though guys were getting bad calls," said Head Coach Scott Norton.

In the 184-pound class, Highline's Padgett placed third.

"He went through the whole match without a loss, but we decided to hold him out of a match against a guy from Southwestern Oregon," said Clemens. "It was a strategic move because he had already faced him four times earlier in the year."

In the 197-pound class, All-American Yura Malamara placed fourth. Malamara got



Photo by Jocie Olson

Paul Kline and Desean Willis preparing for their matchup against Simon Fraser.

fourth after a bad call by the referee in his semi-final match.

"The ref made a bad call on during the match," said Norton. "The ref said that Yura's shoulders were down when it was clearly obvious that his back was down, plus the ref was screwing everyone else at the meet."

Also performing well for Highline were Norman Ore and Lionel Orgi in the 165 and 174 pound class. Ore went 2-2 overall during the tournament.

"Norman was trying to gain some ground during the meet," said Norton.

Orgi also went 2-2 during the meet and came within one

match of placing.

"In order to place in a match, you must win two matches in a row and both Orgi and Ore were unable to get it, but both still had outstanding matches," said Clemens.

Sophomore James Barr-Finch did not make the trip because of a broken foot that has kept him out for most of the season.

"James had a so-so career and was a match away from making it to nationals," said Norton.

The next home match for Highline will be on Saturday, Jan. 28 against Simon Fraser and is set to begin at 4 p.m.

This match will be the final

tune up before Highline competes in the Regionals at Southwestern Oregon on Feb. 11.

Highline expects to have a full lineup with them during the Simon Fraser showdown.

Expected to compete for Highline are: Desean Willis at 125 pounds, Paul Kline will be in the 133 pound class, Tanner McCoy at 141 pounds.

In the range from 150 to 175 pounds will be: Kelly Keaton at 149 pounds, Micheal Markay at 157 pounds, Norman Ore at 165,

and Lionel Orgi at 174 pounds.

Brad Padgett will wrestle in the 184 pound match, while Roy Chambers and Yura Malamara will participate in the 197 pound range.

Highline hopes to get one more guy for the match. They hope he can score some points in the heavyweight division.

In the last matchup between these two schools, Simon Fraser won by a score of 23-21.

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With Rowe on board season looking up

By GAVIN JOHNSON

STAFF REPORTER

Amber Rowe is off to a busy start in 2006.

Already head coach of the women's basketball team, she now will do double duty as interim head track coach. Assistant Coach Les Black will continue to coach the sprinters and Assistant Coach Barry Carel will coach the distance runners.

Rowe replaces Robert Yates, who was fired last fall. College officials have declined to discuss Yates' dismissal. Because of such a late dismissal, there were no candidates for the job.

"I wanted to make sure the athletes would still have a season, so I decided to take the job last minute. I couldn't imagine having to forfeit the season,"

said Rowe.

Rowe will bring some knowledge of track and field to Highline this spring.

Rowe was a four-year varsity sprinter when she attended Ron Colli High School in Indianapolis, Ind. She was also an assistant coach for a high school in Idaho, and has been helping runners at Highline for the previous two years.

"She's a great fit for this team. We have the same philosophy on coaching, and the same goals that we want to accomplish this season," said Coach Black. Black continued to compliment Coach Rowe on her organization and style of coaching.

Coach Black will be taking over until the Lady T-Birds 2005-2006 basketball season comes to an end. Black feels



Rowe

very confident about the turnout this season.

Rowe said she will be happy to help out the track program.

"I'm very comfortable with taking this position since I've helped the last two years and know all of the returning runners. I'm very excited for this track season," said Rowe.

Since there will only be open gyms for basketball in the spring, so track shouldn't affect the Lady T-Birds whatsoever.

Highline's runners next will compete this weekend in a meet at the University of Washington's Dempsey Indoor facility.

T-Birds expected to compete include Carolyn Norman, Kenjamine Jackson, Highline alum Ricky Moody, and several distance runners.

They will be competing against local track clubs and Division I schools such as Portland State, Western Oregon, and the host UW. This will be the T-Birds' second indoor track meet this winter.

Sprinters Norman and Jackson made a good impression on Coach Black in the 60 and 200 meter at the first indoor meet at Dempsey. Norman set two personal records and Jackson finished third overall in the 200 meter dash.

Scoreboard

Women's Basketball

WEST	Leag.	Ovrl.
Centralia	5-0	16-2
Lower Col.	5-0	10-5
Highline	4-1	11-7
Green River	3-2	5-11
Clark	3-3	7-12
Tacoma	2-4	4-9
S. Puget Snd.	2-4	5-12
Pierce	0-5	1-15
Grays Harbor	0-5	1-14

Scores

Seattle 75, Edmonds 52
Olympic 74, Peninsula 68
Bellevue 62, Shoreline 39
Centralia 68, Clark 53
Green River 77,
Grays Harbor 68
Lower Columbia 65,
Tacoma 43
Highline 67,
South. Puget Snd 52
Spokane 71,
Blue Mountain 53

More at stake when T-Birds host Gators

By JAMIE GROSSMANN

STAFF REPORTER

A rivalry may be in the works.

Next Wednesday, both the T-Bird men's and women's basketball teams will be hosting the Gators of Green River. However, there will be one difference when the Gators come to the Thunderdome.

The Gators are expected to bring between 40 and 60 students with them in what could be the inaugural Valley Cup game.

"The game is being publicized here and we are trying to get as many students to go to the game as possible," said Green River's Athletic Director Bob Kickner.

The setup for next week's game actually began back in August when Highline and Green River's student programs met and discussed how to get more student involvement.

"We first talked about it in August and both sides (Green River and Highline) liked the idea of the Valley Cup," said Student Government President Paul Kalchik. "Wednesday's game is an experimental project to see how it goes. It is tough because of the different age groups and interests that make up our students."

While there may not be a cup presentation at the game on Wednesday it is in the works and the goal is to have one by the return match up on March 4 at Green River.

"The plan is to start with the men's game and expand to the women's and eventually throughout all of our athlet-



ics," said Jared Tarabochia, vice president of administration. "It is hard being a community college. Students come to Highline for classes and then head off to their other responsibilities."

The main idea behind the Valley Cup for both the Green River and Highline student programs is to increase student involvement and support for athletics.

"In the past, both schools have been focused more on academics," said Tarabochia. "We want to be more student focused, and it will help both schools achieve that."

Both athletic directors mirror this idea.

"It's great for both programs," said John Dunn, Highline's athletic director.

"I am for anything we can do to increase involvement and create an exciting collegiate atmosphere," said Kickner.

To increase involvement and enjoyment at the basketball games, Highline Student Programs has looked into purchasing thunder-sticks like those

found at Sonics games and foam thunder bolts.

They will also be looking into adding special events during the halftime of both games like half-court shots for prizes.

"Ideas are being tossed around about what we can do," said Tarabochia. "There are a lot of things on the table right now; we are just sorting through them."

Along with the large group of students who will be making the trip across the valley they will be bringing a special guest, the Green River Gator.

While Highline doesn't have a mascot currently, it is in the design stages and will hopefully be available by Spring Quarter.

"The mascot will be more than a generic bird costume. We have looked into the meaning of the Thunderbird according to local Native American tribes and will be trying to model it based on those meanings," said Kalchik. "The current proposed design brings in many of the characteristics found on the Highline Totem Poles, but will

have a fiercer look."

The mascot will be used for more than sporting events. If all goes as planned the mascot would be used at a variety of Highline events such as the Spring Career Fair to the occasional visits to the child care center, Tarabochia said.

While this game is the trial run to see how it works and if the student involvement is there, the real test may not be until March 4 when Highline makes the trip to Green River for a Saturday afternoon contest set for 3 p.m.

By the time the rematch takes place both teams may have more riding on the game as it will be the regular season finally for both teams.

Men's Basketball

WEST	Leag.	Ovrl.
Highline	5-0	12-3
Grays Harbor	4-1	12-5
Lo. Columbia	4-1	17-1
Centralia	3-2	6-11
Tacoma	3-3	4-13
Green River	2-3	6-10
Pierce	2-3	8-9
Clark	1-5	3-14
S. Puget Snd.	0-6	5-11

Scores

Edmonds 87, Seattle 77
Skagit Valley 84, Everett 82
Peninsula 70, Olympic 68
Bellevue 84, Shoreline 71
Centralia 94, Clark 84
Grays Harbor 89,
Green River 68
Tacoma 76,
Lower Columbia 72
Highline 95,
South Puget Sound 70
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New store to open near college

By MARK DANSEREAU

STAFF REPORTER

Walgreens new store in Des Moines will open in March.

Walgreens is opening a new store and pharmacy next to the Shell gas station on the corner of Kent-Des Moines Road and Pacific Highway South. The tentative opening date for the Des Moines store is set for Saturday, March 4, 2006.

The store expects to fill 30 jobs by their March opening, and those interested in a job should go to another Walgreens and fill out an application for the new store. This store will be approximately 14,500 square feet, and have more than 70 parking spots.

This store will add to the existing 91 other Walgreens stores that are currently operating within Washington state, and Walgreens officials say that they plan on introducing more stores to the state, at least 100 more during the next few years.

Walgreens is by no means new to the pharmacy and retail game, serving nearly 4 million

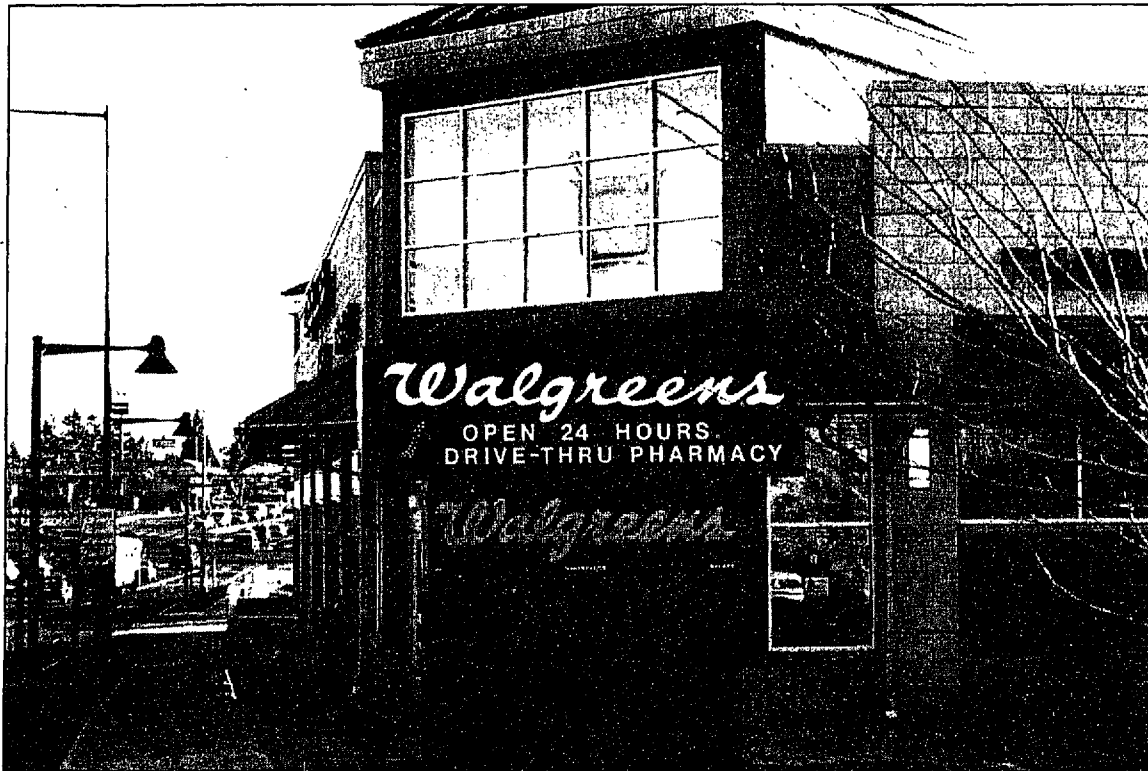


Photo by Austen Lavery

The new Walgreens store will open in March, not far from Highline's campus.

customers daily in more than 5,000 stores nationwide. Though Walgreens is a relatively new name around here, though they were founded and opened their first store in 1901.

Walgreens officials say that

their goal is to have 7,000 stores open and running by 2010, which are 2,000 more stores within the next four years. The current rate of expansion is 450 stores per year. To attain their goal by 2010 will need an increase of 11

percent over their current 7 percent rate of growth.

Over the past five years Walgreens has increased its sales and say they plan on a 4.5 percent increase each year.

Rite Aid and Bartell Drugs

are Walgreens major competition in the area. Bartell's is well grounded in the Northwest having been founded here in 1890. Rite Aid has been in the Puget Sound area for over 10 years and like Walgreens, plans to expand through the state as it has throughout the country.

Walgreens officials say that opening a new store at the Des Moines location is a smart, profitable idea. It takes over 100 pages of research on a location before Walgreens decides to build and open a store.

Fortune magazine ranked Walgreens No. 1 among food and drugstores as the Most Admired Corporations in America for the 2005 year. They also ranked No. 126 in overall revenue by Fortune Magazine Global 500 Largest Companies of 2005.

Most of Walgreens expansion will be centered in Washington, Oregon, California and Florida, and they will be looking for college-educated people to manage and run their stores.

Genetic studies may help save the whales

By JOCIE OLSON

STAFF REPORTER

Whale lice, buckets of seawater, and humpback whales all have something in common, explained Research Scientist David Hamm, and that is genetics.

Hamm spoke on Jan. 21 as part of Highline's Marine Science and Technology Center at Redondo Beach as part of the Science on the Sound series.

"What genetics has allowed us to do is answer some long time questions," Hamm said.

A problem that has plagued the Northwest is seals eating endangered salmon. Researchers can use genetics after gathering samples from seals to study what portion salmon is in their diet. This helps them to understand how much salmon are expected to be eaten by seals.

Genetics can be used to solve the ongoing problem of whale population being reduced to a fraction of what it was hundreds of years ago.

In 1986 the International Whaling Commission said that countries can start whaling again only when the population reaches 54 percent of the original size.

The whaling commission was set up for the regulation of whaling and it is there to provide for the proper conservation

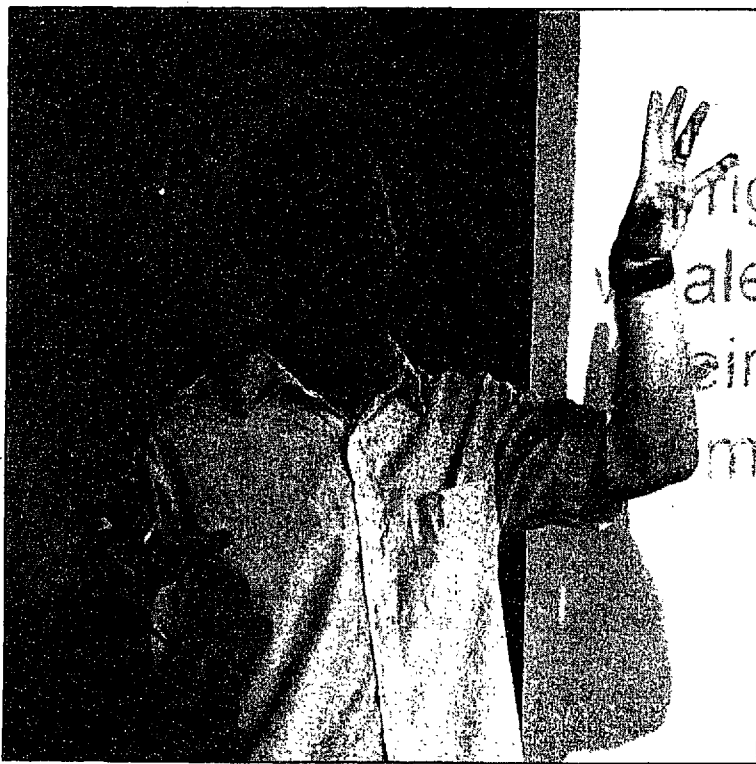


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David Hamm says genetics can help humans understand what's happening to marine life.

of whale stock.

There are now 10,000 humpback whales but it is difficult to know what the original population was 500 years ago. Old log books from whaling ships were examined and the commission came up with an estimate of 20,000 whales.

But what if that figure was wrong and countries such as Japan and Norway, who want to start hunting again, deplete the

whale population?

Researchers used genetics and gathered 110 samples from actual whales and came up with a huge amount of genetic variation, which means that the humpback whale population would have been in the hundreds of thousands rather than just 20,000. At this rate countries will not be able to hunt them for another 70-100 years.

"Most of what controls genet-

ic variation is chance," Hamm said. "Small populations have less genetic variation."

The next event on Feb. 4 at the Marine Science and Technology Center will be discussing how low oxygen concentrations are affecting Hood Canal and will be presented by Jan Newton from the University of Washington.

The MaST Center will host Jo Gardiner from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administrations on March 4.

How Northwest states and cities are helping to reduce the pollution that causes global warming will be explained by Climate Solutions Research Director Patrick Mazza on March 18.

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came here in 1996, and Cavcic came here in 2001.

All of them are Running Start students from Foster High School.

"There was a Bosnia club at Foster, but when we came here there was none," said Saracevic.

Ten active members of the Friends of Bosnia club go to the meetings regularly.

The event was also a fundraiser for the club.

"It turned out to be a very successful event. There were a lot of people," Salihovic said.

"Since the club has a small budget, we wanted to do more promotion for it," Cevcic said.

"We sent out mail to about 300 hundred Bosnians and the community around the Des Moines area," said Misut. "We wrote letters and mass mailed them to people."

The common topic of the event was how to be Bosnian and American at the same time. Assimilation is inevitable, said Dr. Senad Agic, chairman of the Bosnian Relief Committee of Chicago and head imam of the Bosnian Muslim Community in the United States.

Dr. Agic, who was the author of book Immigration and Assimilation, spoke at the event.

Agic said that in writing the book, he wanted to find out the best way to assimilate Bosnian's into American society.

The best way, he said, is selective assimilation.

"We take the best out of Bosnian and American culture," Agic said.



Photo by Alicia Mendez

From left to right, Elvin Misut, Hajrudin Saracevic, Selena Salihovic, and Nedim Cavcic are all members of the Friends of Bosnia club.

There are two traditional Bosnian folklore groups working in Seattle. The group that performed first, Sevdah, is from North Seattle. The second group, Behar, which means blossom on a tree, is from South Seattle; most of the members of Friends of Bosnia are part of Behar.

Bosnian culture has traditions dating back to the 15th century. Since Bosnia was under Ottoman rule for some 500 years.

The Ottoman influence on the Bosnian folk dance, costumes, and music is very evident.

Slavic and Oriental influences are mixed in Bosnian culture.

"Most dances that Sevdah and Behar introduced to the Highline audience were inspired by the 19th century folk dances

in Bosnia," said Misut.

Friends of Bosnia plans to put on two more events, Misut said.

The first event will be on March 11, to celebrate International Women's Day.

"We want to bring different groups from the Seattle area and with a live program full of music and dance; we want to look back to a 90-year-old tradition of this celebration," Misut said.

"We want to celebrate, remember and mark a long history of women's struggle for equality, justice, peace, and prosperity."

The second event that they want to organize is the International Worker's Day, which for America is Labor Day, on May 1.

"It's an international holi-

day in many countries, but not in English-speaking countries," said Misut.

International Worker's Day is a remainder of the historic struggle of working people throughout the world, said Misut.

"Bosnia is one of the countries that celebrate this holiday. People usually go out to parks and have their first picnic of the season with friends and family," Misut said.

The next club meeting will be held today at 12:10 p.m. in the Student Union on the third floor.

For more information contact the Friends of Bosnia adviser, Susan Rich at 206-878-3710, ext. 3253, or contact club president Misut by e-mail at amerikanac@gmail.com

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they hope that it becomes a focal point of cultural enrichment and that it becomes a permanent setting where students of every culture can be supported.

"Right now, one of our challenges is staffing the area," Castro says.

Although they have the ICC set up, there are still some dilemmas on staffing, supplies and programming that will later, need to be discussed.

Castro says that they plan on having peer adviser functions to help operate the center.

However, their main objective now, is to make sure that this center will be able to meet the needs of students that have a cultural background and provide them with services, programs, facilities and an area to feel welcome.

Right now, Castro and Harden-Abe are brainstorming new programs to add to the center.

"Diversity dialogue, film series, having peer advising programs," Castro says.

"We're exploring a brother-to-brother program right now, which is a support group for men," Harden Abe adds on. To list a few of the current programs are: Human Rights Club, Phi Theta Kappa, Team Highline, Rainbow Club, and various ethnic clubs and organizations.

There is also a goal to have a service for evening students as well. It will provide them with a meeting and lounge center that will be open till 7 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday nights.

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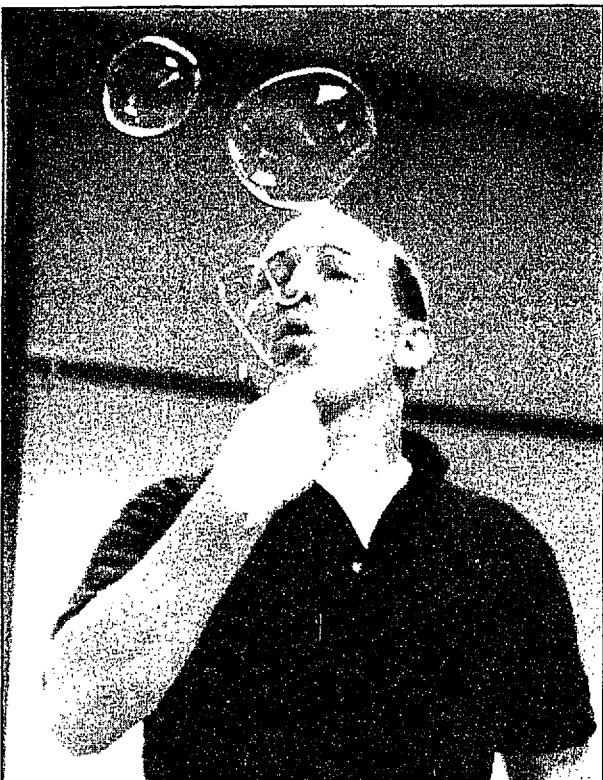


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Richard Bankhead demonstrates with bubbles at last weeks Science Seminar.

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