Happy harvest in Des Moines

Farmers market ending first season

Security redirect smokers to smoking areas

New college trustee sees position as challenge
Nursing program opens more slots

BY SIMONE SHOW
staff reporter

Highline's Nursing Program is now able to accept nine more students than in previous years. The Nursing Program trains students to become registered nurses, and can be completed in one of two ways: students who are licensed practical nurses (LPNs) can enter the program for a year, while students who are not already LPN must be in the program for two years.

The addition of new spots came from the State Board for Technical and Community Colleges, when they gave the Nursing Program a high-demand grant, which goes to support popular programs that allow students to graduate and instantly be eligible for a high-wage job. The extra places in the program have already created an even higher demand. "Things are a little bit more crowded," said Barbara Smith, Nursing Program coordinator, said. "We had to get larger classrooms."

Last year, there were 197 applicants for 44 beginning nursing slots, and 41 for 18 LPN to RN spots. This year, there were 274 applicants for 49 beginning spaces, and 59 for 23 LPN to RN.

"Brown Bag Lunch Hour: College and Stress Management," Oct. 18. Faculty Counselor Thressa Alston will be leading this workshop, which focuses on providing tools to students to help them minimize stress. The event will take place in Building 6, room 151 from noon-1 p.m.

• Discovering and Using Your Learning Style, Oct. 19. Patricia Haggerty, who is also a faculty counselor, will help students discover how they learn. The event will be taking place from noon-1 p.m. in Building 19, room 203.

• Decreasing Your Procrastination, Oct. 24. Patricia Haggerty is back again to give students creative solutions for procrastinating. The event will be in Building 6, room 151 and will last from noon-1 p.m.

Quick Steps to Career Decision Making, Oct. 25. Lance Gibson will lead the final workshop and help students find a starting place for planning their career. The event will last from noon-1 p.m.

The program also had to be expanded to include two more local clinics where students gain hands-on experience.

However, since the nine extra spaces are only going to be available for the next two years, Smith said she feels there is still more to be done.

"I understand it is only a drop in the bucket compared to the demand," Smith said. "I hope that in the future we can find a way to increase further, but the complexity of that does make it impossible right now."

Waiver available

Students can now apply for Highline's Academic Achievement Scholarship for Winter Quarter of 2007. Applications are due by Nov. 15 and should be turned in to the Student Development Center in Building 6.

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Faculty reflects on meaning of Ramadan

By JUDY VUE
Staff reporter

Imagine waking up every day at 5 in the morning to pray and show your devotion to God. Imagine praying for four more times thereafter. Now imagine not allowing yourself to eat or drink during daylight hours for a month.

That is a typical day for Highline Arabic instructor Samad Chakour. Chakour, who is originally from Morocco, and many other Muslim students and teachers have been practicing the holy month of Ramadan since Sept. 25.

Ramadan is the ninth month of the lunar year for the religion of Islam, also believed to be when the Qur'an (aka Koran) was finally revealed to the people and used as guidance and salvation for the religion.

Ramadan will end on Oct. 22-24, depending on where you are in the world, but many Muslims pray year round.

Chakour wakes at 5 a.m. every morning to do what is called the sunrise prayer, which he accompanies with some words from the Qur'an before he starts his day at Highline.

Afterward, he has several more prayers to go: the noon prayer, the afternoon prayer and the evening prayer.

The past month has been different due to Ramadan. There is an extra optional prayer that takes place before the final evening prayer.

It is called the taraweeh and it lasts usually from an hour and a half, some even longer.

During this long prayer, sections of the Qur'an are recited, usually divided in relation to the month so that by the end of Ramadan, all of the Qur'an will have been read.

For Chakour, it is a time of motivation and self-improvement.

"We develop self-control for ourselves. We improve our conscience of God and conscience of inner being as a human," he said.

Chakour sees Ramadan as an opportunity to "really purify your behavior." He says that fasting is an essential part to that. And not just as a health issue either.

"Fasting really cleanses our bodies," he said. "Think of the poor and those who struggle to eat," he said. "It gives you sense and makes you aware of a person (about what they go through)," he said.

He said that Ramadan is a way to not put so much value into material things and focus on giving to others.

"Material is a waste," he said. "It is driving people from other humans.

Chakour said that giving is an essential part of Islam, whether it is formal donations or simply inviting your neighbor over for some dinner.

During Ramadan, giving is higher," he said, although he says that it is an essential trait of Islam year-round.

"It's an obligation. It's not something optional. You have to give," he said.

This strong devotion is a common trait among many Muslims, including ESL professionals and Pre-College Studies instructor Amal Mahmoud who hails from Egypt.

Along with having a similar day to Chakour, he has a young son and daughter that he passes the Muslim traditions on to as well.

He says he is very proud of their practicing Ramadan, along with the younger generation in general.

"They care about it so much," he said. "It's nice to see all these people, eight years to 20 years. I'm proud to see them all fasting. [It shows] they still care about their culture.

He does admits his reservations for much younger children fasting, including his own 8-year-old daughter.

He allows her to fast only on the weekends, yet is impressed and proud of her handling of it, along with his 14-year-old son, who has been fasting normally.

He said that fasting is all about being thankful.

"The difference between 6 and 6:30 (the final half hour before the evening meal of Ramadan) is huge," he said.

"To deprive yourself of something for a few hours and go back to it (makes you feel grateful for what you have)," he said.

"Because we are immigrants, we connect these kids with culture, religion and language," he said. He sees that connection in your people's reactions to Islam in the media.

"Forget about terrorism," Mahmoud said. "[Students studying Islam] see that and say 'This is not what I'm learning. We don't lie, we don't steal, we don't kill.'

"Islam is not a small group of terrorists," he said. "Islam is about peace. If the general population knew, or cared to know, the real thing, they would know the different issues."

Although Islam encourages peace all the time, Ramadan is seen as a period to refresh your relationship with God and start anew as a human being.

The last 10 days of Ramadan are believed to be the most spiritually intense, involving Muslims seeking what is called the Laylat al-Qadr or "Night of Power," believed to be when the first revelation of the Qur'an was sent down to the Prophet Muhammad.

It involves incessant prayers and readings from the Qur'an, which many people will do for hours on end without any sleep.

As Ramadan comes to a close, Muslims will go back to their normal routine and many will be thankful for much more than just getting to eat.

Speakers come forward for Latino Awareness Week

By JENNIFER CAMPBELL
Staff reporter

Latino Awareness Week brought several speakers to Highline over the past several days.

Native American Red Wolf, who was one such speaker, stated that American history did not begin with Christopher Columbus.

He spoke to students about Latino traditions and where they were derived from, the greed of the Spanish, and also the destruction of Latino religion and tradition.

Wolf is of Western Shoshoni Indian descent.

During his years at Oregon State University, Wolf discovered his connection with his Northern Mexican Native American roots, the Aztecs of Teochichilan.

Wolf said many Mexicans do not realize that they are natives, and that when the conquista- dor's auctioned off the Aztecs as slaves, they were given the His-panic surnames that we know today.

"Well some traditions aren't from Latino in history," Wolf said.

Wolf explained the intricate drums he had brought, the red feathers tied around his wrist and head, and the breastplate adorned with tassels that he wore.

Though the regalia were from both his Shoshoni and Aztec origins, the symbolism is the same, Wolf said.

Then, Wolf drummed two beats on his drums.

The first he played was the ofrenda, or offering, a prayer for Mother Earth. The second presented planting seeds.

His drumming was so loud and so intense that he was left out of breath, and the walls of Building 7 seemed to hum.

"I am not against brown pride. Pride is not a sin, and we should have pride for what has been suppressed," Wolf said.

He encouraged students who are interested to come to Danza Azteca meetings.

The meetings take place every Sunday in Mount Vernon; they discuss more pre-La- tinof history and heritage.

Highline's Latino United Association also welcomed Marry Rios — an immigration lawyer from Seattle — who came to speak about immigration.

Rios said that the immigration law system in the United States is broken.

The United States has become a "hostile environment for immigrants," Rios said.

Rios added that he no longer sees the United States as a great melting pot.

He describes himself and his views on immigration as liberal.

"I would like to blame the Republicans, but I can't," Rios said.

Rios explained that he dislikes the tag of "illegal" immi-grants, because no human is illegal.

He prefers undocumented, as many Latinos came into the United States legally, and are being undeservedly called illegal.

Preventing illegal entrance to the United States has only re- cently been enforced, said Rios, and went on to say that putting up a wall will not keep anyone out.

He also expressed his opinion that more Latinos, whether documented or undocumented, would mean more United States and more support for Social Security.

Rios encourages immigrants to seek out help from the "right" sources, who can help them to become U.S. citizens or give free legal advice.
Editorial comment

Homework help is here

Every student has had a time when they've signed up for a class that feels too difficult and demanding to complete. Every student has received an assignment or project that is so daunting, it's hard to know just where to begin.

What many students do not realize, however, is they need not go at the rigor of school and course work alone. Every student is sometimes a social stigma or sense of shame that comes attached to admitting the need for outside assistance, it is better to seek help and do well, than to hold your tongue and fail, all for the sake of appearing to know what you're doing.

While it may seem embarrassing in the short term, the feeling of pleasure over doing well in a class makes any shame attached to asking for help pale in comparison.

Luckily, Highline officials realized this need for a place for students to get their questions asked a long time ago. Now, there are several outlets for students to go ask for assistance.

An obvious place to seek help would be the classroom. Teachers are often good about asking the class if anyone has any questions. Again, however, for the sake of appearances, students rarely feel comfortable asking any burning questions in front of their peers. More students choose the ever popular options of e-mail, telephones, or a visit with their teacher during their office hours.

The expression that two hands are better than one comes into play with the option of study groups. Instead of going at it alone, gathering a group of students from the same class to go over class notes and assignments with, can often times clear up any gray areas.

Study groups are also useful for when a person is absent for a day or two, they have several people in the class to inform them of what they missed.

A library, the Tutoring Center, and the Writing Center are also available on campus.

In the library, students have access to a wide-range of reference sources, audio-visual equipment, and computer databases. If students need assistance finding what they're looking for, ask one of the librarians for assistance with writing, students are urged to go to the Writing Center, where tutors are willing to help students with writing papers and essays, even if they are not school-related. Meanwhile, the Tutoring Center offers free tutoring in the major subjects taught at Highline.

For those that also use the Writing Center and Tutoring Center, it is best if students schedule appointments in advance to be guaranteed access to a tutor.

With all of these resources so readily available, hopefully, students will no longer feel there is no other option but to continue to grapple with schoolwork in undetected silence.

Letters

Time for action on Darfur dilemma

Dear editor:

Every night as I watch TV, I hear continuously about deaths in Iraq and random shootings within our own cities. However, very rarely do I hear about the atrocities that are occurring every day in Darfur, Sudan.

I took it upon myself to do research and was horrified at what I found. Since 2003, the country's government has been funding a rebel group called the Janjaweed that is slaughtering its own people.

Women and children of every age are being raped and assaulted every day. Almost a half-million Sudanese have been murdered and over 2.5 million have had to flee their homes in order to survive.

The rebel group bears through villages, burning the town to the ground while killing herds and destroying everything in sight.

Survivance is quickly taking lives and tearing families apart, all while the government is refusing to allow aid to help these people in need.

Genocide is occurring and we all need to do something, anything that brings more light to this and more pressure to stop it now.

Please sign petitions, write letters to our leaders, and pray. It honestly is a life or death situation.

Leila Shirazi, highline student
Des Moines Arts Commission approved by city

**By Rachel Lusby**

Des Moines once again has an arts commission.

The city council unanimously approved the Des Moines Arts Commission Steering Committee's request to form an arts commission for the city on Thursday, Oct. 12.

The city staff will now draft an ordinance which will be given to the City Council for final approval so the arts commission can get started on their goals.

"The next step is to find commissioners," says Nancy Warren, committee chairwoman and Highline's program manager for instruction. They are already looking for applicants to apply for the positions open in the commission.

Now that the commission inevitably has the approval of the city, they can apply for grants from other sources if they are unable to obtain funding from the city, and are planning to do so even if they get monetary backing from the city.

"We don't know when we will find out about city funding," says Warren.

The City Council will have a meeting on Nov. 16 regarding the 2007 budget so it is possible the commission will know sometime around then.

"Hopefully the city will want to support us," Warren said. They currently have ideas to reestablish the summer concert series which had been discontinued and to commission a local artist to create a mural to space up the dab gray wall behind the Des Moines Farmers Market.

They also would like to have a sculpture built out in front of the Des Moines Library and maybe even grant money to local artists for art shows or concerts.

Warren says that they will reevaluate their goals one they know how much funding they are able to obtain from the city and from outside sources.

Caviani and Thomas rock the turtle

**By Sammie Gehring**

Like any good drug, Placebo is addictive.

Co-headlining with She Wants Revenge, Placebo is ready to play a sold-out show Oct. 26 at Seattle's Showbox Theatre.

Placebo is made up of a trio of alternative-rock musicians with Swedish, English, Scottish and American ancestry.

Brian Molko, singer/guitarist; Stefan Olsdal, bassist; Steve Hewitt, drums.

Their sound is uniquely dark.

As these elements are meshed together, it truly melts into the ears of the listener.

Known as Ashtray Heart at one point, Placebo is influenced by The Smashing Pumpkins, Sonic Youth, and Seattle's very own Nirvana.

Much like U2, Placebo has stayed true to their original sound even with their fifth album, which was released earlier this year.

They have opened for bands such as Weezer, U2, and the briefly reunited Sex Pistols.

However, Placebo didn't make it big in the U.S. until their second album was released in 1998 titled Without You I'm Nothing.

The hit single Pure Morning shocked and amazed listeners with lyrics such as "A friend in need is a friend indeed, a friend with weed is better." Immediately people were interested.

Their albums have matured as time has passed. They still, however, carry that dark romantic flair with lyrics such as "I've come to wish you an unhappy birthday, someone call the ambulance."

Co-headliner She Wants Revenge is Justin Warfield (singer) and Adam Bravin (aka DJ Adam 12).

She Wants Revenge is influenced by the likes of The Cure, Placebo, and REM.

Placebo may not want revenge, but She does

**By Jonathan Kingham**

Folk artist comes back for a second Blend performance

**By Rachel Lusby**

Folk guitarist Jonathan Kingham returns to Highline next Wednesday for his second Blend performance at the Bistro.

The Blend is a bi-weekly musical performance put on by Highline Student Programs.

It is every other Wednesday at 11:30 a.m.

Touring the coffeehouse circuit with a tub of Red Vines in hand, Kingham's blend of folk, pop, country and jazz has captured the ears and the hearts of Northwesterners in the U.S.

Like most musicians, Kingham is well-traveled and continuously on the road.

He will be bouncing from Highline on Oct. 19 to Leavenworth Community Coffeehouse for their Coffeehouse Series on Oct. 20 and then on to Spokane Community College on Oct. 24.

Although he tends to play small venues, he is no small deal.

Kingham has toured with the likes of Shawn Colvin and Michael McDonald and more recently with Glen Phillips of Toad the Wet Sprocket and Julio Iglesias Jr. (the son of musician Julio Iglesias.)

Kingham has won multiple awards, including first place in the National Telluride Troubadour Songwriting Contest, first place in the folk category and the overall grand prize from 33,000 entries worldwide from the USA Songwriting Competition.

Currently, Kingham is promoting his newly released third album That Changes Everything.

If you are interested in hearing any of his new releases before you check him out at the Bistro on Oct. 25, go to www.jonathankingham.com and click on the "Hear the Songs" link at the top of the page.
**Crossword 101**

**By Ed Canty**

**Across**

1. Wurst
2. Tennis star Arthur & family
3. Native American tribe
4. Gas vendor
5. Prince Harry's Mom
6. Grinders
7. DAMNED JOHN
8. Mythological god of war
9. Poem
10. Candid
11. Rand McNally product
12. Avila's Saint
13. Catch one's breath
14. Not plant or animal
15. Tants
16. Thoughts
17. Scary word
18. Commotions
19. Signs
20. Circus venue
21. Type of story
22. Plant
23. Hack's customers
24. Plumber's helper
25. Bleachers
26. Philadelphia athletes
27. Audubon, e.g.
28. Embarrass a name
29. Sawbucks
30. Imitate
31. Chinese flyers
32. MY OAK TRAIN
33. Fencing sword
34. Piano man
35. Wader
36. Watery fluid of the blood
37. board
38. Eat

**Down**

1. Student's field of study
2. Wear away
3. Huts
4. Coal unit

**Clue**

I always turn to the sports pages first, which records people's accomplishments. The front page has nothing but man's failures.

Chief Justice Earl Warren

**Weekly Sudoku**

**By Linda Thistle**

**Last week's crossword solution**

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**Weekly Sudoku**

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Men win big over the weekend

By Michelle Erickson

The Highline men’s soccer team is now first in the West Division with an assist from Columbia Basin.

Highline, with a record of 8-2-2, is sitting pretty for the playoffs.

Highline played two victorious games this weekend, and Columbia Basin beat Bellevue 2-0 on Friday after Highline beat Columbia 1-0 on Saturday.

“We’ll definitely be in the playoffs. I’m positive this team will be in the playoffs,” head men’s soccer coach Jason Prenovost said. “What we’re playing for now is seeding.”

If Highline can keep ahead of Bellevue, they will have the advantage come playoffs.

The T-Birds started the weekend with a solid 5-0 win against Treasure Valley.

Robyn Onisco scored Highline’s first goal, with an assist from John Neubauer. His goal was followed closely by a goal from Sullivan to William with an assist from Cameron Valenzuela.

William Chang and Tucker Maxwell each added a goal to the scoreboard, and Edward Walumbe scored the fifth goal with an assist from Onisco.

“It was a good weekend, everyone was on point and played really well as a unit,” said Mario Magallanes. “I don’t think anyone can stop us when we’re on point.”

Taylor Campbell recorded his second shutout.

“I scored a phenomenal free kick,” Tucker Maxwell said.

“He took advantage of the goal when the goalie wasn’t looking,” said David Proud.

“I’m always looking to score,” Maxwell said.

Highline’s match against Columbia was a slightly harder win.

“Columbia seemed like they had a lot of confidence coming into the game, thinking ‘oh Highline tied Bellevue, and we beat Bellevue,’” Magallanes said.

Both teams remained tied at 0-0 until the 70th minute when Walumbe scored Highline’s winning goal.

“Saturday was a little rough, it started out slow. We came together in the last 30 minutes and came out with a win,” Magallanes said. “Half the team looked really sluggish that day. We weren’t at our best until the last 20 minutes.”

Magallanes added that the wins were a big morale booster.

“We smashed cakes on them,” Proud said. “Things are coming together.”

“After the Bellevue game it was a relief to play well,” Maxwell said.

“We’re getting there. We still have some work to do there’s no doubt about that,” Prenovost said. “We’re finding out a lot about ourselves it’s that development that gives you an edge come playoffs.”

The men have learned a lot from their previous losses. With only five more games until the playoffs the pressure is on.

“How you perform under pressure and how you react under pressure often dictates how successful you’re going to be in that situation,” Prenovost said.

“There’s a difference in being able to win and understanding how to win.”

The T-Birds have come up against much adversity, which will work to their advantage, Prenovost said.

“The only thing you can control in a pressure situation is the way you prepared for it and the way you respond to it,” Prenovost said. “If we didn’t prepare well and we didn’t respond well, that’s where regret comes in.”

“We’re facing adversity through the season which will make us stronger at the end of the year,” said Prenovost. “I like the way the guys are responding.”

“We put ourselves in situations where we have to respond under pressure and the results are immediate,” Prenovost said.

“You get to really find out what you’re made of,” said Magallanes.

“We’re playing in a new formation. We’re just trying it out for playoffs, the other team has not had much success and I think that’s going to continue,” said Maxwell referring to the game against Olympic.

Results from Wednesday’s game against Olympic were unavailable at press time.

The T-Birds return to action on Saturday, Oct. 21, in a home game against Tacona, and on Wednesday, Oct. 25, the men play Wenatchee.

Lady T-Birds prove their skill on road trip

By Jeff Alexander

The Lady T-Birds soccer team secured two huge wins this weekend, bringing them back to .500 for the first time since Sept. 20.

“I think these two wins, on the road or not, are great for our confidence and morale,” Head Coach Val Muehling said.

“The biggest thing for the team is that they are starting to believe,” Head Coach Tom Moore said.

Friday’s game against Treasure Valley was the first chance for all the players to play together.

Three of the four new players joined the team for the road trip as well as all of the players that were hurt.

“All the injured players came back at just the right time,” Coach Moore said.

The women beat 2-0-1 Treasure Valley 2-0 with both goals coming by way of Jenny Martini in the third and the 46th minutes. Brittany Schokar picked up the assist on Martini’s third minute goal. Goalkeeper Bree Klassen was perfect and recorded her second shutout of the year.

With the win against the Chukars of Treasure Valley, the women used their momentum to defeat the 7-5-1 Columbia Basin Hawks 2-0.

“The Columbia Basin game was huge because they beat us 6-0 last time, and they are doing well in their division,” Coach Moore said. Martini scored the only goals of the match during the 49th and 75th minutes. Bree Klassen shut down the potent offense of Columbia Basin and earned her third shutout.

“The team played exceptionally well. I’m really proud of them, both in how they played and how they handled a very physical team,” said Coach Muehling.

Both coaches were very pleased with the level of play the women demonstrated.

“They [the defense] played really well. They are much more cohesive and understanding their roles and positions much better,” Coach Muehling said.

Many of the improvements can be credited to the number of women on the team.

“It’s nice to have one of the new players to add speed up front with Jenny,” Coach Muehling said.

“With the added numbers, we were able to move some players around,” Coach Moore said.

The back-to-back wins this weekend have helped to turn the possibility of another playoff appearance into a reality.

“Credit the women for fighting through the first half of the game,” Coach Muehling said.

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Women struggle with inconsistency

BY KEITH DANGLE

The women's volleyball team is busy regrouping and assessing what went wrong after a disappointing loss to Tacoma last Friday.

They lost to Tacoma 30-25, 30-23, 30-28. Highline's record is now 4-4 after a win against Clark on Oct. 11 and their loss to Tacoma. Going into the game on Friday the Lady T-Birds were tied with Tacoma for fourth place. After beating Highline, Tacoma had a league record of 5-3, tying with Clark for fourth place in the division.

Head Coach John Littleman said that they played a very intense game against Clark, who is tied with Tacoma, however on Friday, they just didn't.

"We played very well the match before, against Clark, we were very intense, we were very aggressive. The match on Fri-day, against Tacoma, we didn't," said Littleman.

"This is disappointing because we felt we were going to win that match in three, and the players didn't bring the intensity that they needed to. None of the players brought enough intensity, or competitive spirit to win," Littleman said.

Lyndsay Hovee, T-Birds outside and middle hitter, agreed. "We played down. We should have beaten them," Hovee said.

The players play as well against the top ranked teams as they do against teams at their same level. They come close, but have a hard time finishing the game with a win.

"We are a good team, but we have to play at the top of our game. If we don't bring our best game, then we aren't even close," Littleman said.

On Oct. 11 Highline beat Clark 30-25, 30-26, 28-30, 30-24. Mercedes Fernandez led the team with 25 kills and 47 digs; Hovee had 20 kills and 38 digs; and Anjelika Gouveia had 49 assists, 11 digs and four aces.

In Friday's game against Ta-coma Fernandez led the team with 18 kills, Hovee had 14 kills; Gouveia had 38 assists; Fernandez had 14 digs; Agy Lord had 11 digs; and Hovee had 10 digs; Gouveia had four blocks and Fernandez and Cheryl Cagampang both had three blocks.

Yesterday they had a rematch with Pierce (7-1), who is ranked No. 2 in the West Division behind Green River. They lost the first time they played them earlier in the season.

Going into the game, Highline remained optimistic. "We lost to them the first time, but we are a very different team now. If we play the way we can, and play at our level then we will do great," Hovee said.

"I think we are doing well. We are improving every day. It's getting better and better every game and every practice."

Results for the Pierce game were unavailable at press time.

Highline has an uphill, but not impossible battle for a chance at the playoffs.

Right now Highline is in fifth place behind Tacoma and Clark who are tied for third. They have six games remaining in the season in which to catch up and get a spot in the NWAACC, including their final game against Clark on Nov. 8. The top four teams advance to the NWAACC tournament.

Highline's next two games are at home, against Lower Co-lumbia tomorrow at 7 p.m. and Centralia next Wednesday, also at 7 p.m.

Runners added to team

BY JESSICA FRANZ

staff reporter

The NWAACC cross country championship in Spokane drew nears the Higline men's team may be able to compete with a full team.

To be able to place in a competition at least five runners are needed. As of last week two new men joined the team bringing the number of runners from four to six.

Joe Tito and Keita Era are the new additions.

"We are still finding out if they are eligible," said Head Coach Keith Paton. "Hopefully they will be able to run for us on Friday."

Tito ran track for Highline last spring. Era is an international student who just moved to the United States from Japan last summer.

As for the women's team the number of runners is at a stand-still. Four women remain with only one still needed for a full team.

There is only two meets left before the NWAACC competition held in Spokane on Nov. 11.

The team will be running this Friday at the Skagit Valley Invitational in Mt. Vernon. There was no meet last week.

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season with only 10 or 11 players while still staying in playoff contention," Coach Moore said.

"It shows how good of a team we really are," Coach Moore said.

Wednesday's results were not available at press time but the women were expecting a big game against divisional oppo-nent Olympic College (3-9-1).

"This game is huge since it's a divisional game," Coach Moore said.

The Lady T-Birds have a huge game Saturday at noon against divisional rival Tacoma. The Titans of Tacoma are 8-3-2 and in control of first place in the Western Division and the Thunderbirds are hoping to move up in the standings.

Highline travels to Wenatchee Valley (5-6-1) in the East Di visions next Wednesday for a game at 2 p.m.
TURTLE WINS RACE!

‘Cookie cutters’ help speed Java programming

BY JEFFREY BENNER

Professor Tina Ostrander warmed Highline up with a hands-on demonstration of Java programming at last Friday’s Science Seminar.

A computer program is a set of instructions that tells your computer what to do, explained Ostrander, a computer science instructor at Highline.

Instructions in programs are written using different languages.

"There are many program- ming languages — Java is just one of them. It happens to be my favorite since it’s named after my favorite beverage," Ostrander said.

Java is an object-oriented computer language, which means that instead of being made up of a simple list of instructions or functions, the program is made up of objects which have their own roles and abilities within the program. These objects are created by a part of the program called a class.

Ostrander compared classes to the cookie cutter you may find in your very own kitchen.

"If I can define a class — a cookie cutter — I can use it over and over again, which makes my life easier because I have a pattern that I can follow, and that pattern has a certain structure," Ostrander said. "In programming, we call it reusability. We can reuse that cookie cutter, and that’s a tremendous advantage."

Using a class, a program is able to make many objects, all with the same abilities. These abilities are defined by methods.

"In the parking lot there are hundreds of car objects, but they all belong to the same class — they’re all cars," said Ostrander.

A class called "Gurgle" was used to make a turtle named Murtle. Murtle had the ability to draw, to turn up to 360 degrees, and to move.

Using these abilities, students were asked to program a Java applet that would make Murtle draw a square.

Ostrander also demonstrated how to make Murtle draw a Spi- rograph-like design.

Due to Highline’s Professional Development Day, there will be no Science Seminar this week.

Science Seminar will return to Building 3, room 103 Oct. 27 at 2:20 p.m. with Joy Strohmey- er’s presentation on dissection.

Safety is found through plans, procedures

BY VERA PATTERSON

Think about being on High- line’s campus, faced with a sud- den violent action by a des- pondent man.

The chances of this may seem unlikely, just like the inci- dents that took place recently at schools in Colorado, Pennsylva- nia and Wisconsin.

Nonetheless, Highline camp- us security must be ready and equipped to respond to any vio- lent situation that may occur.

Depending on the type of emergency, campus security of- ficials say they will immediately notify either the Des Moines Police or Fire Department.

Since the beginning of the year, the Des Moines Police have been called 10 times. The average response time is within three to four minutes based on the situation, a Des Moines Po- lice official said.

Security and administra- tion are currently reviewing the emergency procedure plan for the campus.

The emergency plan had to be utilized during the 2001 Nisqually earthquake to evacu- ate the campus.

The campus was closed for an entire day while the fire de- partment came in and inspected the buildings.

Nonetheless, thanks in part to the emergency plan, no one was injured during the 6.8 mag- nitude earthquake on Feb. 28, 2001.

In the event of an emergency, sirens that are located in build- ings 6 and 26 will go off.

The security staff has a num- ber of responsibilities on the campus starting with safety of the campus population, equip- ment and property.

This begins with students who register for Fall Quarter re- ceiving a security postcard.

The Highline student hand- book and the web page at www. highline.edu/admin/security provide further resources, Secu- rity Supervisor Richard Noyer said.

Security upgrades have taken place in several areas beginning with electronic key pads on buildings being renovated and monitoring in the instructional computing center.

These upgrades will provide the improved protection for people, equipment and property, security officials said.

The security staff is looking at possible safety issues in the evening.

"We are looking at where and when officers are focusing themselves," Noyer said.

Students, staff or faculty can contact security officers to es- cort them by calling the secu- rity office at 206-878-3710, ext. 3218.

Poetry event brings Latino Week to an end

Defining Democracy will be hosting another event.

Defining Democracy was started to explore issues and create discussion around our political system.

On Monday, Oct. 23, there will be a State Legislative Can- didate Forum.

Candidates will give short presentations before legisla- tive district conversations take place.

The event will take place in the Mt. Constance room in the Student Union from 12:10-1:15 p.m.

Poetry event brings Latino Week to an end

Poetry will be slammed to- day in Building 7.

This is the last event of Lati- no Week, which began Monday, Oct. 16 with keynote speaker Jackie Martinez, an immigrant from El Salvador.

The poetry slam, is cospon- sored by the United Latino As- sociation and the Black Student Union.

The event will begin at noon and last until 1:30 p.m.

Students are encouraged to bring poems written by Latino authors as well as their own.
Democracy needs education, panel says

Panelists Alan Wood, Tim McMannon, and Patricia McDonald (shown from left to right respectively) discussed democracy and education as part of Defining Democracy.

By David Beinh
staff reporter

Panelists agreed Wednesday that education is essential to a democracy. The panel, entitled "Democracy and Education," was part of Defining Democracy, a series of programs and discussion leading to the November elections.

At this week's discussion, a panel discussed the state of education in America. The panel was made up of Interim Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs at the University of Washington, Alan Wood, Highline history professor Dr. Tim McMannon, and Teachers of Tomorrow advisor Patricia McDonald.

Each speaker gave differing points of view, however everyone agreed that education is a vital part of democracy.

"I have come to believe that education is analog in human culture and in human life. Education is central to survival," said Wood.

"I believe that education is an essential part of a democracy," added McMannon. "This is how we ensure a democratic society.

Wood compared the importance of education in China to that of America.

"The education system in China is designed to prepare students for the workforce. In America, education prepares students for life," said Wood.

"I believe that education is essential to the survival of a democracy," said McMannon.

Not all are in agreement over Initiative-920

By Brian Beets
staff reporter

"There's a whole bunch of businesses who will move out of state if we don't get rid of this tax," Dennis Falk said, referring to the Initiative-920 discussion. The discussion was part of Defining Democracy, a fall series of events that highlight political issues.

1-920, better known as the estate death tax, was discussed by a pro and con panel last Thursday in Building 7.

The estate tax has been in effect for over a year, but has recently become an initiative due to enough pro-abolishment votes.

The panel discussion comprised Falk, a pro 1-920 representative, and Laura Lockard, who is against abolishing the estate tax.

Each speaker was given five minutes to state their case, in which Falk compared the estate tax to the "communist manifesto."

"It doesn't take long to get a million dollars these days," Falk said, insinuating that many more people will be affected by the estate tax if voters don't choose yes on 1-920.

"A death in the family should not trigger a tax that is levied by the state," Falk said.

Because the estate tax applies to individuals with at least $2,050,000 in assets, or $4 million per couple, Falk said that more and more people who are affected by the tax will move out of state in order to protect their families from the tax in the instance of their death.

Lockard, whose stance was to "Preserve an already existing tax," shared the benefits that the estate tax provides.

"Repealing the estate tax is the last thing we want to do," Lockard said.

Lockard said the tax funds 1-728, which uses the funds to assist in 7,900 slots in higher education, including reduced class sizes. Without the tax, Lockard said there wouldn't be sufficient funds to promote public education.

Dr. McMannon's key issue was that education should be the main goal in schools, and not just "schooling."

"There is a difference between schooling and education," said McMannon. "Schooling is what the government requires you to get."

He explained that schools weren't simply designed for educational purposes.

"The state has an interest in keeping you out of trouble," said McMannon. "There is nothing better than school for day care."

McDonald emphasized the importance of communication between students and teachers.

"Education should be a two-way process. It should be a discussion," said McDonald. "I think for students to be involved, they need teachers that understand their voice."
Transfer fair offers a slew of events for students

BY KATIE CHAN

Twelve state colleges and universities are coming to Highline for the Transfer Fair. The fair is Nov. 15 from 9 a.m.-noon in the cafeteria.

Representatives from each college will be there to answer questions and provide information.

"This fair is for every transfer student, including international students," said Siew Lai Lilley, director of the Transfer Center.

Students will have the opportunity to check out a number of colleges and find one that they're interested in. Lilley hopes students can get more ready for transferring.

"It is a process of transferring. Students don't have to wait until they graduate," Lilley said.

An adviser from the UW Seattle School of Medicine will meet with students who are interested in the field of medicine. It is on Oct. 27, Building 10, room 102 at 11:00-2:45 p.m.

If students are interested in pharmacy or pre-med events, they should register by sending an e-mail or signing up in the Transfer Center.

Before transferring to a school, one might be asked to write a personal essay.

A transfer workshop, entitled "How to Write a Winning Personal Statement," will be in Building 8, room 103 on Nov. 7, 1:10-2 p.m.

Kay Balston from the UW graduate advising office will have a presentation on how to apply to the nursing program in Building 13, room 106, on Nov. 15 from 1-2 p.m.

She will give an overview of the business program and some tips on how to be a competitive applicant.

After the session is finished, Balston will be meeting with anyone who wants to learn more about issues surrounding major preparation and will also spend time answering questions; she will be in the Inter-Cultural Center Building 6, room 151 at 2:10 p.m.

For business students, a representative UW-Tacoma is coming to help students plan for a successful business transfer on Nov. 30 at 1:15 p.m. in Skokomish Room, Building 8.

This will cover the admissions requirements, time for applying, and the writing assessment for admission.

A representative of business from UW-Seattle also will give a presentation on Nov. 14 at 1:15 p.m. in Building 10, room 103.

For more information, check out the website at http://www.highline.edu/students/transfer.

"It's been a really great first year."
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used to obtain employment at a CPA firm. Regeimbal subse-
quently found employment with Boeing, who paid for him to continue his education.

It was roughly 14 years af-

dter Regeimbal obtained his first
college degree that he achieved his last.

"In 1990 I became a lawyer and started practicing law in Des Moines," he said.

Now approaching the latest "challenge" in his life, Regeim-

bal is doing so with a clear defi-

nition of his role and responsi-

bility in the college.

"As a trustee, you're there to provide leadership," he said. "Ultimately, everybody reports to the board of trustees."

Regeimbal isn't under the impression that he's the top guy, though.

"Really it's a team. The board of trustees on their own can't run a college. It's through the efforts of the president (Dr. Priscilla Bell) that the day to day operations of the college are handled. "But she receives guidance from the Board of Trustees."

Michael Regeimbal

At this point in time, though, Regeimbal is still unclear as to what guidance he wants to provide.

"I have kind of a vision," he said. "But I haven't even begun to develop that vision. "I'd like HCC to be effective in providing a resource for the community, and to do an outstanding job at that.

"The goal is to be effective in reaching out and providing the services that a community needs. "It's really a continuation of the efforts of the Board of Truste-

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