

## Board announces five presidential finalists

**By Carrie Draeger**  
*Staff Reporter*

Highline may have a new president soon as the Board of Trustees gets ready to bring five finalists to campus in the next few weeks.

The Board announced its five favorites yesterday, and unveiled the schedule for their visits to Highline. “We hope to interview the candidates over the next few weeks,” said Karen Vander Ark, chairwoman of the Board of Trustees.

The Board hopes to name a new president within the next few weeks, but that is tentative, Vander Ark said.

Among the candidates named

is current Highline Interim President Dr. Jack Bermingham.

The four other candidates are:

- Dr. Thom Armstrong, former president of Copper Mountain College in Joshua Tree, Calif.
- Dr. John Garmon, vice president of academic affairs at New Mexico State University-Carlsbad in Carlsbad, N.M.

- Dr. Julie Leidig, vice president of instruction at LoneStar College-Montgomery in Conrad, Texas.
- Randall Lawrence, vice president of instruction at Olympic College in Bremerton.

Highline has been without a permanent president since the Board fired Dr. Priscilla Bell in November 2006. Dr. Berming-

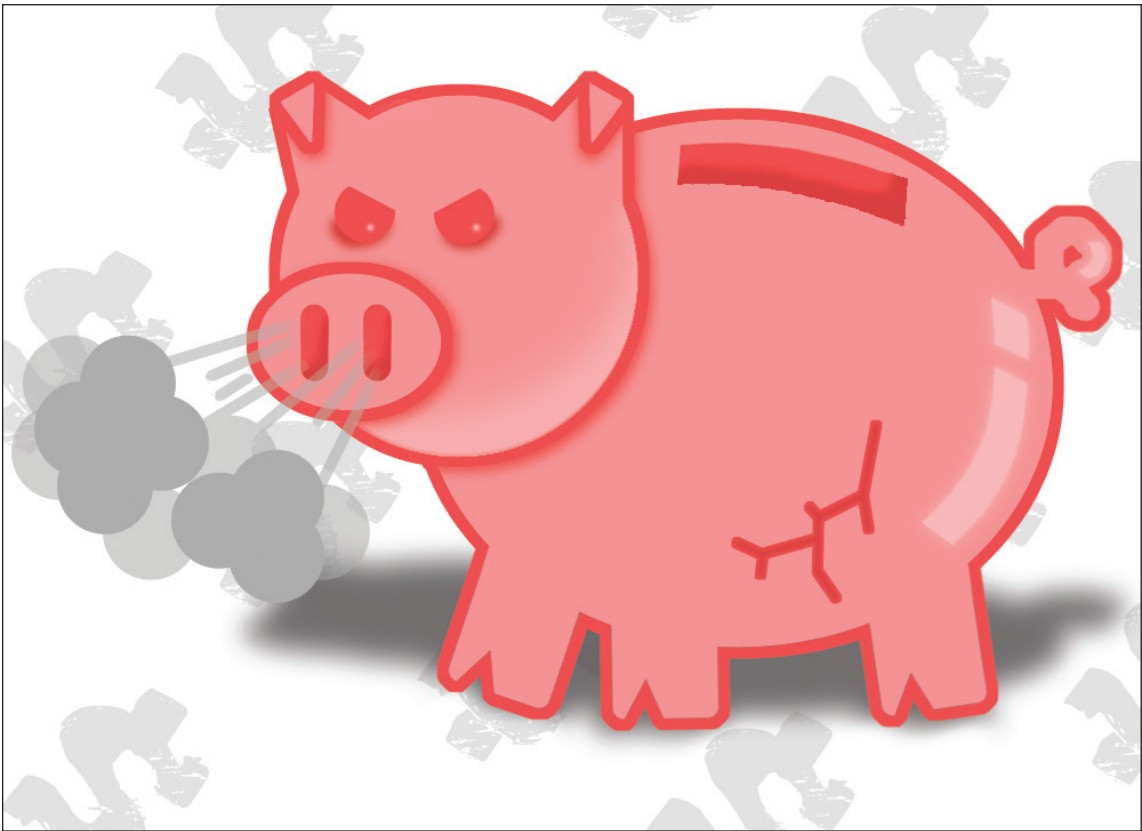
ham has been serving as interim president since then.

The candidates are scheduled to hold forums during the next two weeks to introduce them to the campus community. Each candidate will hold a forum for various groups on campus, in-

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## DON'T BREAK THE BANK



Charlie Dubbeldam/THUNDERWORD

### Financial literacy program aims to teach students about money

**By David Olerich**  
*Staff Reporter*

Investing in your financial future is what some educators have in mind for the month of April.

A whole week of financial education is being prepared for students at Highline in this month of Financial Literacy awareness.

The Student Small Capital Investment Club is putting on a presentation of financial education for students and faculty during the week of April 21-24.

The events will be held in Building 2 running from noon to 1 p.m. every day, offering

different outlooks on financial spending and investing.

Anthony D. Newton, the club adviser and an accounting instructor here on campus, said he encourages students at Highline to set goals for themselves.

Newton said he wants to “get students to set goals and be realistic.”

“Ninety-six percent of us set goals for ourselves in this world,” he said.

He says that students at Highline need to be exposed to the financial difficulties and dangers that occur in the real world.

Newton says his aim is “to provide the arena for the information in targeting college stu-

## MaST Center receives \$100,000 donation from Student Programs

**By Nick Bare**  
*Staff Reporter*

The MaST Center is getting closer to a grand opening with help from a \$100,000 donation from Student Programs.

“We actually just came up with a number,” Student Government President Steve Simpkins said of the donation.

The Marine and Science Technology Center will be home to Highline’s marine laboratory. It will be used to educate students and the community about the Puget Sound ecosystem.

The date for completion on the 2,500 square foot building is set for June 1, College Project Manager Phil Sell said.

It was scheduled to be open for Spring Quarter classes but bad weather and construction trouble delayed the opening.

The money donated by Student Programs comes out of the Service & Activities budget. The S&A budget comes from a fee that each student pays with each quarter’s tuition.

Other uses for this year’s budget included the Tutoring Center, Simpkins said.

One reason for the donation was the impact that the MaST Center could have on increasing enrollment for Highline, Simpkins said.

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The MaST center is set to open on June 1, with a grand opening celebration set for June 16 from 10 a.m. to noon.



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CSI: **H**ighline**Juveniles run wild in library**

Security was called to do an identification check on four juveniles running around the library on April 9.

They were found on the third floor and escorted out by security.

**Friendly cell phone theft**

A student notified Security that he had set his cell phone next to him and that it had been stolen. He went on to say that he thinks a friend had taken it and would get it back later.

**Security pursues wrong-way SUV driver**

A driver was going up the north lot access road the wrong way on April 9.

The driver pulled off to the side to avoid an oncoming SUV and the security car behind it. The security officer told the driver to turn around.

As the security officer continued on, the driver proceeded the wrong direction into the east lot. The driver was pursued by Security as the driver was speeding, running stop signs, and weaving through vehicles. The driver received a citation and left the lot.

**Two of a kind car accident**

Two students pulled out of their parking spaces at almost the same time on April 10.

One of the vehicles received a large dent in the passenger door. The other had no damage. Security was notified.

**Children have Library blues**

Two children were left alone in the library on April 10. Upon contact they said that their father left them there while he attended class. They were asked to leave.

The father returned to the library and asked why his kids were asked to leave and he was informed of the library policy about leaving young children unattended.

**Vehicle prowler on the loose at Highline**

Someone had pried into the truck bed tool box of a Highline staff member on April 14.

He only noticed a fishing knife missing and wanted Security to be aware of a possible car prowler.

**-Compiled by Jason Baker****Former Highline staff member dies at 62**

Long time Highline employee Ensley "Duke" Applegate died Wednesday after a long battle with cancer.

Applegate, 62 worked at Highline for 20 years. He worked in shipping and receiving, mail room, bookstore, and security.

People who worked with Applegate said he was always helpful toward everyone, and despite his illness he continued to have high spirits.

In August 2007, Applegate was diagnosed with colon cancer which then spread to his liver. Quickly after being diagnosed Applegate was admitted to the Avalon Care Center in Federal Way.

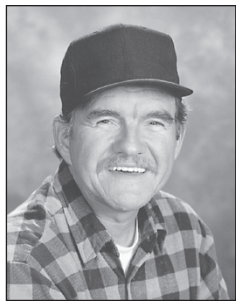
Applegate is survived by his wife Barbara, a brother in Washington, and extended family in New Jersey.

Funeral arrangements are still in the process of being planned through Bonney-Watson Funeral Home in Federal Way.

**Book Club begins today**

The Inter-Cultural Center is holding the first spring book club meeting today.

The meeting is in Building 6 room 164 from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. The book being discussed is *The Man Who Fell*

*Applegate*

Natasha Stepanchuk/THUNDERWORD

*Two students enjoy cotton candy at the Volunteer Fair on Tuesday in the Student Union.*

*in Love with the Moon* by Tom Spanbauer.

The book is about a half-Indian bisexual young man, Shed, who works at a hotel in the town of Excellent, Idaho. Shed goes on a journey to find his true identity and the traditions of his Indian heritage.

The first 10 people who show up at the meeting will be given a free copy of the book. The book club will meet every other week. Participants will discuss important topics about the book.

**Find resources to help change homelessness**

The Counseling Center Workshop Series continues this week with two presentations today.

The Homelessness and Change workshop will be from noon to 1 p.m. in Building 6, room 151.

Carol Cameron will present information about services and resources that are available through the Women's Empowerment Center.

The Utilizing the Career Collection in the Library workshop will also be today.

It is from noon to 1:00 p.m. in Building 25, room 316.

**FREE TUTORING!!!**

*Feeling overwhelmed?  
Get help!*

**Visit the Tutoring Center: Building 26, Room 319**

We strive to help students to achieve their college success!

*When the sun is shining, I can do anything; no mountain is too high, no trouble too difficult to overcome. ---Wilma Rudolph*

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Mon-Thurs.....8:00am-7:30pm  
Fri.....8:00am-1:00pm  
<http://tutoring.highline.edu>

Tishkoff, causing him to have a heart attack, the team vows get revenge on Banks. The team is so desperate for help, they even involve their enemy Terry Benedict.

Free popcorn is provided for the viewers. After the movie is finished viewers are encouraged to stay and discuss important points and plot lines of the movie.

**Scholarships available for immigrants and refugees**

Five \$1,000 scholarships are available at Highline for Fall Quarter 2008.

The English-Speaking Union is offering these scholarships to immigrants and refugees attending Highline.

The Scholarship Committee will provide \$500 to each beneficiary for Fall Quarter 2008.

If the recipient achieves a Fall Quarter grade point average of 2.5 or better, for at least six credits, they will receive \$500 for winter or spring quarter 2009.

Thanks to the English-Speaking Union Seattle Branch, the scholarship amount has been increased to \$500 in three years and has added an additional two recipients.

Applications are available at the Student Development Center desk located on the upper level of Building 6.

Completed applications should be turned into the Student Development Center on the upper level of Building 6 by the deadline of Friday, April 25 at 5 p.m.

**Co-Opportunity: Cooperative Education*****Internships with the Municipal League of King County***

The Municipal League of King County is a nonpartisan nonprofit organization that works to ensure accountable local and state government and an informed, involved citizenry. We are seeking interns to support our annual Candidate Evaluation Program.

**Dates and Deadlines**

- 15-20 hrs/wk (2 wks in the evenings) for 4-5 wks + three training sessions. Stipend provided; school credit available. Use of personal vehicle is required.
- Internship runs May 26th through June 27th.
- Applications due at the Municipal League offices, May 18, 2008. Interviews will be conducted soon thereafter.

Additional information can be found at [www.munileague.org](http://www.munileague.org) or contact Candidate Evaluation Coordinator at 206-622-8333

**Student Jobs****Design Artist**

~Full Time~

**Job #3614**

Create designs to embellish high-end women's apparel; sketch/create thumbnails; work in crystal medium. Photoshop/Illustrator skills helpful, ability to sketch a major part of process.

**Hours:** 40 **Where:** Federal Way  
**How Much:** \$12-15

**Medical Records Clerk**

~Part/Full Time~

**Job #3617**

Scan medical and administrative documents, print medical documents from CD and from websites. Administrative projects assigned as needed.

**Hours:** 20-40, PT of FT available  
**Where:** Federal Way **How Much:** \$9

For more information, log on to Interfase at [www.myinterfase.com/highline/student](http://www.myinterfase.com/highline/student) or visit Student Employment in Building 6.



# Finding a cure for brain freeze

## Highline's Tutoring Center offers students much-needed help with tough subjects

By Nicole Claunch  
Staff Reporter

The Tutoring Center at Highline is more than just a job to the tutors.

Many students at Highline may not know much about the Tutoring Center, such as the diverse staff and award-winning accomplishments.

"Tutors are connected and care for each other, they're supportive," said Kate Skelton, who is one of the directors.

Not only are the tutors connected with each other, they are connected with their students as well.

"Tutors are very aware of who needs help," said Lydia Smith, who has been tutoring for six quarters at the center.

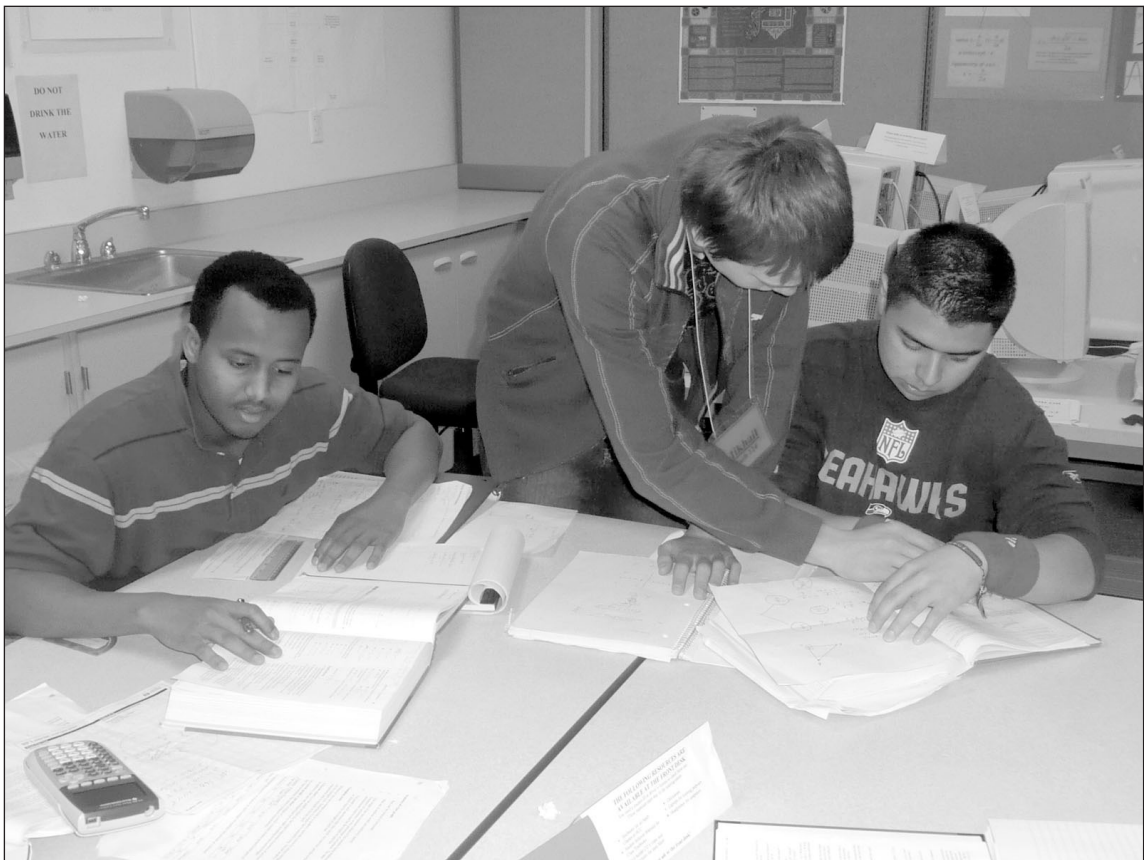
The biggest factor that contributes to the success of the Tutoring Center is the fact that tutors all love tutoring, Smith said.

To the tutors at Highline the biggest disappointment is that students do not acknowledge the Tutoring Center for what it really is.

"I think a lot of people don't know about the Tutoring Center," Smith said.

The Tutoring Center, located in Building 26, room 319, offers multiple subjects that expert tutors can help with, such as math, accounting, writing, chemistry, and many others.

Last summer the center went through a huge renovation to improve the environment.



Students Abdi Ali (left) and Lafe Altier (right) receive help with their pre-calculus studies from math tutor Mikhael Koval (center).

The environment is an important aspect that contributes toward the students' success.

Tutors want the Center to be more inviting, so the students won't feel like they are in a class, said Thyra Mccarter, who is a Business Information Technology (BTECH) tutor.

Walking in to the Center, students are greeted by the friendly front desk, which is surrounded by loads of information on the Center, and when and where to sign up for appointments with the tutors.

Not only does the front desk provide information, it provides materials to students who have forgotten theirs.

The Center is divided by different rooms, designed for each subject.

In the math section, multiple

tables are scattered across the room with tutors awaiting students' arrival.

Located in the back end of the Center is the writing section, which is a private room strictly designated for writing.

At every section of the Tutoring Center, students will find a variety of tutors interacting with students they are working with.

Math tutoring is available on a drop-in basis anytime the Center is open.

Writing sessions are by appointment in the Writing Center, unless the tutor does not have an appointment already scheduled. Other subjects are scheduled at different times throughout the week.

The Center is open on Monday-Thursday 8 a.m. until 7:30 p.m., and 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on

Fridays. The Center is available to any student enrolled at Highline, and is free of charge. All students must bring their student ID and check in at the front desk when they arrive and leave.

The Center is soon to have new equipment and furniture to improve the learning experience.

The Tutoring Center is co-directed by Sam Alkhalili and Kate Skelton. Alkhalili is a business information technology professor at Highline. Skelton is a mathematics professor.

Each tutor has to turn in an application and go through interviews, evaluation, training, and take a test to make sure students get the help they need.

"Someone can always help me," said Tina Nizamic, who is a current student at Highline.

Nizamic spends about four to five hours a week in the math Center.

"They really get you to solve the problem your working on," said Nizamic, who now has a 3.8 in calculus.

Every Friday the tutors must attend training. The students contribute major input and ideas into the Center.

"It's not just a job; we want them to own this place," Skelton said.

Not only do the tutors work at Highline, they also participate in outside events such as the Northwest Tutoring Conference.



Skelton

Last year the conference took place in Oregon. This year Highline will host the Conference on May 30.

Tutors will come from other states, such as Oregon and Idaho, to partake in this event.

Every five years the directors of the Tutoring Center must renew the College Reading Association certification.



Alkhalili

The certification is a long process that allows professionals to come in and train the tutors to become certified. Approximately 20 students have earned this since she and Alkhalili have been co-directors, Skelton said.

Highline is one of the few community colleges to have earned the highest level of certification, said Skelton.

# North Twin Bridge to reopen soon, other traffic delays light

The North Twin Bridge in South Des Moines along 16th Avenue South will be closed around-the-clock until early next week. The bridge will reopen with a new 10-ton weight limit.

Expect the usual delays on Pacific Highway South from Dash Point Road to South 320th Street.

The left lane from Southbound Interstate 5 to Swift/Albro Way will be closed until May 1.

South 178th Street over I-5 will remain restricted to one lane of alternating traffic through May.

The right two lanes of West-



bound I-90 from East Mercer Way to 76th Avenue in Bellevue will be closed tonight from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. the following morning.

The traveling lane underneath the Alaskan Way Viaduct between Columbia Street

and Yesler Way will be closed around-the-clock until further notice.

The right shoulder of westbound State Route 104 near I-5 will be closed around-the-clock until further notice. One lane in each direction of SR 18 at the SR 167 interchange will be closed Monday through Thursday from 8 p.m.- 5 p.m. until further notice.

The right lane of SR 169 at I-405 will be closed today and tomorrow from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

One lane of northbound I-405 between I-5 and SR 167 will be closed tonight and tomorrow night from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. the following morning.

The Tukwila Parkway on-ramp will be closed tonight from 10 p.m. tonight until 10 a.m. the following morning. The work is weather dependent and could be rescheduled for the next available dry night.

Two lanes of southbound SR 167 in Renton will be closed tonight from 8 p.m.-5 a.m. the following morning.

One lane of eastbound Grady Way near Oakesdale Avenue Southwest will be closed next week from 7:30 a.m.- 5 p.m. every day but Sunday.

One lane in each direction of Oakesdale Ave SW will be closed from 7:30 a.m.- 5 p.m. daily expect Sunday.

These two projects have been a weekly occurrence for over a month, and commuters should be prepared for these closures to continue every day in the near future except Sundays.

The right lane of northbound and southbound SR 515 near 180th Street in Renton will be closed Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.- 3 p.m.

One lane of SR 900 at Boeing Access Road and Ryan Way will be closed around-the-clock until further notice.

Expect delays in downtown Seattle starting April 22-27 for the Mariners six-game home-stand.

-- Compiled by Carrie Draeger



Editorial comment

No vote, no voice, no matter

The 2008 presidential election is proving to be a historic event and every eligible voter should feel compelled to vote for candidates that could affect him or her.

This election season is not lacking in potential firsts and heated topics that concern Americans and possibly the globe. For the first time in American history a female and an African American have the potential to become president. Whether either candidate is elected or falls short, the fact that both candidates have gained such support is a step in the direction of equality.

Although having front-running candidates of diverse ethnicity and gender are landmark events in American history, the policies the candidates plan to implement or pursue are most important. There are many issues to be decided this year that could affect students, seniors and the global economy.

Barack Obama wants to increase the Pell Grant to \$5,100 and Hillary Clinton plans to also increase the maximum Pell Grant but hasn't specified an amount at this time. Both candidates would also like to implement a \$3,500 to \$4,000 tax credit for college tuition. At this time John McCain has only commented on his plans for K-12 education.

Two other issues that seem to be interconnected are the conflicts overseas and the global economy. The American people will need to decide if the conflict in Iraq and the War on Terror are justified measures in the name of national security or are façades to promote imperialism. Since the world is emerging into a global economy the issue can be a very intricate web and frankly, no country has experience with how to run a world economy without the use of imperialism.

The War on Terror and the global economy are interconnected by the U.S.'s inability to balance its budget. The U.S. has increased the deficit to support the international War on Terror and the national debt has risen to \$9 trillion. The U.S. dollar has in turn lost value and the middle class has shrunk significantly in recent years. If steps are not taken to correct this, the U.S. could contribute to a global recession. It is up to the voters to educate themselves in order to make the most rational decision on who would be best suited to counteract this occurrence.

It is important for young people in America to educate themselves on the issues that affect their lives in order to have informed opinions. When these opinions are not voiced however, they don't matter. If the American people don't place an informed vote this year, the consequences could be severe and their complaints will fall on deaf ears.

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"Does anyone want some meat?"

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U.S. communities lack sense of community

The American Dream has been an inspiration to many but America's sense of community is in desperate need of revision.

There are many great aspects of living in the United States. People are able to express their beliefs freely, as long as they don't infringe on another's civil rights.

Americans are able to attain higher education as long as they are willing to put forth the effort and do the leg-work involved in procuring funding.

Even though unemployment rose 0.3 points in March, it is still only up to 5.1 percent. This is still significantly lower than the world average, which is slightly over 9 percent.

The U.S. is still a highly desirable place to live, however it is uncertain if Americans are the most happy or lead the most fulfilling lives. When I was growing up in California I wouldn't have thought American's were anti-social.

It wasn't until I lived in Germany for five years and returned to the U.S. that I begin to rethink that sentiment.

Although many people who belong to certain organizations and social networks in the U.S. do lead fairly fulfilling lives, Americans as a whole do tend to be more anti-social and more isolated than most Europeans.

While living in Germany I rarely had any trouble meeting people or striking up con-

Commentary



Nathan Brown

versation with even a complete stranger, no matter which European country I visited.

When attempting the same actions in the U.S. I am often met with strange glares, as if something is wrong with me, or with one-word answers.

It has taken nearly two years of living in Washington to build up the same quality of social network that had taken mere months to do in Germany.

It has also taken nearly the entire time spent back in the U.S. to figure out why this social phenomenon takes place. The American lifestyle is typically much faster paced than other parts of the world.

If a waiter or waitress takes longer than an American customer thinks he or she should take to retrieve the bill, it is not

uncommon for the costumer to think about leaving a lousy tip.

This is a very strange concept in most European countries because families and friends generally socialize for hours after a meal. Typically European customers must flag down their server for the check.

We are a nation that has become centered on instant gratification and obtaining material things. All the while our communication and interaction with other human beings has been declining.

It's not a surprise that many Americans say college was one of the best times in their lives. College campuses are excellent places to connect with people in a stimulating environment. Outside of higher education however, a person must go out of his or her way to find a social niche.

Large numbers of people in this country live in a state of quiet desperation, begging for something truly meaningful in their lives.

Simple events such as neighborhood barbecues, frequent town festivals and taking time to get to know the people in the neighborhood would be steps in the right direction.

If we want to become a healthier nation whose people enjoy more fulfilling lives, we must begin to reinstall a sense of community within our communities.

Write to us

The Thunderword encourages letters to the editor and columns from the college community.

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ered.

Submissions will be edited for style.

Due to limited space, please limit your submission to 500 words or less.

Submissions that are too long may be subject to editing for length.

E-mail your submission to thunderword@highline.edu.

Letters and columns can be on any subject.

Topics of interest to the campus community will take priority.

Please include contact information.



# T-Birds fastpitch gets bumped down into third place

By Stephen Marcum  
Staff Reporter

Highline softball won five out of eight this week, but dropped to third place in the West.

After big losses to South Puget Sound and splitting one of two at Pierce, the Lady T-Birds trampled Green River to prove they’re not a push over in the west division.

Stellar pitching by Cara Chaet and plenty of hitting helped Highline as they ran all over Green River on Tuesday, April 15. Chaet pitched back-to-back complete game shutouts while striking out seven.

Shanna Shepard hit a home run for the Lady T-Birds as they banged out 28 runs on 30 hits in the two game sweep of the Green River Gators.

Carrie Crookshank picked up the lone win against first-place Pierce (11-1, 18-6 overall) in the doubleheader on Saturday. She only allowed one run on five hits.

The Lady T-Birds won 2-1 but lost the second game 8-6.

“If we play the way we played against Pierce, we have a good chance to win the west,”



Natasha Stepanchuk/THUNDERWORD

Cara Chaet Hurls a fast one toward a South Puget Sound player during last Friday’s home game. Highline fell to SPS 9-1 and 8-0.

Coach Anne Schmidt said.

The Lady T-Birds struggled at home against second place South Puget Sound (9-3, 14-6

overall) on Friday, April 11. Highline lost both games 9-1, 8-0, only managing one run on 10 hits and made four errors on

the day.

“We didn’t show up to play. We weren’t mentally prepared,” said Coach Schmidt.

Chaet pitched excellent for the Lady T-Birds, picking up both wins on Wednesday, April 9 at Centralia. The Lady T-Birds won 4-0 and 6-1.

Chaet pitched a combined 12 innings and allowed zero runs in the two starts. She only gave up six hits and struck out eight.

Hitting wasn’t a problem either. Carrie Draeger led the T-Birds with three hits and three RBIs, while Kayla Leliefeld pitched in with three hits and two RBIs.

Chaet leads the team with 11 wins, 74 strikeouts, and a 3.91 while fellow freshmen Crookshank has six wins, 41 strikeouts, a 3.27 ERA and one save.

“I think they’ve learned a lot. They’ve realized that this is not high school and there are a lot of

good hitters in the NWAACC,” Coach Schmidt said about freshmen pitchers Chaet and Crookshank.

Highline will play in the two day Crossover Tournament held at Carlton Park in Selah this weekend.

The Crossover Tournament is designed to give teams the opportunity to play against teams outside of their region.

Game one starts at 12:30 p.m. against Wenatchee Valley (14-4, 28-6). Game two against Blue Mountain (10-8, 11-16) at 2:45 p.m. on , and game three will begin at 5 p.m. versus SW Oregon (4-6, 10-16)on Saturday. On Sunday the T-birds will face Spokane (12-4, 18-10) at 8 a.m. and Everett (8-6, 11-11) at 12:30 p.m.

The Lady T-Birds will then travel to Grays Harbor for a double header on Tuesday, April 22.



Natasha Stepanchuk/THUNDERWORD

Highline pitcher Carrie Crookshank fouls off a pitch against Pierce during last Saturday’s game.

## Scoreboard

### NWAACC

#### Women’s softball

##### Results from April 15

Shoreline 8, Edmonds 0  
Shoreline 13, Edmonds 0  
Everett 2, Olympic 1  
Olympic 3, Everett 2 b  
Chemeketa 5, Clark 1  
Clark 3, Chemeketa 2  
Highline 19, G. River 0  
Highline 9, G. River 0  
Pierce 8, G. Harbor 0  
Pierce 12, G. Harbor 1  
North Idaho College 2, W. Valley 1  
North Idaho College 7, W. Valley 3

L. Columbia vs SW Oregon (rainout)

Clackamas vs Mt. Hood (rainout)

##### Results from April 14

S. Valley 9, Edmonds 0  
S. Valley 11, Edmonds 2  
S. P. Sound 10, G. Harbor 2  
G. Harbor 4, S. P. Sound 3  
L. Columbia vs Chemeketa (rainout)

##### Results from April 13

Spokane 11, T. Valley 0  
Spokane 6, T. Valley 2  
Bellevue 9, Shoreline 1  
Bellevue 14, Shoreline 4  
Mt. Hood 8, Clark 0  
Mt. Hood 13, Clark 0



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# Coaches work arduously, recruiting players for next season

## Men's basketball coaches spend long days recruiting

By Maxx Shelley  
Staff Reporter

Even with basketball season over, Men's Head Basketball Coach Che Dawson is still giving pep talks. They just don't take place in the locker room. Instead, he is sweet talking potential recruits to come join the pep talks next season.

For Highline coaches, recruiting players for the following season is often the most difficult and busiest part of the year.

Coaches spend hours talking to potential prospects, convincing them that this is where they want to be next year.

"I'm constantly on the phone trying to recruit," Men's Head Basketball Coach Che Dawson said. "It's busier than ever right now."

Nearly every recruit has a dream of playing for a Division I team at a four-year university. This makes it hard for coaches such as Dawson who have to spend most of their time convincing players that starting at a junior college will help them to achieve their life-long goal of playing at a Division I or four-year university.

"Of course they all have dreams and aspirations to play at a Division I or four-year school, and we want to recruit guys like that, but at some point we have to convince those guys that coming here will help to achieve those dreams," Dawson said.

Recruiting high profile players is especially tough for Dawson. The maximum scholarship that can be offered to a basketball recruit is a 65 percent tuition waiver, or a \$1,500 work

study allotment.

The work study allotment guarantees the recruit a job here on campus, but it's the basketball program that really attracts the prospects.

"There's a lot of great things at the school that we coaches try to sell. But, as far as the program goes, recruits like the fact that we will help them to move on and help them develop academically, athletically, and socially," Dawson said.

Success breeds failure when it comes to keeping players. Last year Highline finished 18-13, second in the NWAACC West Division, and qualified for the conference tournament. The players who got Highline there thus got offers to play at four-year schools, sometimes before they have finished at Highline.

Highline will be losing a handful of valuable players next season. The biggest loss being 6' 4" guard Cody Thueringer, who, after spending just one season on the team as a freshman, will be attending Western Montana University.

Thueringer was an All-American last season and led the team in scoring, with 313 points and had a shooting percentage of 57 percent. He also led the team in offensive rebounds with a total of 48.

"We hate to see him leave," Dawson said. "But he is a very talented player, so good for him."

Another big loss for Highline is 6' 4" forward Lavell Harris, who is expected to head back to his hometown Yakima and possibly play for the Yakima Valley Yaks.

Harris spoke to Dawson personally about wanting to move back so Dawson is now in talks with getting Harris to Yakima Valley.

"He handled it well, he came and talked to me about missing home and wanting to move back. So I gave their coach a call and we're doing what we can to get him back home," Dawson said.

LP Neloms will not be with the team next season either.



Jocie Olson/THUNDERWORD

Highline guard Cody Thueringer will be attending Western Montana University next season. WMU is an NAIA affiliate.

Neloms apparently was not a good fit for the program here and he and Dawson came to a "mutual agreement" that he pursue his options elsewhere.

Freshman forward Dustin Bowser red shirted last year and will be returning to play next season.

Jesse Norris, Kris Rainwater, and Josh Broussard are all sophomores and have used up their eligibility and will be moving on next season.

Norris, a 6' 5" forward, will be attending Highline for this last quarter to finish up his AA. Norris and Dawson are in talks with a few Division III and four-year schools to see if he can play elsewhere next season.

Rainwater, another 6' 5" forward, completed his AA after Winter Quarter this year and he and Dawson are in talks with a number of Division III and NAIA (National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics) schools.

Broussard was accepted in to the architecture program at

Washington State University and will no longer pursue basketball. Because of his good grades and qualifying athletic ability, he was voted to be on the All-Academic Sports team for Winter Quarter this year.

"We're all very proud of him," Dawson said of Broussard's success.

The loss of these key team leaders is an opportunity for the future sophomores to step in to show the newcomers the amount of success you can have as long as you're relentless in the pursuit of greatness.

Highline had a lot of success in the previous seasons and a huge part of it is attributed towards the leaders they've had. It's up to the veterans to show the rookies that with hard work and sheer devotion to the game, good things will come.

"Recruiting is like a relationship. You have to put in time in order to have a good one," Dawson said. "We try to have a good one with all our recruits."

With a number of talented re-

cruits being signed to play here next season, Highline is already showing promise going in to next season.

A center from Mt. Rainier High School, John Morine, will be joining the team and is expected to do big things.

He was a team captain last year for the Rams, was the second leading scorer, led the team in blocks, and had the most rebounds on both the offense and the defense.

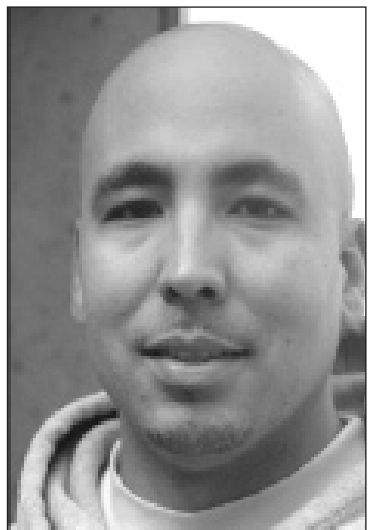
"He is mature, and plays extremely hard," Dawson said.

Jerome Bland, a guard from Auburn Mountainview, will also be joining the team next season.

"He is a young man of character and he gives us another ball carrier," Dawson said.

Evan Berndt from West Valley High School in Yakima and Dan Young from Federal Way High School will also be joining the team.

Both of these mature, young men play hard and are from winning programs, Dawson said.

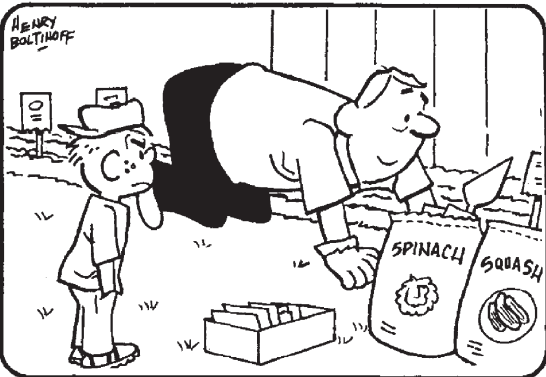


"Recruits like the fact that we will help them to move on and help them develop academically, athletically, and socially."

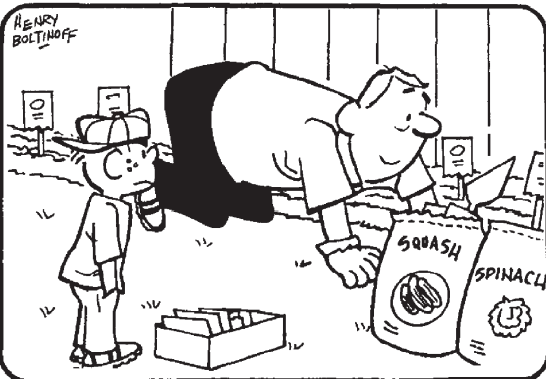
— Che Dawson,  
head men's  
basketball coach



HOCUS-FOCUS BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Boy's cap is backward. 2. Bags have been switched. 3. Man's shoe is different. 4. Fence is longer. 5. Box is closer to boy. 6. Extra marker is in garden.

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1. ANATOMY: What is the pad of flesh just in front of the ear called?
2. MUSIC: What group produced the 1980s' pop hit *Karma Chameleon*?
3. GEOGRAPHY: Dijon is a region within which European country?
4. ENTERTAINERS: In the 19th century, which singer was called the "Swedish nightingale"?
5. HISTORY: In what year did the United States celebrate its bicentennial?
6. MOVIES: Which film director's credits included *Romeo and Juliet* and *La Traviata*?
7. ADVERTISEMENTS: What was the name of the

- cartoon character who promoted Starkist tuna?
8. MEDICINE: Vitamin K plays an important role in what function of the human body?
  9. LITERATURE: What literary character's family motto is "The world is not enough."
  10. TELEVISION: On the comedy series *Happy Days*, what was Fonzie's full name?

- ANSWERS
1. The tragus
  2. Culture Club
  3. France
  4. Jenny Lind
  5. 1976
  6. Franco Zeffirelli
  7. Charlie
  8. Blood clotting
  9. James Bond
  10. Arthur Fonzearelli

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Arts Calendar

•Indian slide guitarist Debashish Bhattacharya performs Saturday, April 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Kent-Meridian Performing Arts Center, 10020 SE 256th St.

Bhattacharya is considered one of the greatest slide guitarists in India. He is known for blending traditional Indian music with world music and the blues. Joining Debashish are his siblings Subhasis, a master percussionist and Sutapa, one of India's foremost vocalists.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$18 for students and seniors. Tickets are available on-line at [www.kentarts.com](http://www.kentarts.com).

•The Moshier Community Art Center will have its annual pottery sale, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at 430 S. 156th St., Burien. Work from more than 30

students, instructors and studio potters will be featured. Cash and checks only.

•Classical guitarist Michael Nicoella performs Tuesday, April 29 in the Lecture Hall, Building 7, as part of the Des Moines Waterland Music Series. With a repertoire spanning from J. S. Bach to Jimi Hendrix, Nicoella is

Last week's  
Weekly SUDOKU  
Answer

6	7	9	3	8	5	1	2	4
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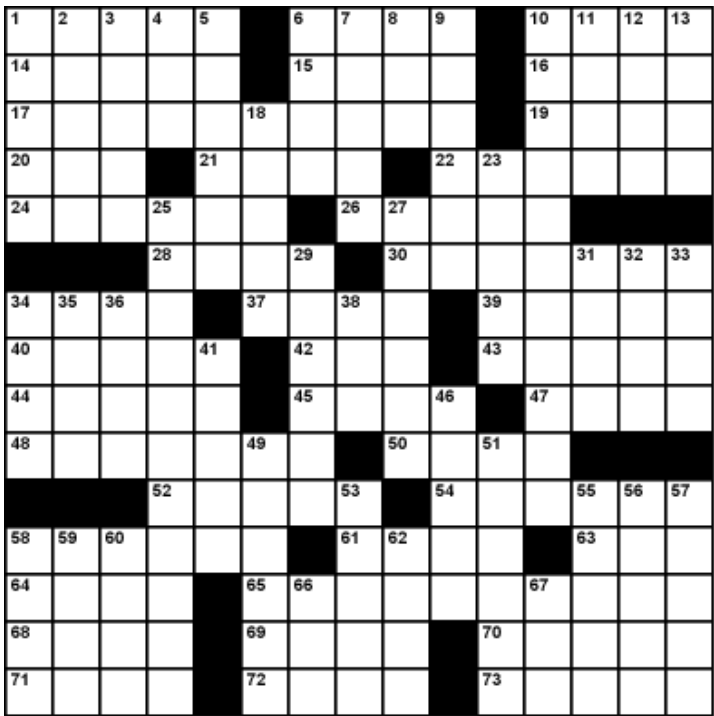
If I Ran The Zoo

Across

1. Agrees (with)
  6. Informal greeting
  10. Heating device
  14. French farewell
  15. Habeas corpus, e.g.
  16. Annapolis sch.
  17. Renowned Crimson Tide coach
  19. Ran, as colors
  20. Hightailed it
  21. Shopper's aid
  22. Canty's down opposite
  24. Pleased as punch
  26. Roast host
  28. Suffix with social
  30. Writer's block?
  34. Hot rum drink
  37. Vocalized
  39. Italian wine
  40. Russo & others
  42. Hide-hair connection
  43. Messed up
  44. Decorate
  45. Did the butterfly
  47. Get rid of
  48. Abandon
  50. Rub dry
  52. Composed
  54. Hospital staffers
  58. Oil source
  61. Injure badly
  63. Get-up-and-go
  64. Mishmash
  65. Biggest portion?
  68. 007
  69. Chip in
  70. Dine at home
  71. Views
  72. Distort
  73. Kind of corn
- Down
1. Buffalo wing?
  2. Perfect
  3. Beloved princess
  4. Suffix with auction

Crossword 101

By Ed Canty



5. Renter's option, perhaps
6. State rds.
7. Angry
8. Yang's opposite
9. Tack on
10. Press member at Wrigley Field?
11. 1952 Olympics site
12. Chemical suffixes
13. Young fellows
18. Carnival attractions
23. Stop
25. What a celebrity golfer's caddy may carry?
27. Dr. Phil's last name
29. Day ender
31. Hawaiian root
32. Nights before holidays
33. Rose's team
34. Tennis's Steffi
35. Fix up
36. \_\_\_\_ about (near)
38. Parent's order
41. Tangle
46. Negative quality
49. Cuddily looking Aussies
51. Heartbeats
53. Overact
55. Sudden burst
56. Like ghost stories
57. Dead tired
58. Picnic throwaways
59. Skin lotion additive
60. Prime-time time
62. All over again
66. Calligrapher's purchase
67. Half a bray

Quotable Quote

*Evolution has developed man to such a high degree that he builds zoos to keep his ancestors in cages.*

... *Source Unknown*

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recognized as one of the America's most innovative classical guitar virtuosos. He will be supplementing his classical performance with 15-20 minutes of Hendrix to electrify concert goers. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$5 for students. Tickets may be

purchased at the door, Des Moines Parks and Recreation Department, 1000 220th St., Corky Cellars, 22511 Marine View Drive or Des Moines Florist, 721 S. 219th, all located in Des Moines.

•Got arts news?

Contact arts editor Satori Johnson at [sajohnson@highline.edu](mailto:sajohnson@highline.edu), or call 206-878-3710, ext. 3318.

Last week's crossword solution

FAMILY AFFAIR



Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

	8		5			2		
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		1	9			7		

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate    ★★ Challenging  
★★★ HOO BOY!

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**B**o Colello's Produce Stand is back.

Colello, who took last year off to help his son open Butler's Bar and Grill in downtown Des Moines, reopened his popular stand on March 15.

He had planned to be open last year as well, but stayed closed in order to help his son



while he worked through numerous construction issues and unexpected delays with the city permitting process.

"I was more mad than my customers that I couldn't open," said Colello. "It takes three years to get a business like this going and I had been open just two."

One of his customers even called his wife – "they thought I'd died," he said, laughing.

Colello has been in the produce business since he was 14 years old and began working weekends and summers at his father's produce stand in Pike Place Market, which had been open since 1921.



*Bo Colello with one of his favorite helpers.*

## BO KNOWS PRODUCE



*Natasha Stepanchuk/THUNDERWORD*

*Bo Colello stands amid his fruit and vegetable stand on Des Moines Memorial Drive in SeaTac.*

## After time off to help start a restaurant, local vendor Bo Colello is back in business

He would "get up at 6:30 in the cotton-pickin' morning" and deliver produce from the 12-acre family farm in South Park to the market in his father's 1941

International truck. He eventually took over the stand in 1976, when his father died.

"Emmet Watson [late long-time local newspaper columnist] used to call me 'The Barker of Pike Place,'" he said. "I'd always be hollering for people to try my produce."

Tired of dealing with the city – "they were driving me nuts" – Colello got out of the market in 1984 and went to work for a hazardous waste company.

But after retiring he got bored and in 2000 he opened a pumpkin stand next door to his house. In 2005, he started selling Christmas trees and added the produce stand.

During early spring, Colello carries produce from places such as California, Florida,

Mexico and Arizona.

In the late spring he starts getting produce from local farmers, starting with asparagus in late April.

**S**trawberries, raspberries and blueberries also arrive in late spring, followed by cantaloupes and other melons in June and July.

Walking into the tent-covered produce stand, every customer is greeted with an energetic "How ya doin'?" as Colello bustles around, trims produce and rings up customers.

The radio station KBSG plays in the background as he chats with customers, directing them to the freshest produce of the day, giving samples and answering questions.

Neat and colorful rows of

fruits and vegetables line the tent; oranges, apples, stone fruits, pineapples, avocados, chilies, mushrooms, bok choy, lettuce, broccoli, cauliflower, plus a variety of peppers, potatoes and more.

"I've got farmers that bring me stuff when it's in season," said Colello. "They bring me things like fava beans, rhubarb and bi-colored corn."

"And I also go down to my cousins, the Carpinitos, who still farm 295 acres in Kent Valley, and pick out my stuff from their barn."

He also raises and sells his own herbs such as chives, rosemary, mint and basil.

Colello used to display large handwritten signs advertising the freshest produce in town, but the city of SeaTac wanted him to stop.

Colello spent some time early on convincing the city to let him even operate.

"People kept getting in wrecks during rush hour because they were reading my signs as they sat in traffic," he said, chuckling

Colello is especially excited about the new housing development going in across the street from his place.

"I'm going to have built-in customers," he exclaimed.

Although Colello loves his work, he thinks the airport may buy him out in the next few years and he's fine with that.

"I want them to," he said. "Then I can just ease back into retirement."

In the meantime, you can find Colello enthusiastically greeting customers, giving samples and talking produce at his stand.

"See you tomorrow," he hollers, eliciting smiles as customers leave laden with bags of produce.

Bo Colello's Produce Stand is located at 19616 Des Moines Memorial Drive in SeaTac and is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sundays and will be open until October.

## Write this down: Dumas Bay Writer's Retreat returns

**By Catherine Dusharme**  
*Staff Reporter*

The City of Federal Way is getting ready to host the Second Annual Writer's Retreat at Dumas Bay.

The retreat is for people who are interested in learning more about and getting exposure to the literary world.

"We're doing a smaller, more intimate situation so that people who attend really feel as though they got something from this," said Mary Faber, Federal Way recreation and cultural services superintendent.

The retreat runs for two days and will feature speakers, workshops, round table discussions and an evening social.

Last year there were about 45 attendees and this year they expect more than 50.

"It's just a matter of getting the word out," said Faber. "Some people read the newspaper, others use the internet – finding the connection has been our biggest challenge."

She said last year's retreat was a big success – "we were very pleased with it."

The retreat is an opportunity to sharpen or refresh writing

skills and has something for everyone from novices to professionals.

"I think it's really set up for people who want to improve their writing, get published, learn about style or write novels or poetry," Faber said.

Sponsored by the City of Federal Way Arts Commission, the retreat will be on April 25 from noon until 9 p.m. and April 26 from 7:30 a.m. until 3 p.m.

The cost ranges from \$75 for the retreat only to \$125 including lodging.

The Dumas Bay Centre is located at 3200 S.W. Dash Point

Road in Federal Way.

Seminar leaders will include Elizabeth Lyon, independent book editor and author; Nancy Bartley, writer and Seattle Times reporter; Terry Persun, award-winning author; Heather Larson, freelance writer; and short story writer Jacquie Rodgers.

Lyon will give the keynote address, "Banishing the Three Blind Mice: Doubt, Distraction and Perfectionism," at 1 p.m. on April 25.

The retreat will continue with writing roundtables; "Writing Your Life Story," with Nancy Bartley; "Novel Writing from

Beginning to End," with Elizabeth Lyon, all on April 25.

The second day's programs will include Persun speaking on "The Business of Writing"; writing workshops; Rodgers on short stories; Larson on freelancing; Persun on poetry; and a panel discussion on "From Pen to Publication," featuring Terence Mikas, Elizabeth Wales, and Terry Persun.

For more information and a retreat schedule go online to [www.cityoffederalway.com](http://www.cityoffederalway.com) and to make a reservation contact the City of Federal Way Community Center at 253-835-6900.



## Puyallup's other fair springs ahead

By Satori Johnson  
Staff Reporter

Nothing says spring in the Northwest like blossoming flowers, baby animals and the annual Puyallup Spring Fair.

"The fair has become a symbol for many people that spring is finally here," said Karen LaFlamme, fair spokeswoman.

The Puyallup Spring Fair was introduced to the Northwest in 1990, giving locals something to look forward to despite the drizzly Washington weather.

"There were a lot of people who were tired of hibernating all winter and the fair was somewhere they could go to enjoy spring time again," said LaFlamme.

Last year, LaFlamme said, 99,423 guests attended the fair. Fair employees are expecting even more people to show up for the festivities this year.

"It's a smaller fair, so they get to bump into neighbors and see old friends, that they might not be able to do at the fall fair," she said.

Fairgoers can enjoy many traditional activities including the Garden Show, livestock, science and art exhibits, face painting, the reptile show, and the Swiftly Swine Pig Races. Local bands and choirs, dance contests, magic shows will make free appearances.

"The Spring Fair has a reputation for having many free activities and entertainment," said LaFlamme. "That really draws family here."

Action fans can get tickets to the Slamfest Demolition Derby for \$15-20 on Saturday at 6 p.m.

Thrivefest, a night of Christian music, interactive activities and prizes for middle and junior high school kids is Friday, 6-10 p.m. and tickets are \$5 at the gate.

Along with the usual assortment of rides, if you're craving a concoction of batter-dipped, sugar-coated, sauce-slathered treats, the fair is the place to be. Scones, Krusty Pups, onion burgers, ice cream, funnel cakes, elephant ears, corn on the cob, and caramel apples issynonymous with good times at the Puyallup Fair.

The Puyallup Spring Fair runs Thursday, April 17 through Sunday, April 20. The four-day event will be at the Puyallup Fair and Events Center, 110 Ninth Ave. SW in Puyallup. Tickets are \$8 for general admission, \$7 for students ages 6-18, and kids 5 and under are free.



## Des Moines mural unveiled

*The city of Des Moines unveiled its new mural, The Spirit of Des Moines, top, at a ceremony Friday night at the Des Moines Senior Center. The mural, which will go along a wall at the Waterfront Farmers Market in June. The artists, Katherine Caughey and Anita Corby, right, are city art commissioners who volunteered to create the mural, which took them several months to finish.*



## Local symphonies offer spring surprises

By Satori Johnson  
Staff Reporter

Orchestras from all over South King County will bring a fresh perspective to the old tradition of live classical music this spring.

•The Rainier Symphony performs its third classical concert of the season featuring the Normandy Park Youth Symphony. Under the leadership of Director David Waltman and Concertmaster Ilkka Talvi, they will perform *St. Paul's Suite* by Gustav Holst, *Romeo and Juliet's Fantasy* by Tchaikovsky, *Peer Gynt Suite No. 1* by Edvard Grieg, and *Symphony No. 4* by Ludwig van Beethoven.

They will perform Saturday, April 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the Renton IKEA Performance Art Center, 400 S. 2nd St., and Sunday, April 20 at 3 p.m. at the Foster Performing Arts Center, 4242 S. 144th St. in Tukwila.

Tickets are \$17 for adults and \$12 for student/seniors with special discounts for groups of 10 or more, with children 12 and under admitted free. Tickets and information is available at their website, [www.rainiersymphony.org](http://www.rainiersymphony.org) or by calling 206-781-5618.

•The Auburn Symphony performs its spring concert, *The Bohemian Life*, on Saturday, April 26 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, April 27 at 2:30 p.m.

The concert features work by Czech composer Bedřich Smetana, including *From Bohemia's Woods and Fields* and *The Molau*.

Also featured will be *The Bartered Bride*, a comedic opera by Smetana. The Federal Way Chorale will also perform, with vocal solos by Megan Chenovick, Wesley Rogers and Erich Parce.

Directing Conductor Stewart Kershaw will give a free talk about the pieces 45 minutes be-

fore the concert, giving explanations for each of the pieces they will perform.

Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$20 for student and seniors with discounts for groups of 10 or more. For tickets and information, visit [www.auburnsymphony.org](http://www.auburnsymphony.org) or call 253-939-8509.

•The final concert of the Northwest Symphony Orchestra's 21st season, titled *Pictures of Life*, will be on April 26 at 8 p.m. at the Highline Performing Arts Center. The orchestra will perform *Return to Misty Magic Land* by Allen Strange, *Violin Concerto in D Major, Op. 61* by Ludwig van Beethoven featuring a violin solo by Concertmaster Eric Rynes, and *Pictures at an Exhibition* by Modest Mussorgsky.

Tickets may be purchased at [www.ticketmaster.com](http://www.ticketmaster.com) or by calling 206-292-2787. They are \$14 for adults and \$10 for students and seniors with special

rates for groups of ten or more. Students with valid ID may get free tickets at the box office.

•The Federal Way Symphony has invited Li Huang, professor of violin from Guangzhou Conservatory in Shantou, China, as a part of their season's concert finale, *Romancing the Romantic*.

They will perform *Concerto in D, Op. 77* by Johannes Brahms, as well as works by German composers Carl Maria von Weber and Robert Schumann.

The concert will be Saturday, May 3 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, May 4 at 2 p.m. at St. Luke's Church, 515 S. 312th St. in Federal Way. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors and free for students 18 years old and under. The symphony will perform. For more information about the concert and tickets, visit [www.federalwaysymphony.org](http://www.federalwaysymphony.org) or call 253-529-9857.





Shannon Clary/THUNDERWORD

Students peruse through the display of broadsides at the Library.

## Exhibit brings lost art back to life

By Elize Papineau  
Staff Reporter

Twenty colorful broadsides decorate the library art gallery to demonstrate the diversity of writing talent on campus.

Think of a time before DVDs or TVs. Traditionally broadsides brought news to a town, said writing and literature instructor Susan Rich. She utilized this idea to create a colorful display of published work from Highline faculty and students.

The free exhibit is located in the Highline Library's fourth floor art gallery. Every month, a new exhibit featuring faculty, students or local artists is displayed here. The Library Exhibits Committee determines what will be displayed.

For April, National Poetry Month, Rich suggested the committee display writing from faculty members. They invited her to attend a meeting.

"There are a lot of talented people on campus," said Rich.

"Their students don't know that." Her hope with Words on the Wall was to show students the achievements of the teachers. This proved difficult.

"People on this campus are very humble," said Rich.

For the excerpt written by geology instructor Eric Baer about the Pifo beds of northern Ecuador, she had to knock on his door and insist that his work should be displayed.

Moreover, the exhibit wasn't up until last Friday. It wasn't so much a problem of getting it up, said Rich, as getting it printed.

Broadsides are 8-inch by 14-inch pieces of paper that display the writing. At the bottom of the piece of writing is a one sentence biography of the writer. The 20 broadsides displayed show were printed at the print shop on Highline's campus.

For example, the translation of *Jews Who Helped Shape the American Destiny* by writ-

ing instructor Tianyi Tang is displayed in both English and Chinese. Before printing, the Chinese text had to be double checked by Tang.

The exhibit went up last Friday. It features the work of 17 faculty members and two students. The two students' work will be published in *Arcturus*, Highline's annual literary magazine, coming out in May.

For their work, Rich went to the *Arcturus* editors and requested pieces from students. As a committee, it was decided this exhibit was to embody poetry and prose, but also present diversity, said Rich. This is evident when actually seeing the writing that has been displayed.

Surprisingly, the exhibit is not dominated by poetry. There is a vast variety of work. Music theory instructor Ben Thomas has a piece of his published sheet music.

The majority of what is displayed is actually excerpts from writings. Writing instructor Sibyl James chose to display an excerpt from her book *Ho Chi Minh's Motorbike* for example.

There is a reception open to the public for the exhibit today, April 17 at 3 p.m. in the library. It offers a chance to meet the authors, translators and musicians who contributed their work.



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By Satori Johnson  
Staff Reporter

Poetry, although usually confident taking center stage, stood on unfamiliar ground as the topic of discussion at last week's Science Seminar.

The Science Seminar is a weekly lecture, sponsored by the science department, that invites experts to speak on various subjects related to the science.

Susan Rich, Highline writing instructor and published author, explained that poetry and science have more in common contrary to popular opinion.

Rich said that scientists and poets do not behave so differently from each other. Poets and scientists both come up with new ideas and thoughts. Many jot these revelations down in notebooks.

They recognize sounds, whether it is a call of a specific bird or iambic pentameter of a poem. They use numbers, in complex calculations or in a haiku. They research their sub-

jects by reading books and asking others questions.

"What I like about poetry is that it allows me to be nosey about just about anything," she said.

Like scientists, poets are curious about the world around them. They ask questions, and seek answers through careful observation of the world around them.

Rich said that poets and scientists share a love for the world around them and have a passion to understand how things function and interact with the world.

Mystery, imagination, detail, and analogy are all terms that applicable and vital to both areas, she said.

As science and poetry evolve, Rich says that the division between science and art become less distinct.

"Science today is a way of thinking, much more than a body of knowledge," said Rich.

Many researchers and doctors of science find an outlet in poetry that allows them to ex-



Susan Rich

press the many wonders of nature, she said. Geologists write poems to articulate the beauty of dark and mysterious caves. Even Rich has a poem describing the wonders of stars in the universe.

"(Both) have become introspective, fluid and multifaceted," she said. "(It's) crucial to have a better understanding of the world to improve it."

## Blend brings sound of Brazil to the Bistro

Next week, The Blend is going Brazilian.

Growing up in Los Angeles, Rodriguez learned the value of music.

A talented musician, teacher, and author, Arturo Rodriguez has performed worldwide with music legends, including Tito Puente, Dave Valentin, Paul Horn, and Pete Escovedo.

Rodriguez has also established his own company which offers courses for self-study, as well as public and private training for percussionist students.

Rodriguez perform his original music that is unique Latin music which reflects his heritage.

Rodriguez will be performing live at the Bistro, Wednesday, April 23 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

## Poetry Lounge to draw students together to share their work

The next Diversity Poetry Lounge is scheduled for Wednesday, April 23. The Diversity Poetry Lounge is a bi-weekly event where students, faculty and staff can gather and discuss works of poetry.

Each week, a relevant topic or issue is chosen. For the next meeting, the topic will be security.

Original works of poetry or works of other authors can be brought in. After the reading,

there will be a discussion that everyone can participate in.

"They can engage in conversation as it relates to specific individuals," said Aaron Reader, who works for Women's Programs and the Intercultural Center.

Light refreshments will be provided for the attendees.

The reading will be at the Intercultural Center located downstairs in Building 6 at 10-11 a.m.



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# Hilton redecorates the Interior Design program

By Shalina Baldwin  
Staff Reporter

Tammi Hilton, an experienced interior design instructor, is optimistic about expanding Highline's Interior Design Program.

As an interior designer for eight years, Hilton knew from a young age that this was the career path she would follow.

"I guess my artistic sense runs in the family genes. I love decorating and redecorating," said Hilton.

Right after she graduated from high school Hilton enrolled at the Art Institute of Seattle, where she studied interior design.

After college she went on to work for three interior design firms, and eventually started to work for herself as an entrepreneur.

Since becoming an instructor at Highline in Spring Quarter of 2005, Hilton has taught almost every interior design class.

Hilton said that the Materials and Resources and Interior Design 3 classes have been her favorite classes to teach since becoming a teacher.

"We are really excited about a few new classes, and are trying to add even more," Hilton said.



Shannon Clary/THUNDERWORD

Highline's Tammi Hilton, right, helps out one of her students during a class recently.

The Interior Design program is adding a new class coming this summer called Textiles.

This class will be an excellent introduction to interior design, said Hilton.

Students will learn about fabrics and the textures of the fabrics.

It is a five-credit class and it will include field trips to explore the subject matter in the real world.

Another class will be added in the Fall Quarter called Sustainable Design, which will give students more classes to choose from.

Sustainable Design will be a course geared toward educating students about "green" products and design.

The course will teach the purpose of sustainable design, which is to create environments and buildings which will benefit

the future and the eco-system itself.

"I want my students to understand design as well as the reason and thought process behind it. Most of all, I just want them to enjoy what they're doing," said Hilton.

The Interior Design program is a two-year program which leads to an associate of applied science (AAS) degree. An associate of arts (AA) degree with an emphasis in interior design is also an option, and is easier to use as a transfer degree towards a university.

The program's objective is to ready students for a career in design, or for students to continue in interior design at a four-year university.

Before graduation, students are required to complete an internship. They are also required to take a portfolio class, which helps them to prepare for future jobs.

Previous students who have graduated with their two-year degree have gone into such fields as furniture, architecture, or have joined an interior design firm.

To find out more about the Interior Design Department, visit their website at [www.flightline.highline.edu/interiordesign](http://www.flightline.highline.edu/interiordesign), or contact the department coordinator, Meg Ryan, at 206-878-3710, ext. 3274 or [mryan@highline.edu](mailto:mryan@highline.edu).

## Computer Science not only for the geeks

By Rochelle Adams  
Staff Reporter

The Demystifying Computer Science Seminar plans to prove that computer science isn't just for geeks.

Tina Ostrander, presenter of the seminar and computer science teacher at Highline, said that the main reason this subject needs demystifying is because "the media perception of the computer science geek leads to false perceptions about the field."

She said that the goal of this presentation is to help debunk those misconceptions and prove that computer science can be learned by everyone, not just geeks.

A lot of the misconceptions come from the confusion over what computer science is exactly.

"It's actually hard to define computer science, because it has very little to do with computers and isn't a science," said Ostrander. "It is really about analytical thinking and creative problem solving."

"You will learn about the field of computer science, engage in some fun activities, and have an opportunity to ask ques-



Dr. Eric Baer

tions," Ostrander said.

The seminar is sponsored by the University of Washington-Tacoma and Highline.

It is an interactive presentation with lots of activities planned including magic tricks to give a hands on teaching approach to a subject that, according to Ostrander, confuses most people.

"A lot of people view computers as these mysterious things," said Dr. Eric Baer, the coordinator of Science Seminar and Highline geology teacher. "People think that somehow computers just magically work."

He hopes that at this particu-

lar seminar those myths and misconceptions are cleared up. He also hopes to raise some interest in the subject.

"We have a great computer science program here at Highline," said Baer. "We just don't have enough students involved in it."

This is a shame, Baer said, since there are so many career paths that can be taken that require knowledge in computer science.

A few of the job possibilities that students may be interested in include computer programmers, webpage designers, graphic artists, computer forensics for police investigations, and most jobs in the workplace.

Baer said that knowledge in computer science could be very helpful just for average people who want to know more about those strange machines they spend most of their lives in front of.

If you are interesting in going to this seminar, it takes place this Friday, April 18 in Building 3, room 102 and runs from 2:20 – 3:10 p.m.

For information on any other Science Seminar events contact Eric Baer at 206-878-3710, ext. 3513.

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# Dine, dance, and donate at Highline's annual Gala

By Carrie Draeger  
Staff Reporter

Highline is gearing up for its largest annual fundraising event for students.

The Gala is an event hosted by the Highline Community College Foundation to raise money for student scholarships and the Student Emergency Assistance Fund.

The event includes a gourmet dinner, hosted wine and coffee service, live auction, raffle, and dancing as forms of entertainment.

"The bottom line is to raise money for Highline," said Rod Stephenson, the executive director for the foundation. "People that attend the Gala are there knowing that they are there to support the college."

This year's event is being held at the Cedarbrook Conference Center in SeaTac on April 26.

Tickets are \$125 per person, or \$1,000 for a table of eight



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Highline Gala attendees dance at last years event. This year the Gala hopes to raise \$100,000.

guests. The main course for the meal is braised beef short ribs with an Asian-inspired braisage. The master of ceremonies for the event will be Paul Moyer,

former Seattle Seahawks safety and cohost of the Seahawks pre-game radio show.

"This will be the eighth year of the event and to date it has

raised over \$750,000 (for Highline students)," Stephenson said. "Our goal is to net \$100,000."

The Gala will be highlighted by guest student speaker and

Highline alumnus Anna Lee. Lee graduated from Highline last spring as an honors scholar and was a Foundation Scholarship recipient. She is attending the Jackson School of International Affairs at the University of Washington as a Gates Millennium Scholar and is majoring in International Relations.

Some of the big-ticket items to be auctioned off include a 12-day cruise on Holland America with airfare included; a private catered dinner party with the college president held at the soon-to-be-completed Marine and Science Technology Center in Des Moines; a private wine tour in Sonoma Valley with airfare and lodging included; and a birthday party for 10 children at the MaST Center with 10 tickets to Wild Waves Theme Park in Federal Way.

"We try to make the event first class," Stephenson said. "People come to have a great time, but also know that they are raising funds for Highline."

# Take a step toward a cleaner world - celebrate Earth Week

By Marin Bergman  
Staff Reporter

The Environmental Club has put together multiple activities for this year's Earth Week celebration, April 21 through April 25.

The celebration, which includes nationally-recognized guest speakers, campus-wide cleanups and free entertainment, is open to everyone.

"Take this chance to get some extra credit, ask your teachers and tell your friends," said Woody Moses, the adviser of Highline's Environmental Club and a biology and environmental science teacher.

Each day will have a different theme.

On Monday, April 21, Cary Moon, the founder of the People's Waterfront Coalition, will be speaking about transportation in the Puget Sound region, from 11 a.m. to noon.

Also on Monday speaker Eric Chipps from Sound Transit will be having a talk on transportation in the Puget Sound area from 10-11 a.m.

On Tuesday there will be a food fair.

"The food fair is brand new this year I'm really excited to see how it turns out," said Steven Reusser, the Environmental Club president.

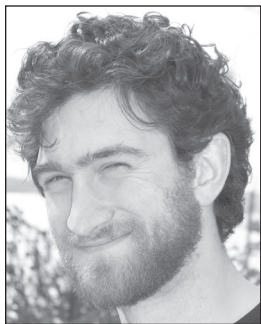
The food fair will be in the Mt. Constance room from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Former Highline honor stu-

dent, and last year's former Environmental Club president, Christopher

Thomas will speak on energy intensive eating from 9-10 a.m. in the Mt. Constance room.

Wednesday's focus will be on waste, and students will have the chance to make a difference in their environment by participating in a campus-wide clean-



Moses

up. The cleanup crew will meet between 9 -10 a.m., then again between 11 a.m. and noon on the west side of Highline Student Union. Students, staff, and faculty are encouraged to join.

Wednesday will include presentations from Tom Watson, project manager for King County's Recycling and Environmental Services, and Joe Welsh who will be giving information on PC recycle.

Watson's presentation will be from 10-11 a.m. and Welsh will be from 11 a.m. to noon, both in the Mt. Constance room.

Also on Wednesday students, staff, and faculty will get a chance to recycle PCs and other

electronics at the E-Cycle event from noon to 6 p.m.

On Thursday the events will include several presentations about human health issues. Sarah Massey, a cancer survivor, will speak on toxins in the home from 10-11 a.m. in the Mt. Constance room; also in the Mt. Constance room will be members of the Medical Assisting Club speaking on pollution and our bodies from 10a.m. to noon.

The Sustainability Task Force will be holding a meeting from 1-2 p.m.

The week will end with Pollution Day, with the showing of Silver City, a film about politics from 2004. The movie will be shown at noon in Building 7.

"The importance of Earth Week is to make people ask questions, to make people interested, and open their eyes to everything that's going on around them," said Reusser.

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cluding classified and exempt staff, faculty, students, and the surrounding community.

“A lot of (our decision) is determined by the interviews and feedback by campus groups,” Vander Ark said.

Vander Ark said that the profile that was created for the search process in December of 2007 will serve as a blueprint for the Board.

“We will be looking at those qualifications, how the college operates, and seeing how they (the candidates) fit with who we are,” Vander Ark said.

The finalists all have substantial backgrounds in education.

•Dr. Armstrong served as superintendent/president of Copper Mountain College from 2004-2007; vice president of instruction at Citrus College in Glendora, Calif. from 1997-2004; dean of Social Sciences at Mt. Hood Community College from 1993-1997; professor of history at El Camino College in Torrance, Calif. from 1988-1993; and instructor of history, political science, and sociology and social sciences department chairman at Palo Verde College in Bythe, Calif.

Dr. Armstrong earned his bachelor’s of science degree in history and political science, and master of arts in history at Portland State University. He received his doctoral degree at the University of California at Santa Barbara.

Dr. Armstrong has served on

the Chief Executive Officers of California Community Colleges, as president of the Southern California Community College Chief Executive Officers, on the Association of California Community College Administrators, and on the Association of California Rural/Small Colleges Coalition.

Armstrong has contributed to such publications as *Readings in American History, Volumes I and II; the Encyclopedia of U.S. Foreign Relations; The War of 1812: An Encyclopedia; and the Encyclopedia of American Foreign Policy.*

•Before serving as Highline’s interim president, Dr. Bermingham served as the college’s academic vice president for 12 years. He has also served as faculty member at the University of the West Indies in Jamaica.

Dr. Bermingham said he is excited about the opportunity he has been given to continue to serve Highline.

“I’m very attached to Highline; it’s been a huge part of my life,” Dr. Bermingham said.

Dr. Bermingham has received awards such as the Washington Education Association’s 2001 Human and Civil Rights Award for his successful leadership on diversity in curriculum, and cultural awareness, the Dr. Werner Kubsch Award for his work in international education and a similar award from the polytechnic of Namibia for his impact on the institution’s development in 2005.

Dr. Bermingham received his Ph.D. from the University of California at Santa Barbara and currently serves on the boards for the Seattle Trade Development Alliance and Community Colleges for International Development and on the executive committee of the South King County Economic Development Initiative.

•Dr. Garmon is the chief academic officer at New Mexico State University-Carlsbad, a

**Dr. John Garmon**



**April 21**

- Classified Staff and Exempt Staff Forum at 9 to 9:45 a.m.
- Student Forum at 11 to 11:45 a.m.
- Faculty Forum at 3:40 to 4:30 p.m.

**April 22**

- Community forum (Bldg. 99 Rm131) at 9 to 9:45 a.m.

**Dr. Thom Armstrong**



**April 29**

- Faculty Forum 3:40 to 4:30pm

**April 30**

- Classified Staff and Exempt Staff Forum at 9 to 9:45 a.m.
- Student Forum at 11 to 11:45 a.m.
- Community Forum (Bldg. 99 Rm131) at 2 to 2:45 p.m.

**Dr. Jack Bermingham**



**April 24**

- Faculty Forum 3:40 to 4:30pm

**April 25**

- Classified Staff and Exempt Staff Forum at 9 to 9:45 a.m.
- Student Forum at 11 to 11:45 a.m.
- Community Forum (Bldg. 99 Rm131) at 2 to 2:45 p.m.

**Dr. Julie Leidig**



**April 28**

- Classified Staff and Exempt Staff Forum at 9 to 9:45 a.m.
- Student Forum at 11 to 11:45 a.m.
- Faculty Forum at 3:40 to 4:30 p.m.

**April 29**

- Community forum (Bldg. 99 Rm131) at 9 to 9:45 a.m.

**Randall Lawrence**



**May 1**

- Classified Staff and Exempt Staff Forum at 9 to 9:45 a.m.
- Student Forum at 11 to 11:45 a.m.
- Faculty Forum at 3:40 to 4:30 p.m.

**May 2**

- Community forum (Bldg. 99 Rm131) at 9 to 9:45 a.m.

All meetings are in building 7 except as otherwise noted.

branch campus community college.

He served as vice president of academic affairs at Mountain Empire Community College in Virginia, and at Florida Community College in Jacksonville. He also served as the dean of occupational-technical education at Texas Southmost College in Brownsville, Texas.

Dr. Garmon earned his bachelor of arts and master’s degree in English at West Texas A&M University. He received his doctoral degree in American and British Literature from Ball State University.

•Randall Lawrence has served as Olympic Community College’s vice president of instruction since 2002. Before that served as the dean of Social Sciences and Humanities, and as a professor of music at Olympic.

Lawrence is a recipient of the Chair Academy national leadership award for demonstrated excellence and commitment to higher education, and the Bridge Builder Award.

He serves on the National Board for the Chair Academy and as the co-chairman of the State Joint Access Oversight Group.

Lawrence received his bachelor of arts degree in music composition and music education at Lewis and Clark College in Portland. He earned his master of art’s degree in choral conducting from the University of Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music, and is a doctoral candidate in music history at the same school.

•Dr. Leidig has served as the vice president for instruction at the Lone Star College-Montgomery, formerly known

as Montgomery College, since 2004.

Before coming to Lone Star, Dr. Leidig served at the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board in Austin for eight years. In the 1980s Dr. Leidig spent five years teaching English in Tokyo, Japan.

She also worked for the University of Texas as a staff development and instructional coordinator while completing her graduate work.

Dr. Leidig received her bachelor’s degree in political science from Syracuse University. She earned three graduate degrees, including her doctoral degree in Educational Administration/Community College leadership at the University of Texas at Austin.

Dr. Leidig serves as the board secretary for Montgomery County Youth Services.

S&A Budget Committee hears appeals

By Jaren Lewis  
Staff Reporter

The Services & Activities Budget Committee has heard appeals to their preliminary budget for 2008-2009.

Highline’s S&A budget is the source of funding for all clubs and student programs, such as the Anime Club, Student Government, and the Thunderword.

The budget “is completely centered around students’ needs because it is all students’ money,” Committee Chair Kelli Tracy said. Next year’s budget adds up to over \$2.2 million.

The April 16 meeting consist-

ed mostly of an appeal from the Drama Department, whose budget was increased by \$3,500.

Richard Lorig and Christiana Taylor of the Drama department requested that another \$1,000 of their request be granted, to increase the pay for contracted work. The request was considered, but the committee decided unanimously that their current allocation was sufficient.


Afterwards, an unexpected increase in the Running Start allocation added \$55,000 to the existing \$120,000 contingency fund. The contingency fund is excess revenue and money allocation which can be drawn from

during the year if a group runs into unexpected costs.

“We’ve been in an area of growth and development,” said Jonathan Brown, Associate Dean of Student Programs.

The preliminary budget will be presented to the Board of Trustees on May 8, and await confirmation about one month after.

The committee normally meets in Mt. Skokomish on the second floor of Building 8 on Wednesdays, from 3 to 5 p.m. April 23’s meeting is tentatively cancelled to allow time for organization among committee leaders.

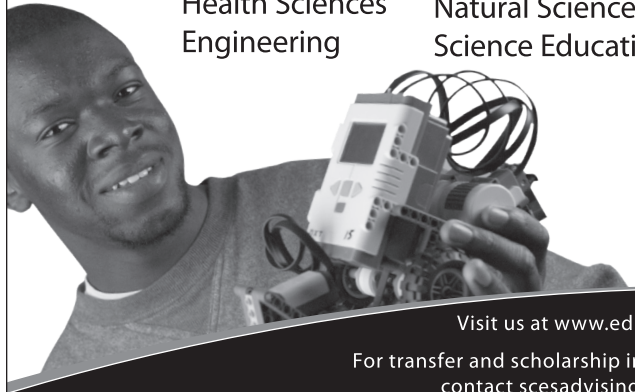


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better:  
“Establish a plan.”  
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“Reference those goals on a six-month-basis.”  
“Set hard fast realistic goals that are achievable.”  
Rashiid Abdullah, president of the investing club, has also been actively involved in the promotion of the financial week of education.  
A common problem Abdullah sees with students is that they’re “living with their parents and not taking the opportunity to save and invest their money while they’re ahead of the game.”

“They’re not utilizing their money in the right asset columns,” he said.  
Abdullah says students should be “taking advantage of key faculty and staff input to be more aware of financial decisions and how to apply their financial savvy.”  
He says his goal is “building awareness of what’s available and the opportunities that exist out there for both students and faculty.”  
The week’s events include:  
•Monday, April 21: Game Day: Rich-dad’s cash-flow 101.  
•Tuesday, April 22: Katrina Titchenal from Financial Aid Department will talk about dropping classes, financial aid probation, withdraws and incompletes.  
•Wednesday, April 23: Bill Webster, a financial adviser



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Rashiid Abdullah (left) and Anthony Newton discuss the Financial Week events.

and stockbroker in the Highline Business Department, will speak about Mutual Funds.  
•Thursday, April 24 Leslie Lum from Financial Education at Bellevue Community College will speak about Financial Awareness.  
Webster has been on staff at Highline for more than 30 years offering a wealth of information in stocks and finances.  
Lum is also an educator from the Bellevue area, offering her experience with finances.  
Lum says, “Nobody ever sits down and says ‘this is how my life is going to go,’” referring to students getting into debt early on in adulthood.  
She says students should “look objectively at what their

lives look like financially” and “not take on a lot of debt when they start out.”  
Lum says a lot of students “don’t understand what kind of money they are going to make.”  
“You should only invest in things you understand,” Lum continued.  
For example, she says, “If you don’t understand stocks, don’t invest in them until you do understand them.”  
“Using cash is a safe way to go,” said Lum. “Most people don’t keep track of what they spend.”  
She warns students that “if you have credit cards you’re liable to use them a lot.”  
“The key to financial security is to control your spending.”

MaST

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“It (the MaST Center) expands Highline’s opportunity to attract more people to the college,” Simpkins said.  
Each level of donation comes with a commemoration and with such a large donation, the foyer of the new MaST Center will have a plaque commemorating the donation from Student Programs, Simpkins said.  
There was almost a chance the donation couldn’t be made because there had seemed to be some money that was lost, Simpkins said.  
“The money showed up on a later budget, so we were able to go ahead with the donation,” Simpkins said.  
In order to make the donation some areas had to cut back their budget, including Student Government, Simpkins said.  
The donation will go into a general fund for the MaST Cen-



Steve Simpkins

ter to get it up and running by June.  
And by the looks of things, it might be a challenge.  
“It’s actually moving along, but not along a smooth road,” Sell said.  
Right now the difficulties are with the utilities, roads outside the building, the sewer system, and there is a fire hydrant that needs to be moved, Sell said.  
The aquarium, which will house up to 100 different species of marine life all caught in

the Puget Sound, is just about done.  
Inspectors will go through the building on April 21 to look and see if anything needs fixing.  
If there is anything that needs to be fixed, the contractor is then obligated to take care of any problems, Sell said.  
The aquarium is being increased by 50 percent, which will make it the third largest in Washington state.  
In the main building all the walls are finished and the cabinets are being installed. The details are still being worked on for the underfloor, Sell said.  
There is a grand opening celebration scheduled for June 16 from 10 a.m. to noon, with a potential appearance from U.S. Rep. Adam Smith, Sell said.  
“We are planning to invite donors, and some speakers,” said Rod Stephenson of the Highline Foundation.  
The overall planning is still under way, Stephenson said.  
“We’re getting there,” he said.

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