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Confrontation with police officer closes Building 6

By Max Dubbeldam
Staff Reporter

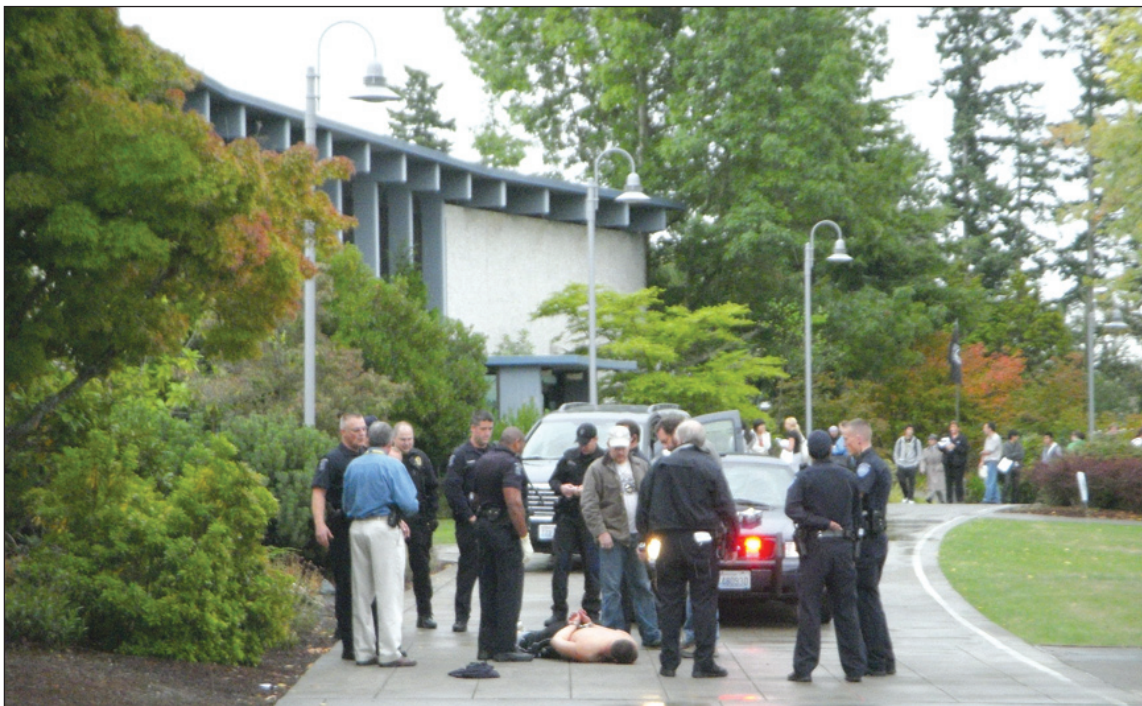
A Des Moines Police officer resorted to using his TASER and his pepper spray after an incident with a man in Building 6 last week.

At 2:26 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 26, a 24-year-old male was being contained in the security office in Building 6. The man was reportedly being overly friendly with female students on campus.

The man was registered at Highline, but he never attended any of his classes, police said.

The man had asked one female student to go out and take a walk with him. Sgt. Robert Collins of the Des Moines Police Department said that the student reluctantly said OK, but when they were out on a walk he tried to hold hands with her and became overly touchy.

It was at this time that the student went to the security of-



A group of police officers surrounding the perpetrator outside Building 6 last Thursday.

ice and reported the man. The man agreed to sit and wait for a police officer to come to the scene. However, when the officer arrived at the scene

and told the man that he had to come down to the police department, the man attacked the officer, police said. “As soon [as] the cop came in,

that’s when the drama started,” said Highline student Rashiid Abdullah, who was working at the Intercultural Center as the confrontation happened.

“He said he wasn’t gonna be taken to jail,” said Collins. “So the officer brought out his TASER.”

The officer shot his TASER into the man, but he ripped off the probes and kept coming.

The officer then threw a table between the two of them to buy himself time to reload his cartridge.

The officer shot another round into the man, but when he ripped off the probes once more, he resorted to using pepper spray on the man.

“He got him under control,” said Collins. “Since they were in physical combat, there were no handcuffs applied.”

Collins added that it is very rare and scary that someone can overcome one TASER shock, if not two.

Rashiid Abdullah said that he didn’t like how the situation was handled because it jeopardized

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Enrollment could be down this quarter; too soon to tell for sure

By Sidney Pacampara
Staff Reporter

Student enrollment appears to be down 500 students this quarter, but looks may be deceiving.

Enrollment for the first day of fall 2008 was 7,353 students, down from 7,872 on the same day a year ago.

However, Jason Prenovost, director of Communications and Marketing at Highline, said the first day numbers may not reflect the true census of students currently in classes at Highline. He said that it is still too soon to determine the actuality of enrollment being down. This is because the process and timing of how enrollments are recorded differs each year.

“Last year we gained 500 FTEs (full-time equivalents) after day one of fall quarter,” Prenovost said.

Also, he added that changes have occurred this year in terms of coding, notably Adult Basic



David Olerich/THUNDERWORD
Bookstore staff help the lines of students get their supplies.

Education/English as Second Language, which makes up as much as a third of the student population.

The college had a total of 1,346 ABE/ESL students at the end of Fall Quarter last year;

currently 370 ABE/ESL students are formally enrolled. Many more will be added before the quarter is over, however.

“This is, in fact, a pattern

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Former Highline chief dead

By Jaren Lewis
Staff Reporter



Dr. Shirley B. Gordon

Dr. Shirley B. Gordon, former Highline president, died Sept. 20 in Burien at age 86.

Services will be held Oct. 4 at 11 a.m. on campus in Building 8.

Dr. Gordon became president of Highline in 1976 and retired 14 years later in 1990. She was the first female president of a public college in Washington history.

Before serving as president, Dr. Gordon was a part of the group that originally established Highline in 1961.

Retired engineering professor Phillip Sell said she was “a great lady who probably had more impact on HCC than any other individual in its history.”

Between the college’s establishment at Glacier High in 1961 and Dr. Gordon being named president in 1976, she served various posts at the college including dean of instruction, director of curriculum and vice president.

“The amiable and collegial

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atmosphere that exist now at HCC between the faculty and the administration is due to the leadership and the direction of Dr. Gordon,” mathematics instructor Ed Morris said.

Outside of her career at Highline, Dr. Gordon also served in a number of other positions, such as being a member of the American Association of Community Colleges board of directors, and being the only community college representative serving on



It's not too early for crime prevention, chief says

Watch your book bags. That's the advice of Richard Noyer, supervisor of safety and security who hopes to help students cut down on book bag theft.

Students should be on guard especially now. The beginning of every quarter tends to be the time with the most thefts and crime, said Noyer.

Book bag theft is also one of the most common crimes at Highline. Noyer said to contact the security office in Building 6 immediately if anyone witnesses theft or any suspicious activities.

Finding lost property and not returning it to the rightful owner or the lost and found if possible, but keeping the property to yourself, is considered theft.

Since the beginning of Fall Quarter many items have been reported lost. Some of which were claimed and repossessed at the lost and found, while others still remain unfound. Some of these items include a camera, visa card, purses, wallets, glasses, books, binders, and even a passport, which was returned to a student.

People looking to find their lost items, or turn in any lost property, go to the lower level of Building 6 to do so.

Noyer urges that everyone should get a yellow Emergency Procedure Brochure in Building 6 in front of the security office, and find some time to read it. It would be extremely helpful if everyone knew what to do in any emergency situation.

Laptop stolen from library

A Central Washington student was studying on the fourth floor of the library at 3:15 p.m. on Sept. 29, in the lobby area.

She got up to use the restroom and returned to her desk at 3:18 p.m. to find her \$300 laptop missing. She had no receipts for the laptop.

Bump leads to argument

A Highline student was in an argument with a visitor on Sept. 29, about whether the visitor hit the bumper of her car.

The Highline student called both security and Des Moines Police Department. A Highline student stated that the visitor hit the bumper of her Volkswagen Jetta with her Mustang.

Officer from the Des Moines Police Department had them both exchange insurance information and cleared the scene. There was no damage on either vehicle.



Save three lives: Give blood this Wednesday

The Fall Quarter blood drive will be held on Oct 8.

The "blood bus" will park on the west side of Building 8. Walk-ins will be welcome, or you can schedule an appointment at http://www.securedata-trans5.com/ap/pugetsoundbloodcenter/index.php?page=10&e_id=1347

The drive is hosted by the Student Nursing Club.

Student Programs teaches leadership once again

A new leadership workshop series begins this Friday.

The "Leadership off the Grid" series will present a workshop on the first Friday of every month, starting with Oct 3, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Friday's workshop will be called "Servant Leadership: Why the World Needs Leaders," and will be presented by Student Programs faculty Jonathan Brown, Natasha Burrowes and Jodi Robinett.

The workshop will focus on "servant leadership," and the ability to lead by empowering others.

The schedule for the rest of the year is as follows:

- Nov 7: Politics and civic engagement
- Dec 5: What's Your Leadership Style?
- Feb 6: The Power of Non-violence
- March 6: Active Listening
- April 3: Communities as a Leadership Tool
- June 5: Transformational Leadership



Catherine Dusharme/THUNDERWORD
Joel McCluskey mows the lawn outside Building 22.

MaST Center spies orcas

See Orcas at the MaST Center this Saturday.

On Oct. 4 from noon to 12:45 p.m. the MaST Center will be hosting a presentation from Nancy Broege, a naturalist. The presentation is called "I Spy! Spy Hopping!"

The MaST center is at 28203 Redondo Beach Drive S. in Des Moines. For more information on the center, visit their web site at <http://mast.highline.edu>

Brown professor speaks on presidential 'race'

Dr. Tricia Rose of Brown University will give a lecture on the 2008 election Oct 6 from 9 to 9:50 a.m. in Building 2.

The lecture will cover such issues as racial inequalities, what is expected from female leadership, the use of images and ideas to shape voter opinions and the relevance of these subjects to the current election.

A follow-up discussion is also planned for Oct 15 at 12:30 p.m. titled "Are Americans ready for... Race & Gender in Politics" on the third floor of Building 8.

Voting registration deadline fast-approaching

The deadline for voters wish-

ing to register to vote in the General Election on Nov. 4 is this Saturday, Oct. 4.

"The November election will be extremely important for Washington voters," Washington Secretary of State Sam Reed said. "Several key races will be on the ballot, including president, all nine congressional seats, [and] governor."

Students who have recently moved should update their information to be eligible to vote.

"If you've moved and haven't updated your registration, do that soon so you can vote," Reed said.

Statistics from the two primary elections show that only 18 percent of voters between the ages of 18 and 24 voted, compared to 43 percent of all registered voters. Of the 4.6 million residents of Washington state, 1.2 million, or 26 percent, have not yet registered.

"If you're 18 or older and haven't voted yet, what a great

election to vote in for the first time!" Reed said. "This is a pivotal election, and some of these races will be tight, so your vote can make a difference."

Registration forms are available online, both for new voters and recently relocated voters. The forms are available in a variety of languages. The website to visit is www.vote.wa.gov.

Highline explores history of disability through film

October is Disability Awareness Month, and Highline is celebrating with a number of events.

The Disability History Timeline will be on display until October 7. It is a 21-panel exhibit tracing the history of disability, both moral and medical.

Three films will also be shown throughout the month:

The first, *Music Within*, will be shown Oct. 10 for Movie Friday. The film is about Richard Pimentel, a deaf Vietnam veteran who wrote the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The second, *Not Just Ramps*, will be shown Oct. 22 at 10 a.m. in Building 2. It is a theatrical documentary that takes a tongue-in-cheek approach to disability stereotypes.

The third film, the Movie Friday for Oct. 31 is *Murderball*, a documentary about wheelchair rugby.

Correction

James Rodgers' name was misspelled in last week's issue.

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TIP OF THE WEEK:
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Campus to explore politics, elections throughout October

By Liviu Bird
Staff Reporter

Highline students looking to get involved in the 2008 elections need look no further than their own campus in the next month.

Highline Votes: Defining Democracy 2008 is a series of lectures, films and discussions related to the local and national elections, touching on issues such as understanding how democracy and elections work, foreign policy, and the science of polling that runs right up to Election Day.

"We care about the issues and the purpose of providing people information - students, employees, and community members," said Dr. James Peyton, one of the program's coordinators. "We hope to help students in becoming more informed and critically thinking citizens."

In 2002, Highline writing and journalism professor Susan Landgraf wrote up a proposal to have a program on the elections and went around campus to gather signatures from staff and faculty. Her idea was to have an informative program because citizens - students included - run this country.

She presented her idea to former Highline President Dr. Priscilla Bell, and the event was created. It started out as a day-long event in that first year.

For the first time in the program's history, there will be a student essay contest. "Who



James Peyton

am I, politically?" is the theme of the contest, with entries of short essays and poems being admitted, as well as longer essays. Each category winner will receive \$35, and the runners-up will receive \$20. Submissions are due on Monday, Oct. 20 to Angi Caster in Building 5.

Essay contest coordinator Angi Caster emphasizes that international students are encouraged to get involved, even if they can't vote, because they will bring an interesting, and possibly different, view on politics to attention.

In addition to money prizes, the top four writers will also be involved in a panel discussion to express their views on politics and read from their work.

One event that already occurred, on Tuesday, was the "OK... So Let's Define Democracy" presentation by Dr. Tim McMannon, Highline history professor, and Ekk Sisavatdy of

Highline Student Services.

One of the main points McMannon stressed in his presentation was that democracy requires the participation of the people. McMannon also argued that an educated populace is essential to democracy working.

"It is your obligation to participate," McMannon said. "The key is to be educated first."

For voter education and participation, there are many events this month at Highline. Legislative and judicial candidates on the ballot will also be at Highline to present ideas and explain to students why they deserve to be elected. Six documentary films will be presented throughout the program. Iraq War veteran and poet Brian Turner will present some of his work and will be available for additional discussion.

The full schedule includes:

- Today, Oct. 2, 11 a.m.: Understanding Our Elections, Dr.

T.M. Sell. Building 7.

- Monday, Oct. 6 to Friday, Oct. 10, all day: Representing America: Feelings about the Flag. An installation of images of the US flag and space for public reactions. Highline Student Union.

- Monday, Oct. 6, 1:30 p.m.: Documentary film, *Why We Fight*. Highline Student Union, Mt. Skokomish room.

- Tuesday, Oct. 7, 12:10 p.m. - 1:10 p.m.: Laundry Detergent or President? Elections Hollywood Style. Dr. Tommy Kim, Professor Susan Rich. Building 7.

- Wednesday, Oct. 8, 11 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.: China's Rise: Different Views. Professor Susan Landgraf. Building 7.

- Thursday, Oct. 9, 9 a.m. - 9:50 a.m.: Toward a new democratic U.S. foreign policy. Professor Davidson Dodd. Building 7.

- Friday, Oct. 10, 2:20 p.m.

- 3:10 p.m.: Science Seminar: Polling. Dr. Helen Burn. Building 3, room 102.

- Monday, Oct. 13, 1:30 p.m., Documentary film, *Taxi to the Darkside*. Highline Student Union, Mt. Skokomish room.

- Thursday, Oct. 16, 12:10 p.m.-1:10 p.m.: State Legislative Candidate Forum, 30th, 33rd districts. Highline Student Union, Mt. Constance room.

- Monday, Oct. 20, 1:30 p.m.: Documentary film *Iraq in Fragments*. Highline Student Union, Mt. Skokomish room.

- Tuesday, Oct. 21, 11 a.m.: In my country we... International students discuss politics in five countries. Building 7.

- Thursday, Oct. 23, 11 a.m. - 11:50 a.m., 12:10 p.m. - 1:10 p.m., 1:20 p.m.-2:20 p.m.: Highline Listens: Poet and Iraq war veteran Brian Turner. Building 2.

- Monday, Oct. 27, 10 a.m. - 10:50 a.m., 11 a.m. - 11:50 a.m.: Judicial Elections Panel. Highline Student Union, Mt. Constance.

- Monday, Oct. 27, 1:30 p.m.: Documentary film *Who Killed the Electric Car?* Highline Student Union, Mt. Skokomish room.

- Tuesday, Oct. 28, 10 a.m.-10:50 a.m.: Essay contest panel discussion. Highline Student Union, Mt. Constance room.

- Monday, Nov. 3 1:30 p.m.: Documentary film, *An Inconvenient Truth*. Highline Student Union, Mt. Skokomish

Moses parts waters of Belize

By Jaren Lewis
Staff Reporter

Six Highline students took advantage of a new opportunity to study abroad this Summer Quarter.

Highline professor Woody Moses inaugurated an ecology class taught in Belize over the summer.

Belize is a small country in Central America, bordered by Guatemala, Mexico and the Caribbean Sea. Its tourism industry has grown over the years into a major part of its economy, with over 900 million tourists worldwide in 2007.

The class began June 19, the week after Spring Quarter ended, and ran two weeks until July 1. Six students from Highline attended the 16-student class, alongside others from Hillsborough and Brevard community colleges in Florida.

The class is aimed at general education, not science majors.

The first week of the class was spent doing field work at Hill Bank Field Station, a con-

servation site. Students explored a Mayan ruin, and studied the region's current conservation efforts.

"It was really, really nice," Moses said.

The second week was spent at Spanish Look-Out Caye, a 186-acre island near the Belize Barrier Reef. The reef is the second largest in the world; the class explored there as well. "That was also very nice," Moses said.

Moses said that a particular highlight was their trip to a baboon sanctuary.

"There were monkeys everywhere," Moses said. "They [the students] were just amazed."

Students kept a field journal from day to day of what they studied. Each student chose one organism from the area on which to focus their studies, and give a presentation about at the end.

"We were busy every day," Moses said. "I think some students thought it would be a vacation."

The class will be taught again



Highline professor Woody Moses shows off a new friend in the waters off Belize last summer.

this year, at the same time. Moses said he plans to allot more free time for students.

"My hope is that it gets students excited about both science and travel," Moses said, adding that it "highlights our [High-

line's] global connection."

Few specifics have been released on next year's class; some information can be found at http://ccidinc.org/programs/?program_id_number=11.

For more information on next year's class, contact Woody Moses at wmoses@highline.edu. There will also be a Science Seminar, "Learning in Belize," on Oct. 24, in Building 3, room 122.

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*Editorial comment***Take college seriously, kids**

Welcome, new Highline students, and welcome back to those who are returning, to the new school year.

Class has been in session for nearly two weeks now. If you haven't yet, it still isn't too late to take advantage of a slew of new opportunities – to take part in a diverse, thriving community, and to make each day after this another day closer to wherever it is you're going.

You've likely heard this already, but it's worth belaboring that this is not high school. It is no longer your instructor's responsibility to make sure you are doing your work; it's not their job to make sure you come to class every day; and it's certainly not their prerogative to fix your grade during the last week of class if you fail to do either of these.

Your teacher is no longer your babysitter, so it's now your job to own up to your responsibilities.

College also demands an improved level of quality from your work. You're learning skills to apply in the real world, where the consequences for sub-par work are more severe than a few red marks. A 2.0 average won't cut it at every job, particularly in a career worth going to college for.

Of course, on the other hand, this isn't high school. Take advantage of the freedoms adulthood and a college environment provide. If you disagree with your instructor on something, speak up – respectfully, of course. You're no longer a child being watched over – you are a student, with opinions and a voice and avenues to make that voice heard.

And it is, again, your responsibility to be heard. Talk with your instructors as well as your peers, whether to get help, or to help them, or simply to draw one more connection between yourself and the world. Almost all instructors have regularly-scheduled office hours where they are available every day to help with assignments, talk about the class or a myriad other things. Office hours are there so that you have a chance to do exactly that.

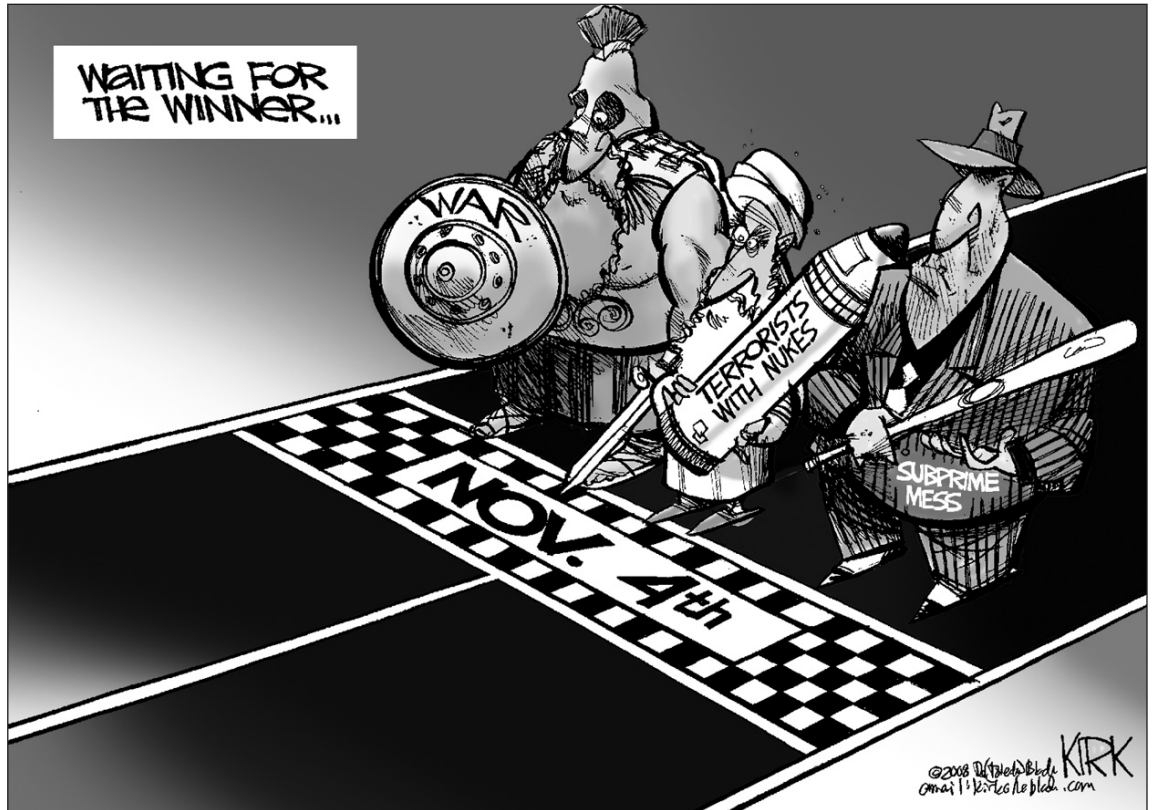
On that note, it cannot be stressed enough how important it is that you talk to your instructors. They don't bite. They are here to teach you, and if you have trouble with their teaching there is nobody better-prepared to fix that trouble.

Higher education is a challenge. Rise to that challenge, carrying with you the tools you acquire, because when you succeed you will reap the benefits in spades.

You've paid good money to be here. Make it money well-spent.

Staff*"That's messed up."*

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**Students should get involved at Highline****Commentary****Lance Frank**

Hello fellow Highline students! If this is your first quarter, welcome to Highline; and if you are a returning student, welcome back. Over the last month and a half, the Student Programs and Student Government teams have been working hard, training to better serve you—something we look forward to doing.

I want to emphasize to everyone who is reading this commentary that all are welcome in the Student Programs Office (third floor of Building 8) and that Student Government is your voice for campus concerns—our job is to listen to you and represent your opinions when important decisions are being made. With that said, consider this an official invitation to come and meet us. Opportunities abound are waiting for you!

It has occurred to me that some people might not be interested in student government or the fact that we are responsible for allocating nearly \$2.4 million in student funds each year. That is OK, I can relate to the thought of, “it doesn't concern me.” I, however, would like to challenge that thinking. Over the summer, the tutoring center was refurbished with funds allocated by student government, so that it could more effectively serve students. Another example is the Student Union Building. Its existence is a direct result of past student governments

putting student consensus into action.

Just like how a plane with no pilot crashes and burns (notice how I tied in the Thunderweek theme?), so does a student government without contributions from its student body. Every year we hold events and meetings with the purpose of seeking out student's opinions and gaining student initiatives for the year (this is not the only time you can tell us, you're welcome to talk to us anytime you wish). Your student government is charged with the task of making some tough decisions, and I challenge everyone to make it to at least one ASHCC student government meeting this year.

Take the opportunity to be a part of the process.

The last thing I would like to use this commentary for is to give some advice. I am 25 years old and have attended Highline off-and-on again since 2002 (of course I am a full-time student now). I don't pretend to be an expert in anything, but I think I have this school down pretty well. First, I strongly recommend that you use the resources you have available to you: The library (librarians included) and the tutoring center have been extremely helpful to me, and the counselors in building 6 are always there to help as well. Second, get involved on campus in any way possible. It does not matter how you do it—clubs, performing arts, committees, volunteering, athletics—the statistics show that getting involved will improve your experience tremendously... school can and should be fun! The last nugget of insight that I have, and perhaps the most important, is to remember how lucky you are. You are here, and “the world is your oyster.” That is a privilege which most of the rest of humanity does not have. Use this opportunity to improve yourself and the lives of others.

I look forward to meeting all of you. Good luck!

Lance Frank is president of the Associated Students of Highline Community College.

The Thunderword opinion page is here for your ideas

As the new Thunderword Opinion Page Editor, I would like to take this opportunity to invite all students to utilize this section to share their ideas.

Your ideas can be about almost anything of general interest. Certainly, this political season has generated a lot of ideas and opinions.

Do you agree with the eco-

nomic bailout? Has the credit crisis affected your ability to obtain student loans? Do you support Obama/Biden or McCain/Palin and why?

Do you think the school administration is headed in the right direction? Are your classes everything you expected them to be?

These are just a few ideas to

get your mind working on issues that are important to you as a student here at Highline. We encourage you to use the Thunderword as part of your learning experience.

Vaughn Profit-Breaux is the new Opinion Editor of The Thunderword. He may be reached by e-mail at vbreaux@highline.edu.

Highline seeks new softball coach after Schmidt resigns

By Carrie Draeger
Staff Reporter

After five years at the helm of Highline softball, Head Coach Anne Schmidt has stepped down from coaching and teaching.

Schmidt resigned in summer, and the college Athletic Department has begun a search for a new coach. Schmidt began her Highline career as an assistant coach in the 2001-2002 season and after two years was hired as the head coach.

“It was time (for me) to move on to explore other options and spend more time with my family,” Schmidt said.

During her tenure as a head coach, Schmidt compiled a league record of 70-84 and an overall record of 82-130.

“I think I developed a very solid program that was growing and went to the NWAACC tournament four out of the five years I was head coach,” Schmidt said of her years at Highline.

Schmidt’s final season was her most successful, with the T-Birds finishing in third place in the Western division with a league record of 20-10 and an overall record of 29-24 and making their third consecutive appearance at the NWAACC championships.

Schmidt thought she was



Anne Schmidt

successful during her time as head coach and is pleased with the work she did while there.

“I thought I did all that I could with the program at Highline,” she said.

Schmidt said that coaching at a two-year-school is always difficult “because of the turnover in recruiting.”

She said that Highline’s next softball coach will need to have a good background in recruiting, especially when it comes to pitching.

You have to have at least two solid pitchers, Schmidt said.

“It’s all about recruiting and retaining. ... The turnover at this level is very high for a variety of reasons,” she said.

Coach Schmidt said that she enjoyed watching her players improve on and off the field

from fall to spring.

“There’s always a vast amount of improvement (from fall to spring),” she said.

During her five years as head coach, Schmidt saw 26 players either graduate or move on to attend a four-year-school.

“You have to find kids who want to be in school, who have a reason to be there, every year you just don’t know what you are going to get,” she said.

She also sent five players to play at the four-year-level, including infielder Jessica Ventozza, who plays NCAA Division I ball at the University of Washington and catcher Ashley Carey, who plays Division II ball at Northern State University in Aberdeen, S.D.

While she is proud of the work she has done at Highline as a professor and coach, she believes it is time to move on.

“It [Highline] is a great place to teach,” Schmidt said.

She said she enjoyed the atmosphere and diversity at Highline and thought that students had fun in her classes.

“I think that they also learned in my class, which is important,” she said with a laugh.

In the future Schmidt plans on returning to teaching in the K-12 system and hopes to eventually return to coaching again,

just not as a head coach.

“I need a break from head coaching. ... I could be an assistant coach right now, I would have no problem with that,” she said.

There is a new group of candidates currently being interviewed and processed for consideration.

The candidates that had applied for the position were interviewed, but Athletic Director John Dunn felt that none of them were right for the job.

“We don’t want to hire just to be hiring,” Dunn said. “We want the right person.”

Reporter Liviu Bird contributed to this story.

Scoreboard

Men’s soccer standings					Spokane	2-5-1	7	3-6-1
North Division					W. Valley	2-4-1	7	2-4-1
League/Pts/Season					Yak. Valley	1-5-1	4	1-5-1
Whatcom	5-1-2	17	5-1-2		West Division			
Everett	3-4-1	10	3-4-1		Bellevue	7-1-1	22	7-1-1
Edmonds	3-5-0	9	3-5-0		Tacoma	4-3-2	14	4-3-2
Shoreline	2-3-3	9	2-3-3		Highline	3-2-4	13	3-2-4
Sk. Valley	0-7-1	1	0-7-1		Olympic	4-4-1	13	4-4-1
East Division					Grn. River	2-8-0	6	2-8-0
Walla Walla	6-0-1	19	7-0-2		Lo. Columbia	1-8-0	3	2-9-0
Col. Basin	5-2-1	16	5-2-1		South Division			
W. Valley	4-0-1	13	5-0-1		Clackamas	6-3-1	19	6-4-2
Tr. Valley	3-3-2	11	3-3-2		Lane	4-2-3	15	5-2-3
Spokane	3-3-1	10	3-5-2		Clark	4-3-1	13	4-3-1
West Division					Chemeketa	2-7-1	7	2-7-1
Highline	6-0-2	20	6-1-2		SW Oregon	0-9-0	0	0-9-1
Bellevue	6-0-2	20	6-0-2		Volleyball			
Peninsula	4-3-1	13	4-5-1		North Division			
Tacoma	4-3-1	13	4-3-1		League/Season			
Olympic	0-7-1	1	0-7-1		Edmonds	2-0	19-5	
South Division					Whatcom	2-0	11-13	
Chemeketa	4-1-4	16	6-1-4		Bellevue	1-0	8-10	
Clark	3-4-1	10	3-5-2		Shoreline	1-1	5-15	
SW Oregon	1-6-2	5	1-6-2		Sk.Valley	0-1	6-5	
Pierce	1-4-0	3	1-4-0		Everett	0-2	4-8	
S. P. Sound	0-7-1	1	0-7-1		Olympic	0-2	2-16	
Women’s soccer standings					West Division			
North Division					Tacoma	2-0	15-10	
League/Pts/Season					Clark	2-0	13-9	
Shoreline	9-0-0	27	9-0-0		Pierce	2-0	1-6	
Whatcom	7-1-1	22	7-1-1		Green River	2-0	10-11	
Sk. Valley	3-3-3	12	3-3-3		Highline	0-2	14-12	
Edmonds	2-6-1	7	2-6-1		Lo.Columbia	0-2	7-6	
Everett	1-7-1	4	1-8-2		Centralia	0-2	2-15	
East Division					Gry.Harbor	0-2	0-9	
Walla Walla	8-0-0	24	10-0-0		South Division			
Col. Basin	7-1-1	22	7-1-1		Chemeketa	2-0	1.000	27-0
Tr. Valley	6-3-0	18	6-3-0		SW Oregon	2-0	1.000	11-6

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Thunderbirds overcome rain, referees, and red cards

By Max Dubbeldam
Staff Reporter

Highline fought through two tough home matches last week to retain their place at the top of the West Division in NWAACC men's soccer.

Highline is still tied for first place with 20 points from eight matches. They played Shoreline on Sept. 27, and beat them 3-1. On Wednesday Sept. 24, Highline and fellow league leader Bellevue shared the points in a 1-1 tie that saw three players seeing red, and Head Coach Jason Prenovost being sent off for dissent.

The Thunderbirds and the Bulldogs took the field on a rainy afternoon at McConaughy Field. With first place and control of the division on the line, both teams started the match with high intensity.

"They came out hard and showed their desire to achieve the result," said Prenovost. "Both teams handled it pretty well."

The first half's only true goal-scoring opportunity fell to Highline in the 23rd minute. Alex Bresnen passed the ball off to Ryan Kuffler, who slid in a through pass to Robbie Gouk. Gouk was one-on-one with Bellevue's goalkeeper, but the goalie came out and snuffed the attempt.

There were no more clear-cut chances in the first half as the field got slippery, the play sloppy, and the tackles more physical.

The second half was more of the same. Highline was putting good pressure on Bellevue's half of the field, but they couldn't find the final pass.

Bellevue, however, broke the deadlock. Gilberto Robayo whipped in a corner kick in the 60th minute, and it was sophomore forward Slavic Denega who headed it into the top-right corner.

Highline almost found areply a few minutes later when Fernando Gonzales took a free-kick from around 40 yards, but the shot went over by mere centimeters.

By this time it seemed that the referees had lost control over the emotion of the match. The tackles kept getting harder and some tempers flared.

In the 70th minute Highline's Robbie Gouk received a pass in the box and before he could get a shot on goal, goalkeeper Kevin Springer took him out with a hard challenge. The referee deemed it to be such a bad tackle that he showed Springer the red card, and awarded Highline a penalty kick.

Alex Bresnen converted the spot-kick and put Highline back



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Fernando Gonzales shields the ball from Bellevue's Slavic Denega during last Wednesday's match.

on level terms.

Highline also lost a man in the 71st minute when Ryan Kuffler received his second yellow card of the match for clipping a Bellevue player from behind.

The on-field drama reached its pinnacle in the 90th minute of playing time. Highline left-back Brennen Hall made a tackle on a Bellevue player and won the ball. However, his momentum on the wet surface sent him clattering into the Bellevue player.

Even though the head referee didn't see a foul, the sideline ref said he saw a punch being thrown and the main referee was forced to send Hall off.

The decision didn't sit well with Coach Prenovost, and he made his feelings known. The referee showed Prenovost a yellow card, and when he didn't let up the ref showed him the red card and Prenovost was forced to leave the field.

"It was unfortunate that the ref dictated the game," said Assistant Coach Steve Mohn. "The kids were fighting hard for first place."

"Both teams and the ref got

swept away in the emotion of the game," Head Coach Prenovost said.

Prenovost added that the tie was a fair outcome.

"By no means did we deserve to win or to lose," he said.

Throughout the sloppy match Highline keeper Liviu Bird had a standout performance in goal, making some amazing saves to keep the Thunderbirds in the match. His most impressive save was when he blocked a well-struck shot from point-blank range.

"By all accounts it should've been a goal," said Prenovost. "[He was] unbelievable; it was his best game to date."

The fact that Prenovost got sent off during the match meant he wasn't on the sideline during the following match against Shoreline. The match was held at Highline on Sept. 27, and assistant coaches Mohn and Brandon Mitalas took over the reins of the team as the Thunderbirds came away with a 3-1 victory.

Highline piled on the pressure early and was rewarded in the 6th minute with a goal from freshman Andrew Hair.

sions.

Highline added a second goal right before half-time when a Tony Maxwell free-kick took a wicked deflection off a Shoreline defender and flew past the goalkeeper.

Highline started the second half well, sending good crosses into the box. However, as the half went on the forwards didn't seem to be able to get the ball out from under their feet and no truly threatening chances materialized.

In the 79th minute Shoreline's Jeff Nissen sent in a long free-kick and Highline keeper Liviu Bird misjudged the flight of the ball. The ball ended up going in, giving Shoreline hope of winning a point.

For the next 10 minutes the Highline players looked very chaotic as Shoreline started to put on more pressure.

The Thunderbirds restored the two-goal lead, and secured the three points, in the 89th minute. Jarret Thomas sent Hair on his way, and Hair ripped the ball past the keeper.

Even though he scored twice in the match, Andrew Hair said that he still isn't certain of a starting place in the team because there are so many good players in the squad.

"I have to keep fighting for my place," Hair said. "I just have to come out here and do it again."

Coach Prenovost said he has a good feeling about the rest of the season, and that the team hasn't even gotten close to peaking yet.

Highline played a match at Tacoma on Wednesday, Oct. 1, with results unavailable at press-time. Upcoming away matches are at Edmonds on Oct. 4 at 4 p.m., and at Peninsula on Oct. 8 at 4 p.m.



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Daniel Ham tries to shake off Bellevue's Diego Robayo.

Lady Thunderbirds kick way into third place

By Liz Phillips
Staff reporter

With a tie and a loss last week, Highline's women's soccer team nestles into third place in the West Division of the NWAACC.

Highline played two of the top teams in the North and West divisions. Highline played Shoreline Saturday, Sept. 27 and Bellevue Wednesday Sept. 24, both at McConnaughey Field. Shoreline and Bellevue are both currently in first place for their own divisions.

Highline, 3-2-4, is currently trailing first-place Bellevue, 7-1-1, by nine points in the west.

In the Shoreline game, both teams started out slow. Neither team started playing aggressively until the end of the first half. Highline's keeper, Ivanca Frerichs, saved a few good balls throughout the half, but neither team scored until the last two minutes.

With two minutes left in the half, Highline took a corner kick that scored the first goal of the game. Kelsey Lusebrink took the kick and sailed the ball into the goal box. Shoreline's keeper spilled the ball, creating an opportunity for Highline's Andrea Erdahl to score. The goal put Highline in the lead going into the second half.

In the second half, Highline started out playing sloppy, giving Shoreline opportunities to score. About 15 minutes into the second half, Highline's Alyssa Dale had a good defense-splitting pass to Lusebrink, who then took a solid shot but missed the frame of the goal.

The first goal scored in the second half was the tying goal for Shoreline. Lacey Ross took the shot right outside the 18 to hit the corner of Highline's net, making the score 1-1 with eight minutes left in the game.

With only minutes left, Ross



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Kelsey Louvier brings the ball up against Bellevue.

sent a good splitting pass to Lacey Thompson, which created a one-on-one opportunity with Frerichs. Thompson put the shot past Frerichs, making the score 2-1 Shoreline.

Highline stepped up the intensity with two minutes left in the game. Lusebrink sent in a free kick from just outside the 18. A Highline player did get a foot on the ball but Shoreline's

keeper had a good reflex save. This was the last play of the game.

"We did really well. we held our own for at least 85 minutes and I am happy with the way

we played," said Highline's forward Kelsey Louvier.

Highline's coach, Tom Moore, said that Highline outplayed Shoreline in the first half with some key saves from goalie Ivanca Frerich. In the second half, Moore said, Highline got caught on its heels and had its chances, but just missed them.

Highline started out their game against Bellevue a little slow. As their legs got going it didn't take long for the Thunderbirds to match their competitor's intensity.

Highline's defense was truly outshining Bellevue's offense in the first half. Highline's Brittany McKay, center back, was constantly aiding the goalie with a couple of good shots stopped with her head. Whitney Lynch also played very aggressively and constantly pushed the ball up field.

Lusebrink and Erdahl had two beautiful shots on goal about 20 minutes into the game. Erdahl's shot knocked Bellevue's keeper into the net which created a five-minute time-out for Bellevue.

Shortly after the time-out Bellevue scored the first goal of the game. With too many bodies in the box, keeper Frerichs just barely missed the header by Bellevue, making the score 1-0.

Eight minutes after Bellevue scored its first goal, Highline's Lusebrink fired back with a swift kick from inside the 18 to even the score. After the tying goal by Lusebrink, both teams were firing good shots on goal. Highline's Erdahl and Lusebrink took shot after shot, while their own keeper, Frerichs, had numerous good saves.

The next goal came right before the end of the first half. The shot was crossed from just outside the right side of the 18 and sailed into the very left corner of the goal, leaving Highline trailing Bellevue 2-1.

Going into the second half, down one, Highline's defense really stepped it up. Starting out the second half with a corner for Bellevue, McKay quickly pushed the ball up and out, with the help of Lynch. These two have been playing very well together, especially with their constant communication with the rest of the team.

A corner kick by Lusebrink at the two minute mark dropped right to Lynch, who then struck the ball hard to score ending the match on a positive note for Highline.

Highline next plays at Edmonds on Saturday, Oct. 4 and then again at Lower Columbia on Oct. 8. Results for Highline's Oct. 1 game versus Tacoma were unavailable at press-time.



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Kelsey Lusebrink scores against Bellevue.

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Volleyball team plays tough but comes up short

By Brian Grove
Staff Reporter

The Lady Thunderbirds are off to a slow start at 0-2 in the Western Division with losses to Green River and Pierce.

They are still 14-12 overall. In the past week, they have played three games and a tournament.

The Highline Lady Thunderbirds squared off against Shoreline, Spokane, and Linn-Benton on Friday Sept. 19, in the first day of their two-day Bellevue Crossover tournament.

They prevailed on day one, going 3-0 and outscoring their opponents 163-134. Their only loss came in the opening round of the first game against Spokane, losing 20-25.

However, on Saturday Sept. 20, Highline lost two out of their three matches, falling to Chemeketa 25-19, 25-19 and Bellevue 25-19, 24-26, and 15-7. They defeated Columbia Basin 6-25, 25-22, and 15-10, bringing their two-day tournament record to 4-2.

Highline played next against Pierce on the road Wednesday, Sept. 24. Although they did not emerge victorious, the Lady Thunderbirds played down to the wire.

After losing the first two games 25-18 and 26-24 Pierce responded, coming back the



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Lady T-Birds await a serve in practice this week.

next two games 26-24 and 25-16, forcing a game 5, which they ultimately won by a score of 16-14.

Highline's Paula Miles recorded 19 kills, along with Shannyn Fisher's 16, and Leticia Colon's 10. These kills can also be accredited to the talented freshmen setter Adriana Aukusitino's 50 assists. Both Jessica Alvarez and Amanda Harker recorded over 20 digs (29 and 26), while Paula Miles' 3 aces boosted her stats to go along with her

19 kills.

Highline came out aggressively in their next match against the Green River Gators on Sept. 26.

They showed some poise in their first game, defeating the Gators 25-21. After dropping the next two games 16-25 and 18-25, captains Amanda Harker and Stefanie Rojas, called a huddle between games three and four.

Whatever words of wisdom the two captains shared with

the rest of the team must have sparked a fire, because the next game Highline dominated 25-15. Freshmen outside hitter Shannon Fisher said that during the team-called time-out, "The captains told us we had a lot of potential and could play better. They yelled a lot, but then we felt like we had something to prove."

Head Coach Chris Littleman said that during the coach-called time-outs, it's usually the coaches' fault for the players playing how they are.

"We need to let them know what they are doing wrong and let them fix it. Refresh their mind," he said.

Unfortunately, the fire was doused in a nail-biting game 5, where the Gators eked out a 15-13 victory to win the match three games to two.

On the bright side, Leticia Colon and Shannyn Fisher led the kill count with a combined total of 25 (13 and 12). Adriana Aukusitino had another 35 assists, 16 more than the next closest player who was Whitney Valenta of Green River with 19.

Highline's players say they can do better.

"I think we played pretty well, we could have done better. We know we have to practice that much harder to show we can beat them," said Miles.

"I think I've improved a lot

from last game, but I need to be quicker on my feet. It's tough to get back up after games like these, but you just got to forget about it," said Colon.

Although it was a tough loss, the coaches said that they were very proud of their players. They know that experience comes with lots of games and veteran players, and with only two sophomores on the team, the Lady Thunderbirds have a lot to look forward to down the stretch as they gain more experience.

"It's experience that counts in close matches. Experience comes through when you've been there 10 times before," said one of the assistant coaches, who declined to be named.

Coach Littleman said they have lots of talent and that they are pretty strong in all areas, but they needed to take care of the ball on point opportunities. His philosophy is that, "You play one point at a time til 25, looking for consistency. We worry about what we do as opposed to the other team. The girls are working hard."

Highline played against Tacoma on Wednesday, Oct. 1, with results unavailable at press time. Their next two games are against Clark on the road Friday, Oct. 3, and Lower Columbia at home on Thursday, Oct. 8 at 7 p.m.

Thunderbird runners continue to make progress in comeback season

By Joshua K. Hauck
Staff Reporter

Highline's cross country team is taking strides in the right direction once again.

At the Clark Invitational on Saturday, Sept. 20 the men's team finished in third, though the women's team wasn't able to place due to lack of runners.

With the completion of their second meet, Highline's new coaching staff is making tremendous progress to reestablish the illustrious tradition that is simply known as Thunderbird Cross Country.

After a year-long absence, Highline has reinstated its long distance running program.

Under the direction of Head Coach Josh Baker, his wife Co-Head Coach Toni Baker, and Assistance Coach Sara Argyle, the team hopes to use this season to rebuild for the future.

"We are so fortunate to have this great group of runners to start our program. They are laying the foundation for a winning tradition in cross-country," Josh Baker said.

Although the Thunderbirds had difficulty in their first meet

with a men's fifth and women's sixth place finish, there seems to be only room for improvement in their upcoming schedule.

Highline's second team race was the Clark Invitational on Sept. 20. Seven teams were in attendance, including powerhouse Spokane Community College. The Highline men's team finished third overall, but the women's team did not have enough runners to place in their event.

Spokane ran away with first place; however Coach Josh Baker was not discouraged in the least bit.

"Placing three out of five is a big deal. We're heading in the right direction," he said.

In the Clark Invitational, Dak Riek who was unaffiliated, took first place out of the 58 competitors in the men's eight-kilometer run with a time of 25:49.6.

Out of the eight Highline runners, Kevin Clancy once again finished highest in 17th place with a time of 27:25.2. Not far behind him in 22nd was Ryan Eidsmoe with a respectable time of 27:35.3.

Managing to come in 32nd and 40th were J.P. Strozewski

and Colby Peters in 28:24.0 and 28:57.4.

Finishing back to back in 48th and 49th were Abdi Hassan and John Hurlburt with almost identical times of 30:43.8 and 30:44.2. Nathan Tustison finished 53rd in 31:56.3; and Shane Khan placed in 58th with a time of 38:09.8.

In the women's segment of the meet, Laura Carlyle of Whatcom came in first for the five-kilometer race, in a time of 19:01.4.

Nevertheless Spokane seized first in the overall team score, leaving them with both a men's and women's team victory for the day.

Although the Highline's women team was left short-handed on eligible runners, the Lady Thunderbirds did all that could be expected.

Livia Mahaffie was once again the fastest woman for Highline, completing the race in 16th place with a time of 21:31.0. Trailing only mere seconds behind in 17th place was Anna Resendiz in 21:34.0.

Kim Barney and Catherine Nailey finished the race in 25th and 35th with admirable times

of 23:02.7 and 31:37.0.

Highline's next meet will be in Salem, Ore. at the Charles Bowles Invite on Oct. 4.

Ten colleges will be participating, including powerhouse Spokane. Also in attendance will be Clark, Clackamas, and Mt. Hood, who were represented at last week's Clark Invite.

Baker considers this upcoming

meet to not only be a challenging one, but one to give great exposure to young team.

"I am very pleased with the progress of our men's and women's teams," Baker said.

"This is a great group of student-athletes who are working very hard. We are certain they will continue to improve as the season goes on," he said.

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Kermet hits the Field House with some golden nuggets of comedy

By Eric Noble
Staff Reporter

After coming to the mainland in 1985 to go to college at the University of Washington, Kermet Apio could have left to do other things, but he decided to stay here to pursue comedy.

He will be playing at the Des Moines Field House, on Oct. 10 at 7:30 p.m.

Born in Honolulu in 1967, Kermet Apio was always a big fan of comedy.

He said he was always goofing around.

However, he figured he would grow out of it.

By the age of 23, that did not happen. After attending the University of Washington, he went into the world of stand-up comedy.

He received mixed reactions from his parents.

His father, a law enforcement officer, didn't quite understand what his son was getting into. His mother on the other hand, was always very supportive.

"You're 23, go for it," Kermet said of his mother's reaction.

His influences come from his fellow comedians, but his main inspirations are Brian Regan, Garry Shandling, and David Letterman.

He said his material is truly the story of his life. It's his upbringing, growing up with the name Kermet, and being a parent. This is the material he said he does best.

"I've never been good at observational comedy," he said. To turn his simple observations

into golden nuggets of comedy, his method is quite simple.

"I just try and get work done," he said.

Performing stand-up comedy is an art form that requires a lot of discipline, he said.

"It's very easy to be lazy at comedy," he said.

He said that he doesn't have a lot of discipline, and feels he could work harder.

The conditions of being a comedian are tough.

Apio said a comic is constantly moving from city to city, hotel room to hotel room, far away from family.

However, he said he loves his job so much that it keeps him going.

He said he had only two pieces of advice for aspiring comedians.



Comedian Kermet Apio doing his thing at one of his shows.

No. 1: "Jot everything down, even if it's silly."

No. 2: "You gotta get on stage, even if you fail."

Tickets for Apio's show are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. Tickets are available at

the Des Moines Field House, at 1000 S. 220th St.

For more information, visit the website of the Des Moines Arts Commission at <http://www.desmoineswa.gov/artcommission>.

Expect a rockin' horror-filled time at the Burien Little Theatre

By Rochelle Adams
Staff Reporter

The Burien Little Theatre is bringing sex, drugs and rock to the stage in their rendition of *The Rocky Horror Show*.

Steve Cooper is directing the play which debuted for the first time at the Little Theatre on Sept. 26 and will run until Nov. 2.

The play was written by Richard O'Brien in the early 1970s, when the actor and writer "decided to write a play paying homage to two of his favorite topics: Rock and Roll and '30s, '40s, and '50s horror movies."

Back then some of the themes, such as a man wearing fishnets and a bustier, were shocking. Those things probably won't have the same effect on present-day audiences, he said.

"So even the sexual aspect of the show is a little diluted by time," Cooper said. "It becomes very imperative to find the joy of this show and just have fun."

This will be the first time he has directed *The Rocky Horror Show* and the first time it has been performed at the Burien Little Theater.

"This show has had the biggest roller coaster ride during its production life of any show I have ever done," Cooper said.

Right before rehearsals began, they lost their musical director.

This was followed by the actor who was originally going to play Frank, the bisexual sci-

entist, relocating to San Francisco.

Then a phantom chorus member dropped out.

"The next three weeks were spent in trying to fill those roles," he said.

Despite these setbacks, the production carried on with little difficulty.

"I need to take this time to really plug the cast's efforts during this time. They started learning the music and doing the musical direction virtually on their own. They really banded together and what could have easily become a genuine disaster was overcome by their strong belief in themselves and this project."

With those problems solved, the production had "a better opening weekend than normal."

Their next Friday is already sold out.

"One guy bought a ticket for himself for every night of our run," Cooper said.

This early success isn't much of a surprise.

"Virtually everywhere this show plays it is a success," he

said.

Much of that is due to the popularity of the play as well as the movie based on the production.

The Rocky Horror Show was a hit as a play when it debuted in London in 1973. Two years later, it was made into a major motion picture by 20th Century Fox.

"Here in America, on film, it didn't do as well as the stage version," Cooper said. "As audiences dwindled, the show was relegated to the late night showings."

During one of those late night showings, a member of the audience yelled, "Buy an umbrella, you cheap bitch."

The remark was directed at the character "Janet as she got out of the car during the storm and put a paper over her head. After that, a new phenomenon was born," Cooper said.

This led to more audience participation, including shadow casts who reenact the movie in front of the big screen while the film is rolling.

"Audience participation changes from venue to venue,

city to city, region to region. People know lines from one place, and not from another," Cooper said.

"I have also noticed that audiences are a bit more restrained when it comes to shouting out to live actors in a play version," he said.

With the pressure of putting together a production that has such a history of popularity, Cooper was concerned with keeping it close to the movie version as well as making it his own.

In the end, he said, everything came together just right.

"I really feel we have a good mix of things familiar to audiences and things we can truly call our own," he said.

One thing that is original to this production is the guest nar-

rator.

"We thought it would be a good thing to invite some local personalities to play that role," Cooper said. "It is a fairly simple role, no singing, and no fishnets."

Some of the local officials they have scheduled to play the narrator are U.S. Rep. Jim McDermott, State Rep. Dave Upthegrove, State Sen. Joe McDermott, and Burien City Council member Kathy Keene.

The show will be running Fridays and Saturdays starting at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. from now until Nov. 2 at the Burien Little Theatre, located at 4th Avenue Southwest and Southwest 146th Street.

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1. GEOGRAPHY: Which two countries have claimed part of the Mediterranean island of Cyprus?

2. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What kind of creature is a kookaburra?

3. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the Koh-i-noor?

4. POETRY: What was poet Octavio Paz's earlier profession?

5. RELIGION: Which religion espouses the Eightfold Path?

6. OLYMPICS: A "salchow" jump is employed in which winter sport?

7. HISTORY: How many banks of oars were used in

an ancient warship called the trireme?

8. SYMBOLS: What is the shape of a trefoil?

9. SCIENCE: What is phototropism?

10. LANGUAGE: What does the acronym BTU stand for?

10. British Thermal Unit

9. An organism's response to light

8. Clover, or three-leafed

7. Three

6. Figure skating

5. Buddhism

4. Diplomat

3. Famous diamond, now among the British crown jewels

2. A bird

1. Greece and Turkey

Answers

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Playroom

Across

1. Wolf group

5. "Huh?"

9. Web spot

13. Flu symptom

14. Bucks

15. High school event

16. Where GM execs dance?

19. Bard's always

20. Nabisco treat

21. With intensity

22. Tied

23. Budge

24. Finicky feline

27. Crockett or Jones

28. Tennis call

31. Fields of study

32. A few

33. Sticky stuff

34. Drum teacher's attendance sheet?

37. Clinton's birthplace

38. Halo

39. Nielson, for one

40. Clip __ (sunglasses)

41. Social workers

42. Mother __

43. Sudden flow

44. Salon goos

45. Enter

48. Pub pours

49. Labrador, e.g.

52. Number one item on a bride's list?

55. 500 sheets

56. Still-life pitchers

57. Totally confused

58. Factor opening

59. Like morning grass

60. Military shelter

Crossword 101

By Bill Deasy

1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8		9	10	11	12
13					14					15			
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45	46	47					48				49	50	51
52							53				54		
55							56				57		
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5. Part of NOW

6. Drifter

7. Like

8. Discuss

9. Fling

10. Monopoly token

11. Trade item?

12. TV award

14. Stable residents

17. Opposed to war

18. Impose

22. Clear the slate

23. Crib word

24. Like a he-man

25. Dupont fiber

26. Gathers

27. Portals

28. Coffee choice

29. Dueling swords

30. __ cotta

32. Lee side

33. Old autocrats

35. Paid for the return of

36. Ultimatum ender

41. Lincoln or Ford

42. Many MySpace users

43. Travelosity's mascot

44. Denzel Washington movie

45. Attire

46. Fancy molding

47. Tehran's land

48. Several

49. One teaspoon, maybe

50. Wilson of *Wedding Crashers*

51. Tiny pest

53. Be in the red

54. Didn't play

Quotable Quote

If dandelions were hard to grow, they would be most welcome on any lawn.

... Andrew Mason

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Arts Calendar

•Local comedian Kermet Apio will perform at 7:30 p.m., Oct. 10, at the Des Moines Field House, 1000 S. 220th St. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. Tickets are available at the fieldhouse.

Apio has performed with Sinbad, Weird Al Yankovich, the Smothers Brothers, and more. The hilarious Apio has comedy samples available at www.ikerm.com. This will be an all-ages performance, hosted by the Des Moines Arts Commission.

For more information or for upcoming events such as the Waterland Music Series and Afternoon with the Artist, visit www.desmoineswa.gov/artscommission.

•Taproot Theater Company presents a new pro-

duction of Rachel Crothers' 1930s Broadway hit, *Susan and God*.

Tickets for ages 25 and under are \$10. *Susan and God* runs through Oct. 25.

The new \$10 25-and-under price is a significant savings over Taproot's normal tickets, which range from \$20-33.

Last week's

Weekly SUDOKU

Answer

9	6	2	4	7	8	5	3	1
5	8	7	1	3	9	6	4	2
4	1	3	5	6	2	7	9	8
3	2	4	8	9	5	1	6	7
8	7	9	2	1	6	4	5	3
1	5	6	7	4	3	8	2	9
6	3	8	9	5	7	2	1	4
2	9	1	6	8	4	3	7	5
7	4	5	3	2	1	9	8	6

To purchase tickets, call Taproot Theatre's box office at 206-781-9707 or Ticketmaster at 206-292-ARTS.

•Celtic band Gaelic Storm performs Saturday, Oct. 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the Kent-Meridian Performing Arts Center, 10020 SE 256th St., Kent.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$18 for seniors and youths. Tickets are available on-line at www.kentarts.com, by calling 253-856-5051 or in person at the Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N.

•Got arts news? Contact Rochelle Adams at roadams@highline.edu, or call 206-878-3710, ext. 3317.

Last week's crossword solution

PULLING RANK

D	R	A	F	T		J	E	T	E	R		P	E	T
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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1					8	6			4

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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Police

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the students in Building 6.

During the struggle the officer called in for back-up and the Police Department called in a 243, which is an assault on a police officer.

Officers came down from all over King County, including from Federal Way and Kent. In total there were around 20 officers were on the scene.

The officers moved the perpetrator outside of the building where he continued to struggle.

“They repeatedly told him to get down on the ground,” said one bystander.

Sergeant Collins said that nobody was seriously hurt during the commotion, and that the man was released from custody.

Highline student Freddie Keef said that the same man had approached his girlfriend earlier in the day.

“She said that he looked weird,” said Keef. “He asked her if she was 18 ... and was standing uncomfortably close.”

Collins said that the man is barred from returning to the campus.

After the perpetrator and all the police officers left campus, fans were brought in to air out Building 6 from all the remaining pepper spray.

Enrollment

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last year,” Prenovost said.

Kate Bligh, associate dean for Enrollment Services, adds that majority of the ABE/ESL enrollment numbers will start to come in the second week, at the earliest, and will manually be filled in throughout the quarter. This will greatly affect the number of enrolled students, she said.

Bligh also said that another group to consider is Running Start students. This class is slightly up from 919 in fall 2007 to 927 for Fall 2008.

As for state-funded resident students, there is not much change.

According to Bligh, there are as many as there usually are at Highline.

Bligh declined to disclose the specific changes in coding, but did say it is for the better. She said that these changes are administered by the president and he knows the numbers.

“It is not an unusual circumstance to change the coding,” said Jeff Wagnitz, interim vice president of Academic Affairs. It started Summer Quarter and is a routine to periodically adjust the coding.

Wagnitz explained the reason for the coding is to meet the

categories needed by Highline. The college targets to fulfill different categories of enrollments, and by adjusting the coding, the college is able to balance these categories as well as closely seeing if they are meeting, short of, or close to where they need to be.

For example, International students are now coded differently and show up in a different place in enrollment.

“There are multiple ways of counting International students in categories,” Wagnitz said. Although they might not be found in one part of enrollment, they are in a different category.

Bligh, Prenovost, and Wagnitz all expressed no concern about whether enrollment is down and do agree that it is too soon to actually tell.

“It isn’t the bottom line,” said Prenovost.

“There is no concern. The president [Dr. Jack Bermingham] has no concern, and I don’t either,” Bligh said.

“We are watching carefully, but my colleagues and I have no concern. There is no big increase in low-class enrollment,” Wagnitz said.

If Highline were to be in fact down in enrollment there would be a number of negative effects for the college, largely financial in terms of tuition dollars received and concurrent state

support.

Students, meanwhile, don’t report that the campus seems to be any less crowded than usual.

“Highline’s not crowded at all,” said Shawn Austin.

“I’d say classes are more or less crowded,” said Jesse Andrews.

Class sizes seem to be just right, students say, with very few classes closed due to a lack of enrollment.

One place where crowdedness is a problem is the parking lot. Every student who drives to school knows this.

“If you come late you can’t find parking,” Rodrick Branca said.

“The parking lot is super-filled. The best time to find parking is after the Running Start students leave,” said Shawn Austin.

Of the students enrolled at Highline, 52 percent are non-white and 59 percent are women. Students attending full-time (12 credits or more) make up 46 percent of enrollment and 63 percent indicate that they intend to transfer after Highline.

As of the first day of school, Highline had 389 international students.

Half of all students reported that they had jobs outside of school.

Reporter Logan Leeder contributed to this story.

Dr. Gordon

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President Reagan’s National Commission on Excellence in Education.

On Reagan’s commission, Dr. Gordon was a part of the team that wrote *A Nation At Risk*.

Dr. Gordon was also very involved with Phi Theta Kappa, an honor society for two-year colleges that she encountered at Grays Harbor College.

She was appointed to their board of directors in 1986, and named chairman in 1988. Her 20 years in this position were the longest a Phi Theta Kappa chairman has served.

Phi Theta Kappa now presents an award in her name, the Shirley B. Gordon Award of Distinction, to community college presidents and CEOs who provide strong support to the organization.

Dr. Gordon received the 2005 National Leadership Award from the American Association of Community Colleges; she was the third woman to receive the award.

Memorials to her name will be accepted by two organizations: the Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society Foundation and the Highline Community College Foundation’s Shirley Gordon Scholarship Fund.

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Duwamish basin remains polluted, experts say

By Nicholas McCoy
Staff Reporter

The Duwamish River may never be safe enough for humans to eat from regularly, BJ Cummings, the coordinator of the Duwamish River Cleanup Coalition, said here last week.

Cummings, and reporter Robert McClure of the Seattle PI, talked about the Duwamish River at a lecture in Building 13 here on Monday last week.

The Duwamish River Cleanup Coalition, Cummings said, is a community advisory group. It consists of the Duwamish Tribe, community organizations, environmental groups, and small businesses. Their mission is “to ensure a Duwamish River cleanup that is accepted by and benefits the community and is protective of fish, wildlife, and human health.”

“We reported on this for about six months,” McClure said.

The Duwamish River is a part of the Environmental Protection Agency’s Superfund program, which works to identify and clean up abandoned hazardous waste dump sites. The river is fed from the Green River, and it empties into Seattle’s Elliot Bay—and along the path it cuts through Western Washington is the industrialized estuary known as the Duwamish waterway.

The Duwamish River has not always looked the way it does now. According to the EPA’s website, the river was straightened and dredged to enable industrial development in the Seattle area in the early 1900s. Cummings said that this was when pollutants began being introduced into the river.

“We destroyed 98 percent of



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The industrial heart of Seattle, in the background, hints at the sources of pollution in the Duwamish River basin.

the original habitat,” Cummings said.

This development created the Duwamish Waterway.

The mud of the Duwamish River at and near the waterway is contaminated with a variety of chemicals, including chromium, mercury and Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs).

PCBs are man-made chemicals that, according to the EPA, have been shown to cause cancer. Studies indicate that they may also have detrimental effects on the immune and reproductive systems. The commercial manufacture and use of PCBs were banned by the EPA in 1976 under the Toxic Substances Control Act—but ban-

ning production does not take care of the PCBs already in the water.

“Almost anywhere you look in the river you can find PCBs,” BJ Cummings said.

“We are looking at toxic chemicals built up to 12 feet down in the mud of the river,” she continued.

The toxins in the river come from a variety of sources, ranging, Cummings said, from waste dumped by the industry that grew up around the river to oil and other chemicals that have washed off from the streets of Seattle into the river during storms.

“Since 2001, we have been working on a plan to clean up

the river. Very little cleanup has actually been done,” Cummings said.

An attempt was started to dredge the river in November 2003—however, by June 2004 the cleanup was halted. Cummings said that the cleanup was spreading the contaminants in some areas of the river instead of removing them.

“Every single day that they were out dredging, we had people out taking notes,” Cummings said.

As a result of the contamination, there are restrictions concerning what can be eaten from the river. The only fish you can safely eat from the Duwamish River, the EPA says, is salmon. All other fish and shellfish are too toxic. The salmon itself can only be eaten occasionally. Coho and sockeye salmon can be safely eaten up to three times a week, non-resident Chinook once a week, and resident Chinook (blackmouth) twice a month.

Despite this restriction, Cummings said, subsistence fishermen and Seattle’s homeless still

eat from the river.

This potentially has a grave impact on the tribes along the Duwamish River, whose members in many cases are subsistence fishermen.

In 1974, as a part of the Boldt Decision, the Muckleshoot Tribe was given the right to fish the Duwamish River. Members of the Muckleshoot Tribe in some cases will eat fish from the river almost every day of their lives, such as Phil Hamilton, the vice chairman of the Muckleshoot Fishery Commission, who told McClure of the Seattle PI he did last November.

The Muckleshoot Tribe also has an agreement with the Safeway supermarket chain. Safeway has an agreement to buy all the salmon that the Muckleshoot Tribe will sell them. However, according to Cummings and McClure, Safeway only labels these fish as coming from the Muckleshoot Tribe, not the Duwamish River. The consumers of the fish sold at Safeway may be unaware of the restrictions concerning intake of salmon fished from the Duwamish River.

The cleanup may not make the Duwamish River safe to eat from, however.

The more PCBs that are removed from the river, McClure said, the more expensive it becomes to remove the remaining PCBs. To completely clean up the river may be too prohibitively expensive.

Before the cleanup can even begin, however, there is also the issue of some businesses continuing to pollute the river.

“There are a lot of people who still have permits to pollute,” McClure said.

“Originally we thought there would be another public meeting about now—but that’s been pushed back,” McClure said.

What Cummings and McClure want most, they said, is for the public to be the ones to answer whether a complete cleanup is worth the cost.

“We think this is a question the public should answer,” McClure said.

Science Seminar returns with full lineup

By S. Russell Gregory
Staff Reporter

Dr. Eric Baer is excited about Fall Quarter’s Science Seminar.

“I really love to see all these folks that come to Science Seminar get really jazzed about Science,” said Baer. “Here it is 2:20 in the afternoon and we sometimes get 100 people in the room to hear about science.”

Science Seminar is a weekly event with the purpose of educating Highline students and the local community on Science related topics. Students can take the course for credit, but everyone is welcome to attend.

To receive credit for the Science Seminar, a student must register for item number 6062 and at least attend nine out of the ten Science Seminars.

Students are allowed make up four seminars by watching the videos of seminars they missed and writing a 250 word summary.

The Science Seminars are held in building 3, room 102 on Fridays.

This quarter’s line up goes as follows:

- Oct. 3: Lonnie Somer – Bigotry in Science.
- Oct. 10: Helen Burn – Polling.
- Oct. 17: Campus is closed.
- Oct. 24: Woody Moses – Learning in Belize.
- Oct. 31: Jessica Neilson – Patent Law.
- Nov. 7: Carla Whittington TBA.
- Nov. 14: Rich Bankhead and Gregory Reinemer – The second Annual physics show in

Building 7.

•Nov. 21: Tarisa Matsumoto Maxfield – Rat Middens.

•Nov. 28: Thanksgiving Holiday.


•Dec. 5: Kyle Evans and Kurt Giessel – Cryptography.

Dr. Baer is looking forward to the talks coming up but likes the related topics of Bigotry in Science and Polling.

“I think it’s going to be a really great combination of the two talks that will get people to think about what they are hearing on the news right now in a better way,” Baer said.

He said he is also excited for the Physics show.

“Last year they did a physics show and it was spectacular. We basically filled up Building 7 with about 150 people there,” Baer said.



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