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# The Thunderword



Hanna Jazzyca/THUNDERWORD

Students study in a level 3 ESL class. Highline has the largest ESL program in the state with 4,000 students enrolled each quarter.

## Charges pending in Building 6 conflict

By Liviu Bird  
Staff Reporter

Misdemeanor charges are pending against the 24-year-old male suspect involved in an incident in Building 6 on Sept. 26.

The man was reportedly being overly friendly with female students on campus. When a Des Moines police officer arrived on the scene, the man resisted arrest and ripped off TASER probes from two separate shots. The man was eventually contained with pepper spray.

"The subject was arrested for a possible assault on an officer," said Sgt. Robert Collins of the Des Moines Police Department.

However, none of the charges pending include an assault on a police officer, which is a class C felony.

"[The] King County [Prosecutor's Office] declined to file any felony charges," Collins said. "Recommendations were made to charge him for resisting arrest, harassment, and assault four."

Assault in the fourth degree is the least serious assault charge and a gross misdemeanor, while assault in the third, second, and first degree are all felonies.

The detective in charge of the case is unsure if the harassment charge is for actions against the female student or the police officer.

When it became apparent that the suspect was going to be resistant to police, the officer called in a Code 2, which prompted 18 officers to begin driving in Highline's direction. Three minutes later, at 3:19 p.m., the call was changed to a Code 3.

"We don't get Code 3s very often," Collins said. "The officer was scared because the man

## ESL helps assimilate Highline students

By David Olerich  
Staff Reporter

Imagine yourself as a newly arrived foreigner here in this country and you need a job, you don't have a car and you have kids to take care of. Your only transportation is by bus and yet you don't know the language to be able to communicate to any-

one where you are trying to go.

This is the experience of thousands of students attending Highline each quarter.

Many of these students are enrolled in Highline's English as a Second Language program to help assist them in their transition here at the college and in their community.

Highline developed the pro-

gram after its research showed a need for English as a second language training in the community, said Interim Vice President Jeff Wagnitz.

"The college's mission and values call on us to meet community needs," Wagnitz said.

The result is the largest ESL program in the state, with as many as 4,000 students in any

single quarter.

Stephen Washburn, the director of Adult Basic Education, English as a Second Language, and General Education Diploma, says that the college program brings in all different types of students who need this assistance.

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## SBDC helps plant seeds to make businesses grow

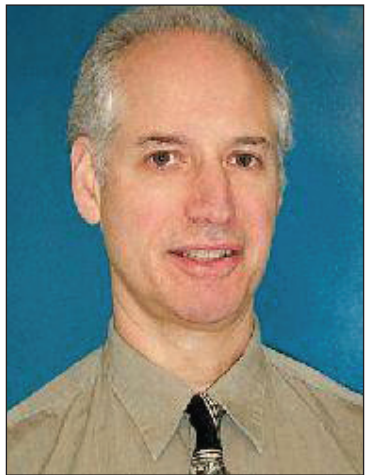
By Jaren Lewis  
Staff Reporter

Aspiring business owners may be overlooking some valuable help right under their noses.

The Small Business Development Center, or SBDC, is stationed in Building 99 and acts as a free service to assist small and growing businesses.

"We work with business owners," SBDC adviser Zev Siegl said. "Our mission is to help them succeed and grow."

Highline's SBDC is part of a network of centers across Washington, which "promote economic vitality by providing



Zev Siegl

advice, training and research to entrepreneurs and existing businesses statewide," according to their web site.

Siegl and fellow adviser Jim Kallenberg counsel small businesses on financial issues to help them succeed.

Siegl divided his counseling work into four major areas.

"The needs that they bring to us are marketing, financing, forecasting, and taking advantage of opportunities," he said.

Siegl explained that forecasting is trying to estimate the company's costs and income in advance so they can plan accordingly.

"We make an educated guess."

The "opportunities" he mentioned include chances to buy out competitors, open new

stores and purchase their own property. Siegl mentioned an owner he had worked with recently who was able to buy a rival company.

"She got a good deal, too."

Three Trees Yoga in Federal Way was another example Siegl gave: the well-established local studio was approached by their landlord, who offered to sell them the lot the studio was on.

"We set up a loan application package and they applied at three banks. All three said yes, and they negotiated the loan with one of the banks, and they bought the building."

See SBDC / P11

See Police / P12



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CSI: **H**ighline**Irate student; no gun to shoot librarian**

Security officers received a call from an administrator last Thursday, requesting that security respond to an irate student. The student was involved in a dispute with two administrators in reference to something which had happened in the library.

The student refused to cooperate or tell what happened, and didn't want to be assisted. He was escorted off campus.

He had previously been in two arguments in the library with staff members, stating that if he had a gun with him he would have shot the librarian.

**Tobacco smearing revenge**

A female student came to the office on Oct. 2 to report that a Hispanic male cursed at her because he thought she had hit his bumper.

He later apologized and said it would not happen again.

Later that day, the female student came back to report that her car had had chewing tobacco spilled all over the left side of her vehicle.

**Car crashed against tree**

Someone observed a Buick in the grassy area not far from Building 1, up against a large tree.

Three Des Moines police officers responded to the scene.

The tree's bark was torn off by the front bumper. There was no other observed damage to Highline property.

Des Moines police officers conducted an interview with the driver, and the vehicle was impounded.

**Suspicious person sighted**

A student in Building 29 reported a white male adult with dark hair going into room 109.

The only other person on the first floor at that time was the custodian.

An officer checked the floor, and found a Central Washington University employee in room 108.

**Library getting crowded**

The computer area of the library has been very crowded lately, so that use has already had to be restricted to students-only at times.

Security has had to run constant ID checks during these times.

They have had issues with juveniles who refuse to leave, or return in large groups.

By **Logan Leeder**  
*Staff Reporter*

# Find the college of your dreams at transfer fair

The college transfer fair is coming on Oct. 13. Students interested in transferring should plan to attend.

All the major Washington schools will be there, including University of Washington, Washington State University, Seattle University, and Pacific Lutheran University.

Siew Lai Lilley of the Transfer Center has some simple but relevant advice. "Plan as early as possible," she advises students. Far too many students wait until the last minute and

find they don't have enough time to do the things necessary to transfer, she said.

She also suggests that students get a faculty adviser specifically for their major. Students can get a faculty adviser at Education Planning. Faculty advisers make sure you're talking the right classes for your desired major.

The Transfer Center has compiled some questions that students need to ask the representatives from the colleges at the college fair. You need to know if the school has the major they want, what are the admissions requirements, the required GPA,

when to apply for financial aid and scholarships, and how to arrange a tour of the campus.

However, the college fair is not the only resource available to students who want to transfer. Some schools will also be visiting Highline individually.

Washington State University will be on campus on Oct. 16, Nov. 13, and Dec. 11 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For pharmacy majors, the UW School of Pharmacy will be on campus Nov. 5 from 12:15 to 1:45 p.m.

Students who are interested in business should go to the Mt. Skokomish room on either Oct.

22 at 12:15 p.m. or Nov. 13 at 1:15 p.m.

On Nov. 19 at 12:15 p.m. in the Mt. Olympus room you can learn how to write a winning personal statement. Because writing a personal statement is so essential to the transfer process, this would be a great event to attend.

The new transfer website is up. Here students can access details on the information and more. The site address is [www.highline.edu/stuserv/transfer/index.htm](http://www.highline.edu/stuserv/transfer/index.htm). You can also access all the dates and times on the Transfer Center calendar on its website.

**Governor names new trustees for Highline**

Dan Altmayer and Barbara Reid have been named as Highline's newest trustees.

The normally five-member board has been down to three since the death of Trustee Rita Creighton and the Karen Vander Ark's resignation last spring.

Gov. Christine Gregoire made the announcement of the appointment late Thursday afternoon.

Altmayer, a financial adviser, has a long connection with the college, having served on the Highline College Foundation Board of Directors.

Both Reid and Altmayer are from Federal Way. Reid is retired from the marketing and communications field and has been active in Federal Way politics.

The board manages college

affairs on behalf of the community. They are appointed to four-year terms.

**Job fair hopes to spread information, employment**

Highline will be hosting a job fair today in Building 8 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Over 50 employers will be present, representing a variety of fields such as health, business, travel, government and retail.

Businesses present will include names such as Best Buy, H&R Block, the Good Samaritan Hospital, Auburn Valley YMCA, McDonald's, Sam's Club and the U.S. Navy.

**Movie Friday finds music within for Disability Month**

Music Within will be shown for this week's Movie Friday, Oct. 10. The film is being shown as part of Disability Awareness Month.

The movie starts at noon in Building 7.

The film explores the true story of Richard Pimentel, a veteran of the Vietnam War. Pimentel returns from the war

hearing-impaired, which seems to stand in the way of his passion for public speaking.

Through his friends, Pimentel overcomes this challenge and eventually becomes a major part of the movement to pass the Americans With Disabilities Act.

The film won an Audience Award at the American Film Institute Dallas film festival.

This Movie Friday marks the first supervised by film studies faculty Tommy Kim, who is taking the program over from previous supervisor Roman Wright.

**Hard-working students get free tuition for winter**

The Winter 2009 Highline Academic Achievement Award scholarship application form

has been released.

Fifteen tuition waivers are available to full-time Winter Quarter students with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.5. Running Start and International students are ineligible.

Interested students must complete an application form, answer some short essay questions outlined on the form and provide a transcript as proof of their GPA. They must also collect two letters of recommendation relevant to their academics.

**Dodd defines democracy**

Highline Professor Davidson Dodd will speak on "Toward a new democratic US foreign policy," today in Building 7, from 9 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.

The event is part of the Highline Votes series of events.

## Cooperative Education CO-OPPORTUNITY: Cooperative Education

Want to find out more information about doing an internship? Check us out!

Contact Merridy Rennick, Career Specialist  
206-870-3710 ext. 3148 [mrennick@highline.edu](mailto:mrennick@highline.edu)  
Drop by for a visit: 1st floor of Building 6 (room 156)

## STUDENT JOBS:

**Receptionist/Admin Asst. ~ Part Time ~ 4681**

Greet vendors, customers and visitors. Answer phones, arrange transportation, document management, filing, general office duties, etc.

Location: Seattle Wage: \$14-15 Hours: 8-Noon or Noon-5 (2 positions open)

**Golf Shop Staff ~ Part Time ~ 4688**

Greet guests and golfers, assist golfers with various needs and services.

Location: Renton Wage: \$9 Hours: 10-20 Weekdays pm, Weekends am

**DON'T FORGET THE JOB FAIR TODAY IN THE STUDENT UNION!! 9-12:30**

For more information about co-ops, these jobs and more, log on to [www.myinterfase.com/highline/student](http://www.myinterfase.com/highline/student)

## Free Tutoring!!!

*Feeling overwhelmed? Get help!*

Visit the Tutoring Center in Building 26, Room 319

TIP OF THE WEEK:

**"One part at a time, one day at a time, we can accomplish any goal we set for ourselves."**

**-- Karen Casey, from Achievement of a Life Goal**

**Sign up for help in:**

Accounting/Business, Languages, Math, Science, Computers, Writing, and more!!

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



## Thinner, greener computers may save money

Computing center's plan uses virtual servers, 'thin client' computers to use less electricity

By Christina Bradley  
Staff Reporter

Kurt Giessel is helping to make Highline greener by using virtual servers to save energy and money.

Giessel is a server administrator for Instructional Computing at Highline. The virtual server is a computer file that acts as a physical computer. One physical server can run about 10 virtual servers.

"Using fewer physical servers will benefit Highline by using less electricity because less heat is generated, which means less air conditioning is used and it costs less," Giessel said.

The students at Highline will not notice any difference while using the computers on campus.

"It is completely seamless—there is no difference between them, but there will be less failure and less Blackboard crashes," said Giessel.

There is really no downside to this change on campus, he said.



Ami Nguyen/THUNDERWORD

*Kurt Giessel has virtually succeeded in developing a program to conserve energy at Highline*

"If one physical server goes down then they all go down, but if one does, another one immediately runs, so it isn't even an issue," said Giessel.

These changes will be happening soon and ready to use.

"It is in place now and will be done within 30-60 days, so by the end of the Fall Quarter and ready for winter," said Giessel.

There will also be changes in classrooms and in lab comput-

ers.

"Phase two is in the classrooms. There will be a thin client instead of a full computer. The thin client doesn't have fans so they will generate less heat, less noise, and use less power."

A thin client takes the place of a full-size computer, using one to five watts, while a full-size desktop computer uses between 20-60 watts. It is also much smaller and lighter,

weighing about one pound, and is less than half the size of a laptop computer. Thin clients allow the mouse, keyboard and monitor to connect and act just like a normal computer.

"The thin client is the same quality as a PC and the name really reflects what it does. It is called thin because it is small, and client because it acts as a client to connect to the server. The server holds the informa-

tion and the client connects to the server to retrieve the information," Giessel said.

The server is like a PC, but much more powerful.

"Servers allow multiple PCs to connect to it. They support high-end databases and websites," said Giessel.

Even though the servers can support much more information than a PC, they don't cost more.

"Over a five-year period Highline would spend \$3.5 million on the PCs that are currently being used, whereas with the thin client they would only be spending \$1.2 million every five years, and that doesn't include how much money Highline will save in energy," said Giessel.

Highline will start with a test program on a few computers to make sure they are working properly, and the way people want. If the new program works with the thin clients, then all of the PCs will be replaced with thin clients, which is about 3,000 PCs campus-wide.

Highline has decided to use this technology because of the increasing energy costs.

"Saving energy will save money and allow better use of the state resources. The savings allow money to be invested in other areas," said Giessel.

"Virtual servers are going to use less electricity and cost less," said Giessel. "Being greener always makes people smile."

## Education on domestic violence is the goal of Women's Programs

By Aaron Raj  
Staff Reporter

Women's Programs hopes to educate Highline students on Domestic Violence Awareness for the new school year.

The program is holding annual Domestic Violence Awareness events for the month of October, and for the first time ever a Community First event was held on Oct. 1.

The events are organized by a collaborative effort of Highline's staff and faculty members, Highline's Outreach Department, and a non-profit agency called Servanthood Ministries.

Domestic Violence Awareness month is an event that provides a statement to Highline about what domestic violence is and how to stop it, said Women's Programs staff.

The awareness month is a subject that needs to be discussed: it provides information on how it affects men and women, and gives resources, said organizers of the events.

The event has a project that's been around since the '90s, said Jean Munro of Women's Programs and Work First Services;

a clothes line project which has students and staff make t-shirts to show people about domestic violence. The shirts have pictures and/or descriptions about people who have suffered domestic violence. The shirts are color-coded to show the form of abuse and whether the victim survived the abuse they experienced.

White represents women who died because of violence.

Beige represents battered or assaulted women.

Red, pink and orange are for survivors of rape and sexual assault.

Blue and green t-shirts represent survivors of incest and sexual abuse.

Purple or lavender represents women attacked because of their sexual orientation.

Black is for women attacked for political reasons.

"You would be surprised by



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*Aaron Reader says everyone can learn from domestic violence.*

how many of our students and staff were touched by domestic violence," Munro said.

The event has done well in the past, said Aaron Reader of Women's Programs and Work First Services.

"Turnout is always pretty heavy, it speaks a lot about the event. It shows interest about the event and the Women's Program," Reader said.

"We're still planning events for Domestic Violence Aware-

ness Month. We would love to have students come and help out," said Deana Rader, director of Women's Programs and Work First Services.

Students are welcome to help with the events. They can attend the events to show support or even volunteer. Students who choose to volunteer can go to the Women's Program office downstairs in Building 6 for more information.

Domestic Violence Aware-

ness month is not just an event for women. The event gives men a chance to learn about the subject; it's a chance to learn what is going on around the community, said Reader.

"It educates me; it gives me the courage to be an advocate for those people in the situations. It also allows me to teach others what I've learned," Reader said.

Also, the Community First event on Oct. 1 gave away school supplies to Women's Programs students who were in need for college school supplies. The supply give away was a chance for women to receive pens, pencils, notebooks, binders, hygiene packets and various school items.

Women's Programs is a good place to go for women who need help, whether it is emotional or for supplies, said organizers.

"It's definitely a place to go for resources. We're here for women that have needs and we do what we can to help," Reader said.



Editorial comment

Highline students need to vote

Oct. 4 was the final day to register to vote online or by mail in Washington State prior to the Nov. 4 general election. Let us just say for the sake of argument that you have followed that advice and have registered. Now that you have bought the cow, do you plan to milk it?

This past week has seen its amount of turmoil for the United States. Our economy has tanked. The Dow Jones Index has continued plummeting, setting historical records.

Jobless rates have continued to increase and an estimated 159,000 jobs were eliminated in September alone. Car dealerships are closing in record numbers and the auto manufacturers claim they will sell 600,000 fewer units per month.

Major banks, including Washington Mutual, have been taken over by federal regulators and have begun tightening credit on the loans they make to each other and downright denying loans to previously “prime” customers. Students have had difficulties getting access to student loans.

The U.S. commander of our troops in Afghanistan is asking for more troops but they are nowhere to be found because of our obligations in Iraq. We continue to spend \$10 billion per month there despite the Iraqi government’s \$80 billion surplus.

There is a crisis in health care as those who have lost their jobs are also losing insurance coverage for themselves and their families. The cost of health care continues to bankrupt thousands of American families on a monthly basis.

So much is at stake in this upcoming election and if history is any indication, you don’t care. You see, it is one thing to register to vote but “you have to use the franchise once you purchase it,” according to David Ammons, communications director for the Secretary of State.

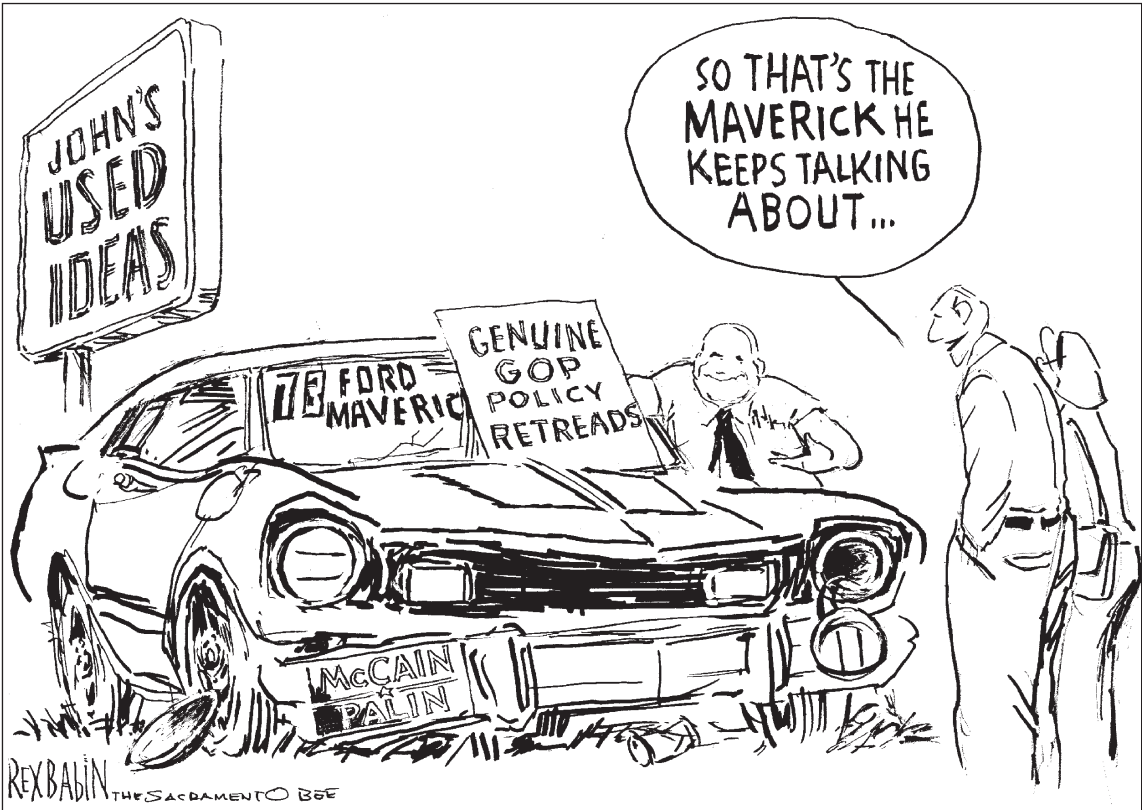
Ammons pointed out that turnout in the Aug. 19 primary for the “millenials,” those 18-24, was a dismal 18 percent of the total amount registered to vote. He said that “the turnout of the 24 - 35-year-old group was roughly the same compared to a turnout of three-fourths of the registered voters in their 60s and 70s.” The state Democratic Party provides a turnout number of 16 percent of registered 18-29 year olds.

If you are registered, please exercise your right to vote. If you aren’t registered, you can still register in person at the King County elections office through Oct. 20. Their address is 919 Grady Way, Renton.

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“Whatdya mean ‘that one?’”

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The rise of mediocrity - Sarah Palin

The American political process has become the laughing stock of the civilized world and an embarrassment for those of us who have dedicated our lives to civic responsibility by paying attention to the issues and voting accordingly. Now, we have had the opportunity to watch the performance of Sarah Palin during her Katie Couric interview and the vice-presidential debate and to ponder the rise of mediocrity. This is nothing new for the Republicans.

We were told in school that we would be rewarded for being prepared and doing excellent work. Several years ago, there was a national debate about paying salaries based upon merit. During the past eight years, we have seen rewards given to the most mediocre individuals in our national government based on political connections.

Harriet Miers was nominated to the U.S. Supreme Court by President Bush, who said she was “the best person he could find.” Miers’ major legal background consisted of authoring only three legal articles and her most notable legal work was handling the paperwork on Mr. Bush’s fishing cabin.

Claude Allen was chosen by Bush for a federal appeals court judgeship, until it became known that he had only acted as lead counsel in one case and had practiced law only seven years, five years short of what the American Bar Association defines as the minimal qualification for a judicial nominee. Allen later resigned as a Bush domestic adviser after pleading guilty to shoplifting \$850 worth of goods from Target.

Paul Wolfowitz, one of the neo-conservative architects of the Iraq invasion, was appointed to head the World Bank in 2005.

Commentary



Vaughn Profit-Breaux

Wolfowitz assumed the helm of the World Bank after the invasion and conduct of the war proved to be widely unpopular with American voters and led to the dismissal of Donald Rumsfeld. Two years later he was forced to step down after a controversy regarding the pay and promotion for his partner, who also works for the World Bank.

We ponder the mess surrounding Michael Brown, who was appointed to head FEMA after a tenure at the International Arabian Horse Association, which we were told made him perfect to help distressed Americans. The famous line, “Brownie, you’re doing a heck of a job,” was uttered by the president as victims of Hurricane Katrina drowned, went hungry and thirsty, and eventually were given trailers made with formaldehyde to live in.

The same party that brought us those shining points of light is asking us to accept a wink, a smirk, and a flip, non-responsive answer as a substitute for experience, judgment, and intellect. Perhaps intellectual elitism is what we need when the opposite is mediocrity.

We are facing the darkest days in over 100 years of our country’s history and I have no need to vote for someone with whom to sit around the table and have a cup of coffee.

Gov. Sarah Palin may make “Joe Six-Pack” feel like she is winking at and talking directly to him. So she didn’t fall off the stage. Her performance brings to mind a *Mad TV* skit, “Lowered Expectations.”

Here we have a perfect example of a Stepford Wife gone wild. She has thrown down the gauntlet by saying about Obama “This is not a man who sees America like you and I see America.” Continuing on she said, “We see an America of exceptionalism.”

“Exceptionalism” is not what you get when you draft a person to be vice president whose major claim to fame has been that of a runner-up beauty queen, mayor of a very small town, and governor of a very small (population) state.

Neither Sen. John McCain nor Gov. Palin desire being tied to their party’s dismal record of governance. They would prefer we forget which party has had exclusive power six of the last eight years.

We are now asked to believe that Ms. Palin, the butt of Tina Fey’s skits on *Saturday Night Live*, is ready to assume the presidency should something happen to Mr. McCain if he is elected. That idea is incredulous.

We have had eight years of a president that was elected because the voters felt he was the type of guy one could share a beer with. After this mess, the country has a hangover and the fizz of a shiny smile doesn’t work nearly as well as an Alka Seltzer.

*Vaughn Profit-Breaux prefers wine to whining.*



HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Boy's jacket is black. 2. "Down" sign is different. 3. Woman's dress is black. 4. "Sale" sign is added. 5. Windows are missing. 6. Woman's hairstyle is different.

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. HISTORY: What was the name of the treaty that ended the American Revolutionary War?

2. TELEVISION: What was the name of the prison encampment in the series *Hogan's Heroes*?

3. THEATER: Which U.S. president was featured in the musical *Annie*?

4. AD SLOGANS: Which company is part of the following advertising slogan --"Baseball, Hot Dogs, Apple Pie and ..."?

5. ENTERTAINMENT: In which year did the Miss America pageant begin?

6. GEOGRAPHY: What

was the former name of the African nation Burkina Faso?

7. LITERATURE: What was the name of the monster in *Beowulf*?

8. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What are the names of the stone lions at the entrance of the New York Public Library?

9. INVENTIONS: Who invented the pop-top can?

10. MATH: In geometry, what is the shape of a torus?

Answers

1. Treaty of Paris  
2. Stage 13  
3. Franklin D. Roosevelt  
4. Chevrolet  
5. 1921  
6. Upper Volta  
7. Grendel  
8. Patience and Fortitude  
9. Eral Frazz  
10. A doughnut or an inner tube

Policy Matters

Across

1. Bye-byes

6. Flexible Flyers

11. Circle segment

14. Make amends

15. Prefix with chemical

16. Corn site?

17. Fast train

19. Young fellow

20. Stir-fry tidbit

21. "Totally cool!"

23. In the cellar

25. Jeb to Barbara

26. Start of policy quip

33. Thor's father

34. Bank acct. entry

35. U.S.P.S. delivery

36. Aspen A-frames

39. Grist for analysts

42. Skirt's edge

43. Letters on a chit

45. Latin 101 verb

46. Policy quip continued

51. Alias:abbr.

52. \_\_\_\_ about

53. Disburses

57. Grumbles

62. Band aid?

63. "Carpe diem!"

65. Actor Mineo

66. Policy quip concluded

67. Summing up

68. Mao \_\_\_\_-tung

69. Avian talkers

70. Handles?

Crossword 101

By Ed Canty

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10. Most achy

11. "Finally!"

12. Wander

13. Hand over

18. Vegetarian's no-no

22. Plea at sea

24. Koppel of "Nightline"

26. Clinton's Defense Secretary William \_\_\_\_

27. Lump in one's throat

28. Naught

29. Cash extender

30. Resort

31. Major add on

32. "La-la" lead-in

36. Fraternity letter

37. 50-50, e.g.

38. Landscaper's need

40. Dwindle, as patience

41. Mil. medal

44. ET's craft

47. Luau strings

48. Kidnapper's demand

49. Taking prescription drugs, informally

50. Beat badly

53. "\_\_\_\_ of Eden"

54. Present time?

55. Flout

56. Endorse

58. Long, narrow shoe size

59. Dutch treat

60. Breathing sound

61. Wd. fragments

64. Suffix with proto-

Quotable Quote

*I never had a policy; I have just tried to do my very best each and every day.*

... Abraham Lincoln

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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](http://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](http://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.

Weekly SUDOKU

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### Last week's crossword solution

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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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: ★

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# T-Birds continue on the winning path to NWAACCs

By Max Dubbeldam  
Staff Reporter

The Thunderbirds are still tied for first place after securing six points from two matches.

Highline and division rival Bellevue are tied at 26 points from 10 matches. The Thunderbirds' record is 8-0-2 for the league season.

Highline won at home against Tacoma last Wednesday and they beat Edmonds away on Saturday.

Highline came away with a 3-1 victory at home against Tacoma on Wednesday, Oct. 1. The Thunderbirds came back from a slow start and a one-goal deficit to clinch the win against the Titans.

Head Coach Jason Prenovost said that the first half was uneventful.

"We played OK in the first half, but not great," he said. "The second half we came out very flat; it was the worst sec-

ond half opening all season."

Tacoma took advantage of Highline's slow start in the 51st minute and scored what Prenovost described as a very soft goal.

The goal was set up when Highline defender Ricco Sanchez miss-kicked the ball, and goalkeeper Liviu Bird was unable to clean up the mess.

Tacoma's Frank Tayou popped up in between them and tapped the ball into the goal.

Prenovost said that the goal seemed to wake the team up, and Highline started putting the pressure on the Titans.

Four minutes later Highline struck back when Fernando Gonzales set up Brandon Arreola to tie the match in the 55th.

Highline took the lead around the 60th minute mark when a Tacoma defender headed a Highline cross into his own goal putting the score at 2-1.

"The own goal was a result of us putting a lot of pressure on

them," Prenovost said.

Highline kept the pressure on and the Titans started to show their frustration near the end of the match.

Highline was awarded a penalty kick in the 90th minute. Tony Maxwell dispatched the opportunity, even though the Tacoma goalkeeper was close to saving it.

On Saturday, Oct. 4, Highline played away at Edmonds, and they won 4-0.

"We started off slow," said sophomore Ricco Sanchez. "It took us some time to get going."

Prenovost added that during the first half they were being outplayed in some ways.

He said that a lot of teams play hard against Highline because of the Thunderbirds' reputation and the fact that if they can get a result, it would be a big deal.

Even though Edmonds came out hard, Highline opened the scoring and took the reins of the match.

Freshman Andrew Hair scored in the 34th and the 43rd minute to give Highline a comfortable two goal lead going into the second half.

In the second-half Highline kept control of the match and Brandon Arreola scored the third goal about 10-15 minutes into the half.

Freshman Jay Hardy slotted the fourth goal in the latter stages of the match to give Highline a comfortable 4-0 win.

All four goal-scorers came in from the bench, and Prenovost was happy to give different players their chance.

"We haven't had any one player stand out. Different players step up at different times," said Prenovost. "We've had 14 different goal scorers, and none



Max Dubbeldam/THUNDERWORD

Ryan Kuffler takes on Jarett Thomas at a practice game.



Max Dubbeldam/THUNDERWORD

Head Coach Jason Prenovost gives instructions at practice.

have more than four goals."

Even though Highline is winning most of their matches, Prenovost said that they still have to work on communicating with each other.

"We have a lot of athleticism and skill," he said. "If we can tie it together with communication, we'll do very well."

Prenovost said that the team still needs to gel together and find their groove.

"If we put it all together at the right time we could win the championship," Prenovost said.

Highline played away at Peninsula on Wednesday, Oct. 8, but the results were unavailable at presstime.

On Saturday, Oct. 11, Highline plays at home against Everett at 2 p.m.

On Wednesday, Oct. 15, they play away at Whatcom at 2 p.m.

## The cross country team is making improvements with huge strides

By Joshua K. Hauck  
Staff Reporter

Highline's cross country team continued to improve at the Charles Bowles Invite in Salem, Ore. on Oct. 4.

Head Coach Josh Baker found progress from this race with most runners setting not only season records, but also personal bests as well.

The men's team finished 10th overall, and the women finished in 16th at the biggest meet they have participated in thus far. Some 49 colleges with 946 individual runners participated in the meet.

The Invite had more intention than to just challenge an already

developing Highline team.

"It gave us a chance to showcase our talent and enhance exposure of our runners to four year coaches," said Coach Baker.

As a result from the sheer size of the meet, it was split into two different races. Highline competed in the Gold CC Run which was compiled of only NCAA Division I and community colleges, leaving the Division II and Division III schools to contest in the Cardinal CC Run.

For the Gold CC Run, Eddie Earnest-Jones of Greater Boise RC finished in first place with a time of 24:10.01. However, Portland was able to seize first

in the overall team score for the men's eight-kilometer race.

Amongst nine community colleges, Highline finished in fifth within them. Out of the nine Highline runners, Ryan Eidsmoe, who finished 82nd with a time of 26:54:02, was once again the fastest runner for the men's team.

Following him in 109th was Kevin Clancy with a respectable time of 27:33.30. Not far behind him JP Strozewski in 121st in 27:52.35.

Completing the race in 140th and 145th, were John Hurlburt and Colby Peters in 28:20.12 and 28:29.13. Finishing back to back in 161st and 162nd were Bill Macdonald and Abdi Has-



Head Coach Josh Baker

san with comparable times of 29:13.27 and 29:15.11.

Managing to secure 190th was Nathan Tutison in 31:52.05. Finishing with an admirable time of 36:00.15 in 202nd place was Jeff Eaton.

Coach Josh Baker was all smiles with the result of the Lady Thunderbirds, who were unable to find a sufficient number of runners at their prior meet.

"Our girls are improving so much. Four of our five women set career PRs at this race," said Baker.

In the women's five-kilometer Gold CC Run Allix Lee-Painter was able to capture the gold with a time of 17:30.37 for Idaho College. Santa Clara ended up taking first in the team scores for the Gold CC Run.

Highline's Anna Resendiz was able to come in 101st in a credible time of 21:00.37.

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# 'Heart' driving the Lady T-Birds on to the NWAACCs

By Liz Phillips  
Staff Reporter

The Highline women's soccer team is still clutching to third place in the West Division with hopes of going to playoffs.

This past week the Lady T-birds played two games. The first game, Oct. 1, was against the West Division's second place team, Tacoma. This game ended in a 1-1 tie.

Highline lost to Edmonds on Oct. 4, 1-0. Edmonds is currently in fourth in the North Division.

Playoffs may be in the future for this team. Coach Tom Moore said that they just need to focus on their games and win the ones they know they can win. If not Moore said it may be a stretch.

Highline player Ivanca Frerichs said "It would be my first real team going to play-offs. I am very excited."

Against Tacoma, Highline started out the game slow. Highline played with only 10 players due to injuries.

Whitney Lynch was put in goal for this game. Lynch, who is generally a forward, did really amazing and put forth great effort throughout the whole game, Moore said.

The only goal scored for Tacoma came within the first 20 minutes of the game.

Tacoma's Karissa Haelle shot a soft ball to the corner of the net, which just skidded past Lynch. This goal made the score 1-0 with Highline trailing Tacoma.

The rest of the first half Highline continued not playing to their full ability, Moore said.

At the half Moore pulled the girls together and told them to play with hearts and not think about the numbers.

These inspiring words from their coach really got the girls charged and ready for the second half.

"He told us, 'I know were playing down but play the game you know how to play.' It really pumped us up," said Frerichs.

Once the second half started, you could really see the transition.

"They worked and worked and worked," said Moore. And toward the end of the game it finally paid off, Moore added.

Lynch had some amazing



Max Dubbeldam/THUNDERWORD

Whitney Lynch takes a shot at practice during a scrimmage as Kelsey Louvier and two other teammates look on.

plays, and everyone was just working in sync.

A penalty kick was awarded to Highline with four minutes left in the game.

Highline's Kelsey Lusebrink took the kick for Highline and scored, ending the game on a good note.

Although they tied with Tacoma, Highline's players were thrilled with the way they stepped up and played.

"The whole second half

they played phenomenal," said Moore.

This was seconded by Frerichs, who said Highline played good, and as a whole.

Against Edmonds, on Oct. 4 Highline was playing down, with only nine players, due to injury. D. Guerra was playing keeper this game.

"We play good together once we find that connection," Frerichs said, which was seemingly true with this game.

Edmonds got their first and only goal about 25 minutes into the first half. A blooper off Brittany McKay's foot sent the ball off toward the goal.

"It was a blah goal," said Frerichs, an accident which cost us.

After that the game was like tennis, just back and forth, back and forth.

Korinne Goudey had a lot of good shots on goal, and Kelsey Lusebrink had numerous good

crosses but the shots just weren't going in, said Frerichs.

Thankfully, all of Highline's players who were injured for these games played in the game versus Lower Columbia on Oct. 8. Results for this game were not available at press time.

This coming week the T-Birds play Everett at Highline on Saturday, Oct. 11 at noon.

Highline then travels to Bremerton for a game Oct. 15 at Olympic.

## Cross Country

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Finishing right behind her in 102nd was Livia Mahaffie in 21:03.27.

Kim Barney was able to finish the race in 120th with a time

of 21:59. In 151st was Catherine Nalley with a respectable time of 26:47.26. Completing the race in a time of 28:42.73 was Krysta Renton in 154th.

All and all, it seems that with the sufficient numbers, the Lady Thunderbirds are only able to progressively get better as a

team.

Although all runners on Highline cross country equally helped the team, two names stood out in Coach Baker's mind.

Catherine Nalley was able to improve her time by shaving off an amazing five minutes from

her own personal record.

Also making an impact was Bill Macdonald.

"Bill Macdonald had a big race for us. He hasn't raced in a few years and we barely got him eligible, but he really did good. He was wearing small shoes and his feet were torn open and

bloody," said Coach Baker.

Cross Country's next meet will be on Oct. 18 in the Bellevue Invitational held at Lake Sammamish Park.

Competing against the Thunderbirds will be Bellevue, Everett, and Skagit Valley community colleges.



# Living and learning, Lady T-birds still have hope for this season

By Brian Grove  
Staff Reporter

The Lady Thunderbirds have dropped to 0-4 in the Western Division, falling to Tacoma and Clark.

They are still very much alive in their playoff hopes, with three more games left in the first half of the season.

Last Wednesday, Highline faced off with Tacoma on the road looking for their first win. They played hard but were unsuccessful, losing in a four game set, 25-23, 25-18, 25-27, and 25-19.

On a positive note, Highline's top setter, Adriana Aukusitino had another 31 assists to add to her already staggering season total. Paula Miles recorded 10 kills, and for digs it was Amanda Harker (14), Brittany Menard (13), Jessica Alvarez (10), and Adriana Aukusitino (10).

Next, it was off to Clark, where the Lady Thunderbirds hoped to get their first conference win.

Unfortunately, Clark had something else in mind, sweeping Highline in three games, 25-19, 25-22, and 25-16.

Although the losses have been frustrating, Highline's coaches and players are still looking up.

"What works, and what doesn't. That's what were trying to figure out right now," said Highline head coach John Littleman. "We've been in close games, and we've played the top four teams in the division. We've got to figure out how to win. The last 2-3 points, it seems as though we stop playing."

Highline may get another shot at Tacoma due to a contro-



**"What works, and what doesn't. That's what were trying to figure out right now."**

-- John Littleman,  
Highline  
head volleyball coach

versial call by one of the refs, which is currently being contested by Highline.

"The referee misapplied the rules, took the ball away and gave it to Tacoma along with another point at a critical time in the game when the score was 13-14, Tacoma," said Coach Littleman.

When asked about what's missing from the team right now, Coach Littleman said, "the main thing that's not there is that killer instinct to put the game away. Towards the end of the game, points are so important. We've got to get tougher. We need a play maker."

That brings us to Adriana Aukusitino. As one of the best setters in the division, and near the top in assists, Aukusitino may be the "playmaker" that Coach Littleman needs.

"I think we're gradually making progress and we're starting to play as a team more," said Aukusitino after Highline's practice before their game against Lower Columbia.

"I think we're hungry just to get our first conference win. We're tired of losing and we

don't want to throw in the towel anymore," she said.

Still, Highline is very much alive in their chances for getting a playoff birth in the NWAACC Tournament.

Along with their pending rematch against Tacoma, the Lady Thunderbirds' next three games are against teams in the bottom of the standings, the best being Lower Columbia with a .500 conference winning percentage.

If Highline unleashes their full potential, they could get the ball rolling with enough momentum to propel them into the playoffs.

"We're looking for a conference win, then off to two teams we haven't played before. We're looking to finish the first half 3-4, make a second half run, and make it into the NWAACC Tournament," said Aukusitino.

Highline played against Lower Columbia on Wednesday, Oct. 8, with results unavailable at press time. In their next two games, Highline will square off against Grays Harbor at home on Oct. 10 at 7 p.m. and against Centralia on the road Wednesday, Oct. 15.

## Fitness trainer program offering free consultations

Free appointments with personal fitness training students may be available through Highline's Personal Fitness Training program.

Fitness trainers can provide hour-long fitness assessments and workouts, with follow-up appointments possible.

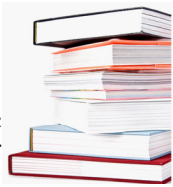
The program offers an associated of applied science degree as well as a one-year certificate. Both degrees include coursework in functional training, special populations and body composition.

For more information, contact Program Manager Josh Baker at [jbaker@highline.edu](mailto:jbaker@highline.edu), or call 206-878-3710, ext. 3997.

## Ask the Bookstore

**Question:** Regarding Textbook Buy Back

"Why did I only receive \$6.00 when I sold back my textbook to the bookstore. It cost me over \$70.00"



**Answer:** A buyer from a wholesale company comes to the bookstore twice a quarter to determine the value of student's unwanted textbooks. The best time to sell back your books is finals week. Most books being used the following quarter are worth 50% of the New book price, even if you bought a Used book. Prices on books not being used again at Highline are based on current wholesale value which is 25% or less than current New Price. Example: You bought a used book and paid \$50.00. If purchased new, the price would have been \$66.70. So, when you sell it back, if the title is being used the following quarter, you would receive \$33.35 back.

If you sell back your books during the first week of school, the wholesale buyer is only purchasing books for their company and not for the bookstore. You only receive 25% or less of the New Price because the bookstore has all the needed books for that quarter.

Finally, Highline Bookstore operates as a self-sustaining non-profit. Surplus funds are given back to Highline Community College.

## Scoreboard

### Men's soccer standings

North Division				
League/Pts/Season				
Whatcom	5-1-3	18	5-1-3	
Edmonds	4-6-0	12	4-6-0	
Shoreline	3-4-3	12	3-4-3	
Everett	3-5-2	11	3-5-2	
Sk.Valley	1-8-1	4	1-8-1	

East Division				
Col.Basin	7-3-1	22	7-3-1	
W.Valley	6-0-2	20	7-0-2	
WallaWalla	6-0-1	19	7-0-2	
Spokane	5-4-1	16	5-6-2	
Tr.Valley	3-3-2	11	3-3-2	

West Division				
Bellevue	8-0-2	26	8-0-2	
Highline	8-0-2	26	8-1-2	
Peninsula	4-3-2	14	4-5-2	
Tacoma	4-4-2	14	4-4-2	
Olympic	0-9-1	1	0-9-1	

South Division				
Chemeketa	5-1-5	20	7-1-5	
Clark	4-5-1	13	4-6-2	
SWOregon	2-7-2	8	2-7-2	
Pierce	1-7-0	3	1-7-0	
S.P.Sound	0-9-1	1	0-9-1	

Scores				
Bellevue	5	, Shoreline	0	
SW Oregon	1	, Pierce	0	
Chemeketa	3	, W. Valley	3	
Sk. Valley	6	, Olympic	0	
Col. Basin	5	, S. P. Sound	1	
Highline	4	, Edmonds	0	
Spokane	2	, Clark	0	
Whatcom	2	, Peninsula	2	
Everett	0	, Tacoma	0	

### Women's soccer

North Division				
League/Pts/Season				
Shoreline	10-0-1	31	10-0-1	
Whatcom	8-1-1	25	8-1-1	
Sk.Valley	4-4-3	15	4-4-3	
Edmonds	4-6-1	13	4-6-1	
Everett	1-9-1	4	1-10-2	

East Division				
WallaWalla	9-0-0	27	11-0-0	
Col.Basin	8-1-2	26	8-1-2	
Tr.Valley	7-3-0	21	7-3-0	
W.Valley	4-5-1	13	4-5-1	
Spokane	2-7-2	8	3-8-2	
Yak.Valley	1-6-2	5	1-6-2	

West Division				
Bellevue	8-1-2	26	8-1-2	
Tacoma	5-3-3	18	5-3-3	
Highline	3-3-5	14	3-3-5	
Olympic	4-6-1	13	4-6-1	
Gr.River	3-8-0	9	3-8-0	
Lo.Columbia	1-10-0	3	2-11-0	

South Division				
Clackamas	7-4-2	23	7-5-3	
Lane	4-2-6	18	5-2-6	
Chem.	4-7-2	14	4-7-2	
Clark	4-5-1	13	4-5-1	
SW Oregon	1-11-0	3	1-11-1	

Scores				
Lane 2	, Spokane	2		
Shoreline 1	, Bellevue	1		
SW Oregon 1	, Yak. Valley	0		
Sk. Valley 1	, Olympic	0		
Chemeketa 2	, W. Valley	0		
Edmonds 1	, Highline	0		
Tr. Valley 1	, Clark	0		
Whatcom 8	, Lo. Columbia	1		
Tacoma 3	, Everett	0		

### Women's Volleyball

North Division				
League/Pts/Season				
Edmonds	4-0	1.000	21-5	
Bellevue	4-0	1.000	11-10	
Whatcom	3-1	.750	8-18	
Shoreline	2-2	.500	6-16	
Sk.Valley	1-3	.250	7-7	
Everett	1-4	.200	5-10	
Olympic	0-5	.000	2-19	

East Division				
WallaWalla	5-1	.833	16-7	
Col.Basin	4-1	.800	16-12	
W.Valley	4-2	.667	19-10	
BlueMt.	4-2	.667	9-14	
Tr.Valley	3-3	.500	25-8	
Spokane	3-4	.429	17-15	
BigBend	1-5	.167	4-12	
Yak.Valley	0-6	.000	1-19	

West Division				
Tacoma	4-0	1.000	17-10	
Gr.River	4-0	1.000	12-11	
Pierce	3-1	.750	13-6	
Clark	3-1	.750	13-10	
Lo.Col.	2-2	.500	9-6	
Highline	0-4	.000	15-13	
Centralia	0-4	.000	3-16	
GraysHar.	0-4	.000	0-11	

South Division				
Chemeketa	3-0	1.000	28-0	
SWOregon	3-0	1.000	13-6	
Clackamas	2-2	.500	26-9	
Umpqua	1-2	.333	6-11	
Mt.Hood	1-3	.250	8-12	
Linn-Benton	0-3	.000	3-22	

Scores				
Grn. River	def	Pierce		
(25-21,25-20,25-20)				
Tacoma	def	Grays Harbor		
(25-17,25-14 ,25-18)				
Clark	Def	Highline		
(25-19,25-22,25-16)				

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# Drama to bring Kafka to life in fall production

By Katherine Partington  
Staff Reporter

The Drama Department is being put on trial.

*The Trial* is a play version of the German novel of the same name by Franz Kafka.

The protagonist is a man named Joseph K. (played by Highline student Mathew Hopkins) who is higher up in a bank. One morning he is arrested for unknown reasons. What follows is the story of how he discovers why he was arrested and how he deals with the situation.

"This is an extremely important piece of modern literature," said Dr. Christiana Taylor, coordinator of music, art and drama at Highline. "Elements of existentialism, perhaps gloomy, are combined with a sense of humor that explodes with the ridiculous. We intend to emphasize especially the ridiculous and grotesqueness of the original."

Dr. Taylor said, "They will be using the concept of ensemble meaning everyone in the cast is on stage most of the time, with



Dr. Christina Taylor with two of her actors at rehearsal.

one character always on stage."

Other students who will be in the play are Sophia Villanueva,

Jared Stratton, Megan Krogstadt, Anthony Keane, Brenan Grant, Paul Kalchik and Ash-

lee Owen, Renee Vogel, Karen Han, Elma Malulu, and Micah Linscott.

"This is a very talented and bright group and we look forward to a wonderful adventure bringing this complex and startling plays to life," Dr. Taylor said of the cast.

Students of all backgrounds and places were there auditioning. Based on these auditions, Dr. Taylor was able to decide on this quarter's play.

Karen Han, a first year student at Highline, said "I like being different people; it can be boring being yourself all the time."

Ashlee Owen says she doesn't enjoy the auditions much but is very happy they are past that stage.

"It's a relief to get it over with," she said. "Once it's done you can go home and cry."

She also said she loves working on the play, learning her lines and all other aspects of preparing a play.

*The Trial* will open on Nov. 20. The play will run until playing Dec. 4-6 at 8 p.m. in The Little Theater, Building 4, room 122.

## Blend on hold for fall

By David McIntosh  
Staff Reporter

The Blend is on hiatus until early November.

The bi-weekly event that takes place in the Bistro every other Wednesday at 10 a.m. has been at Highline since 2004. The Blend is looking for a coordinator for the Fall Quarter to start things off right.

Naiomi Etienne, an event planning consultant for Student Programs, says they are having a lot of students come in that are interested in the quarterly position.

"It is a very casual interview to get to know the student's passion," said Etienne.

Interviews are being held in Student Programs at Building 8 on the third floor. If you would like to set up an interview you can call Naiomi Etienne in Student Programs at 206-878-3710 ext.3537. The coordinator should have an interest in music, managing, recording or performing. Although there have been several interviews, the Blend still doesn't have a fall coordinator.

The Blend has already found their Winter Quarter coordinator that has been hard at working setting up shows for early next year.

Student Programs does have a list of connections they made during their training which consist of past and local artist in the



surrounding area. However, the fall coordinator would have the final say in who plays. The coordinator can choose a variety of music to play the Blend or they can have a quarter of a specific genre.

The Blend has had a past artist such as Clinton Feron, an acoustic reggae performer from Seattle and local soul singer Choklate.

Over the past few quarters some performers have been student bands from Highline. Students can talk to the coordinator to book a time to play, in the past, touring acts have dropped their show. The Blend needed to find a replacement act days before. This is where students come in to save the show.

With the Blend constantly becoming more popular with students, this small break in shows is a minor setback for diehard attendees, said Etienne.

"It is definitely growing in population... students know the routine, you do have the regulars," said Etienne.

By Jessica Lovin  
Staff Reporter

Club Verse wants to bring people together to make music.

Aimed at those who like composing original lyrics and poems, Verse will help students piece together their creativity into something they can use to spotlight themselves.

"Everybody likes music, so of course... it's going to be extraordinary. It's something unique," said member Alexa Jo.

The club was only formed two weeks ago, but already has quite a few members who are very passionate about it.

The club's ultimate goal, said president and founder Stephen Lee, is to establish a group of people who can showcase their ideas in a lyrical form.

This group can be used as "a resource for all sorts of people to vent out what's inside of

### Help Des Moines turn 50

The city of Des Moines wants to celebrate their fiftith birthday next year with a brand new logo.

Sue Bowman, executive assistant from the City Manager's Office, is asking for artists who are interested in participating, to contact her for an entry form at 206-870-6552.

The deadline for submissions is Nov. 3.

## New club hopes for tuneful times

them, [and] do something they wouldn't normally do," Lee said. "Honestly, it would just be cool to have more songs be original, like something personal to them."

In the long run, Lee hopes that Verse will turn into something official that Highline can look up to.

"It would be cool to eventually make something like the hip hop summit, but our own thing," Lee said. But as of right now, he is still figuring everything out and just taking it one step at a time.

Coming up with the name and concept of Verse was very spontaneous, Lee said. "The whole thing alone pretty much happened in five minutes."

Two faculty members are interested in advising this club, and Lee is considering having them as co-advisers.

After the club fair last week, Club Verse had a large amount of students sign up. Around 60 are interested, but Lee makes a

point that more than likely, not all 60 are going to be regulars.

"Let's say half of them are there all the time, if I could get 30, even 20 committed people, that's honestly enough... but the more the better," Lee said. "I will be happy though with however many we get."

Even though the club was created on the spur of the moment, Lee said that "Everything is going good so far. It's like ideas are popping, all my friends are getting involved, and everything's just doing it on its own and falling into place."

Anyone interested is welcome to join the club. If you appreciate music and words, then Verse is for you. The club will be meeting weekly, and experienced students will be there to help beginners map out their ideas and create melodies to their words if they want to add more flavor and rhythm. Contact President Stephen Lee at [ureadyforbowflex@gmail.com](mailto:ureadyforbowflex@gmail.com) for more information.

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# Science fact, science fiction highlight seminars

Some have used science to further racist agendas

By S. Russell Gregory  
Staff Reporter

Scientists are supposed to gather information and honestly report the data, but science has a history of hidden truths with the intent of doing harm to race, a Highline professor said here last week.

Lonnie Somer, a third-year Highline anthropology instructor, gave a brief history of bigotry in science at last Friday's Science Seminar.



Lonnie Somer

The Science Seminar is a science course open to the community on Fridays.

Somer spoke of white male scientists who manipulated scientific data and theories to make the white European man appear to be the most dominant and superior race.

"Scientists were a product of our society," Somer said. "The vast majority of us grow up with all the people around us teaching us what society teaches, and it's the rare person that steps beyond that."

These scientists were raised in parts of the world where white men had control of everything.

Enrst Haeckle, a biologist, was a strong believer in Darwin's theories of evolution. He translated Darwin's work into German and published his own theories as an addition to Darwin's. He wrote about human races and made Europeans appear superior; meanwhile he compared African apes to African people in a very racist way, Somer said.

"Some of his ideas are precursors to the Nazi philosophies that emerged in Germany," Somer said. A theory similar to Darwin's is "evolutionary polygeny," which states that not all



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racies evolved from the same creatures and therefore aren't of the same species, Somer said. One polygenist was Swiss scientist Louis Agassiz.

"He said black people and white people should never be allowed to have children together, because if they did their joints would be misshapen, the jaws wouldn't work, the arms wouldn't work, ignoring all the evidence around him otherwise," Somer said. The ideas and theories like these lead to the ideas of eugenics.

"Eugenics is the study of hereditary improvement of the human race by controlled selective breeding," Somer said. "In other words, we can improve

ourselves genetically by breeding the best traits in humans and therefore allowing the inferior traits to die out because no one who has them will be allowed to have children," Somer said.

The Nazis took this to the extreme by killing the breeds of people they felt were inferior. This included the Jews and many others. Somer said that Nazis probably would have done this anyway, but admits that we have no idea of what would have happened if the Nazis didn't use the theories of eugenics.

Less extreme actions were taken with the eugenic theories in the United States. If a physician or direct relative felt that a person was crazy or somehow

room 102 at 2:30 p.m.

"We will be looking at how many people have health care and how many don't, and what happens to the people that do not, and how much we as a nation spend on health care," Muller-Lindgren said.

The seminar is open to anyone on campus. Muller-Lindgren said it should be of particular interest to "anyone going into a

health care position."

Muller-Lindgren said she hopes that this will be the first of many such seminars, depending on "attendance and response from the campus community."

Nursing faculty will rotate in presenting the seminars. No subject has been chosen for the next seminar, but "anybody on campus could suggest a topic for the next seminar," she said.

## College has dirty landfills as neighbors

By S. Russell Gregory  
Staff Reporter

Highline is in between two toxic landfills that are leaching dangerous chemicals and metals into the environment.

Dr. Eric Baer presented information on Superfund sites during last Friday's Science Seminar.

The two hazardous sites closest to Highline are the Midway Landfill and the Kent-Highlands landfill.

Currently the Midway Landfill is contaminating the ground water with large amounts of manganese, dichloromethane and vinyl chloride, Baer Said.

The Midway Landfill also leaks large amounts of methane gas. There are now 139 extraction wells set up to the methane gas to prevent it from contaminating local neighborhoods.

Baer explained that the process of sucking the gas out must be done carefully. If not enough gas is sucked out then some methane can leak into homes

but if the wells suck too much then oxygen gets mixed in with the gas. When large amounts of oxygen and methane gas are placed into a tight confined area there is the potential risk of an explosion.

Every year \$500,000 is spent on monitoring gas and chemical levels leaking from the Midway landfill. "If you live in the city of Seattle you are paying for this," Dr. Baer said.

Natural springs shoot into the Kent-Highlands Landfill causing its contents to spill over and eventually flow into the Green River. The contaminants from the Kent Highlands Landfill include heavy metals made up of cadmium, copper, nickel, iron and zinc. It also leaks various chemicals Toluene, phthalate, vinyl Chloride, Manganese, Anoxic Water and Ammonia.

"The landfill drains to the Green River, which is a spawning, nursery and fishing area for Coho, Chinook, and Chum Salmon," Baer said. "No one is allowed on either one of these sites but the gates and signs don't stop wildlife from entering. Eagles, hawks and other birds of prey will eat fish from the Green River, which cause further contamination problems," said Baer.

disabled, they wouldn't be allowed to have children. In 1944, 30 states allowed sterilizations and 18 of those states forced sterilizations. This went on until the 1960s, Somer said.

The current example of bigotry in science that Somer came up with was Dr. James D. Watson, who was one of the main discoverers of DNA. Watson said that black people aren't in labs is because they aren't as intelligent.

Because of his extremely racist opinion, Watson was fired from his position at the Coldwater Creek lab in New England, Somer said.

The next Science Seminar will be topic of polling presented by Dr. Helen Burn this Friday, Oct. 10, 2:20 – 3:30 p.m. in Building 3, room 102.

"I don't want to scare you away but bring your calculator. We will be doing a little plus or minus 3 percent," said Burn.

## Nursing professors offer new health seminar

By Jessica Malfitana  
Staff Reporter

The facts and the myths of health care will be discussed in the first Nursing faculty seminar next week on campus.

Nursing Professor Elise Muller-Lindgren will speak on Health Care and Health Status in the United States on Wednesday, Oct. 15, in Building 19

room 102 at 2:30 p.m. "We will be looking at how many people have health care and how many don't, and what happens to the people that do not, and how much we as a nation spend on health care," Muller-Lindgren said.

The seminar is open to anyone on campus. Muller-Lindgren said it should be of particular interest to "anyone going into a

# Transfer Fair

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# Obama election won't eclipse nation's issues, professor says

By Nicholas McCoy  
Staff Reporter

A Brown University professor said race and gender inequality issues will not be fixed by this year's presidential election, at a lecture here Monday.

The election of Barack Obama for president, or Sarah Palin as vice president, will not cure problems of racism and sexism, said Dr. Tricia Rose of Brown University at a presentation in Building 2 on Monday, Oct. 6.

"It's important that we be

excited by this, but let's not be naïve about this," Rose said.

Although the election of Barack Obama would represent a historical milestone, she said, it will not suddenly eradicate racism overnight. Nor would the election of Sarah Palin as vice president eradicate sexist oppression. The election of a single person will not eliminate sustained historical institutionalized oppression, she said.

"There's a deep sense of denial about race and gender," Rose said.

People keep saying this is a

historical year, she said.

"We need to figure out what a non-racist, non-homophobic, non-sexist society really looks like," she said.

"Will Obama be allowed to talk about racial oppression? Or only white oppression?" Rose asked.

Female politicians, she said, such as Hillary Clinton, face a particular hurdle when running for office. They must, she said, appear to be both mother and sex-object in order to be elected.

The presentation of Gov. Pa-

lin as an "everywoman," Rose said, is false. Palin's husband is a stay-at-home dad, Rose said. Because of this, she said, Palin cannot really understand the difficulty that most women face trying to balance their careers with the care of their children.

Historically, she said, men have never been expected to have a domestic responsibility. Women do not have the same privilege, she said.

The "Highline Votes" series will continue throughout the election. Events coming up this week:

On Thursday, Oct. 9, in building 7, Professor Davidson Dodd will present a panel discussion called "Toward a new democratic US foreign policy." It will seek to answer the questions "What would a truly democratic foreign policy look like? How do people in other places view US foreign policy?"

Then, on Friday, Oct. 10, in building 3-102, Dr. Helen Burn of the Mathematics department will explain the science of polling, including "how it works and when it doesn't," in the lecture "Science Seminar: Polling."

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Similar success stories include The Soggy Doggy, a dog grooming business established in Des Moines who are working with the center to open their third branch after five years; and Durnham Upholstery in Seatac, a car and boat upholstering company whose customer service and competitor acquisitions have allowed them to prosper.

Siegl said that one of the most common challenges they see is businesses not taking the time to think about the long term.

"Owners of small businesses

have to do so many things every day to survive, that it is hard for them to find the time to work on the long-range health of the business," he said.

Siegl has his own background in business: before working with the development center, he had been part of five different independent businesses – including Starbucks.

Siegl was one of the three founders of Starbucks in 1971, when the small coffee shop sold only whole beans and brewing accessories.

He left Starbucks in 1980, years before salesman Howard Schultz began shaping the company into the massive coffee

house franchise it is today.

"When I was part of Starbucks, it was a small company. It was not a national company. It wasn't even a regional company. It was in Seattle," Siegl said.

He noted that Starbucks would have been a perfect client for the center, had it existed then. "We wanted to grow, we were energetic, and we were in business."

"I think that my real life experience with independent businesses is a tremendous help in helping my clients," Siegl said.

"The owner of a small business has to know more things than anyone can know," Siegl

said. "Smart business owners recognize that and go looking for resources that can help them."

One service the Small Business Development Center network provides is a statewide research center, which can provide useful information to small businesses.

"It helps small business owners compete with big businesses that can afford this stuff."

The research center can provide information ranging from the kind of population it would take to support a new chiropractor's office, to who the current innovators are in automobile hydrogen generators.

"If the vice president of a division of Boeing wants to know something, there is no question that he will find out the answer somehow, because he has all kinds of people to do this for him," Siegl said. "The owner of Jack's Auto Glass up the street does not have that kind of resource, so he comes to us."

The Small Business Development Center is located on the bottom floor of Bulding 99, the Outreach center.

They can be reached at 206 878-3710, ext. 5151, or at sbdc@highline.edu. Information on their mission can be found at <http://flightline.highline.edu/cel/sbdc.htm>.

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“We have some folks who come in with pretty good English skills,” said Washburn.

“We do get level one, very minimal English skill, and even pre-lit, which are those that are not literate in their own native language,” he said.

Linda Faaren, the ESL program manager, said they encounter a wide range of educational backgrounds in the ESL program.

“We have people who are doctors, lawyers, engineers, who are professionals in their own country,” said Faaren.

“But, it’s very different if you have a person who is just transferring what they know in one language to a new language versus the idea of the whole language, learning reading and writing for the first time,” she said.

Faaren also said their students from Africa speak seven to nine different languages while having never been readers or writers.

Highline’s ESL program faces many challenges in its effort to accommodate each student.

Stephen Washburn said one challenge is making classes available during times in which students can attend.

He said most of the families are working at different times in the day, holding different jobs, having to deal with their kids and child care.

Faaren said, “This is a real focus that we’re having. Our ESL world, ABE world, and GED world is all about access.”

Once they get the students in the classroom, the ESL program focuses on the essentials of everyday living and helps to equip students with survival skills.

“As far as actually learning the language, we really focus at lower levels on life skills and language that relates to navigating everyday life,” Washburn said.

“At the very lowest level you’re talking survival English, typical language you need to get around in life,” he said.

Washburn said that the ESL program targets the goals of each student for a point of reference to start from, in determining how to assist them in the program.

Linda Faaren said that the program carries a \$25 tuition fee for students, which can be waived depending on the student’s financial situation.

“We have a very generous waiver policy if a person can’t pay,” she said. “Paying should be the last thing they have to worry about.”

The ESL program has five progressive levels to work through for students seeking to progress in their skills and attend career classes afterwards.

“We have people who are doctors, lawyers, engineers, who are professionals in their own country.”

-Linda Faaren



Washburn said that most students do not continue past level three because of priorities they have outside of school.

“We see a tremendous drop off at level three,” he said.

“The reason is, that for a new immigrant to be in training, that’s about the level where they have enough language to get another job and be functional to make a living.

“So, there’s some just attrition based off of getting jobs but they tend to bounce back,” he said.

Washburn said that the rate of transition to regular college classes is very low for ESL students.

Nonetheless, the program tries to get the students ready for further college courses.

“We’re bringing people into the classes to talk and they [students] can meet with advisers so that they can be in their ESL classes bringing up their English skills and at the same time preparing them to go to college,” Faaren said.

Faaren said this type of assistance occurs at level three and higher, and that the state dictates the standards of the competencies.

She also explained that students transitioning from one level to the next must meet the standard of the next level in four skill areas.

“When they’re a level three, in order to move to level four, their reading, writing, speaking and listening skills need to all be level four,” Faaren said.

Faaren said an additional program recently has been developed called Integrated Basic Educational Skills Training program, known as I-BEST, to assist ESL students with career classes.

“It’s a new design by the state in which we were the first in the state to have a class go through the process to be approved,” she said. “It’s a professional-technical [program] married with ESL.”

Faaren said that level four ESL students are eligible to get into I-BEST classes, where an ESL teacher will be there to assist them alongside the instructor of the class. This way, the ESL teacher can assist the students as they are learning from the instructor about the career

class they are taking.

“So, the marriage of those together means the ESL student will have a greater chance of succeeding,” she said.

Faaren said that while an ESL student might be learning about child care and cleanliness from an I-BEST teacher, for example, an ESL teacher will be making sure the English terms are written on the board for that subject. The ESL teacher also will make sure the students understand all that the I-BEST teacher had been teaching during the class.

She said some students who are on level three have become disheartened because they were ineligible to take I-BEST classes due to their level.

“What we’ve found was when a person needed to be a level four to get into the I-BEST class and they were level three, they got discouraged,” Faaren said.

She said that they decided in the program to do a bridge class, which is a class that preps third-level ESL students for career classes by granting them an overview of the career.

“These bridge classes are pathway classes kind of giving them [students] their ‘taster’ of this field, of nursing, health care, business technology or education,” Faaren said.

“It’s a way for them to get a feel for American jobs.”

She said that I-BEST classes are helpful for several reasons such as ESL support, an integrated model, and it’s a cohort for students to be able to stay together with the same group in a large block of classes.

Steve Washburn said that the South King County area has grown and increased in its need for this kind of service, not only on campus but in the community as well.

“We have over 20 off-site locations such as schools, libraries, community centers, low-income apartments that are spread out all over our service district’s property from White Center down to Federal Way,” he said.

Faaren said that even church basements, hotels and hospitals are being used for classes, when a need arises to go into those areas.

She also said that Highline’s service area reaches as far north as Seattle and as far south as

Pierce County.

Washburn said that Highline’s ESL enrollment has increased every year by 10 percent. The program has doubled in size over the last four years.

“We are an effective program because we’re grant-funded through the state and federal government,” he said.

“We deeply feel that students [are] making progress, not just from some standardized test but really from their feedback to us about the overall tactics from the class.”

Washburn said that the program has an 80-member faculty working both full-time and part-time who are a vital part of the success of the program.

He said that they are “really proud of the fact” that their program doesn’t consist of one person but rather a “partnering with the Federal Way School District, Highline School District, Toyota Literacy Grant and Para Los Ninos” programs that make the ESL program what it is.

“We also work with all the community-based organizations that deal with immigrant refugee populations,” Washburn said.

“We are fortunate to be at a college that supports us 100 percent,” he said.

“The support has been the difference in how well we’ve done.”

Police

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cer was scared because the man was overpowering him and the TASER.”

Collins recalled the fatal shooting of Des Moines police officer Steve Underwood, 33, on Mar. 7, 2001. Underwood called out a Code 3 and over 100 officers in the area responded, Collins said. Collins said that in a Code 3 situation, the officer calling it out is literally fearful for his own safety, maybe even his life.

In the Building 6 incident, an additional 16 officers began driving toward Highline in response to the Code 3. At 3:22 p.m., the officer called out a Code 4, which tells responding officers that additional help is no longer needed.

Police records show that officers were en route from many departments in the area, including Kent, Des Moines, Federal Way, and Tukwila.

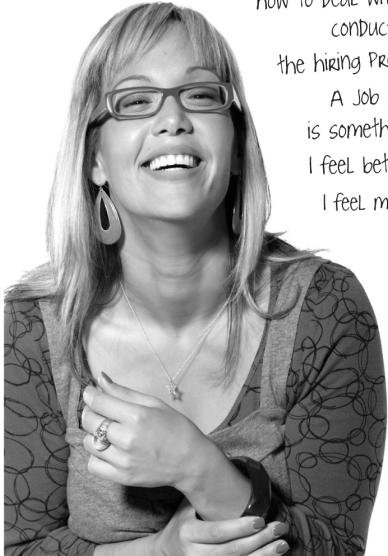
Since the King County Prosecutor’s Office decided not to file felony charges, the case has been given to the Des Moines prosecutor.

“Des Moines prosecutors will review [King County] recommendations and ultimately make the final determination on charges,” Collins said.

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