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# Student dies in car crash

#### **By Thunderword Staff**

Highline's Hip Hop Club members plan to honor their late former president at a dance summit next week.

Hip Hop Summit 2013: In Loving Memory of Asha Salim will be held on May 17 on the first floor of the Student Union from 4-11 p.m.

Salim died last week on Wednesday night when the car in which she was riding crashed while heading southbound along Interstate 5 in Seattle.

Salim, who was not wearing a seatbelt, was ejected from the vehicle and died at the scene.

There were six other people in the car, including one woman who was taken to Harborview Medical Center in critical condition. The driver is suspected of drunk driving and vehicular homicide.

For many of Salim's former club members, honoring her at the Hip Hop Summit will be particularly poignant.

"I remember in one conversation recently before her passing, she told me one of her biggest dreams was to do the Hip Hop Summit," said Keyonti Hilliard, a former Highline student who also worked with Salim at Fred Meyer.

"She was really ecstatic about having the chance to have [ran] her own battle," said Tom Duong, a friend and event planner of the summit.

"I felt as if to make myself



Friends of Salim held a vigil for her last Friday evening.



Asha Salim

feel at ease, to make it up to her [and] to grasp who she is, [would be to] make it just the way she would want it," Duong said.

More than 100 people attended Salim's funeral last Friday afternoon.

"She had a welcoming heart and to see her at her funeral was something no one could handle ... we are all torn up by this," said Highline student and friend Najma Mire.

"She was a free-spirited person and was there for everybody," said Michelle Valdez.

Valdez said that the one thing she will miss most about Salim is her contagious smile because when Salim smiled, she smiled too.

"She gave me a social life," said Valdez.

Salim was "bubbly, energetic, outgoing ... always had a smile," said Michael Fields, who met Salim through Hip Hop Club.

Fields knew Salim for almost two years and they met every Monday and Thursday to dance in the Student Union.

Salim was the type of person who "wanted everyone to have a good day," said Ethel Gumin, a friend who's known Salim since

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# **Profs fondly remember Baez**

#### **By Erika Wigren** Staff Reporter

he went on a rampage and killed three others.

The Federal Way Police Department said that Clark The shootings occurred at reached for a weapon and was



## The race is on for student elections

#### **By Racquel Arceo** Staff Reporter

Leadership of Highline's Student Government for the 2013-2014 school year will be determined over the next week. At stake are the offices of president and vice president.

The candidates will be campaigning all over campus, in hopes of gaining votes.

Voting will be strictly online and will open on May 15 at 8:30 a.m. and close on May 16 at midnight. Voting stations will be available in the Student Union during regular hours.

The online ballot will feature all of the candidates and include links to each of their personal statements and letters of endorsement.

Those running include:

#### Micah Vichitnand: **Candidate for President**

As he runs for Student Government president, secondyear Highline student Micah Vichitnand, says he has an "unwarranted dedication" to Highline.

"I love this school, it helped to challenge me a lot and I hope to help it as much as possible," Vichitnand said.

Previously the president of Choir Club, Vichitnand is touting his leadership experience.

Vichitnand said that he learned early on that not everyone is willing to take on the responsibility of leading others.

"I decided to run because I think there is a lack of people

Students, staff and faculty are mourning the death of 24-yearold Highline student Justine Baez.

On April 21, Baez was killed by her boyfriend, 27-year-old Highline student Dennis Clark III, in a domestic dispute before

the Pinewood Village Apartments in Federal Way.

When police arrived on the scene, Clark had already killed Baez as well as 23-year-old Caesar Valdovinos, 62-year-old Roland Scobee, and 47-year-old Bradley Fischer.

subsequently shot and killed by officers.

English professor Susan Rich said she was sad to hear the fate of Baez who she had had in her

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Justine Baez

willing and able to take on leadership positions," said Vichitnand.

Vichitnand said his skill

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# Accepting culture is crucial, says prof

#### **By Dariana Young** Staff Reporter

The Intercultural Center is a safe place on campus where students can meet to discuss diversity, a communication instructor said last week.

Teela Foxworth told approximately 15 students at a Global Live presentation that culture is important in both home and work settings, that it's important to understand one's background.

Melting pot is a metaphor use to describe blending cultures.

It is important to bond with others, and to address issues to understand one another, Foxworth said.

"What is culture? Culture is tradition, value, beliefs and norms. It is not about color or race. The hardest part most people have is figuring out what culture is," Foxworth said.

Communication is creating an understanding of what people are saying, she said.

"I look at salience as an ingredient. The more of the ingredient you put in will affect the outcome," Foxworth said.

"How much of our culture effects our communication?" she asked.

Pop culture such as movies, television, books, and the Internet became popular because people participate.

Pop culture is influencing people's lives, Foxworth said.

"So many of us are logging on and tuning in that

### **Congressman holds Town Hall on campus**



#### Rebecca Starkey/Thunderword

U.S. Rep. Adam Smith, D-Ninth District, visits Highline for a town hall meeting. Approximately 140 people attends the meeting, including Highline President Dr. Jack Bermingham, to listen and express their concerns. Rep. Smith briefly presents on the topic of income inequality in the United States and expresses his view on how the middle class should be maintained. Constituents ask questions and comment on issues such as health care, immigration, education, the deficit and the military.



#### Elect student body officials next week

Voting for student body candidates start Wednesday, May 15 at 8 a.m.

Student candidates are running for president and vice president.

The voting will last until midnight on May 16.

To vote, go to bob.highline. edu/elections.

### Students to survey cars in East Lot

Students from an environmental science class will be surveying cars in the East Parking Lot on Tuesday, May 21 from 5:30-6 p.m.

Students will be noting the make, model and year of the cars on their clipboards for a research project on fuel usage.

No information on owners or drivers will be recorded.

Post a sign on the car window with the make, model and year to avoid students observing for too long.

### Discuss new medicine, biology

"New Medicine and the Business of Biology: Immunotherapy, Stem Cells and 3-D Bioprinting" is the topic of tomorrow's Science Seminar and will be presented by biology instructor Sam Shabb.

For those interested, the seminar will be from 2:20-3:23 p.m. in Building 3, room 102.

#### Celebrate Asians, Pacific Islanders

Multicultural Affairs is celebrating the fourth annual Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month with the theme "The Perpetual American: Belonging Home" this week until next Tuesday.

#### Thursday, May 9:

Writer Mia Mingus will present "Creating What We Need and Finding Home" and discuss her story as a queer disabled Korean adoptee and her social justice work today in Building 7 from 10-11:30 a.m.

#### Friday, May 10:

A screening of *The Motel*, directed by Michael Kang will be featured from noon-1:30 p.m. in Building 2. Co-sponsored by Movie Fridays, the movie is about 13-year-old Ernest Chin growing up as an Asian American and trying to figure out his life.

Michael Tuncap, M.A. in ethnic studies, will lead a workshop on "Paseifika: First Peoples of the Blue Continent" from 2-4 p.m. in Building 2.

The workshop is about social inequalities and social movements relating to Pacific Islanders and how to teach ethnic studies for teachers, organizers and social justice activists.

Tuncap was the founding director of the Pacific Islander Student Commission at the University of Washington and taught ethnic studies at the University of California-Berkeley. He is working on completing his doctorate.

#### Tuesday, May 14:

A campuswide book reading on *The Gangster We Are All Looking For* by Le Thi Diem Thuy runs from 10-11:30 a.m. in the Mount Skokomish room of Building 8. The book explores from a child's perspective the lifestyle changes of a Vietnamese family that moves to America. Books will be provided for the first 50 students who show up.

Contact committee members Chera Amlag at camlag@ highline.edu or Noory Kim at nkim@highline.edu for any questions about any of the events.

#### Corrections

An article in the May 2 issue erroneously linked the rate of black incarceration to a lack of education.

The speaker's intent was to show that the way census data is collected increasingly does not reflect the realities of the black condition in the United States.

Another article should have said that the Life SLED club meetings would be in Building 8, room 302.

The name and position of the Speaker of the Caucus of Student Government, Annie Boyenneh were written incorrectly in an article.

The Speak Out event was a collaboration between Boyenneh and Student Government.



An instructor's record player was stolen from Building 26 when she left it unattended on Thursday, May 2.



we begin to discuss and believe that everything [that] is said is true," she said.

There are two key elements to better understanding one's culture.

One is to have a better understanding of one's self and the other is to be able to learn about others without stereotyping, Foxworth said.

"Gaining a sense of culture is important, get-up get out and become a better communicator," she said.

"It was an eye-opener, very motivating," said Highline student Elizabeth Kim of the lecture.

To find out about more Inter-Cultural Center events call 206-592-4350.

### Student commits Small fires weapons violation on campus

A student committed a weapons violation on Thursday, May 2.

He was seen flashing what looked like a real gun in the Bookstore.

It was later confirmed to be a BB gun.

#### Items reported stolen last week

A cell phone and record player were both reported stolen on May 2.

A student's cell phone was reported stolen on May 2 from the Library, Building 25. There were multiple small beauty bark fires on May 4 and 6. They were put out immediately.

#### Items in Lost and Found

A watch and other items were found last week. Go to the Campus Security office, on the first floor of Building 6 to retrieve any items.

-COMPILED BY Mark Fitzgerald

Each quarter Highline's MaST Center offers hands-on marine science laboratory classes. Earn your science credits with first-hand experiences.

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\*Many hybrid courses offered every quarter.

## Parking pressure may rise with bus cuts

#### By LaTonya Brisbane

Staff Reporter

One of the proposed solutions to the Highline parking woes that have most recently soured relations with a nearby property owner may be getting a lot more complicated.

College officials have been urging students to commute to the campus by bus whenever possible, but King County Metro is now considering cutbacks in service to the campus including the RapidRide.

The news comes on the heels of dispute with Lowe's about students overflowing the hardware giant's parking lot because they cannot find parking spaces on campus or are unwilling to pay the \$46 per quarter parking fee. Lowe's had threatened to begin impounding cars May 1, but backed off when a signifi-



Larry Yok

cant number of illegal parkers found other accommodations.

Highline Vice President for Administration Larry Yok sent a campus-wide email this week announcing that the King County Council is holding a public hearing to consider service reduction on bus routes that may affect routes that service the college.

The routes that may be affected are 121, 122, 156 and RapidRide A.

The RapidRide in particular is heavily used with its buses, running every 15 minutes, often packed to standing room only. The RapidRide is also the main conduit with the Redondo Park and Ride at South 274th and Pacific Highway South where students have been encouraged to park if they can't find spaces on campus.

More details about the proposed service reductions will be addressed at the public hearing on May 14 at Union Station in downtown Seattle. The council is also accepting comments from the public by email.

Metro is facing a \$75 million

'Highline should try to help. At least that way they can say they tried.'

#### - Jenedy Herrera

annual budget shortfall and is looking to cut service by 17 percent beginning in fall 2014 unless it can come up with more funding. Potentially two-thirds of its bus routes might be eliminated, reduced or revised.

"If [Metro] cuts back what would happen to students [who ride the bus]?" Jenedy Herrera, a student who commutes by bus asked. "Some people live far away and it's the only way they get here [Highline]."

"Highline should try to help. At least that way they can say they tried," Herrera said. Student Government President Nimo Azeez said "At this time in the year student government does not have the capacity to take this issue on."

If students want to talk about how parking/transportation affects them they should contact student government to discuss their individual issues. But the first step is to gather other students and to discuss a solution, Azeez said.

"We [only] have two meetings left this year," she said.

Her advice for next year's Student Government president would be to address the issue early as this year it has been pushed aside because of lack of time.

"So plan ahead," she said.

The Metro hearing will begin with an open house from 3:30 to 4 p.m. when the council will begin taking testimony. Union Station is at 401 S. Jackson St.

# Speakers share their life experiences to kick off Asian-American Pacific Islander Heritage month

#### By Ipek Saday Staff Reporter

Oriental cuisine, a slide show and guest speakers were the highlight of the kickoff of Highline's fourth annual Asian-American Pacific Islander Heritage Month celebrations on Monday.

Some 100 attendees gathered in the Mount Constance room of the Student Union to hear guest speakers including Highline's Vice President of Administrative Services Larry Yok, Highline student Bunthoeun Real, Sen. Bob Hasegawa, D-11th District, and Rolita Ezeonu.

"Perpetual American: Belonging Home" is this year's theme for AAPI Month. It is described as a play on words of the phrase "perpetual foreigner", a phrase used to describe Asianthey are not "true Americans." This week however, irony has transformed it into a theme that will highlight diverse contributions of Asian-Americans and Pacific Islanders. Bunthoeun Real described his experiences as a Cambodian-American who was deemed as a "perpetual foreigner." His family had been forced to relo-



phrase used to describe Asian-<br/>Americans to remind them that<br/>they are not "true Americans."Rebecca Starkey/THUNDERWORDSenator Bob Hasegawa speaks of his experiences as an Asian Pacific<br/>Islander in the community and as a member of the Labor Movement.

Cambodia, they had an identity crisis when they realized that even in their hometown they were no longer Cambodian, but they weren't American either. Now, as a Highline student, Real dedicates his time to helping younger generations.

His personal story gave way to Rolita Flores Ezeonu, Highline's dean of Pre-college and Transfer programs.

In the past she said she had learned that 19 percent of Highline's enrollment was made up of Asian-Americans and realized that there wasn't a program where these students could express and share their heritage. She wanted to have their voices heard on campus.

Highline's Vice President of Administrative Services Larry Yok expressed his gratitude towards the committee for holding such an event. He said that he knew before he had even beexperiences in the Asian Pacific Islander community and told the audience that he is willing to assist anyone who wished to bridge their communities and that these individuals were more than welcome to call his office.

Before his election to the Legislature, Sen. Hasegawa was actively involved in the Labor Movement. He was a union organizer and a member of the Asian Pacific American Labor Alliance. Part of this week's events include two exhibits in the Mount Juniper room on the third floor of the Student Union, both of which were created by the APALA organization.

The exhibit titled "Journey for Justice: 223 Years of Asian Pacific American Labor History in the Puget Sound," depicts photographs and interviews that tell the story of Asian-American involvement in the U.S. labor movement.

cate in a basecamp in Thailand due to genocide in Cambodia. Real was born in that basecamp. By the time he made it to America and was enrolled in school, he was told on the spot that he was not an American, and at the time, he accepted that without question. As Real continued with his schooling he attempted to break the stereotypes of Asians: he tried out for sports; attempted to avoid being a musican, and even tried to be bad at math, only to have his father reprimand him.

When Real and his cousin had an opportunity to travel to

gun at Highline that the college was considered the most diverse campus in the Northwest.

He was eager to help Ezeonu when she proposed the program.

"She came looking for money and I was happy to give it to her," Yok said.

Sen. Hasegawa spoke of his

The second exhibit is titled, "Our Voice...Our Democracy: Civic Engagement in the Asian Pacific Islander American Community" focuses on both the voting and civic engagement in the community of Asian Pacific Islander Americans.

Both exhibits are open for anyone on campus to observe.

### Federal Way Coalition hosts race against human trafficking

#### **By Lindsey Tyson** Staff Reporter

A 5K event to raise funds for the Federal Way Coalition Against Trafficking will be hosted on May 18 by the Advancing Leadership program. Advancing Leadership hopes to bring together emerging leaders from across the city for intensive leadership training and in-depth examination of key community components. Each class is involved with the program from September

through May and spends a portion of those months planning a team project.

This year the program chose to support FWCAT by holding a 5K event in which participants may bike, walk or scoot.

"I think this project touched

all of our hearts and emotions," Don Hall, Advancing Leadership member, said. "It will leave a lasting impact on the community."

Hall said the primary goal for the event is to raise awareness of the human trafficking happening in the city. The secondary goal is to raise funds to support FWCAT.

The event will run from 9 to 10:30 a.m. The cost is \$15 for one adult and \$30 per family. Register online at advancingleadership.givezooks.com/events/ fwcat-break-the-chains.

# Alcohol thefts may need an attack plan

An increase in thefts since Washington voters determined that the state should no longer control liquor sales has prompted the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs to ask that stores now be required to report all liquor thefts so that a plan to curb the problem can be developed.

It was June 1, 2012 that Washington state closed all state-run liquor stores. Washington voters had decided with Initiation 1183 to make liquor available for sale at privately owned stores.

According to a report by KOMO TV in Seattle, in the first five months after the switch police had noticed that there was an increase in bold liquor thefts.

At the same time, King County Sheriff spokesman Cindi West told KOMO, "There are a number of [criminal] rings out there working, stealing alcohol."

Because of the increase of theft many stores have now put trackers on their hard liquor. These trackers act as a security measure and can only be removed at the cash register by employees.

While the trackers have cut down on some of the thefts it hasn't stopped the thefts altogether.

Many small stores have also seen theft increase since alcohol has become more easily accessible.

There has also been a big increase in security in different ways to try to limit the number of thefts, from trackers to empty boxes to increased video surveillance.

In December 2012, just six months since the switch, Wray's Marketfresh and other stores in Yakima have seen a major problem with theft.

At Wray's Marketfresh, they have gone so far as to put empty boxes on the shelves and have people pick up the alcohol at the register after it was paid for.

With this much theft surrounding the transition from state-run liquor stores to privately owned stores selling alcohol; it has led some to believe that we were better off with state-run liquor stores since the increased access is causing too many problems.

"As a result [of the passage of I-1183], we believe significant amounts of spirits are being diverted from legitimate sales and unlawfully making their way into the community," Ed Holmes, Mercer Island police chief and head of the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs wrote in a letter to the Washington State Liquor Control Board.

"This is resulting in increased access to alcohol by youth under 21 years of age, secondary unlawful sales of spirits, loss of legitimate sales tax collection and an increasing black market focused on theft and resale of spirits," he said.

One of the few good things that the transition provided was convenience because now all one has to do is go to their local grocery store to purchase whatever alcohol they want.

However, with convenience in travel comes a negative regarding price.

Many stores are now charging more for alcohol than liquor stores in the past.

Dry Fly Distilling in Spokane is an example.

In an article by theSunBreak, Kent Fleischmann, co-owner of Dry Fly's said he before I-1183 was passed he was worried that prices would be driven up by retailers and distributors



### Letters to the editor

#### Abortion debate isn't so black and white

**Dear Editor**: I am writing to you in response to the May 2 edition of *The Thunderword*, in which Aleah Hatch responded to Ian Morril's comments about being anti-woman.

I believe both parties have convincing arguments.

Ian is wrong to call Aleah "anti-woman."

However, Aleah is wrong in assuming abortion is the true problem.

I agree that life begins at conception, but this issue goes deeper than that.

If we start giving control of abortion to the government, who gets to decide whether or



not, I, as a woman, get to have an abortion?

If I became pregnant tomorrow, I can't say whether or not I would choose an abortion, because I am not financially or mentally ready for pregnancy or raising a child.

If the government wants to make abortion illegal, then they need to give women who *don't* want a child options:

1. There should be laws for

taking care of women.

If the pro-life people want their way, then they should come up with a way for women to support themselves and their future children.

2.Pro-life people need to be pro-birth control as well.

If more birth control was available, there wouldn't be people in need of abortions to begin with.

Ultimately, for now, getting an abortion should be *my* choice, as a woman.

Even if I believe life begins at conception, it's *my* body, and it's nobody else's business what I decide to do with it.

> Madison Fortney Highline Student

### Article was misleading about point of lecture

**Dear Editor:** I am writing in response to the article [titled, Lack of education leading to higher incarceration rates for blacks], published on May 2.

I feel this title is misleading and highly problematic.

I attended this talk and I am fairly certain that Dr. Pettit never stated that education leads to incarceration for blacks. it to Dr. Pettit, and not actually quote her.

This is problematic for many reasons; including the fact that you are quoting someone for saying something that was actually never said.

Most importantly, this oversimplification of a serious social issue creates the impression that a lack of education is the only reason that blacks are overlyrepresented in the prison system (and perhaps that this is even their fault). She never really got into the causes.

Perhaps a follow-up to this article could focus on some of the reasons why people of color find themselves incarcerated at higher levels.

This article could explore issues such as racism, classism, racial profiling, and mandatory sentencing, the privatization and expansion of the prisonindustrial complex, and racial discrepancies in ruling and sentencing, etc.

and he was right.

After I-1183 passed Dry Fly's 750-millileter bottle of gin and vodka went from \$29.95 to \$34.99, said Fleischmann.

With all the problems that have taken place since the switch from state-run liquor stores to privately-owned stores, we would be better off going back to state-run stores so that there would be less theft and cheaper prices. Basically, I think this is an assumption that was made by the reporter.

In your article, you go on to repeat this statement, attribute

Dr. Pettit focused more on the tools we use to collect data and some of the limitations of them.

Sunny Ybarra Coordinator Running Start/ Multicultural Affairs



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### Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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3. Sheriff's team	S	Composure	I
4. Midday meal	L	Gut feeling	н
5. Kite rope		Powerful	0
6. Delaware's capital	_ 0	Pearl oyster collector	_ !
7. Kitchen cabinet	N	Bakery good	S
a =			

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1. SCIENCE: What is the conversion of water vapor to liquid called?

2. PSYCHOLOGY: What is gymnophobia?

3. LITERATURE: What was the name of the centaur in Harry Potter And The Sorcerer's Stone?

4. MOVIES: What does Cruela De Vil want to make

out of the puppies in 101 Dalmatians? 5. TELEVISION: Where does the show The Gilmore Girls take place? 6. MUSIC: In what year did the Beatles make their first visit to the United States?

> 7. GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of Iceland?

8. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What kind of animal is a macaque?

9. MEDICINE: What is the chief cause of cholera?

10. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the biggest snake in the world, in terms of weight and girth?

Answers

9. Trend

1. Condensation

2. Fear of nudity

3. Firenze

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4. A fur coat 5. Stars Hollow, Conn.

6.1964

7. Reykjavik

8. A monkey

9. Contaminated water

10. The anaconda

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# Softball team advances to playoffs

#### **By Zach Stemm** Staff Reporter

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As the end of the regular season approaches, the Highline softball team is anxious to move on to the NWAACC playoffs.

"We're really excited about the tournament, but we need to finish out the regular season strong and then focus on NWAACC," Highline outfielder Dani Babcock said.

The Thunderbirds clinched a playoff berth by winning three of their last four games and Green River losing their last four games.

Sixteen schools qualify for the NWAACC playoffs in total. The top four teams from each of the four regions make up the sixteen schools.

The playoffs take place on May 17-20 at Delta Park in Portland, Ore.

Highline will finish the regular season in at least fourth place after securing their playoff berth.

Head Coach Scott Dillinger would not be dissappointed to make the playoffs without having won the region, he said.

"Winning a championship is special, and we weren't!" Dillinger said. "I don't think people should ever take a spot in NWAACC for granted, it is something that has to be earned. There will be a number of teams out there in a week that would want to switch places with us in a heartbeat."

The Thunderbirds qualified for the playoffs last season by being crowned West Region Champions.

"We now have expectations of competing for West championships each year, but the cold fact is that although we are competitive with anyone in our region, we just flat weren't good enough to win it this year," Dillinger said. "We should be proud of the fact that we would be one of 16 teams in it."

On Friday, May 3, Highline traveled to Grays Harbor for two road games. They lost the first game 8-0 and lost the second game 3-2.

In the 8-0 loss to the Chokers, Grays Harbor pitcher Jill Johnson did not give up a hit until the fourth inning. Johnson struck out 12 Thunderbirds in the two-hit shutout. Third baseman Brooke Evans was the lone Highline batter to get into scoring position. Evans hit a double in the fourth inning to break up Johnson's no-hitter.

In the next game against the Chokers, Johnson was the pitcher again. This time the Thunderbirds managed to get six hits off of her, leading to two runs.

Highline pitcher Karyssa Marbet had a solid outing, allowing only three runs, four



Rebecca Starkey/THUNDERWORD Kayla Andrus holds Green River to four runs in the close 5-4 victory.

hits, five walks, and striking out four Chokers.

Marbet held the Chokers off of the scoreboard after they got a three-run home run off of her in the first inning.

The Thunderbirds just could not get enough run support. They had a wasted opportunity in the third inning. They loaded up the bases with no outs, but then the next three batters struck out swinging.

Highline next swept Green River, 5-0 and 5-4, on Saturday.

In the 5-0 win, Highline pitcher Kayla Andrus recorded her first shutout of the season. She also helped her own cause by hitting a solo home run in the fourth inning.

Andrus pitched again for the Thunderbirds. She had a rough start though, giving up three runs in the first inning. Andrus then held the Gators off the scoreboard until the sixth inning.

Down by three in the first inning, Highline started to chip away at the Green River lead by scoring two runs in the first. They then tied the score at three in the fifth.

The Gators scored the goahead run in the sixth to take the lead, but the Thunderbirds tied it again in the bottom of the sixth.

Entering the top of the seventh with the score tied at four, Dillinger took out Andrus and replaced her with shortstop Blessed Joy Mipalar. In her first pitching appearance of the season, Mipalar got the first batter to fly out and then struck out the next two batters.

In the bottom of the seventh with runners on first and second and two outs, Dillinger put in Marbet to pinch hit for Larissa Henderson. Marbet hit a single to bring in the runner at second, giving Highline the 5-4 victory over Green River.

Highline next took on South Puget Sound on the road on Tuesday.

The Clippers won the first game 10-9, but the Thunderbirds won the second game 6-0.

The Thunderbirds travel to Pierce for two road games at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. today. Highline will then wrap up the regular season on Friday with two home games against Centralia at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

# Highline serves up another table tennis tourney

#### **By Sam Johnson** Staff Reporter

Highline will be hosting another table tennis tournament on May 31 and will be open to anybody who wants to come and play.

The tournament will take place in Building 28 at 2 p.m.

It is still free to all Highline

#### they had.

levels to it (beginners, intermediate, and advance) instead of five.

In the beginners level, Dan-This tournament had three iel Green took first, Colin Kim came in second, and Nicolay Pekhotin finished with third.

In the intermediate level, Nick Cheng took first, Long Lee came in second, and Zoan Wang finished with third.

In the advanced tournament, Kyle Kim took first, Long Liu came in second, and Binh Pham finished with third.



staff, faculty, and students and Central Washington University-Des Moines members too.

However, it will cost \$5 for anybody who wants to come that is not currently attending Highline or Central Washington University-Des Moines.

In this tournament, they will have trophies to give to the players who place.

There will be five levels in the tournament on May 31 with those levels being: beginners, intermediate, advanced, experienced, and professional levels. Last Friday, Highline had a table tennis tournament.

"It went pretty good," said Bassam Alkhalili.

Club adviser Sam Alkhalili said that it went well for setting it up within the two weeks that Personalized support meets affordability, flexibility, and seamless transfer at state-endorsed online university.

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Courtesy of Aderyn Productions Laura Walsh and Peter Marriott (center) dance a Viennese waltz with the Pacific Ballroom Dance, a dance company based in Auburn, at a spring concert.

# Student hanging up her dancing shoes

#### **By Racquel Arceo** Staff Reporter

Cue the Donna Summers music: graduation may signal one Highline student's Last Dance.

After preforming with Pacific Ballroom Dance for six years, high school senior and second-year running start student at Highline, Laura Walsh says she might be done.

Next year Walsh will be attending Brigham Young University-Idaho in Rexburg, Idaho

"I might take a few dance classes when I go to BYU, Idaho but I think after this year I might be done," said Walsh.

With a part-time job and school, Walsh said she hasn't had time to compete as much as she has in the past.

"Just busy with school and trying to graduate," she said. Walsh discovered ballroom dance from her older siblings. there's Latin, and that's like chacha and rumba. It's like the type of dancing you see on *Dancing with the Stars*," said Walsh.

Walsh said her favorite dance is the rumba.

"It's a dance where you really have to connect with your partner. Well. It's the dance of love and passion so it's fun to fake that sometimes," said Walsh.

The different types of dance also require different shoes.

"There're two different main types of shoes. There's your standard shoes, which is like a really basic heel that is used for ballroom dancing, then there's Latin shoes, which are a three-inch heel," said Walsh.

"The Latin shoes are better looking, but the standard shoes are more comfortable," she said. Pacific Ballroom Dance's season runs through the school year during which the group gets the opportunity to perform in different competitions. quins, sparkles and bright colors.

"My favorite costume, I'm not actually in the dance but my team does it, it's white and has blue trimming, it's really simple but when they pull it down, it's this bright pink, completely sequenced, dress," said Walsh.

Walsh said she enjoys performing with Pacific Ballroom Dance and getting the opportunity to meet new people.

"A lot of my closest friends I've met through there," she said.

Though Walsh has been dancing for years she says she still isn't perfect.

"I embarrass myself a lot, but I'm used to performing now that I've done it for so long. I don't let it stop me," Walsh said. "I fall a lot but I stand back up and keep dancing, so it's all good" sings for Decatur High School's concert choir.

"Singing, dancing and hanging out with my friends takes up most of my free time," Walsh said.

With the season coming to a close in June, there aren't any more competitions but Pacific Ballroom Dance will be hosting a concert You Can't Stop the Beat.

"We prepare [for the concert]

basically the entire year," said Walsh. The concert will be from May 31-June 1 at the Auburn Performing Arts Center.

Ticket prices right now are at \$12 for evening ticket and \$10 for Saturday matinee, "but the prices will go up as it gets closer to the event," Walsh said.

Tickets can be purchased at pacificballroom.org.



"My older brother and my older sister did it and they really loved it so it seemed fun," she said.

Before joining Pacific Ballroom Dance Walsh cheered for her middle school in the seventh grade then joined dance in the eighth grade while still cheering.

Although doing both was a lot to take on, she said they went hand in hand.

"They helped each other a lot with performing," said Walsh.

There are two main types of dances that Walsh, and the rest of her group at Pacific Ballroom Dance, do.

"There's ballroom, which is like waltz and quickstep, and then

"We go to nationals every year which is in Provo, Utah. Then there's smaller competitions in the area. There's one called Seattle Star Ball. Those are the main ones," said Walsh.

This year, at nationals, Pacific Ballroom Dance brought home a plethora of awards but Walsh said that it isn't new for them.

"At nationals you can go with your team or as a couple with a partner, when they announce the finals it is, like, all Pacific Ballroom Dance, every time,"

When performing, Walsh, and the rest of the group, dress in extravagant costumes covered in seWalsh has learned an assortment of dances through the years, but she said one of her favorites was one that she learned this year.

"This year the dance I did at nationals, it's called 'Angels and Demons', it's probably the most memorable because I've worked on it more than any other dance I've ever worked on. I put a lot of work into that dance," Walsh said. Walsh is still just a student at Pacific Ballroom dance but she is constantly playing the role of teacher with friends who are interested in learning a few moves.

"I teach friends dance for fun sometimes. People randomly ask me to teach them stuff, I don't realize how hard it is until I'm trying to teach them," said Walsh.

Aside from dancing, Walsh

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• Absence | Silence and Topographic Politics. The Highline Library dedicates its May and June exhibit to the photographic work of Alan Abdulkader. The pictures explore the abstract imagery genereated by the body, smoke, and gas. The gallery is located on the fourth floor of the Library.

• Movie Fridays. Sit back and relax while watching a film. The International Student Program shows a movie every Friday. This week, it will feature *The Motel* in Building 2 at noon. There will be free popcorn. This non-credit event requires students to sign-in.

 Bill and Peggy Hung Playwrights Festival. Burien Little Theatre will feature four new plays written by local playwrights two comedies and two full-length dramas. Judith Jacobs' Bottom Line and D. Richard Tucker's Undiscovered Places will run May 9-12, while Stephen Feldman's 17-B and David Miller's Parsing Race will run May 17-26. Showtime on Fridays-Saturdays is 7:30 p.m., but 2 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets are \$10. Tickets can be purchased at click4tix.com/ showdates.php?s id=428513. The address of the BLT is 14501 Fourth Ave. SW in Burien. For more information, call 206-242-5180.

• It's Only Rock 'n' Roll. Centerstage brings rock 'n' roll hits of the '50s, '60s and '70s, arranged by David Duvall. The program will run May 10-26. Showtime is 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, but 2 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets cost \$28 for adults, \$24 for senior citizens and military personnel, and \$10 for youths (25 and younger). The Centerstage Theatre is at 3200 SW Dash Point Road, Federal Way. For more information, visit the centerstagetheatre.com or call 253-661-1444.

• Aunt Dottie's Mother's Day Sing-Along Cabaret. Celebrate a cabaret performance of comedy and improv on Mother's Day at the Renton Civic Theatre. Show opens on Sunday, May 12 at 2 p.m. Order tickets at: rentoncivictheatre.org/tickets/. Adult tickets cost \$15, while student/senior tickets cost \$10. The address of the Renton Civic Theatre is 507 SThird Street, Renton. For more information call 425-226-5529.

• The Gingerbread Boy. Centerstage will showcase the sweet adventures of *The Gingerbread Boy* on Saturday, June 8 at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. General admission is \$10, but for kids (18 and younger), admission is \$7. The Centerstage Theatre is at 3200 SW Dash Point Road, Federal Way. For more information, visit the centerstagetheatre. com or call 253-661-1444.



Rebecca Starkey/THUNDERWORD Building 7 resonates with the sound of Highline Chorale rehearsing classical opera and folksongs from foreign cultures.

# **Chorale sings cultural songs**

#### By Joseph Park

Staff reporter

Highline Chorale will be performing at the Two-Year College Music Department Festival alongside six other community colleges on May 17 in Bremerton.

The festival is an all-day event in Olympic College that starts at noon and ends approximately at 6 p.m.

Some of the colleges that will be participating include Clark, Wenatchee, and Skagit community colleges.

Highline instructor, Dr. Sandra Glover, said that the Chorale is going to sing both classical operas and folksongs in different languages.

Naomi Sekiya is the composer of the three folksongs.

"We always sing foreign language because it's important to be exposed to as much culture of other countries as possible, and that's how Chorale, [and] the music department in general, meets that need," said Dr. Glover.

She said Chorale plays an important role in building and strengthening the diversity code at Highline.

For Dr. Glover, singing can offer more than a few minutes of entertainment.

style of the traditional folksongs – classical, with a heavy dose of 21st century modern-ism.

"The music is intended to more closely corroborate the emotional content of the words," said Dr. Glover. "So there are big, difficult intervals, long phrases, and lots of hard rhythm to negotiate."

Dr. Glover said that rehearsals are difficult because all of the pieces are being sung in the language of the folksongs, which are Bulgarian, Hebrew and Japanese.

One of the choir's favorite pieces includes *Tundra* by Ola Gjielo, a song that delineates the northern tundra of Norway.

"The Norwegian piece happens to be written in English, so we lucked out on that. Everything else is in the foreign language," said Dr. Glover.

Ola Gjielo's *Tundra* is still an abstract song that utilizes sound and sight-scapes to paint the colors of the Norwegian wind.

"The different sounds of the winds, I recognize from living on the Montana plains... the wind blows, there are many pitches. All these pitches combine ebb and flow and Ola Gjielo has captured that. It's a very beautiful piece," said Dr. Glover.

Adjudicators will be present to listen to Highline's Chorale sing, work with them, proving the student's ability to sing while promoting cultural diversity, said Highline student Lauren Scoville.

"Rehearsals are imperative to the success of the arts," said Scoville.

She pulled out the music sheets for *Chorshat ha-ekaliptus*, a traditional Hebrew song that expresses the melancholic revelation of exchanging youth for wisdom.

After reading some of the verses, Scoville looked up and said, "I would never have an opportunity to learn these songs outside; it's just cool to have a director pick such great music."

Scoville said that *Ogun gori na balkana*, the Bulgarian piece, is very brash. "It's about a fire... very quick."

"The Bulgarian piece is at an irregular tempo. Using pretty much Russian syllables at a really fast pace is very hard," said Highline student Tiana Ross.

Ross said she was excited about singing the *Anthem of Peace*, written by Mack Wilberg, with other choir groups in front of the adjudicators.

"I love mass choirs. The power of the song is overwhelming if you get it right," said Ross.

The Highline Chorale will also give reprise opera choruses from three famous compositions by Christoph Willibald Ritter von Gluck, Henry Purcell and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart. Dr. Glover said that she hopes that listeners receive "both the wonder and music's ability to create color and spark the imagination, and to come away understanding a little more of cultural threads among us."

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• Quilters. Act 1 Theatre Company presents Quilters, a musical that showcases the life of Sarah and six other pioneer women struggling to survive frontier life. Performances are June 7-9, and June 14-16. Ticket prices are: Adults \$15, Students/Seniors/Miltary \$10. For times, visit atheatrepro.com/tickets. The location of the production is 5814 152nd Ave. Ct. E, Sumner. For more information, call 253-447-4139.

• Shrek the Musical auditions. The Hi-Liners will hold auditions for *Shrek the Musical* on Saturday, May 18, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Performers should prepare approximately 16 bars of a song and a one minute monologue. Audition location is the Burien Annex 14501 4th Ave. SW, Burien. For application materials or more information about the audition process, visit hiliners.org/MSaudition.html. "Chorale is such an academic-based class," she said. "It's highly academic, but people don't think of it as academic because it's singing, and they think of singing as entertainment. It is a presentation of history brought to the forefront – that's the importance of classical music."

That is also how Dr. Glover describes the

and give them a score.

Although not an actual competition, the adjudicators are there to help participants hone skills and offer two-year college students an opportunity to achieve a high level of musicianship and artistry, Dr. Glover said.

Dr. Glover always has a focus on im-

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# Students stay focused on their cause at May Day rally despite violent protesters

#### By Angela Sucher Staff Reporter

Highline students marched in the Seattle May Day rally amongst, but distinctly separate from, rioters who vandalized establishments later in the day.

The May 1 march was a planned event to support and call for humane and comprehensive immigration reform in the state, but turned ugly later in the evening when some marchers became violent.

Highline student and former president of Highline's Latinos Association, Carlos Valenzuela, attended the rally along with other students marching for reform.

"I don't think the rioters pulled [anything] away from the major issues because it was easy to distinguish between the two protests," Valenzuela said. Most of participants were marching in support of immigration reform and laws that favor immigrant communities.

"Our march had ended long before the riot began," said Valenzuela. "I do recall seeing several of the rioters amongst us wearing pads and stuff like that, but they were just walking quietly, blending in with the crowd."

"I don't really feel like they had a reason to protest at all. With or without a permit they would not have been taken seriously because they were just looking for trouble in my opinion. They weren't there for the real issues," he said.

The rioters became violent later in the evening, smashing windows, throwing fireworks and eventually provoking the police to use both pepper spray and flash-bang grenades.

Immigration reform is an issue that for many Highline students, he said.

Valenzuela said Highline students need to become more involved in.

The reform affects students at Highline and in Washington state because such reforms would help undocumented students in Washington to gain access to financial aid, he said.

The Washington state House Bill 1079 allows undocumented students who have lived in the state for three or more years to attend college.

It, however, limits their eligibility for a lot of financial aid opportunities.

"Students need to take an interest in the reform because this could help their families who often struggle to pay tuition. Also they and their families will be able to work without the fear of being deported," Valenzuela said.

Immigration reform hits close to home for many Highline students, he said.

Currently 14 percent of Highline's students classify themselves as Hispanic or Latino and 15 percent call themselves foreign nationals.

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Highline's Institutional Research Department does not track students registered at Highline who would be covered by House Bill 1079.

Valenzuela said he hopes that the demand for a reform continues to grow and that the goal of humane immigration reform is someday realized.

"Immigrant communities have transitioned from being a minority to being a majority in this country. We speak English and have grown into this country's norms and traditions," Valenzuela said.

"We pay taxes, yet we aren't considered American because of some number or status. The reform would change that," he said.

# Exhibit shows the struggle of Asian-American Pacific Islanders



## Highline seeks new Employee of the Year

#### **By Jawaahir Omar** Staff Reporter

Highline has extended its deadline for its 2013 Employee of the Year nominations to May 17 at 5 p.m.

Each year, the college recognizes a permanent classified, professional and administrative staff member who has gone above and beyond in their department, a person who continues to bring in substantial performances day in and day out.

The winner will receive \$1,500 cash award from the Highline Community College Foundation and be announced at the Faculty and Staff Spring Luncheon on June 13.

Any Highline student, staff member, faculty member or administrator can make nominations. Nomination letters should address the following criteria:

• What sets the employee apart from his/her co-workers



Sherry Holt/THUNDERWORD Rus Higley, manager of the MaST Center, was the winner of Employee of the Year in 2012.

and throughout the campus

• Length of time in his/her position

All nominations must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Confidential – Nomination for 2013 Employee of the Year" and forwarded to Patti Rosendahl, Office of the Presi-

Rebecca Starkey/THUNDERWORD

A visitor peruses through the Journey for Justice: 223 Years of Asian Pacific American Labor History in the Puget Sound, located in the Mount Jupiter room, on the third floor of the Student Union.

• Specific achievements and impact

• Working relationships with others in his/her department

dent, M/S 99-247.

This is a great opportunity to recognize those who have really made a different here at Highline.

### Mystery man stealing car tires in parking lot is still on the loose

#### **By Bailey Williams** Staff Reporter

A man who walks with a slight limp in his right leg has been driving around Highline parking lots removing backlift-gate-mounted spare tires from SUV type vehicles (Honda CRV, Toyota Rav 4, Suzuki XL7, etc.), said Sgt. George Curtis of Highline's Campus Security in a school-wide email. "He's stealing the tires for two reasons: Either he needs tires himself or most likely for the money," said Richard Noyer, supervisor of Campus Security. Tires are averaging \$120-175 each tire, he said.

This theft is right up there with someone stealing GPSs and radar detectors from the parking lots, said Noyer.

The suspect removes the tires and places them in his ve-

hicle before leaving the parking lot, Sgt. Curtis said.

"The thief appears to be a middle-aged white male who drives a 1990s model silver or gray Jeep Cherokee," Sgt.Curtis said.

Campus Safety needs Highline students' help in identifying this man so they can put a stop to this illegal activity on campus, said Curtis. He asked that anyone witnessing similar incidents call 911 and report the thefts immediately.

His description was passed on to the Des Moines Police Department, said Noyer.

"The safety of persons on our campus is our No. 1 priority," said Curtis. "If you see this individual in the act of committing a crime, do not approach or confront him."

Owners of vehicles with backlift-mounted-spare tires are urged to secure their tires tightly with a lock or mounting them with bolts.

"He's not just hitting Highline. This has happened within a 20-25 mile radius of campus, also," said Noyer.

For any questions or concerns, contact Campus Safety at 206-592-3218 or ext. 3911 from any campus phone.

Callers can remain anonymous if they prefer.

### Conference for future teachers will focus on equity issues

#### **By Bailey Williams** Staff Reporter

Learning to deal with diversity will be the focus of the fifth annual Teach Equity Conference next Saturday, May 18 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Student Union.

"It's important for future teachers to go because we have a lot of diverse people in our schools," said Alex Castro-Wilson, student coordinator for the conference. "This conference will teach people how to work with different cultures and learning styles.

This conference is targeted at high school, community college and university students, who hope to one day become teachers, said Patricia McDonald, an education professor at Highline.

"The overall purpose of this conference is to recruit more teachers of color," said McDonald. "Washington state ranks 48th in its teacher matching student demographic and that's bad."

There will also be conference sessions on how to become a teacher.

"Community organizations will be there to tell future teachers what they expect them to do to show they care," said McDonald.

Sonia Nieto, one of the leading authors and teachers in the field of multiculturalism, is a keynote speaker, said McDonald.

Nieto has won several awards such as the 1997 Multicultural Educator of the Year award from the National Association for Multicultural Education.

School districts will also be in attendance to describe what they look for when hir-

# Infamous Civil War participants crossed paths in this area first

#### **By Nathan Brewster** Staff Reporter

An international incident in 1859 between Great Britain and the United States that took place here on the Puget Sound had very civil overtones. The incident involved the killing of a pig and two of the major players would gain infamy in the slaughter of the American Civil War.

Michael Vouri, the chief of interpretation and historian for San Juan Island National Historical Park, told a group of 30 people at the History Seminar on May 1 about the Pig War and the different paths two of the American participants would take a few years later.

In the late 1850s, the border between the United States' Oregon Territory and Great Britain's British North America was in dispute. Both countries claimed the San Juan Islands and settlers from each side walked a delicate tightrope, not knowing what might prompt an international incident.

So when a pig owned by a British company was killed by an American farmer as it rooted in his vegetable garden in early 1859, the shot touched off a mini war. The Americans sent a young captain named George Pickett to prepare fortifications on San Juan Island and James Alden was the captain of the ship that would be Pickett's



Michael Vouri

6 History Seminar

main link to reinforcements at Fort Steilacoom just south of what is now Tacoma.

"The British responded to the United States occupying the San Juan Islands with warships," Vouri said.

The dispute would go on for 12 years and the only casualty in the war was the pig, but for Pickett and Alden, greater infamy would lie in the looming American Civil War that would begin in 1861.

As American officers were forced to choose up sides for that conflict, Pickett and Alden took divergent paths on the road to war. "Some officers had to make the decision whether to stay with the US army or switch over to the Confederates," Vouri said.

For Pickett, his decision was made once his native Virginia seceded from the Union.

"Pickett was to be removed of power after switching to Confederacy," Vouri said. Pickett returned to Fort Steilacoom and took a leave of absence from the army but would later deal information to James Douglas, the British governor of the colony of Vancouver Island, Vouri said.

Douglas wanted Pickett to eventually take over and keep the camp on San Juan Island as an important base of operations for the Confederacy and thereby distract the Union. But it never happened. Pickett, instead, would return to the East Coast and eventually gain infamy at Gettysburg, the Civil War battle that would lead to the ultimate demise of the Confederacy.

Pickett led the fateful charge ordered by Gen. Robert E. Lee into the heart of Union forces that when repelled, broke the back of the Confederate effort.

"Pickett's Civil War career came to an inglorious end with the division being overwhelmed by the Union," Vouri said.

Alden's inglorious demise would come in service to the Union forces. He had been placed in command of the San Juan Island camp when Pickett left to join the Confederacy.

"Alden was a 19th Century Forrest Gump," Vouri said. Someone who just happened to be in the right place when something significant happened.

Alden stayed with the Union but eventually relocated back to the East Coast to help lead ships against the Confederacy. But along the way, his actions would result in one of the Union's prized warships the USS Merrimack being turned into a famous Confederate ironclad.

"Alden successfully brought the Merrimack to Philadelphia," Vouri said. But when Confederate forces prepared to seize the ship, Alden delayed and had to scuttle the ship to avoid it falling into the rebels' hands. The Confederacy raised the ship, rebuilt it as an ironclad and renamed it the CSS Virginia. It would later sink two major Union warships, including the famous USS Monitor, and injure or kill more than 360 Union sailors. The battle with the USS Monitor was one of the major stories of the Civil War.

"Alden was collaterally famous as well," Vouri said.

Although both Alden and Pickett, former comrades here in the Puget Sound region, were on different sides during the Civil War, their impacts had similar results.

"Two different careers, two different paths," Vouri said.

### Memorial Circle construction begins Monday

#### **By Ryan Johnston** Staff Reporter

Construction begins Monday on a memorial circle to commemorate those whom Highline has lost.

The memorial will be built on ize a the grassy area between Buildings 10 and 21. A walkway will connect the ramp outside Building 21 to the memorial, which will have a five-foot circular sidewalk. "The pathway will be about 400 square feet," Project Man-

ager Mike Dooley said. It will surround an inner circle that will be about 15 feet in diameter. The inner circle will house the memorial pieces.

In the past, when the campus community wanted to memorialize a lost faculty or staff member, they would place a flower in front of a tree or represent their sorrow in another way, Dooley said.

"This gives [the campus com-

exact nature of how people will be memorialized is undetermined.

"The process for memorializing people at the memorial circle has not been developed," Larry Yok, vice president of Administration, said.

The memorial will cost approximately \$2,200 and be finished in three weeks, Dooley said.



ing new teachers, said Castro-Wilson.

"Teachers have a lot of impact on people's lives," he said. "If it's the whole class or even one person, I want to help someone and change their lives, and teaching does that."

There will be a panel of college students talking to high school students about what they need to do to become teachers.

Everyone learns differently and this conference will help everyone learn about diversity and how important it is to learn about it, said Castro-Wilson.

There is a \$25 registration fee that can be paid online at teachingequity.com munity] a structured way [to memorialize]," Dooley said. As of this time, however, the

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# **3-D printing is changing the** world in more ways than one

#### **By Taylor Rengstorff** Staff Reporter

Additive manufacturing or 3D printing is a 30-year old technology that could change the future, a Highline professor told a Science Seminar audience last Friday.

Instead of the traditional manufacturing that is a subtractive process that involves cutting material down from an original piece and then assembling those pieces into a larger whole, 3-D printing is an additive process whereby objects are built up into a whole.

When it first came out, printing in 3-D was slow, ineffective, expensive and inaccessible.

But with the advances in technology over the years, 3-D printing is gaining attention.

Additive manufacturing started off with a few simple ideas, creating small sturdy plastic pieces, layer by layer, that would be able to replace broken parts in every day items.

"Imagine you're vacuuming your house, and BAM, vacuum no longer works. You discover that a small piece of plastic broke off and the vacuum won't work without it. This is where 3-D printing could take off," Tyler Youngblood, a part time computer information systems and computer sciences instructor said.



He said that if everyone had a 3-D printer in their homes, small tasks, such as that small piece of plastic from the vacuum that needed to be replaced, could save people both time and money by just printing the piece in their homes.

One of the biggest questions that Youngblood always gets is, "Can you print gun parts with a 3-D printer?"

Although his answer was "yes" he qualified it by saying that an entire gun cannot be printed, put together and used because when a gun is fired, parts of the gun become too hot and melt when it is fired.

There is also a misconception that printing in 3-D stops with plastic.

"They would be wrong," said Youngblood.

The technology to print in 3-D has expanded to where anything from chocolate to human body parts can be printed out in a matter of hours.

"The biggest achievement, I think to this day, is that a bladder has been successfully printed and actually replaced a dying bladder in a young man. He lives to tell his tale to



Daniel Joyce/THUNDERWORD Tyler Youngblood spoke at last weeks Science Seminar about 3D printing and how it can change the future.

#### this day," said Youngblood.

There have been other achievements with 3-D printing, such as prosthetics and bone replacements.

When looking at prosthetics of today, the material used to create them usually can't be perfected for each individual person, but when a prosthetic can be printed out, exact specifications can be made and then the person receiving the prosthetic can be much more comfortable.

Other uses for 3-D printing

are in art forms such as, fashion and musical instruments.

The next big task for 3-D printing is to be able to print a house completely out of concrete within a day.

Science Seminar is a weekly gathering and is held in Building 2 every Friday from 2:20 to 3:20 p.m.

This week Sam Shabb, a member of the Life, Oceans and General Sciences Department, will be talking about biotech breakthroughs.

## Instructor advises students to focus on dividends went purchasing stock

#### **By Cristina Acuna** Staff Reporter

A business instructor gave key advice on stock market investment at the most recent Students Small Capital Investdividends in cash or reinvest them into the company," Webster said.

Having spent a while looking at annual earnings, Webster learned that dividends are a more reliable sign of how well a stock will pay because companies often manipulate their earnings.

He said that the increase of lent free tool for stock exchange. dividends is constant and obvious in good stocks.

Using Coca-Cola as an example, he illustrated how that stock has paid off since they started dealing with dividends. According to a Value Line worksheet analyzing the company's stock behavior, Coca-Cola's dividends have increased from \$0.25 cents a share in 1996 to \$1.10 per share in 2013.

As a portfolio tracker, this website allows users to track up to 50 stocks.

"If you don't want to fool around in stock, there are mutual funds that basically do the

### Changes coming in financial aid forms

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#### **By Michaela Vue** Staff Reporter

Applying for financial aid will change as of January 2014 due to new recognitions of different family dynamics.

"The Department of Education is planning to change the definition of who is considered a parent," Director of Financial Aid Lorraine Odom said. "Dependent students will be required to include information about both of the student's legal parents if the parents are living together, regardless of the parents' marital status or gender."

The fee application for Federal Student Aid is careful not to use gender-specific terms and will broaden the term parent to include legal stepparents and foster parents.

Currently, the financial aid form only requires information if the student's parents are married. Students whose legal parents are married will not be affected by this change.

If including a parent increases the student's Expected Family Contribution, the amount of funding for financial aid (grants, loans, student employment/work study, third party assistance) will be affected.

Eligibility for financial aid may decrease for students because income for both legal parents will now be reported, Odom said.

On the other hand, financial aid may increase because the number in the house increases.

"It will result in equitable treatment of all families when determining financial need," she said.

Overall, Odom does not think the change will have a significant impact on students.

If financial aid is reduced for students, they should turn in all required financial aid documents in by the published deadline, Odom said, because there is limited funding awarded to students who do not qualify for federal or state grants. Eligibility for this limited funding is determined through the FAFSA process. Students who need help or have questions about financial aid can go to free FAFSA workshops where Highline Financial Aid advisers are on hand. There is limited space and online registration is required. The next workshop is open on May 14 at 11 a.m.

ment Club meeting.

Dividends hold the potential for building wealth, said Bill Webster, a business instructor at Highline since 1967 and a broker at KMS Financial Services since 1968.

Webster told 25 attendees on April 30 about several aspects of stock investment.

He touched upon topics such as where to buy stock, what to avoid, what to look for, how to find good stocks and portfolio trackers.

But dividends prevailed in his lecture as the thing to look for when buying stock.

"My thinking on selective stocks has turned to dividends because they are paid out of the earnings of the company. In many cases you can receive

According to Business Week, "Even when playing by the book, companies have many ways to inflate-or deflate-the earnings they report... Estimate sales, predict bad debts, adjust inventory, and forecast unusual gains or losses."

That is the basis for Webster's strategy to seek out rising dividends.

"Since 1926, dividend payments are responsible for more than 40 percent of the market's total return," Webster said.

"Over the past four decades, stocks with rising dividends outperformed stocks with flat, shrinking, or no dividends."

That is a 22 percent increase in 17 years.

Not only that, but an average of 50 percent of net profit comes from dividends.

Value Line sheets are Webster's go-to resources when scouting an appealing stock.

They are available to the general public for free with a King County Library Card.

Otherwise, it can cost up to \$400 per year to subscribe to Value Line for stock updates.

Webster also recommended Morningstar.com as an excel-

same thing," Webster said.

"You can put money into a mutual fund with other people through companies that look for increasing dividends to invest in."

Companies such as American Funds gather a group of individuals interested in stock investment and bring their combined money into a mutual fund that builds income as they go.

This is another option for those interested in investing small amounts of money on relatively frequent basis.

Webster will speak more on the subject of mutual funds in the next Small Capital Investment Club meeting on May 21 in Building 23, room 306.

Deadlines for FAFSA, HCC Data Sheet and other documents are:

Fall 2013: May 30, 2013 Winter 2014: Oct. 10, 2013 Spring 2014: Feb. 13, 2014 Summer 2014: April 20, 2014

### Race

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set is well matched for the role of president.

If elected, Vichitnand said he hopes to help better inform students about different issues around campus.

"It was recently brought to my attention that the Bookstore was a non-profit," Vichitnand said. "Not a lot of students know about that."

He would also like to provide support to students who need it.

"We need more recourses for international students and for students with special needs," said Vichitnand.

With his ability to excel under pressure Vichitnand said that he loves to be challenged.

"I have an unnatural ability to stay positive under stress," said Vichitnand.

Besides leadership roles, Vichitnand has been a part of several play productions.

#### Saka Raheem: **Candidate for President**

Saka Raheem was bitten by the involvement bug at a First Fridays meeting, and now he wants to be Student Government president.

Originally from Burkina Faso, Raheem has been at Highline since he came to America in 2012.

When he first arrived at Highline, Raheem said he wasn't really involved.

"When I first came here I would just come to class. I didn't care what happened at Highline Community College. I didn't try to be part of any activities," said Raheem.

Raheem said he was encouraged to see what he could learn by attending different activities on campus.

He said that he now tries to be involved in as many campus activities as he can.

"Every title I can hold at Highline I try to pursue, and attend any events," said Raheem. "I try to participate so I can know what's going on in the campus."

By pursuing leadership activities Raheem said that he has been



able to learn a lot about himself and others.

"If you are not open to somebody you can't know why anything is," said Raheem.

Since he started to get more involved in activities Raheem said that he really started to love Highline.

One of his top priorities is student safety.

"I want to make Highline a safe area for all students," he said.

The parking issue is something Raheem said he would really like to bring to people's attention.

He said students should be able to bring up and have a say on any issue that concerns them.

"Highline is one of the most diverse colleges in the state and we can learn about so many different people's opinions," he said.

Raheem works as a math tutor at the Tutoring Center.

#### **Passion Johnson: Candidate for Vice President**

First-year Running Start student Passion Johnson is running for the vice president position and will be the youngest candidate on the ballot.

"I decided to run for vice president because I feel like I can take student's voices and actually put them into effect," said Johnson.

"I feel like I can build commu-

nity between students and I feel like I bring initiative to the table. I'm responsible, have good time management and I have very good communication skills," she said

Johnson has held several positions on campus including secretary of the Student Legislative Action Committee, community leadership consultant in the Student Center for Leadership and Service, and is a member of the United Latino Association.

"I work with a lot of different clubs, and I work with a lot of students," Johnson said. "I like working with a lot of different people because it gives you a different perspective. If you stay with the same group then you're always going to have the same mind set, so you have to step outside of your comfort zone."

Johnson said seeing that there were a lot of students who cared about issues and had the drive to do something about them pushed her to involved on campus.

"I know that we can make a change, but I want to get more students involved and let them know about what is going on," said Johnson.

Johnson said she considers herself to be a very sociable, extroverted person who enjoys talking to everyone and hearing what they have to say.

### Salim

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they attended Kent Meridian High School.

"She was the reason I went to meetings," said Gumin, who was once the secretary of Hip Hop Club.

"She was so passionate about dancing and I know she had so many plans for the future," said student Steven Skorupa, who met Salim through work at Fred Meyer.

Salim was a deli clerk at the Federal Way Fred Meyer.

She was "always really bubbly and the friendliest person ever," said Nick Madden, a Fred Meyer Deli manager who worked with Salim.

Salim was hardworking and

Baez

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English 101 class in the fall.

"I'm still processing what's happened. She was smart, sensitive, and curious about the world. There was no question that she would succeed," Rich said. "In a classroom of students Justine stood out because she was committed to her education and focused on success. It makes no sense that she's gone - I can't process it. She deserved so much more than this ending."

Rich said that Baez was interested in learning and passionate about her education.

"Justine would sometimes stay after class and talk to me about how she'd been thinking about the film we'd watched in class. She was always processing what she learned, making connections between the classroom and her own life," Rich said. "She was certainly a very thoughtful young woman and wrote well. I would describe her as a kind, curious, and gentle person."

Rich also said that Baez was

In addition to well-woman (Pap), well-child exams and college physicals

got along with customers and other employees, Madden said.

Madden said he couldn't believe it when he found out and "just broke down" two days after.

"[We're] kind of like family in the Deli," Madden said.

"She was a hard worker and she never gave up on anything, especially dancing," said Jonny, a student and friend.

"It's tragic, I can't believe she's really gone," said Ramla Mohamed, Salim's cousin and a Highline student.

"She was one of the most lifechanging friends you can ever meet," said student and former Student Government President Raphael Pierre.

Salim was Pierre's campaign manager when he ran for student body president in Spring Quarter 2012.

creative and loved art.

"She loved making things with her hands and wrote eloquently about a ceramics course she took at Highline-the excitement of creating art from a slab of clay. She was creative," Rich said.

Ceramics instructor Rob Droessler remembers Baez as a good student who got along well with her classmates.

"She was a pretty good ceramics student. She was fun to have in class and got along with everyone. I even have a cross she had made that she left with me to finish for her. She was going to come back and pick it up," Droessler said.

"I remember her being very into the ceramics class and taking it very seriously. She was a very nice person and it sounded like she had a lot of big plans for the future," he said.

For students, staff and faculty who need help dealing with the effects of the shootings, faculty counselors are available by appointment in Building 6 on the second floor.

Call ext. 3353 or stop by Building 6 to make an appointment.





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