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Cadets may combat crime

By Cristina Acuna
Staff Reporter

Campus Security has a recipe to tackle crime at Highline—and students are the main ingredient.

The Security Cadet Program plans to implement a student-

led safety patrol starting this spring.

“We are working with the administration to create a Campus Security Cadet program that gives students credit to patrol campus as part of their

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justice classes,” said Jim Baylor, Highline director of safety, security and emergency management.

Safety at Highline has been of utmost concern due to the wave of crime on campus, Baylor said.

“Some people tell me, ‘I

never see the officers, where are they?’ But others, like front office staff, always rave about how much they appreciate having the officers around.”

With one Security Officer on patrol, and an Operations Man-

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Campus exposed to pox

By Kaylee Moran
Staff Reporter

A Highline student showed up to campus on Monday with the chickenpox.

Chickenpox (varicella) is a highly contagious infection caused by a virus, health officials say.

“The virus spreads in the air when an infected person coughs or sneezes. It can also be spread by touching or breathing in particles of virus that have become airborne from chickenpox blisters,” said Keith Seinfeld, public information officer for King County Public Health.

If you have signs and symptoms of the chickenpox, campus officials urge you to stay home and notify them.

If your medical provider has confirmed you have chickenpox, you should avoid contact with others who have not had chickenpox or who are not vaccinated against chickenpox, said Dr. Lisa Skari, Vice President of Institutional Advancement at Highline.

“We also ask you not come to campus or participate in campus activities until advised by your medical provider,” Dr. Skari said.

If you currently have symptoms that look like chickenpox, we encourage you to contact your medical provider to discuss the symptoms, she said.

If you have confirmed that you have contracted chickenpox, Highline would appreciate it if you could notify Dena Dillon, executive assistant for student services at (ddillon@highline.edu) so they can notify the campus community, said Dr. Skari.

“People with chickenpox should follow their doctor’s advice, stay home and avoid contact with others until all the

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This starfish at the MaST Center remains healthy, although many others have died from a mysterious condition.

Starfish losing life and limb at MaST

By Ryan Johnston
Staff Reporter

A starfish die-off that touched local waters has reached Highline’s MaST Center.

Many starfish are decomposing and survivors are being quarantined from one another as local officials work with scientists to determine the problem.

“We’ve seen, in this part of the Puget Sound, at least six or seven species [of starfish] be af-

ected,” said Rus Higley, manager at the MaST Center on Redondo Beach.

The mortality rate at the MaST Center itself has reached between 80 and 100 percent.

“They basically fall apart within hours,” Higley said. “For example, one of our big starfish’s arms stopped and he didn’t.”

Starfish’s arms and legs disconnecting from their bodies is a common occurrence in these

incidents.

“Legs are all over the place,” Higley added.

“We’re concerned about the food chain crumbling,” said Jamie Woodward, who hosted a Science on the Sound presentation on Jan. 11. Starfish’s main predators are sharks, manta rays, Alaskan King crabs, and other starfish.

The MaST Center isn’t the first place where this has been seen.

“These incidents were noticed about two months ago in Canada,” Higley said. This has spread to Alaska, the Pacific Northwest region as far south as California, and the East Coast of the U.S.

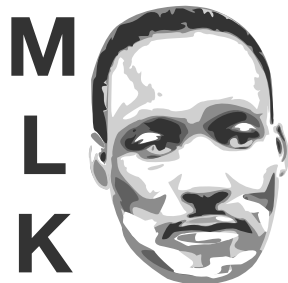
Marine scientists can’t pinpoint these decompositions to one thing, but Higley is ruling out radiation.

The amount of radiation in

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News Briefs

Fundraising breakfast Feb. 4

Meet former astronaut Capt. John Creighton and get the chance to win an iPad mini at the fifth annual Highline Foundation Fundraising Breakfast.

The event will raise money for tuition and books for disadvantaged students at Highline.

The Foundation is a non-profit corporation that provides support to the students, services, and programs of Highline.

Anyone can attend the fundraiser and tickets are free but seating is limited so email or call Melissa Sell to reserve your seat. You can contact Sell at msell@highline.edu or call her 206-592-3390.

The fundraiser will take place Tuesday, Feb. 4 from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m.

Fitness center is now open

The Fitness Center is now open for free to all faculty and staff on campus.

All faculty and staff who would like to use the Fitness Center must register online at fitnesscenter.highline.edu and the registration will last a whole school year. People who registered last quarter do not need to register again.

The Fitness Center, located in building 21, is open for use from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Compass test brush-ups slated

Lift your chances of scoring higher on placement tests by attending a Brush-up workshop between Jan. 22 to March 27.

Brush-up workshops are for students planning on taking or retaking the compass tests and need to refresh their skills.

The workshops, facilitated by Shane Kibler-Trimboli, will go over everything you need to know about the reading, writing, and math Com-

pass tests.

The reading and writing Brush-ups will be on Thursdays from 3 to 4:30 p.m. while the math Brush-ups will be on Wednesdays, same time.

The workshops are free and are in Building 30, room 318.

For more information contact Shannon Waits at 206-592-3607.

Science Seminar explores cavemen

Learn more about the latest finds on your distant cousins at the first weekly Science Seminar.

Science Seminars are held weekly and revolve around different topics every week.

This Friday Lonnie Somer, Highline's anthropology professor, will discuss recent findings in human evolution.

"Latest Finds in Hominid Evolution" will take place this Friday, Jan. 17 at 2:20 p.m. in Building 3, room 102.



Popcorn fire too hot to handle

Popcorn caught fire in Building 6.

Last Friday, popcorn caught fire in Building 6 around 1 p.m., causing everyone to evacuate.

South King County Fire and Rescue arrived to clear the building and found a person in the women's restroom.

SKCFR left minutes after the initial call.

Bag thief strikes in the library

A student's bag was stolen from the back of her wheel chair on the first day of Winter Quarter.

She was using a computer on the second floor of the Library, when the theft occurred. The incident was reported to Campus Security.

- Compiled by Brenda Carrillo

History Seminar on hold until Spring Quarter

By Eric K. Helgeson
Staff Reporter

History Seminar will be taking a sabbatical for Winter Quarter due to scheduling difficulties, said organizer Dr. Tim McMannon.

But the series will return for Spring Quarter.

"It's really hard to schedule enough people to do it every quarter," McMannon said.

The History Seminar for Spring Quarter has about three to four presenters lined up with more on the way, the Highline history professor said.

One person he said he hopes will do a presentation is Ed



Morris, a former Highline math instructor who was also one of the first African-American members of the faculty and McMannon said he hopes that Morris will discuss that experience.

Another person McMannon has lined up is Rick Harkavy, who has been teaching in the Continuing Education department. He will be doing a presen-

tation on the Holocaust.

Others scheduled for Spring Quarter include Marina Tolmachëva, who will be doing a presentation on the post-Soviet generation of Ukrainian youths.

Mike Vouri, who will be telling a story about two West Point graduates with Northwest connections choosing sides at the beginning of the Civil War.

Susan Rich who will be doing a presentation on the photography of Hannah Maynard; and Ivan White, who will be looking at the 40 years of the Environmental Protection Agency.

McMannon has said that he may also host a seminar himself.



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The north road connecting the East Parking Lot with the North Parking Lot was reopened after a day of closure when the Knotty Tree Service was hired and brought in to remove the hazardous 75-foot section of a tree. The tree was damaged during the windstorm this past Saturday and was at risk of falling on the road but Highline Facilities staff acted quickly in getting the tree removed.

Hazardous tree cut down

An 85-foot tree blocking the access road connecting the east and north parking lots was removed earlier this week.

The tree was hanging by its branches from the nearby trees due to the wind storm last Saturday. The storm dislodged several trees from their roots. Knotty Tree Services of Tacoma removed them

Tuesday afternoon.

Director of Facilities Barry Holldorf estimated that the cost of the removal should be around \$2,000.

Campus visitors were advised to use the 20th Ave entrance to enter the North parking lot until the tree was removed.

Mental health expert coming to campus Jan. 21

By Brenda Valenzuela
Staff Reporter

A local certified mental health expert will be coming to campus next week to provide information about their programs.

This event will take place

next Tuesday, Jan. 21 from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. where representatives of Valley Cities will be setting up an information desk right outside of Women's Programs office in Building 6.

They will have information about their programs as well as

answering any questions you might have about their certified mental health services.

Valley Cities has been around since 1965 and was put together by community members from South King County.

It offers licensed mental

health to everyone including kids, adults, and veterans. They provide counseling services to people with issues that involve domestic violence, homeless, housing, family support programs, and chemical dependency treatments.

These services are offered in Kent, Federal Way, Renton, Auburn, and Des Moines.

There is a minimum fee of \$125 per session, but they also involve insurance including state programs, Medicaid and private insurance.

MLK Week events show students how to change their community

By **Michaela Vue**
Staff Reporter

Scholars, experts and even a hip-hop artist have been invited to present at Highline's annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Week starting on Jan. 22.

"Keep it fresh, keep it current," said director of multicultural affairs and leadership Natasha Burrowes.

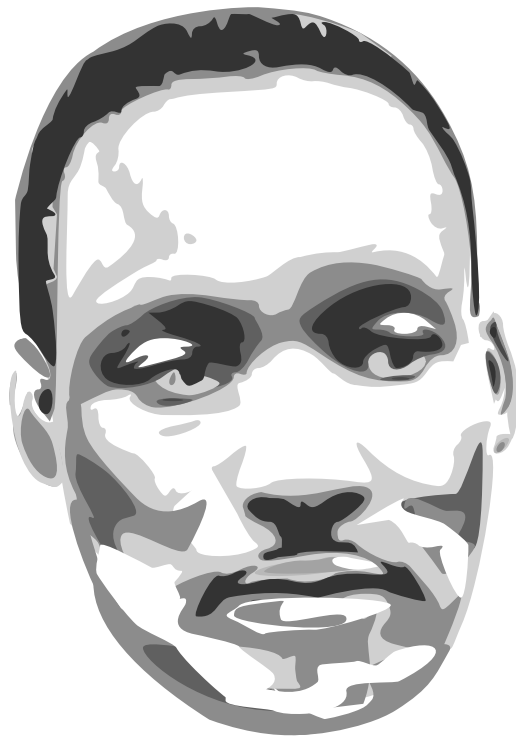
Burrowes said she hopes that a week dedicated to MLK will remind students that Dr. King was once a student like everyone on Highline's campus and that students can also make a difference.

"What mark do you want to make in your community?" Burrowes asked.

Guest speaker Rev. Dr. Bernard Lafayette Jr., who worked alongside Dr. King during the Civil Rights movement, got involved with the movement while in college. He dedicated his life to Dr. King's legacy.

"He (Dr. Lafayette) is living history," Burrowes said.

MLK



Aaron Fields/THUNDERWORD

Dr. Lafayette will hold a discussion on Jan. 22 at 10 to 11:30 a.m. He will also have a book signing at noon to 1 for his new book, *In Peace and Freedom: My Journey in Selma*. The book is for sale in the Highline book-

store.

His workshop is from 1:30 to 3 p.m. The workshop is focused on non-violence during the Civil Rights movement.

"I encourage students (to go

to the non-violence workshop), if they want to have an experience with history," Burrowes said.

Burrowes predicts the most popular workshop will be, "Empire Way: Refashioning Resistance" by Geo of Blue Scholars. The Seattle "rapper with a camera" acted on his interest in the civil rights movement while in college at the University of Washington. The workshop is at 12:10 to 1:13 p.m. Students can meet and greet Geo from 1:30 to 2 p.m.

"What he does really speaks to young people," Burrowes said.

Other events are:

Radical Love: Love as Action and Sacred Activism at 9 to 9:50 a.m. in Building 7 on Jan. 21. Reverend Harriett Walden will speak.

Youth & Student Movements at 5:30 to 7 p.m. in Building 7 on Jan. 21, Anakayan Seattle will speak.

Critical Connections: The Role of Love in Social Change at 9 to 9:50 a.m. in Mt. Con-

stance Room in the Student Union on Jan. 23. Christine Cruz Guiao and April Nishimura of Zeynyu will both speak.

Roots of "isms": Rethinking Racial and Gender Justice at 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Building 7 on Jan. 23 presented by Dr. Andrea Smith.

She will also host Organizing for Justice in the Academic Industrial Complex Professional Development Workshop from 1:30 to 3 p.m. in Building 2.

The Growing Divide at 10 to 11:50 a.m. in Mt. Constance in the Student Union on Jan. 24. United for a Fair Economy will present. They have another workshop: Closing the Racial Wealth Divide at 1:20 to 3 p.m. in Mt. Constance in the Student Union on Jan. 24.

Some of the events will be videotaped and posted on the Highline website. For more information on the events, dates, times, and locations, visit the Highline calendar at <http://www.highline.edu/calendar.php>.

Winter enrollment expected to decline

By **Josué Chavez**
and **Ty Zumwalt**
Staff Reporters

The improving economy will likely lead to an enrollment plunge, said a Highline administrator last week.

"I predict the numbers will be lower. When the economy is good and people return to work, like we have seen recently, our enrollments trend down," said Lisa Skari, vice president of Institutional Advancement.

Over the past few years, Highline's enrollment rate has dropped by the hundreds.

In the 2009-2010 school year, 8,719 full-time equivalent students were enrolled.

The next year, the number of FTEs dropped by 273.

Then for the 2011-2012 school year, the amount of FTEs enrolled fell by 441.

More recently, for the 2012-2013 school year, the number of FTEs increased by 219, totaling to 8,224 FTEs.

When comparing recent Winter Quarter basic tuition students, there are 441 FTEs less than last year at this time.

However, FTEs for basic skills and Running Start students are on track to meet last winter's numbers.

The data also shows that international FTEs are down slightly

when compared to last winter.

Highline needs to meet a state FTE target of 5,300. After the 45th day of registration, Highline has met 84 percent of its goal, compared to 83 percent at this time last winter.

Some Highline students don't notice the declining enrollment, however.

Chance Martineau arrives at the East Parking Lot by 7:40 a.m. and has no parking problems.

"Enrollment feels like it's the same. I don't think it's changed much," he said. None of the classes he signed up for were full, either.

Another student, Amin Hassan, arrives at the east parking lot by 7:50 a.m. and has some difficulty finding parking.

"I wasn't able to get into all the classes I wanted," Hassan said. "It does feel like there are more students than there were last year."

Another student, Amulya O-Browne, arrives at 10 a.m. and doesn't have trouble finding parking.

"I got into the classes I wanted. I'm not really sure if enrollment at Highline has changed. I never really looked to see how many people there are," she said.

A different student, Oscar Iraheta, arrives at 8 a.m. and has trouble finding parking.

He was able to get into the classes he wanted, but he would prefer if the classes weren't as full.

CWU's Dual Admissions Program open to Highline's students

By **Justin Kemp**
Staff Reporter

Central Washington University's Dual Admission Program aims to offer a smooth transition for Highline students who wish to pursue a bachelor's degree, its director said.

The relatively new Dual Admission program is open to students who attend Highline or any of the state's 34 community and technical colleges.

The program targets students who plan to transfer to CWU through streamlined admissions, advising, and reduced time and expenses associated with the transfer process.

The program has only been around for about three years now. However, last year was the first year that students were actually able to take advantage of its services.

"The program is about 3 years old, but my role is new. My job is to make connections with the 32 community colleges around the state," said director of Central's dual admissions program Lucas Rucks.

Several years ago the Washington state Legisla-

ture required all four year universities in the state to increase the number of undergraduate degrees, which is how this program got its start.

"We know that people with associate of arts degrees are more likely to complete bachelor's degrees," Rucks said.

Not only is the Dual Admission program helping carry out the request of the Legislature, but it is also helping provide a service to the local community, Rucks said.

"There is a niche of local workers that need higher education and skills. We are providing that niche," said Rucks.

During November, 14 students who were attending Central had participated in the Dual Admission process.

About 250 people going through it right now are expected to attend Central next fall.

In order to be eligible for the program, students must currently be enrolled at one of Washington state's community or technical colleges, have earned fewer than 60 total credits, and must meet the Central admission

requirements.

Running Start students or students who have previously earned a degree of any type are ineligible.

The one requirement that some students may find interesting is that they must be under 60 total credits to become eligible for the program. However, according to Rucks, that rule is in place to aim at newer students.

"My job is to identify you in your first year so you can be assisted. The program helps get you a faster degree, and if we get you early on we can help with counseling, and planning your schedule so that when you transfer you will have all the right credits," said Rucks.

"Central is committed to increasing the number of baccalaureate degrees granted in Washington, regardless of the process student use to earn them," said Rucks. "These programs are only going to strengthen out communities and increase employment opportunities for our students."

For more information about the Dual Admission program, visit www.cwu.edu and look under the Admissions tab.

Take advantage of the gift of college

Now that we all have had a chance to get back into the swing of things, it's time that we take a moment to appreciate the fact that here at Highline we are give the opportunity to go to school.

At the beginning of the quarter there's always a wave of groans - about how soon instructors there's assigning significantly sized homework, or the fact that we have to get up early yet again for a class they have no interest in but had to enroll in because it fulfilled a degree requirement.

To these students we say, wait a minute - you actually get to go to college.

Far too often we forget that we have the opportunity to receive an education and learn every day.

Going to school is in fact a privilege.

It's nothing to joke about, it's a very serious environment where only those who are completely dedicated and driven will get the most out of their education.

There are many people who don't have the opportunity to attend school, let alone college.

And we're not even talking about other countries yet.

According to a study in early April of 2013 by the Department of Education's National Institute of Literacy there are 32 million U.S. adults who are illiterate. That adds up to 14 percent of U.S. adults.

The reasons why they are unable to read are vast, but there are definitely some within that 14 percent who did not have the opportunity to attend school and learn how to read.

We aren't saying that by complaining about having to go to school you will suddenly become illiterate and be grouped with those 32 million adults in America.

However, we are saying that you should think before you complain.

Every day these instructors and staff members wake up and come to school for you, to teach you and help you grow not only as a student but as an individual.

By giving you a somewhat large workload right at the start and maybe a quiz or two after the first week, they are already beginning to shape you into somebody who is always prepared for whatever may be thrown at them.

These years are an essential part of becoming the people we wish to be.

That way when the time comes for us to brace ourselves for whatever may come our way, we'll be more than ready.



Resolve to care for others

New Year's resolutions should be about more than just wanting to improve oneself, but rather about the way we treat others.

Celebrations for the new year date back to ancient Babylon, where every first new moon that followed the vernal equinox began the new year which was actually in March, according to multiple sources.

It was the Romans who actually began resolutions. They would make promises to Janus, the god of endings and beginnings, as well as the origin of the month of January, when the year came to an end. Their resolutions consisted of promises to be good to others.

After a while this tradition manifested throughout different cultures and parts of the world. And now in North America it has transformed into a drunk monster with giant sparkly glasses depicting the new year, and a mob gathering in Time Square.

It seems as though the resolutions have gone from caring for others to finding ways to make us feel better about ourselves.

Things like dieting, exercising and working harder for yourself are not necessarily bad resolutions, but I feel that we need to think outside of the box and outside of ourselves.

No longer do we resolve to be good to others. We only resolve



Commentary Ipek Saday

to fulfill our ideal image, an image that has overlooked the importance of caring for others and what it means to be good to others.

The original goals that made up this world-celebrated holiday have been lost, drowned by our egos and suffocated by our cellulite, which we feel we must exercise away.

However, we should not forget about others. Regardless if you believe in making resolutions or feel that they should only be made before the new year, you should reconsider.

Make it a resolution as this quarter continues.

Make a list such as: smile at people more, offer help even when it isn't asked of you, or allow that car to go in front of you to make a right turn into your lane before entering the free-way.

While we have all heard the phrase about how it's about the little things in life, this year take it to heart.

And put it in action.

Too often some of us make resolutions and then forget about them completely when it comes time to actually follow through.

I don't often make resolutions, but if I did I would work on things like making sure I call my family more often, especially the members I don't get to see very often.

Or I would resolve to allow the slow people walking in front of me at the mall to continue their laboring walk as I, ever so politely, make a trip around them without huffing and puffing.

I'm not too sure how this one will work out but at least I could say that I tried.

Most of all though, I would resolve to be especially nice to those who act otherwise towards me.

The resolution to be kinder to others, should be a rule of life, not just something you resolve to do because it's that time of year again and you can't think of anything creative.

Make it something you'll live by because in the end, you'll be glad you did.

--Ipek Saday is the opinions editor for the Thunderword Newspaper.

Have something to say?

Have something you want to say to the student body?

The Highline Thunderword is asking for students to voice their opinions on what matters to them. We're accepting submissions in the form of letters and columns.

Students may submit thoughts, comments, concerns and complaints on what's happening on campus to articles written by the Thunderword staff reporters.

Letters to the editor should be about 200 words, columns should be no more than 600 words.

Send submissions to thunderword@highline.edu by Monday for print on Thursday.

Submissions will be published in the next issue of the paper.

Write to us!

the Staff “

It's not like the time I kinda shaved my head by accident.

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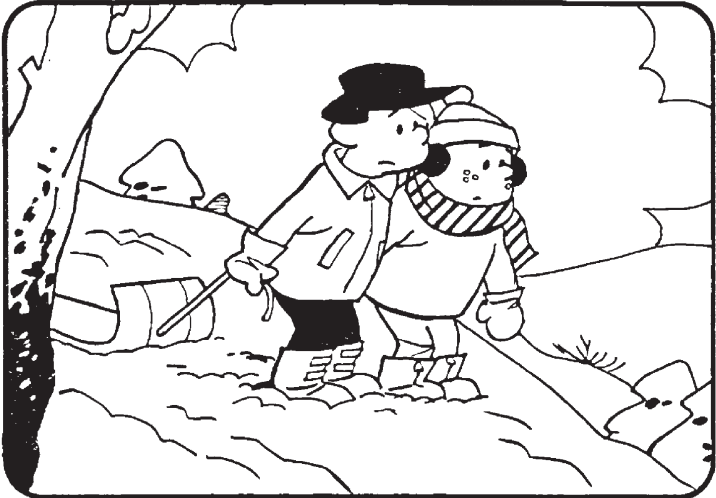
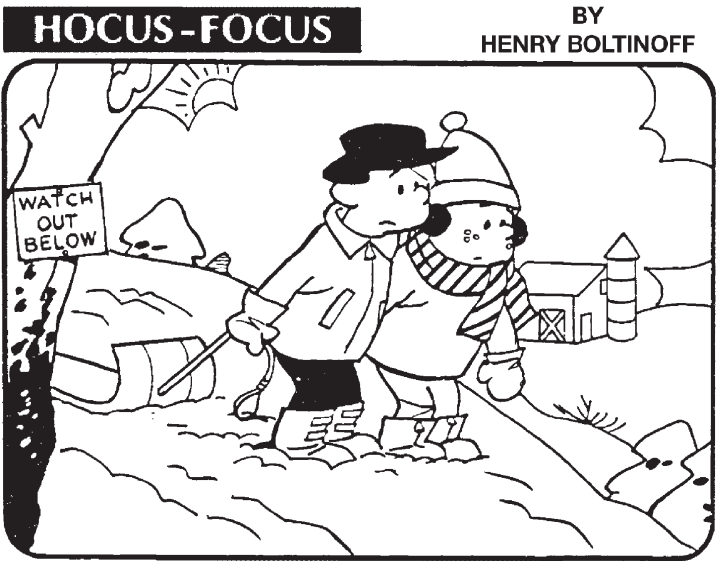
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

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1. LITERATURE: Who wrote the sci-fi novel *The Time Machine*?
2. LANGUAGE: What English word is pronounced exactly like its first letter, even though it's five letters long?
3. HISTORY: Which Russian leader introduced

- the policy of "glasnost," a greater openness?
4. FOOD & DRINK: What is Bardolino?
5. SCIENCE: What is the focus of agronomy?
6. LAW: What is "voir dire"?
7. BIBLE: Which biblical character ascended to heaven in a whirlwind?
8. MUSIC: What famous singer-songwriter starred

King Crossword

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28 Enjoyment

30 Hearty quaff

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10 Villainous looks

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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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8. Schoolyard meanie	_ _ _ L _ _	Muscular	_ _ _ R _ _
9. Small stream	_ _ _ _ _ K	Belief	_ _ _ _ _ D
10. Lumberjack	_ _ _ G _ _ _	Hotel guest	_ _ _ D _ _ _

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- in the 1980 remake of *The Jazz Singer*?
9. ANATOMY: How many wisdom teeth does an adult usually have?
10. MOVIES: Who played the devil-possessed child in *The Exorcist*?
- Answers
1. H.G. Wells
2. Queue
3. Mikhail Gorbachev
4. Italian red wine
5. Crop production and soil management
6. Questioning of prospective jurors
7. Elijah
8. Neil Diamond
9. Four
10. Linda Blair
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Sam Hong/THUNDERWORD

The fire at the Burien Annex has left the Burien Actors Theatre on the lookout for a new space for their next production.

Theater burns but show to go on

By Bailey Williams
Staff Reporter

A fire won't extinguish these actors plans. At around 6 a.m. on Dec. 10, a fire was set in a portable toilet next to Burien Annex, which caused the building to catch fire. There is a \$10,000 reward offered for information that will assist in the investigation. The city of Burien is cur-

rently waiting on estimates for the cost of repairs, said Michael Lafreniere, department director of Parks Recreation and Cultural Services. "There are no plans to demolish the building. I heard that rumor, but there is no basis for it," said Lafreniere. The building which used to be an elementary school is home to the Burien Actors Theatre, who have an upcoming show that requires "tall ceilings,"

said Maggie Larrick, managing director of the Burien Actors Theatre. Everything from retail space to old schools are being considered, said Larrick. "We want to keep it in the Burien area," she said. But, regardless of permanent space the show will continue, said Eric Dickman, the artistic director. The group had their first reading earlier this week, but have

been preparing for this place since last winter, said Larrick. The Burien Actors Theatre had to move their production of Coney Island Christmas to the site of the Hope in Hard Times exhibit in downtown Burien, 216 S.W. 153rd St. *Noises Off*, a comedy by Michael Frayn, runs Feb. 21 through March 23, but the location is unknown. For more information visit burienactorstheatre.org.



- The Auburn Avenue Theater, 10 Auburn Ave., presents Comedy at the Ave on Jan. 17 at 7:30 p.m. Once a month the theater has a comedy show and this month Brandon Vestal winner of the Hollywood Comedy Festival is the headliner. Tickets are \$17 dollars for adults and \$15 for students and seniors. To purchase tickets visit www.brownpapertickets.com/event/433665.
- King Kong is coming to the Auburn Avenue Theatre on January 24 at 8 p.m. The 1933 film follows a film crew to a tropical island for an exotic location shoot and discovers a giant gorilla that falls for their female blonde star. Free tickets are available at the door only and doors open one hour prior to showtime.
- Six guitarists will perform together as part of Kent's Spotlight Series on Friday, January 24. California Guitar Trio and Montreal Guitar Trio perform at 7:30 p.m. at Kent-Meridian Performing Arts Center, 10020 SE 256th St. The concert will be featuring guitarists from four countries such as Japan, Canada, Belgium and the United States. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$22 for seniors and \$15 for youth. Tickets are available online at kentarts.com or in person at the Kent Commons, 525 4th Ave. N.

Drama makes change for winter

By Marcy Daniels
Staff Reporter

The Drama Department will be performing *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern are Dead* this Quarter. They have had a shaky start to this Winter Quarter's production due to students being unable to perform because



Emma FitzPatrick/THUNDERWORD
Tiana Ross, left, and Scarlett Larson work on a theater exercise at the start of rehearsals for the *Winter Quarter* play.

of scheduling conflicts and specific racial roles for their first choice of production *The Good Times are Killing Me* by Lynda Barry, said Rick Lorig, head of Drama Department. After considering play after play, the drama department has decided on Tom Stoppard's *Rosencrantz and Guildenstern*, an expansion of William Shakespeare's tragic play Hamlet. "The students are very enthusiastic about the material," Lorig said. *Rosencrantz and Guilden-*

stern are Dead is a "smart and strong play," Lorig said. With the newly renovated Building 4 to work in and preparing since Fall Quarter, this production should be a great start to the New Year, Lorig said. Preview night will be on March 5. Opening night will be on March 6 and other showings will be on March 7, 8, 13, 14, and 15 at 7 p.m. Tickets will cost \$8 and \$7 for students. For further information

Trio will tell a twisted tale

By Amy Sato
Staff Reporter

Three prominent local musicians will tell the story of a misguided soldier in Auburn next week. The Auburn Symphony's Chamber Series will feature *A Tale of Two Composers* at St. Matthew Episcopal Church in Auburn Jan 19 at 4 p.m. The series will be a shortened version of the original Stravinsky suite from *L'Histoire du Soldat (The Soldier's Tale)*, which was based on a story where a soldier sells his soul to the devil. And will also feature Bartok's 1938 composition *Contrasts*, which is based on Hungarian and Romanian dance melodies. "Most of the pieces the symphony plays are classical pieces dating back a couple hundred years, but what is different about these pieces are that they are both fairly modern," said Auburn Symphony General Manager Lee Valenta. Both works were created for a trio, which include a violinist, clarinetist, and pianist. "The three performers that will be playing are all profes-



Brittany Boulding

sional musicians that earn most of their living by performing," said Valenta. "So listeners get to hear great performers from the concert symphony orchestra." Brittany Boulding, the violinist and concertmaster of the series, is well known throughout the area since she regularly plays with the Seattle Symphony and Seattle Opera. In addition to being the concertmaster for the Auburn Symphony Orchestra, Boulding will also be assisting Michael Jinsoo Lim as associate concertmaster for the "Works and Process" series for the Pacific Northwest Ballet Orchestra. The other two musicians

who will be playing have both played for the PNB Orchestra and are both noted performers. Denise Lum, a professional clarinetist will be playing alongside Boulding and Tanya Stambuk, a well known concert pianist and professor of piano at the University of Puget Sound. "St. Matthew's Church in Auburn is a smaller facility than the normal symphony orchestra concerts places, like Benaroya Hall, which will help the listeners be closer to the performers and the music," said Valenta. "This will also be a fantastic opportunity for people who want that Seattle Symphony experience, but don't want to drive a long distance to get there." The performance will be held at St. Matthew Episcopal Church 123 L St NE, Auburn on Jan 19 at 4 p.m.-5:30 p.m. just a few blocks from the Performing Arts Center in downtown Auburn. Tickets are on sale now on the Auburn Symphony Orchestra website, auburnsymphony.org, Ticket prices are \$17 for a single adult and \$10 for a single student. The next concert for the Auburn Symphony Orchestra is Musical Gems on Feb. 15-16.

Lady T-Birds find right formula

Women come together, forge winter wins

By Jimmy Keum
Staff Reporter

The Highline women's basketball team used winter break to build team chemistry and prep for league play.

This showed in their most recent game when the team defeated Centralia by a score of 55-48 at the Pavilion this past Monday.

The team opened up league play Jan. 2 with a 79-51 victory at Pierce.

The Thunderbirds used strong defense to hold Pierce to 30.2 percent from the field.

The team then suffered their first loss at home Jan. 4 to Lower Columbia by a score of 55-48.

The women's basketball team picked up a 57-45 victory Jan. 8 at Tacoma.

The Lady T-Birds then visited Grays Harbor and won by a score of 70-58.

Victoria Elleby led the team by scoring 16 points and grabbing 16 rebounds.

The team is currently 13-4 overall and are second in league with a 4-1 record.

The Thunderbirds are currently ranked seventh in the Alaska Airlines Women's Basketball Coaches Poll.

The team went 5-3 over break and came in first place at the Bellevue Cross-over tournament.

"We were able to take some time off for Christmas and then get back in shape and work on team chemistry," said Head Coach Amber Mosley.

Building team chemistry on the court is a focus for Highline women's basketball.

"We all really hate to lose and understand that we're going to do whatever it takes to win the game," said Elleby, a 5'10" sophomore guard/forward for Highline.

"We have a great coaching staff that



Sam Hong/THUNDERWORD

Jordan Armstrong and fellow T-bird players defend against Tacoma last week.

keeps us all together," said Jada Piper, a 5'10" freshman Thunderbird who plays at shooting guard and is leading the team in scoring at 15 points per game.

Both players and Coach Mosley believe in the talent of this team but said there are needs for improvement.

"Our challenge has been staying positive with each other and ourselves during the game," said Mosley.

"We want to keep improving and we all want to be better leaders," Piper said.

Both players and Coach Mosley said this team has championship potential.

"We need to continue to improve to win a championship, but it definitely is a possibility with this team," said Mosley.

"I know we have the potential. We want to win it all," said Elleby.

Scores from Bellevue Crossover Tournament Dec. 20-22 included three victories and a first-place finish.

The team defeated Walla Walla in their

first game by a score of 70-65.

In the tournament's semifinal game the Lady T-Birds defeated Lane 74-68.

In the championship game the Highline women's team defeated Big Bend by a score of 93-73.

Jada Piper led the team by scoring a season high of 30 points on 12-17 shooting in the championship game.

The team then went south to play three games on Dec. 28-30 at the Chemeketa Tournament and went 1-2.

The team lost their first game to Lane by a score of 83-80.

In the second game of the tournament the Lady T-Birds lost to Chemeketa by a score of 57-54.

The Thunderbirds were able to pick up a victory in their last game of the tournament by beating Mt. Hood by a score of 83-66.

The Lady T-Birds will play at home against South Puget Sound this Saturday at noon and next Wednesday at 8 p.m.

Prenovost leaves for Tacoma

By Bayonne Beninger
Staff Reporter

Highline men's Head soccer Coach Jason Prenovost is departing to Tacoma Community College after 20 years.

Prenovost, who is also the college's director of marketing, will be pursuing a career as an athletic director.

He said that leaving Highline was a hard decision to make but it offers a great opportunity for a new challenge.



Prenovost

"I'm excited, it's a great institution and Tacoma is a great city. This was a great opportunity at the right time," Prenovost said.

Prenovost wishes to take the culture and environment that was built here at Highline to Tacoma with him.

"I'm going to miss my players and coaching staff at Highline. I was extremely excited about returners and recruits for next year," said Prenovost.

Athletic Director John Dunn said he will most miss Prenovost's daily friendship at the college after working together for 20 years.

"Jason is great at holding me accountable. He never worked for me; we always worked for each other," said Dunn.

"Jason's departure will leave a hole in IA [Institutional Advancement], and across campus in-general," said Lisa Skari Vice President of Institutional Advancement at Highline.

Dunn also said that Prenovost made him a better athletic director by always challenging him on ideas and providing him with support.

"We always had enough respect for each other to agree to disagree," said Dunn.

"His greatest trait is his love for this place," said Dunn.

Dunn emphasized that Prenovost truly cared about Highline. He was loyal to the college as well as the athletic department.

With Prenovost's departure, the Highline athletic department's No. 1 priority is to keep everything stable because of recruitment.

"[Yesterday was] the first day of signing," said Dunn. "We're very excited about what we have going on here, we have a great nucleus."

Due to the nature of the situation, Steve Mohr will become the interim head coach for the men's soccer team next season.

Highline men split wins and losses

By Ryan Macri
Staff Reporter

Highline's wrestling team had mixed results in their recent matches over the course of this last month.

Dec. 6, Highline wrestled Clackamas, losing 43-6. Clackamas is currently ranked No. 4 in the NJCAA rankings.

"Everybody looked scared to wrestle," said Brad Luvaas, assistant coach of the wrestling team.

"I didn't expect to get blown out. I expected us to actually compete," he said.

"We need to work on not giving up big points," Luvaas said. "In college you should not be getting pinned. Those guys are not that much better."

Highline wrestles in a very tough region, Luvaas said.

"Clackamas, North Idaho College, and Northwest Wyoming College are all ranked nationally.

It makes it harder on Highline to compete. We would be ranked No. 1 through No. 3 in any other region," he said.

On Dec. 15, Highline had a double-dual meet against Southwest Oregon Community College and Pacific University.

Highline wrestled SWOCC first, losing 21-20.

Andrez Tereza at 125 pounds, Josh Romero at 149 pounds, Anton Yates at 184 pounds, Tyler Cormier at 197 pounds, and heavyweight Edwin Torres picked up victories for Highline against SWOCC.

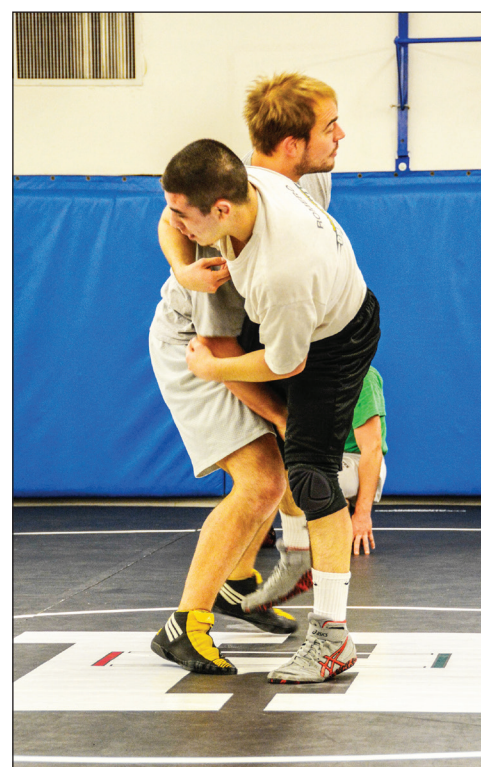
"The entire match was a disappointment to be honest," Luvaas said. "That was a match we should've won."

Then they wrestled Pacific, winning 20-17.

Tereza, Josh Smith at 141 pounds, Romero, John Hedge at 157 pounds, Elias Mason at 174 pounds, and Torres picked up victories in the win over Pacific.

"[We] wrestled much better then [we] did against SWOCC," said Luvaas. But the T-Birds should beat teams like Pacific by much more, he said.

"Andrez Tereza was the only kid that wrestled well in both matches. He has improved drastically," Luvaas said.



Sam Hong/THUNDERWORD

Highline Thunderbirds practice take down techniques during recent drills.

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Scoreboard

MEN'S BASKETBALL		
West Division		
Team	League	Season
	W-L	W-L
Clark	4-0	12-1
Highline	4-1	13-3
Pierce	4-1	11-4
Grays Harbor	2-2	5-9
Tacoma	2-3	7-8
Green River	1-3	4-9
Lower Columbia	1-3	3-10
Centrallia	1-3	1-11
So. Puget Sound	1-4	1-12
North Division		
Skagit Valley	3-0	9-6
Bellevue	3-0	9-7
Whatcom	2-1	9-4
Everett	2-1	11-6
Edmonds	1-2	9-7
Olympic	1-2	11-12
Peninsula	0-3	6-6
Shoreline	0-3	3-11
East Division		
Big Bend	2-0	13-3
Spokane	2-0	12-4
Treasure Valley	1-0	8-5
Walla Walla	1-0	8-7
Columbia Basin	1-1	8-6
Yakima Valley	0-2	9-7
Wenatchee Valley	0-2	6-9
Blue Mountain	0-2	4-10
South Division		
SW Oregon	3-0	4-1
Portland	3-0	3-1
Chemeketa	3-0	4-2
Mt. Hood	1-2	4-2
Lane	1-2	3-2
Clackamas	1-2	2-2
Linn-Benton	0-3	2-3
Umpqua	0-3	1-2

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL		
West Division		
Team	League	Season
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Lane	0-0	4-1
Umpqua	0-0	3-1
SW Oregon	0-0	5-2
Chemeketa	0-0	2-1
Portland	0-0	2-2
Mt. Hood	0-0	1-4

Thunderbird men soar to second to begin season

By Mariah Campbell
Staff Reporter

Highline's men's basketball is second in the West Division of the NWAACC with a 4-1 league record this season. (13-3 overall)

The Thunderbirds have been succeeding since Winter Quarter started with a four-game winning streak against Lower Columbia 76-57, Tacoma 72-67, Grays Harbor 84-63, and Monday's game against Centrallia 73-48. Highline has only had one loss since the beginning of the month against Pierce.

"Everyone is starting to come together as a team. We have more team chemistry now," said Isom Brown, freshman forward.

Over winter break, the men's basketball team played in two tournaments that consisted of three games each.

The first tournament they played in was the Walla Walla Tournament in Walla Walla where they beat Umpqua, 95-91, and Blue Mountain, 82-70, but took a loss against Bellevue, 59-69.

The Bulldog Classic in Bellevue was next up on the schedule, where Highline left with a record of 2-1. They lost against Pierce 90-85. They beat Chemeketa from the South Division 91-85 and Big Bend from the East Division 78-75.

The men's basketball team didn't win either of the tournaments they played over break.

"[I] felt good about the tournaments. I was happy with the way we played but I know we could have done better," Brown said.

Both wins against Chemeketa and Bellevue were highlights of the break for the Thunderbirds, said Brown.

"They were in the NWAACC title game the previous season so they are supposed to be one of the best," Brown said.

Brown said that the team was struggling with offensive continuity and turning the ball over.

"Focusing on the mental aspect at this point of the season is a certain skill development we could use. But a lot of the challenge in the middle of the season is staying focused, staying together, and staying enthusiastic. They are going to count. A lot of it will be that mental preparation," said Che Dawson, head coach of the basketball team.

Despite the teams success, the Thunderbirds have lost two games to Pierce.

"They were two different games. First one we struggled against their zone. The second



Samuel Hong/THUNDERWORD

While forward Ben Tucakovic waits for a potential rebound, Thunderbird guard Doug McDaniel lays the ball up, assisting in a 72-67 league win over Tacoma's Titans last Wednesday.

‘Focusing on the mental aspect at this point of the season is a certain skill development we could use.’
— Coach Che Dawson

one we didn't play together offensively," Dawson said.

Dawson said he tells his team that any team can beat them on any night and that the next game is always the most important game of the

season.

South Puget Sound is currently last in the standings for the West at one win and eleven losses.

The NWAACC Basketball championships are March 1-4

in Kennewick.

Highline has taken the championship title in 1997, 1998, 2001, and the most recent one in 2006 with the current coach, Che Dawson.

"We have to continue to improve, and continue working hard. We have to keep our goals and take the necessary steps. This team is capable of that but we are going to need to be a lot more consistency, offense especially," said Dawson.

Highline's upcoming games are Jan 18, against South Puget Sound at home, and Jan. 22, against Green River at home.



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A shipment of geoducks that originated from the Redondo Tract surrounding the Highline MaST Center triggered a ban by China over arsenic concerns.

China’s geoduck ban is traced to MaST Center’s back yard

By Ryan Johnston
Staff Reporter

China has banned the import of geoducks from the Puget Sound after a shipment containing arsenic was traced back to Poverty Bay near Highline’s MaST Center at Redondo Beach.

The ban started on Dec. 3 and hasn’t been lifted as of this week. The Puget Sound geoduck fishing area starts roughly at the Canadian border and ends in Olympia. China has also banned shipments of clams, oysters, mussels and scallops from Alaska, Oregon, and California.

“If you want a lot of geoducks, you’re going to come here,” said Rus Higley, manager at the MaST Center on Redondo Beach.

A geoduck is a species of large clam that doesn’t fit inside of its shell and digs under mud.

China banned imports from Puget Sound because the contaminated shipment didn’t meet their environmental standards. However, Higley said he doubts that there was too much contamination.

“Most fishermen aren’t going to fish where an area’s contaminated, but something trig-

gered [China],” he said. Even so, “geoducks live a long time and can accumulate [contaminants],” he added.

This ban is going to have an effect on some Washington fishers and on China, Higley said.

In April 2012, geoducks sold for between \$100 and \$150 per pound. In 2011, the geoduck fishing industry made \$80 million in both Washington state and British Columbia. In 2009, a total of 4 million pounds of geoducks were sold from Puget Sound.

“The geoduck fishing industry, although financially significant, is a fairly small group of fishermen, with a significant tribal component. So it will hugely affect those fishermen, the involved tribes, and the overall economy to a small extent, but shouldn’t have significant direct repercussions on other fisheries,” Higley said.

However, “Asian markets have a huge demand for seafood,” he said. Eating geoducks is a status symbol in China, much like eating a ghost chili pepper would be in the U.S. China needs to import geoducks to match their demand and consumption, Higley added.

Stay away from stranded sea mammals

By Caitlin Berge
Staff Reporter

If there is a stranded marine mammal, stay away, a local marine biologist said.

Not following this rule and other ocean etiquette rules can have big consequences -- \$20,000 big.

Jamie Woodward, a marine biologist and volunteer at Highline’s MaST center, spoke about marine mammal stranding on Saturday during the monthly Science on the Sound presentation.

Here is what people need to know, according to Woodward:

- Rule One: Keep a safe distance. This sounds obvious, but if the path of a marine mammal is blocked, especially a threat-

ened species, the consequence is a hefty fine.

- Rule Two: Hands off. Touching marine mammals can make the animal prone to infection, or it could even discourage members of the same species from interacting with them.
- Rule Three: Never chase or harass wildlife. This disturbs the animals, and it is critical for their safety that people back off. No-

body wants to be chased down by a 600-pound sea lion.

If a stranded animal is spotted, the next step is to call a stranding team. The MaST Center has their own stranding hotline; they can be reached at 206-724-2687. Stranding teams will monitor the animal, and make sure no one disturbs it.

Reporting stranding is important because it provides an

opportunity to track changes in stranding, which will lead to a healthier future.

Woodward is unsure if stranding has become more common in the Puget Sound.

“It’s a very hard question to answer. I really say it’s seasonal. For certain species it has gone up, like the Stellar Sea Lion. But for whales, we haven’t had a major stranding in several years.”

Little is known about why these animals become stranded, the more opportunities biologists have to investigate, the more they can learn, she said.

Dave Ortland, the president of the Washington Kayak Club, will host the next Science on the Sound seminar, “Kayaking Puget Sound.” It will be held at the MaST center on Saturday, Feb. 1, from noon to 1 p.m.



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Jamie Woodward warns against disturbing stranded sea mammals.

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Be wary of winter quarter crimes

By **Ryan Johnston**
and **Brenda Carrillo**
Staff Reporters

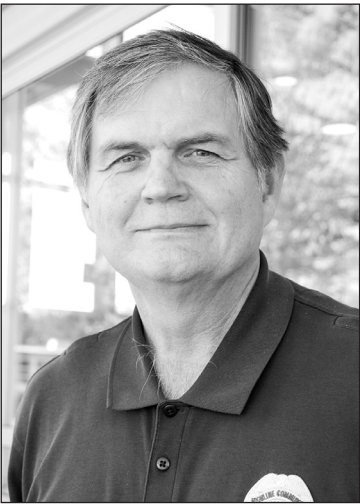
Officials want the campus to be prepared for crime in light of the multiple thefts and assaults that took place last quarter. Last quarter, crime was nearly a weekly event. Sixteen incidents of cell phone theft and robbery took place between Aug. 29 and the start of Winter Break on Dec. 14. One incident was an armed robbery, and two incidents involved assault. One attempted abduction also took place near campus. With the help of the local community and the Des Moines



Police Department, “[this quarter] should be quieter,” said Richard Noyer, Campus Security supervisor. Campus Security has changed its guidelines and patrol routes for this quarter. Security officers are more visible on campus and are working more with the Des Moines Po-

lice Department, Noyer said. The patrols are also focusing on areas where crime was most frequent, he added. Campus Security and the Des Moines Police Department are giving tips to help the campus community be more active in crime prevention. Students should be aware of their surroundings and report any suspicious activity, Noyer said. A flier from Doug Jenkins, public information officer for the Des Moines Police Department, provides personal safety information. The majority of property crimes are considered crimes of

opportunity. It’s often reported that thefts of electronic devices (cell phones, iPods, iPads, laptops) and backpacks are stolen when they are left unattended or in plain sight, the flier reads. Criminals will pay attention to people who leave their property out in the open and publicly available. This presents an easy opportunity for the property to be stolen. Students should always report suspicious and/or criminal activity to Campus Security and the Des Moines Police Department, Noyer said. Campus Security is in Building 6 on the first floor, and they can be reached at 206-592-3218.



Richard Noyer
 The Des Moines Police Department can be reached at 206-878-3301.

Dream Act comes back to life in state Legislature

By **April Pacheco**
Staff Reporter

The American dream might become easier to achieve for undocumented students in Washington if HB 1817, otherwise known as the Dream Act, passes the State Senate this session. The Dream Act, which would allow undocumented students to compete for state need grants, is being pushed by State Rep. Zack Hudgins, D-Tukwila, once again. Rep. Hudgins, the prime sponsor of The Dream Act has not given up on the measure and on Monday The Dream Act passed the State House of Representatives. Last session the bill passed the House on a bipartisan vote of 77-20, but was not brought up for a vote in the Senate Higher Education Committee by its chairwoman, State Sen. Barbara Bailey, R-Whidbey Island. “She’s used a variety of ex-



House Democrats photo
 State Rep. Zack Hudgins, D-Tukwila, on the House floor at the State of the State address earlier this week. Rep. Hudgins is the prime sponsor of the Dream Act.

cuses” as to why she didn’t bring it up to vote said Emily Murphy, the policy manager for the organization OneAmerica, which has lobbied for The Dream Act. OneAmerica is an organiza- tion whose mission is to em- power immigrant communities through fundamental principles of democracy. Murphy also said that The Dream Act would boost Wash- ington’s economy. “We have many bright stu- dents, pools of hardworking students who are going to con- tribute to the economy and add the to work force,” said Murphy. “It’s important in terms of K through 12, if you’re a young person who finds out in seventh grade that they can’t go on then they have no incentive to try hard,” said Murphy. On the other hand, Rep. Larry Haler, R-Richland, testi- fied Monday on the floor of the House that currently Washing- ton state has 32,000 students who are eligible for state need grants but were turned away last year for lack of state funds. According to OneAmerica the Latino population in Wash- ington state high schools grew by 492 percent since 1986. Rep. Hudgins is on the same page as Murphy. “Let’s start with the fact that this isn’t about immigration, it’s about our kids getting treat- ed fairly,” said Rep. Hudgins. “We’ve invested in these kids, we already spent a lot of money paying for their public school- ing; it makes sense to let them compete [for need-based grant] like everybody else.” “It is better to grow our tal- ent then recruit talent,” Rep. Hudgins said.

Even Exchange

- answers
 1. Cargo, Fargo
 2. Leash, Least
 3. Ballet, Wallet
 4. Excel, Expel
 5. Pocket, Picket
 6. Flint, Faint
 7. Athens, Athena
 8. Bully, Burly
 9. Creek, Creed
 10. Logger, Lodger

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Answers
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Try to shop seasonally for the best retail bargains

There are patterns to saving money. Retailers discount merchandise at certain times of the year, and it only seems illogical until you consider it from their point of view: Merchants want to get rid of things that didn’t sell, and sell you things they perceive you’re going to want. Consumer Reports magazine has come up with a list of the best times to buy a variety of items: •Gas grills are hot when the weather turns cold -- October, November and December -- just when you’re not likely to be using one. Stores want to clear out the old models before the new ones arrive in the spring.

Dollars and sense

by David Uffington

•You’d think GPS would be a summer travel and geocaching item, but no, merchants push those in November and December. Take the opportunity to buy for holiday gifts or for yourself for travel. •Stock up on your summer swimwear at the same time you buy discounted home-gym equipment -- at the beginning of the year. If you’re not brave

enough to try on swimsuits in the winter, wait until June and July when they’ll be on sale again. •August is a funny month. You’ll be able to find deals on air conditioners (that you could have used all summer) as well as the snow blowers you’ll need in the winter. At the same time, outdoor furniture will be discounted, just in time for fall -- and having to store it away over the winter. •Look for toys from November through January, and winter sports gear in March. •Some items do go on sale just when you need them: digital cameras appear in March,

in time for spring and summer photography. Lawn mowers come out in April, along with spring clothing. There are other ways to save money, and they also follow patterns. •When it comes to summer camp for your child, you need to start considering options in the middle of winter. Slots in the best camps will go quickly, as will the assistance money if you need help paying. •For carpeting and furniture, wait until after the year-end holidays. •Shop at thrift stores just as everyone is doing spring cleaning.

Flu deaths raise local health concerns

By Kaylee Moran
Staff Reporter

Several recent flu related deaths might not be the best indicator of the severity of the flu this season, local health officials say.

The flu is a disease that affects people's airways and lungs. It is caused by several different flu viruses that pass from person to person easily.

Flu symptoms include fever, tiredness, headache, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, muscle aches, nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. The severity of these symptoms depends on the person's age and health conditions.

Every year there are flu related deaths, however this year doesn't seem to be much different from the rest.

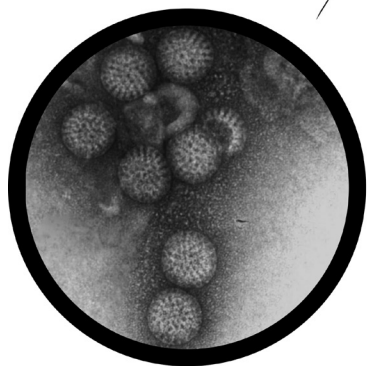
"Although flu deaths get much media attention, we have no evidence that flu is killing more people this year," said Keith Seinfeld, public information officer at King County Public Health.

"We are seeing increased flu in the community at this time that is similar to peak levels in recent seasons. We usually see the influenza peak in January or February, and continue to circulate into the spring months," said Seinfeld.

It's difficult to pinpoint the number of flu deaths, because there is no way to precisely

track them.

"Flu deaths are vastly under-reported, so the numbers we are seeing so far don't tell us anything about trends. [The current] total is five flu deaths reported to Public Health – Seattle and King County. The statewide totals reflect a delay of more than one week. Therefore, it's impossible to get a completely current list of reported flu deaths for



the state," said Seinfeld.

Another issue is that flu testing is rarely done on some patients who have died.

"Some deaths are suspected to be flu, but no testing was ever done. Based on a statistical model, there would be approximately 180 flu related deaths in King County in an average year, but we had only 24 reported last flu season. So flu deaths alone are not a

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good indicator of the severity of flu season," said Seinfeld.

This year's flu strain is affecting more young people, similar to the flu strain a few years ago.

"The deaths have been primarily to middle-age adults, age 35 to 55. That's younger than in a typical flu season, when most deaths are to people over age 65. The flu strain that is circulating now, influenza A H1N1 first appeared in the 2009-2010 pandemic," Seinfeld said.

King County Public Health recommends good hygiene and the vaccination to prevent you from getting the flu.

To stop the spread of germs, wash your hands with soap and water or alcohol-based hand cleaners, cover your nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing, avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth, and stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone. Avoid close contact with others when sick.

The vaccine is the best way to protect yourself from getting the flu this year.

"This year's vaccine is very well matched to the influenza strain that is currently circulating in the community," said Dr. Hilary Karasz, public information officer at King County Public Health.

The flu vaccine is recommended for people over the age of 6 months, including children, pregnant women, young and middle aged people and the elderly as well as people with underlying health conditions that puts them at higher risk, like asthma, diabetes, and heart and lung problems, Dr. Karasz said.

But even people without these underlying conditions can get severe illness and even die from the flu, she said.

The flu shot isn't 100 percent effective, however it can reduce the severity of the flu.

"Overall, in the past few influenza seasons, the flu shot has been about 60 percent protective, so you can reduce your risk by over half by getting vaccinated. If you are vaccinated and do get the flu, studies show that you have protection against severe illness," said Dr. Karasz.

If your flu symptoms are severe, you should seek medical

attention right away.

"It's important to call or see a doctor if you have flu symptoms and feel seriously ill or if you have flu symptoms and are pregnant or at higher risk for severe complications because of underlying respiratory, cardiovascular or neurological illnesses, have a weakened immune system, or are obese," Dr. Karasz said.

Children under 5 years of age and adults 65 years and older are also at high risk and they should be evaluated by a doctor if they have flu symptoms. There are antiviral treatments that can prevent severe illness and complications from the flu, and these are more effective when started earlier in the illness, she said.

If you don't have insurance or aren't sure how to get the flu shot, King County Public Health has some options for you.

"I also want to mention that younger people should know that lower cost, free, or subsidized health insurance is now available and will provide preventive healthcare services like flu vaccines or visits to the doctor for medicines to treat the flu," Seinfeld said.

"King County residents can text King and their zip code to 468311 to get information about how or where to sign up," he said.

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sores have crusted," said Seinfeld.

It's important to seek medical attention right away if you have the chickenpox because it can be severe, health officials say.

"Of 1,000 people with chickenpox, about 100 will require medical attention, about two will be hospitalized, about 12 or 13 will suffer from infected blisters," Seinfeld said.

Symptoms of the chickenpox are noticeable.

"Children with chickenpox experience an itchy rash of 250 to 500 blisters beginning on the chest and face and spreading over the entire body. They may be tired, feverish, and have a headache. Some children may experience vomiting or diarrhea," said Seinfeld.

Chickenpox symptoms can last for over a week and affect people differently.

"The illness usually lasts about five to 10 days. People with weakened immune systems are at risk for severe, complicated chickenpox infections," he said.

"Other complications from chickenpox can include dehydration from vomiting or diarrhea, pneumonia, or swelling of the brain (known as encephalitis)," Seinfeld said.

Symptoms in adults can differ than in children and be more

extreme.

"Adults are at risk for more severe disease and have a higher incidence of complications. Pneumonia is the most common complication in adults," said Seinfeld.

To reduce your chances of

getting the chickenpox, it's best to avoid contact with those who are infected, health officials say.

"A person with varicella/chickenpox is contagious from one to two days before onset of the rash until the sores have crusted," said Seinfeld.

If you have been exposed to the chickenpox virus, you may not notice right away.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention,

it takes between 10-21 days after contact with an infected person for someone to develop chickenpox.

If you've had chickenpox in the past, you may be in luck.

"Usually if you've had chickenpox as a child you have lifelong immunity, although second cases can happen. The main risk for getting chickenpox as an adult is a weakened immune system from an underlying disease or medications," Seinfeld said.

The best prevention against the chickenpox is the vaccine, health officials say. "Chickenpox vaccine is the best way to prevent chickenpox. The vaccine is highly effective and those people who do get chickenpox after being vaccinated typically get milder cases," said Seinfeld.

According to the CDC, chickenpox in a vaccinated person is generally mild with fewer blisters and mild or no fever.

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ager overseeing campus activity, staff, faculty, and students may often miss the constant security rounds.

“The issue is always budget over manpower,” Baylor said.

With the help of the Criminal Justice program, Campus Security aims to create an atmosphere of safety.

Stephen Lettic of the Criminal Justice program and Highline Safety Officials are now recruiting criminal justice students to participate in the program.

Anyone interested in participating should contact Lettic at slettic@highline.edu.

Aspiring student cadets must be at least 19 years old and would have completed at least one quarter at Highline. Officials are still debating the minimum GPA requirement, but it currently ranges between 2.0 and 2.5.

“Academics come first,” Baylor said. “If someone gets involved but their grades start slipping, they will be withdrawn.”

The program will only include campus patrolling as part of the justice curriculum, which will make for a significant portion of the student’s final grade.

“The biggest difference with the cadet program is that students will keep a reflective journal to self-evaluate their competence and skills,” Baylor said, “which plays into their accreditation.”

However, the success of the program will depend largely on the students involved.

“Whether or not we’re going to have enough participants to take part in the program is one of the concerns,” said Baylor.

He thinks a major drawback is that this program is not an internship.

“When I was in college I made \$300 a month with food and a place to live,” Baylor said. “We don’t have the funds to fund an internship. But the benefits [of the program] far outweigh the negatives.”

Baylor added that by intertwining it as part of an academic course, getting students to remain on task and honest to the curriculum is one of his biggest concerns.

“Students need to be able to stick to the tasks involved,” he said. “When they give out a ticket, they can’t be letting their friends get away.”

Another of Baylor’s concerns involve the cadets’ safety. The cadets’ duty would be to witness and report.

“When they observe a crime, they can’t interfere,” he said.

But reporting crimes in an effective and timely manner, Baylor added, would go a long way into resolving a vast number of safety issues on campus--noting

that crimes are often reported many hours or days after they have happened.

“We are trying to elicit much input from students. It is you [Highline students] who know more about what is going on in this campus than anyone else.”

“We envision getting several student organizations involved,” Baylor said. “If a club suggests something regarding public safety, we throw our total weight on it.”

Baylor encourages students to get to know Security Officers on a first name basis, claiming that building relationships with those in charge of safety will go a long way into making Highline’s concerns heard.

“I would say a lot of students are mainly concerned with parking,” said Officer Derek Dean, who according to Baylor, makes attempts to talk to students about security issues on a daily basis.

“Officers often talk to the students about how to prevent campus theft,” Baylor said. “Officers are doing a lot of problem-solving on campus. Each one if directly linked with a group on campus.”

Among the liaisons they keep in touch with are Children’s Program, ESL, Cultural Affairs, Facilities, the library, and Student Affairs.

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the air from the Fukushima reactor is “astronomically small,” and the radiation couldn’t have gone as far as the East Coast, he said.

It’s also highly likely that this is some sort of infection, virus, or parasite among the starfish, Higley said.

“[Whatever it is], it’s in the water,” he added.

Staff reporter Caitlin Berge also contributed to this story.

Investors propose apartment complex adjacent to campus

By Rebecca Starkey
Staff Reporter

Investors want to build an apartment complex on the east edge of campus.

City officials discussed the possibility of a residential apartment complex adjacent to campus at the City Council meeting last Thursday.

Although the apartment proposal is still in its earliest stages, city Economic Development Manager Marion Yoshino said she is hopeful the project will come together quickly.

“We are really just getting started on this process,” Yoshino said.

The proposed apartment complex would be on Pacific Highway on the east edge of campus near Baskin Robbins. Beyond the location, the exact construction details are still in progress.

Yoshino said the largest problem faced with building such a complex is the city’s 35-foot height limit for structures

in Des Moines. She said in the coming year investors will be negotiating with the city on this, as well as exploring different design types.

Yoshino said one possibility that may be considered is “apodments.” Apodments, or microapartments, are one-room living spaces designed to have all the living, sleeping, and kitchen functionalities of a normal apartment.

Yoshino said this model’s success in cities such as Seattle and Portland makes it an interesting prospect for Des Moines, particularly considering the expansion of the Light Rail train through Des Moines.

“This is the kind of development we’ve been hoping would

come along with the Light Rail station,” she said.

Highline students are an obvious target audience for this kind of housing; a point Yoshino said has been quite influential in talks with investors.

However, Larry Yok, Highline’s vice president of administrative services, said the college has taken no official position on the apartment proposal.

Yoshino said there is at least a year of conversation with investors before moving forward, but she is optimistic about its possibilities for Highline.

“The city will consider [the college’s] input very important,” she said.

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