By Jessica Strand
Staff Reporter

Religions are just magical myths that drive people apart, says Damien Marie AtHope.

AtHope was promoting atheism and “more human values” on campus Oct. 29 with fellow atheist, Jersey Flight.

The pair share similar views, and often visit colleges together to share their philosophy.

They held signs with the word “ATHEISM” bolded across the top and a stack of similar signs sitting at their feet, with a different message on each sign.

AtHope, a large man with a dyed, bright red beard, sat next to a table with a bowl of candy for passersby to choose from.

They were relatively silent until students approached, but were more than willing to get into a philosophical debate once initiated.

AtHope hopes to give people a different message from the religious groups preaching repentance, he said.

He was religious himself until his mid-30s, when he became a college student and discovered contradictions.

“That actually helped me be free,” AtHope said.

“Most of the problem with religion is they tell you there’s something wrong with you and it’s something that only they can fix. I had to realize that there is something wrong. We don’t care enough and religion’s not going to fix that,” he said.

AtHope started his educational pursuits at the University of California, San Diego, with ambitions of becoming a drug

See Atheism, page 11

By Michael Muench
Staff Reporter

The storm last Tuesday was one of the largest on record this year, but problems caused on campus were minimal.

With wind reaching upwards of 45 mph the last couple of days, and power outages affecting hundreds of thousands of people over Washington, Highline was fortunate that the only problem suffered was excess leaves in the storm drains.

This clogging has caused “ponding” and puddles around campus. Facility crews have to spend more time clearing drains, said Barry Holldorf director of facilities and operations.

“We have been fortunate that we have not had any major issues from recent and current storms,” Holldorf said.

Over the last four days the National Weather Service issued a high wind warning and a major flood warning.

Alongside flooding, nearby hilly areas may be at risk for another sort of geological disaster in storms like these: landslides.

Heavy rain can lead to the saturation of surface soils, which could increase the instances of landslides in the area.

“To my knowledge there are no areas of concern on campus,” said Highline geology professor Carla Whittington.

Landslides may prove to be more of a threat to residents along the coast however.

“Along the coastal bluff in the surrounding community, increased wave action can lead to erosion of the bluffs, causing property damaging landslides, like those happening near Saltwater State Park,” Whittington said.

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Battle over souls

Atheists promote life free of religion

By Olivia Jollimore
Staff Reporter

With a sign stating “Repent, ye therefore, and be converted that your sins may be blotted out... Acts 3:19,” brothers Aaron and Anthony Parish stand outside of Building 6, showing and speaking their faith out loud.

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PTK club helps needy students

By Jacqueline Robinson
Staff Reporter

"Phi Theta Kappa is an international honors society for two-year colleges. We do projects focused on service and leadership," said Dr. Balkenende.

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A new shed has been built at the garden near Building 21.

"The new shed near the garden will provide a handy space for tools and materials," said Alice Madsen, dean of Instruction, Professional Technical Education.

The shed will free up additional growing space in the greenhouse, as the tools stored in the greenhous find a new home in the Highline Garden shed, Madsen said.

With a class in food security next quarter, and a backyard science practicum in Spring Quarter, there are many opportunities for students to take an urban gardening course, Madsen said.

Donations sought for Giving Tree

Highline is seeking sponsors for the Giving Tree program.

The Giving Tree program supports low-income students and their children who are attending Highline by providing them holiday gifts.

If you choose to sponsor a person, you will be provided a list of items that person needs.

Heather Meadows and other members of Phi Theta Kappa are collecting donations of food for Highline students in need.

"The Thanksgiving food drive ends on Friday. So please bring items in as soon as possible. Your fellow students are counting on it," said Dr. Balkenende.

Loitering man concerns staff

A adult male was reported to be hanging in front of the Writing Center in Building 25 on Nov. 13 approximately at 4:48 p.m.

An instructor said the adult male had been hanging around the Writing Center's door for several hours, making students and staff uncomfortable.

A female student worker said the man made eye contact with her and that made her uncomfortable.

When questioned by the Writing Center instructor, the adult male said that he was waiting for his friend. When the instructor told the man that he was making people uncomfortable, he left.

Public Safety officers asked the instructor and the student to provide a statement and advised them to call security for an escort or to report any further suspicious behavior.

Welfare check on woman

Public Safety officers were called to the library to check up an adult female on Nov. 13 at approximately 3:30 p.m.

The female was pushing a stroller with no child in it. The female was talking very loud in the library on the fifth floor. When Public safety officers spoke to the female she was compliant.

The victim said that his gym bag was stolen on Nov. 11 approximately at 12:10 p.m.

Public Safety officers spoke to the victim at the bottom of the North Parking Lot next to the main track entrance.

The victim said that his small Adidas gym bag containing yellow and pink towels and his car keys was stolen from the bleachers while he was running on the track.

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By Paul King-Sanchez
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Nurse your career at info session

An information session conducted by a representative from the University of Washington Seattle will take place throughout this week.

The session will focus on the transfer and admission of the UW School of Nursing program and will take place today in the Highline Student Union in the Mt. Constance Room from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Carolyn Chow, director of Admissions and Multicultural Affairs for UW Seattle, will give a presentation on the admission process of the Nursing program, including prerequisite courses, required grades and GPAs, health care hours, and more.

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Lose 3 turns

ROLLING THE DICE ON YOUR FUTURE

By Karina Abramchuk
Staff Reporter

Tyler Sedlacek, a former Highline student and now a transfer admission counselor for Pacific Lutheran University, says you can afford to go to PLU.

"With scholarships and financial aid, we are able to subsidize the cost to be at least close to the tuition for public schools," he said. "Almost no one pays the face-value tuition."

Sedlacek was just one of the many recruiters on campus recently for the fall Transfer Fair.

Students had the opportunity to compare school options up close with representatives from more than 20 colleges and universities.

The Transfer Fair takes place twice a year for students who are considering transferring to a four-year university, said Siew Lai Lilley, Transfer Center director, who managed the fair.

"Early planning is the key to a successful transfer," she said. "It's [the fair] a place to get some quick questions answered."

At the Transfer Fair, students gathered program materials, asked questions, and discussed the requirements and advantages of transferring to each college or university.

Lilley said that some of the most popular schools were: University of Washington, Seattle and Tacoma; Central Washington University; and Washington State University.

She said the reason public schools are so popular is because of tuition costs, proximity and a familiar environment.

"The transition is a lot smoother for the students because they are already familiar with the environment," Lilley said.

She said students look at public schools because of their tuition costs in comparison to private schools.

PLU's Sedlacek said one reason many students avoid attending a private school is because of the financial myth everyone believes that private schools are more expensive than public schools.

However, that is not the case, he said.

He advised students to contact counselors here at Highline and in other institutions for admission information.

"Don't be afraid to branch out," he said.

Many students at the fair talked with both private and public school representatives.

Hawa Jagaha attended the fair to look at Seattle Pacific University UW and Central to compare.

"I was browsing to see what kind of schools offer what kinds of scholarships and financial aid," she said.

SPU, a private school, offers need-based financial aid and several grants and scholarships to decrease the total direct cost of attending the school.

Some transfer merit awards offer up to $12,000. The University of Washington offers dozens of scholarships as well: some up to $5,500.

Hannah Hurkens, who is majoring in pre-nursing, attended the fair to ask representatives of the UW and WSU some questions.

"I was asking them about credits transferring and about SAT scores," she said. "I want to get out and go to a four-year university."

The cost of attending public colleges and universities were comparable to private school costs.

The average cost of tuition for in-state UW students living on campus is about $27,733, according to the UW-Tacoma brochure.

The average cost of tuition for PLU when combined with the average financial aid for transfer students living on campus is about $18,820, according to the PLU-at-a-glance flyer.

UW-Seattle representatives Helen Enguerra and Muhamed Manhsour offered advice to students thinking of transferring to UW-Seattle next fall.

"I would advise students to stay connected as much as possible," Manhsour said. "Stay aligned to the prerequisites and take as many classes at Highline as you can to achieve your goal."

There is another opportunity to meet with university and college representatives at the next Transfer Fair.

Lilley said that the Transfer Center plans to have 30-plus colleges come in on Feb. 10, 2016. She encouraged students to stop by the Transfer Center for advising, upcoming workshops and other transfer events.

"We are here for our students," she said. "Students should stop by and browse our materials and resources."

A UW-Seattle School of Nursing information session will take place today in the Highline Student Union in the Mt. Constance Room at 1 p.m.

Carolyn Chow, director of Admissions and Multicultural Affairs for UW, will give a presentation on the admission process of the UW School of Nursing program.

"For general advising, students can visit the Transfer Center Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m."

The Transfer Center is in Building 6, room 164. More information on the Transfer Center, events, workshops, and advising can be found at transfercenter.highline.edu.
Be accepting of other cultures

Most people know that the English founded colonies in the United States, but some communities were also founded by the German, Dutch, and French.

Over time, immigrants from all sorts of countries started pooling in to establish a new life for themselves and their families. In fact, if you ask a grandparent, I'm sure they would tell you they are proud to be an American as well as a particular ethnicity.

The truth is, the vast majority of people in this country have immigrated here, whether recently or generations ago.

American culture, is actually a giant mix of bits and pieces of other customs and traditions. That’s why, it is incredibly inappropriate to judge people based on their culture or nationality. With the recent tragedies stretching across numerous countries, many people are quick to blame Muslims for the crimes that ISIS has committed.

All Muslims are not affiliated with ISIS. In fact, very few are.

These stereotypes are hurtful and damaging to young individuals, and to the culture as a whole.

That’s equivalent to saying that all white men are plantation owners, or all Mexicans don’t understand English. It’s wrong, and hurtful.

These people have their own individual interests, goals and aspirations, and nobody should strip that from them by placing a nasty label on their race, faith or culture.

Highline is an incredibly diverse campus composed of students, faculty and staff from all different nationalities and backgrounds.

In fact, Highline has won the 2014 Award of Excellence for Advancing Diversity from the American Association of Community Colleges and the 2013 Higher Education for Advancing Diversity from the American Association.

Despite cultural differences, we consistently hear the same problems and feelings we face in our own lives every day.

So love thy neighbor, because they may be more similar to you than you think.

Have something to say?

You don’t need research. You have me.

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Find a cure with classical music

By Jacqueline Kemp
Staff Reporter

You might not be a scientist, but you can help cure cancer by attending Northwest Sympho-
yo’s performance this Saturday.
Solotus Eli Weinberger (principal cellist) and Eunice Nahon (first violinist) teamed with the orchestra to provide a char-
ity concert.

Northwest Symphony is a local orchestra from Burien that is made up of professional musicians.
Northwest Symphony Or-
chestra generously donated

their time and effort to partic-
ipate in this concert,” she said.
All proceeds will go to the Cancer Research Institute. Na-
hon said she always wanted an opportunity like this to use her talents for a good cause.

“Holding a Cure is the first concert I am organizing for charity,” said Nahon.
Little did she know, concerts take weeks of preparation.

“There’s the venue, timing, personnel, music to learn, and since I don’t yet have a sponsor the venue and incidentals are all out of pocket,” she said.

Offering yourself to the ser-
vice of someone or something else pays off for her, she said.

“I believe that being noble to a cause makes me useful, and seeking self-improvement by way of being useful helps me become nobler,” she said.

The afternoon’s entertain-
ment will include Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart’s Symphonia Concertata, Op. 13, and the combined work of Handel and Halverson’s Pasacaglia.
I recently discovered the Men-
delsohn String Quartet, Op. 23. It

captivates...what it was like for
him [Mendelssohn] to be in love
through music,” said Nahon.
The performance will be at the Seattle Town Hall, 1119 8th Avenue, Seattle. It will start at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 21.

“Words can’t suffice for this performance, you have to hear it to believe it,” said Nahon.

To purchase tickets, go to eu-
nicenhahn.com or donate $10 or
more at cancerresearch.org and
print your receipt. A receipt for your
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The Northwest Symphony performs at an event earlier this year.

‘Sleeping Beauty’ wakes up next week

By Karina Abramchuk
Staff Reporter

Probably the hardest job in Centerstage’s Sleeping Beau-
ty pantomime will be the title character trying to keep a straight face while none of her fellow cast members do.
This Sleeping Beauty panto-
mime will not focus on ges-
ture; instead, it is the British
version and the exact opposite.
A British pantomime, typi-
cally played around Christmas, is a style of theater full of wiser-
crack jokes, music, dance and slapstick comedy.
This comedic style makes it hard for title actors, such as Sleeping Beauty; to remain calm and unaffected.

“It’s really crazy and over the top,” said Sarah Matcher, who plays Sleeping Beauty. “It’s all about overacting.”

Alan Bryce, the Centerstage Theatre managing artistic di-
rector and who portrays Nurse
Nellie in the play, said that the style originated in England and has been around for 300 years.

“The style takes a fairytale

style of the play originated in
England and showcases the

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ladies and a fat old lady who thinks she’s beautiful and flirts with the audience,” he said.

He said that over time, the British pantomime became less popular.

The strength of the panto-
mime is that it evolves; it chan-
ges ever time to meet people’s
taste,” he said.

Centerstage Theatre pre-
formed Sleeping Beauty before, about five years ago.

But Bryce said that this year, the play would be completely changed to meet today’s tastes.

“We have to refine our key-
stone show every year,” he said.

“The skill is making it fun.”
Fun was an element pointed out by several actors in the play.

“Chris Hardine, the chorogra-
pher for Sleeping Beauty, said that the main focus of the play was to keep it all fun.

“[The audience] is pulled for-
ward by the energy,” he said.
Matcher said that the style

in Sleeping Beauty is different from other plays she acted for in the past.

“I’ve acted in plays that were really intense and really dark, but this is original,” she said.

She said that her character was the calm one that young girls could connect to, so she wouldn’t be as funny as the oth-

er characters in the play.

“Sleeping Beauty is hard to maneuver around that element, but I still want my performance to stand out,” she said.

Joshua Williamson, who plays the mischievous boy, Jangles, in the play, also said that Sleeping Beauty is different from other plays he acted for in the past.

With classic jokes, comedy and slapstick improvisation, he said that he would be complete-
ly immersed with the audience.

“It’s a different connection you have with the crowd,” he said.

“It’s the reason they come back.”

Both Bryce and Nahon said they always wanted an opportunity to use her talents for a good cause.
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SIFF celebrates the season with classics

By Michael Dizon  
Staff Reporter

For the audiences who literally want to get into their favorite films, Seattle International Film Festival has a series of holiday treats.

SIFF will present four classic films — Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory, The Princess Bride, Fiddler on the Roof, and Moulin Rouge — with interactive twists at various times and locations.

“Every year we add a new film and I picked each on how interactive it’d be,” said Clinton McClung, director of Cinema Programming.

Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory with “Smell-O-Vision” will have fragrant and tasty treats from free goodie bags when it presents Gene Wilder’s comedic performance on the big screen Nov. 26 through Jan. 3. The audience will be invited to sing along. Tickets are $15 for the showing at the SIFF Film Center 305 Harrison St., Seattle.

“Smell-O-Vision” treatments from free goodie bags will feature fragrant and tasty treats from free goodie bags. For those with a taste for fairy tale adventure, SIFF is offering The Princess Bride. “The Princess Bride is just like a sing along, but it’ll be a quote along,” McClung said.

The Princess Bride showing will feature subtitles so the audience can recite lines to the 1987 film by Rob Reiner. Free inflatable swords will be provided so the audience can join in the sword fights as the classic is shown on the big screen Nov. 27 through Jan. 3. Tickets are $15 for the showing at the SIFF Film Center 305 Harrison St., Seattle.

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Get into the holiday spirit by watching holiday spirits

By Sam McCullough  
Staff Reporter

Get into the holiday spirit by seeing The Christmas Carol at A Contemporary Theatre in Seattle from Nov. 27 to Dec. 30.

“It’s one of the most easily recognizable Christmas plays. People watch it as part of a holiday tradition,” said Josh Eggert, who works at ACT.

This year is ACT’s 40th Anniversary of the play. The Christmas Carol is based on the book written by Charles Dickens in 1843. The story follows Ebenezer Scrooge, a rich businessman who is not very nice.

On Christmas Eve, he is visited by three ghosts who try to help him understand the error of his ways.

John Langs, who is ACT’s artistic director, is directing. Before coming to ACT, he directed plays all over the West Coast, such as King Lear and Romeo and Juliet.

Shelley Henze Schermer is the scenic designer, Deborah Trout is the costume designer, and Michael Wellborn is the lighting designer.

“I think everyone should come see it. Even if they don’t celebrate Christmas, it leaves the audience feeling good about the world, something we all need right now,” Eggert said.

Kurt Beattie and Charles Leggett will be alternating the role of Scrooge. Ava Drummond is playing Tiny Tim, and Matthew Floyd Miller plays Bob Cratchit.

Tickets range from $89 all the way to $119.

Showings are at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. from Nov. 27 through Dec. 3. Showings are Tuesday through Sunday. There is no show on Christmas, Dec. 25.

Tickets are available at acttheatre.org/tickets/onstage/achristmascarol/tickets or you can call the box office at 206-292-7676.

The show is for patrons 5 and older; no babies are admitted.

ACT is hosting a food drive during the run of A Christmas Carol to benefit the Pike Market Food Bank. The Pike Market Food Bank helps out 600 families every week with groceries and food.

The most needed items are soups, rice, peanut butter and canned vegetables.

“The food drive is a way for patrons to give back. That’s really what the play is about,” Eggert said.

The ACT is at 700 Union Street, Seattle.
Ladies defeated in championship game

By Charles Prater
Staff Reporter

With all of their hard work leading up to this moment, the women’s soccer team couldn’t seal the deal in the final game. After beating one of the best teams in the league in Peninsula on Saturday, the T-Birds fought hard but were shut out by Spokane, losing 2-0.

With the first semifinals game already done, both teams knew who they would be facing in the finals should whoever win this game.

With the rain coming down harder every minute, the T-Birds were able to attack the Pirates defense and win 2-1 to advance to the championship game.

Two of the best defensive teams were meeting for the first time this season, so with the scored tied at 0-0 at the end of the first half, it didn’t come as a shocker.

Coming out of halftime, the T-Birds found their offensive groove and so did Analise Miller-Wells, who was all over the place and scored Highline’s first goal at the 54th minute.

The T-Birds got a chance to celebrate again as Dulce Armas scored three minutes after the first goal at the 57 minute to put Peninsula in a 2-0 deficit.

“In the beginning of the game we were really fired up, almost to fired up,” said Highline Head Coach Tom Moore.

“In the second half we kind of reded it in because during the half we were able to talk about what motivated us so much in the beginning of the game and we were able to put that into play.”

With the clock ticking down and Peninsula’s chances of winning slipping away, the Pirates were able to score a late goal at the 83rd minute.

Highline came together and was able to hold off Peninsula from scoring again.

“This was an enormous win for us,” said Coach Moore. “Peninsula was in our division for the last four or five years until they moved to the north and we’ve either tied or lost to them, so to see them for the first time this season in this environment was huge for us.”

With a win against last year’s runner-up and former two-time National Champions, the T-Birds were primed for a showdown against Spokane.

Both teams were coming off hard, fought wins in the semifinals and were eager to get the game started.

The Sasquatches got off to a quick offensive start, pushing the ball onto the T-Birds side, and almost scored, but a great save by goalkeeper Rachel Thompson prevented the early deficit.

Spokane came charging right back and after their second on-target attempt, Spokane’s Sarah Melvin was able to score off Thompson’s deflection and score at the 12th minute.

“After the goal, I just told myself to let it go,” said Highline’s Thompson. “There is no point in dwelling on the goal. I just needed to refocus.”

Before going into the half, the T-Birds’ best chance to score came from Arianna Fiorillo when she was able to get the ball by a couple of defenders and, unfortunately, missed the left side of the goal by three feet after Spokane’s goalkeeper had stepped out of the keeper box.

“We talked about some things that went well for us in the first half,” said Moore. “We were only a goal down and we had plenty of opportunities in that first half to come back and even take the lead if things went well.”

In the second half, Highline spent much of the half on Spokane’s side of the field.

Another great chance for the T-Birds to tie the game was at the 62 minute when Kylee-Inman Wolfe came out from her defender position and showed some offensive spark by taking the ball from midfield and running past defenders to miss just right above the goal.

The T-Birds still played hard, with Spokane cracking up their offensive pressure attempting two on target goals that were stopped by Thompson, who had a total of nine saves in the game.

The Sasquatches put the final nail in the coffin when they were awarded a free kick that sailed into a sea of players only for Spokane’s Alysha Overland to get the lucky touch at the 80th minute.

“It is genuinely very difficult for a goalkeeper in that instance,” said Coach Moore.

“Plus, when you’re inside your own 18-yard box everyone tends to be a little on edge. I think that definitely led to both of these goals.”

With the loss, the T-Birds end the season as the second overall team in the league with a 17-4-1 record.

“Tom just said that we had a good season and we proved a lot of people wrong,” Thompson said.

“He was proud of us and that this was the farthest that he has ever been with a team,” she said.

“I told them they are special, that this team was special and nothing can take away what we’ve accomplished this year,” Moore said. “This is a very great group of girls who defined how to work together to achieve a common goal.”

Highline’s women soccer season has ended and so has a lot of players’ time here.

Sophomores Nikole Cruz, Dulce Armas, Paige Surber, Kylee Wolfe-Inman, Alexis Pryor, Serenity Grim, Madison Gale, Analise Miller Wells and Michelle Day will all be graduating and moving on to better things.

Although the ladies did not capture the championship, they did receive some awards.

Miller-Wells, Armas, Cruz, Grim, Gray, and Thompson were all made all-stars, with Coach Moore being named West Region Coach of the Year.

“This season was a huge success,” said Moore. “We got to the championship game where anything can happen and we gave ourselves a chance to be the best team in the NWAC and that is all I could ask.”

“We want to get a chance to showcase what type of players and talent we have and I think the girls did a wonderful job of showing that,” he said.

Along with “Thompson, freshman Arianna Fiorillo, Zoe Surber, Maya Gray, Chentay Warnes, Dakota Grim, Sierra Gale, Analise-Miller Wells, Michelle Day,” he said.

Although Moore said, “I feel that I have grown as a player from the beginning of the season to now. I have learned so much from the keeper coach TJ Young, he really helped me evolve as a goalkeeper,” she said.

“They girls take a chance and allow themselves to be vulnerable every time they step on the field. In reality, they could win or lose,” Moore said.

“They put themselves in that situation, as any athlete does, they become better people, and show tremendous growth as individuals and players. That’s what makes them special.”

Highline’s Arianna Fiorillo fights through two Spokane defenders for control of the ball. Highline lost to the Sasquatch 2-0 in the NWAC women’s title game.

Jessica Sranda/THUNDERWORD

The T-Birds finished second in the league, the highest finish for Coach Moore with Highline and the school’s highest finish since winning it all, back in 1995.
Highline’s men’s soccer sends eight players to All-Star game

By Olivia Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The eight All-Star men’s soccer players from Highline played in one last game, but this time with a new team.

The All-Star game took place before the NWAC championship game, which was scheduled for later Sunday night on Nov. 15.

The All-Star game was made up of the top players from each region and then divided up into a battle of East and West against North and South.

The game is mainly to see who is the best of the best, players said.

Eight Highline players were honored as All-Stars, which is the maximum amount of All-Stars that can be selected from a team.

Highline players made up the majority of the East-West team.

The Highline All-Star players included forwards Jandro Soto-Gonzalez and defenders Colton Ronk, Tyler John, and Garrett Brewer and goalkeeper Grayson Raffensperger.

The North-South regional team came out on top, winning the game 3-2.

Highline freshman Christian Soto-Gonzalez scored one of the goals for the East-West All-Star team.

“The game was for fun and for competition,” said Highline sophomore Isidro Prado-Huerta. “It was a chance for us to show off our skills, our favorite moves, or what we do best. But also to see which region was better.”

Prado-Huerta won the MVP title for the West Division.

Prado-Huerta has not been a stranger to success throughout the 16 years he’s been playing.

He won the 4A Most Valuable Player from the Washington State Soccer Coaches Association in 2013, but this was his first time winning MVP at the college level.

“I think what helped this year was that I started playing more for the team rather than playing for myself,” Prado-Huerta said. “I wanted us to be ranked nationally – and we were. I just had the mindset to fight till the end for the team.”

Prado-Huerta plans to continue his soccer career next year at University of California, Santa Barbara.

Prado-Huerta said the love of the game and the large attendance of fans at the games is what makes him want to transfer to UCSC to play soccer.

On Sunday at the men’s soccer finals, Spokane lost to Peninsula in the NWAC finals. The final score was 4-3.

Highline won the 2015 NWAC championship title, which is the team’s fourth championship over the last six years.

As for next year, Highline coaches and players say they will be back for blood.

“They’ll have a solid squad,” Prado-Huerta said. “This season [the freshmen] saw how important it is to work and how it feels to win. Next year, they’ll play hard to get that feeling back.”

T-Birds’ Noon and Mason go perfect in matches

By Olivia Jollimore  
Staff Reporter

Highline wrestlers went 0-4 this past weekend at the California Duals in Redding, but got outstanding results from some individual wrestlers.

Highline lost to Simpson, 23-22; lost to Cerrosos, 26-24; fell to Sacramento City, 28-22; and ended the day by falling to Fresno City, 24-15.

Highline wrestlers Elias Mason and Tyler Noon both went undefeated with a record of 4-0.

“I see great things for this team from top to bottom,” Coach Brad Luvass said.

The Thunderbirds brought 11 wrestlers to the California Duals.

The wrestlers that went were Andres Tereza, 125; Jay R Small, 133; Andrew Ramirez, 141; Cole Morrison, 149; Angel Aquilar, 157; Vladimir Kaledin, 165; Hunter Taylor, 174; Tyler Noon and Taylor Johnson, 184; Elias Mason, 197; and Jacob Apodaca, Heavyweight.

Mason and Tereza are currently ranked No. 4 in the nation. The team is currently ranked No. 17 nationally.

“I would say that [Noon] was the top performer,” Highline Head Coach Scott Norton said on the Highline Wrestling’s Facebook page. “If he wrestles that way at the national tournament he could win it.”

Mason had some close matches but was really in control the whole time,” Coach Norton said.

Tereza went 3-1. Ramirez and Kaledin went 2-1.

“I would expect him [Kaledin] to be an All-American as a freshman. He is that good,” Coach Norton said.

Apodaca won his first match, also his first match as a college student.

“I am very happy with this team’s first outing as they all went out and wrestled,” Coach Luvass said.

This Saturday, Nov. 21, the T-Birds will be headed to North Idaho for the NIC Duals, and on Sunday, Nov. 22, the Spokane Open in Spokane.
Lady T-Birds gear up to win against Grays Harbor during practice before the game that broke the tie between Highline and Tacoma.

The Highline volleyball team will be playing in the NWAC tournament at 4:30 p.m. today. The Lady T-Birds shared the region championship with Tacoma after a win against Grays Harbor on Oct. 11. The Lady T-Birds defeated the Chokers in three sets 25-19, 25-22, 25-15. Highline met Grays Harbor earlier this season and Assistant Head Coach Russ Dickinson said, "It was our errors that caused us to lose." Highline ensured that errors wouldn't give the game away because the Lady T-Birds managed to commit only 13 errors compared to the 30 before.

Freshmen Kahila Kellheri, opposite hitter, led the team with 10 kills followed by Emi Atanoa, outside hitter, with nine, and 32 total for the team. Highline finished the regular season at 31-6 and 10-2 in league play, closing the playoff gap between Tacoma and crowning the Lady T-Birds as co-champions of the NWAC West Division.

Highline had several players break out of the box and make the West Region all-star team. Sophomore Cheyanne Haan, middle blocker, was awarded co-most valuable player of the year and freshman Pumehana Nedlic, middle hitter, made first team, along with freshman Emi Atanoa, outside hitter, along with Freshman Megan Van Marter, middle blocker, making second team. Sophomore Katelynn Fullmer, setter, made the sophomore all-star team, Head Coach Chris Littleman announced. "That is a big deal because I am a transfer student so I only had one chance," said Fullmer. "We are all excited and ready," she said.

"We are ready for the playoffs and excited to have players make the all-star team," said freshman Luhualani Keka, right side hitter. "We are excited about the players who made the all-star team but we plan on playing all four days," she said. "We didn’t work this hard all season to just sit and relax at the end. "Five months of playing volleyball - what is another week?" Keka said. "Our strategy as players is to communicate to each other during the game and celebrate more often," she said.

"Usually the eastern region or an Oregon school usually takes the title but this year it’s up for grabs," said North Region champion Shoreline head coach Mark West. "I believe you guys have a good chance also," he said. The NWAC Championship Tournament is Nov. 19-22; the Lady T-Birds start their playoff games this weekend. "I believe in them," said Coach Nadeau. "They just have the drive. Every team in the league is anxious to see the T-Birds improve over the season, in terms of work ethic and competitive drive. I believe in them," said Coach Nadeau. "They just have to believe in themselves." The T-Birds have several games this weekend. Highline will play Wenatchee Valley at Tacoma on Friday, Nov. 20 at 4 p.m., then Peninsula at Tacoma on Nov. 21 at 2 p.m. and finally, the T-Birds face Lower Columbia on Nov. 22 at 3 p.m.
One end?

9. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is the offspring of a cockroach called?

10. DISCOVERIES: Who was the first to show how anesthesia could be used to relieve surgical pain?

Answers

1. Five (Alabama, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas)

2. SpongeBob SquarePants

3. Starbuck

4. The Jazz Singer (1927)

5. 0.125

6. 1977

7. Gin

8. The tongue

9. Nymphs

10. William Morton (1846)

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Weekly SUDOKU by Linda Thistle

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 3x3 box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★★

* Moderate ** Challenging *** HOO BOY! © 2015 King Features Synd., Inc.

GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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ACROSS

1. A great amount

6. Construction piece

11. “Evangeline” setting

12. Housefly arena

14. Street less traveled

15. Past

16. Salt Lake athlete

17. He hit 61 in ’61

19. Scooted

20. Afterward

22. Three-man vessel

23. Lose color

24. Helvetica lack

26. Most goose-bump-inducing

28. NOW goal

30. Slight touch

31. Run off (with)

35. “Loves me (not)” factor


40. Bother

42. Post-bout garb

43. Whatever

46. So far

46. Sheepish remark

47. Newswriter’s name

52. Water nymph

54. Philippine knives

59. Sarcasm

63. First letter of the word “soul”

64. “A Green World”

65. “Western World”

66. “The Adventures of Tom Sawyer”


68. “The Hound of the Baskervilles”

69. “The Picture of Dorian Gray”

57. .50


62. “The Village Voice”


64. “The New Yorker”


66. “The Economist”


69. “The New Yorker”


73. “The New Yorker”


75. “The Economist”


80. “The Village Voice”


86. “The New Yorker”


88. “The Economist”


93. “The New Yorker”


95. “The Economist”


100. “The New Yorker”

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King Crossword

Aries (March 21 to April 19) Your ruling planet, Mars, allows you to assume a sense of command that can help you turn a chaotic workplace situation into one that’s orderly, productive and, yes, even friendly.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20) Getting a relationship that’s been stuck in a rut up and running again depends on how far you want to run with it. Be honest with yourself as you consider which decision to make.

Gemini (May 21 to June 20) Be wary of rumors that seem to be coming from everywhere this week. Waiting for the facts before you act means never having to say you’re sorry you followed the wrong lead.

Cancer (June 21 to July 22) A difficult personal matter might prompt you to turn to a trusted friend to help you sort through a maze of emotional conflicts. The weekend should bring some welcome news.

Leo (July 23 to August 22) Some of the new people coming into the Lion’s life could play pivotal roles in future personal and professional matters. Meanwhile, an old friend might have an important message.

Virgo (August 23 to September 22) A delay in getting things moving on schedule can be a blessing in disguise. Use this extra time to do more research so you can buttress any of the weaker points with solid facts.

Libra (September 23 to October 22) You might need to get involved in a personal matter before it becomes a serious problem. Also, be wary of someone offering to mediate, unless you can be sure of his or her motives.

Scorpio (October 23 to November 21) Taking sides in a workplace or domestic dispute could prolong the problem. Stay out and stay cool. Then you can be friends with both parties when things settle down.

Sagittarius (November 22 to December 21) A friendship has the potential to become something more, and with this week’s aspects favoring romance, you might feel that this possibility is worth exploring.

Capricorn (December 22 to January 19) The new job you want might require you to relocate. If so, keep an open mind and weigh all the positives and negatives before making your decision.

Aquarius (January 20 to February 18) A new relationship seems to be everything you could have hoped for. Congratulations. Meanwhile, it’s not too early to get some feedback on that new project you’re working on.

Pisces (February 19 to March 20) You might have decided to get out of the fast-moving current and just float around hither and yon for a while. But you might find that the new opportunity is too tempting to turn down.

BORN THIS WEEK: You believe in bringing out the best in people with kind deeds, loving words and recognition of their “special” selves.

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3 Trivial Test by Eddie Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: How many U.S. states border the Gulf of Mexico?

2. TELEVISION: Who lives at 124 Conch Street, Bikini Bottom, Pacific Ocean?

3. LITERATURE: What was the name of the first mate in Moby-Dick?

4. MOVIES: What film was the first full-length “talkie”?

5. MATH: What is the decimal equivalent of the fraction one-eighth?

6. HISTORY: In what year did President Jimmy Carter pardon all Vietnam War draft dodgers?

7. FOOD & DRINK: What is the traditional liquor used in making a Tom Collins drink?

8. ANATOMY: What is the only muscle in the human body that’s attached at only

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Atheism

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Anthony Parish, from South Park Missionary Baptist Church, has been coming to Highline for five years to spread the word. “I come here to warn people of their sins and that Jesus Christ is the only way to eternal life,” he said. “I’m here to challenge their world views.”

“Muslims, Mormons, Jehovah’s Witnesses, they’re here proselytizing, and I’m here to challenge their world views.”

“I tell a lot of people that if you die a Muslim, or a Mormon, or a Jehovah’s Witness, or a Buddhist, or a Catholic that you’re going to hell,” He said. “It’s important for people to know that, Jesus is the only way.”

“When the quarter starts, when I’m not working, I’m here every week,” Anthony Parish said.

“Aaron Parish, from New Life Church in Maple Valley, holds the sign for his brother. It’s his first time coming out here with him.

“We like to be out here and preach about the word,” Aaron Parish said.

Anthony Parish doesn’t just visit Highline, but many other colleges around the area as well.

The Meetup group does activism, where they visit places such as Highline to spread their word. Highline students reacted mostly positive towards AtHope’s message, and interacted more than other colleges, he said.

Another goal of the HARP Meetup group is to get together in support of one another.

“Often times we’re ostracized — like half of my family disowned me just because I stopped believing in god,” AtHope said. “They’re pastors and youth pastors and assistant pastors so church is not something they believe, it’s their life.”

Similarly, promoting equality is an important step in caring for one another, said AtHope. “I want people to think better. I’m a socialist, I’m against capitalism, I’m against using money against people. I fight for feminism, and gay rights and stuff like that,” AtHope said.

“We’re kind of anti-religious but we’re humanists about it. Everything new that happens in science ends up in my group, so people are extremely informed.”

For more information, and to link to the HARP groups and AtHope’s social media sites, visit damienmarieathope.com.

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With the storm comes the risk of a campus-wide power outage and subsequent cancellation of school. Highline has already lost power once this year on Oct. 26 and campus was closed until 1 p.m.

“High winds lead to trees falling and taking out power to the campus and surrounding community. Power outages are a problem in our area in part because of trees,” Whittington said. However Highline does have contingencies in place for the inevitable power failure.

“We do have a couple of locations that have backup generators but the area that they would power only provide limited lights and some wall outlets fired up,” Holldorf said, “We do have a backup generator for our IT server room so we can keep the network up.”

Around 370,000 people were left without power at some point during the storm.

With the dangers caused by flooding, wayward branches, slick roads, and fallen power lines, students should be more observant of their surroundings in weather like this, Whittington said.

“Paying attention to what is happening around you can keep you safe from an object falling on you in high wind,” Whittington said. “Also, students should know that if campus loses power, they need to evacuate the buildings and may be outside for a short time. Dressing appropriately for the weather conditions would be important.”

Lecture to dig into Big Bertha woes, update

By Sam McCullough

Big Bertha and all of her troubles will be discussed at Friday’s Science Seminar.

Bertha is the drilling machine tunneling a two-mile route under downtown Seattle to replace the city’s aging Alaskan Way Viaduct and reconfigure the downtown Seattle waterfront.

Bertha became damaged two years ago and progress on the project halted.

Chris D. Brown from the Alaskan Way Viaduct project will present the lecture.

Science Seminar is at 1:30 p.m. in Building 3, room 102.