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Public Safety practice how to handle a protest, in case of one ever happening here on campus.

Public Safety drills out a protest

By **Brendan Myrick**
Staff Reporter

Student protesters were encouraged by a Highline professor to throw water bottles and yell at Public Safety on Tuesday. Fortunately, it was a Public Safety drill involving Des Moines Police and student volunteers, which took place outside Building 28 on May 16 at 9 a.m.

The focus of the drill was to train Public Safety officers for scenarios involving protestors and what action is needed at the

moment.

Dr. Steve Lettic, a former Des Moines Police Officer, gathered some of his students to re-enact an “environmental” protest for Public Safety. Students shouted made-up phrases such as “green lives matter,” “save the trees” and “can you absorb CO2? I don’t think so.” Students also kicked and threw plastic bottles near officers and marched toward officers and around Building 28.

David Menke, director of Public Safety, went on to explain the drill’s purpose was to

make sure Public Safety is up to speed with Highline’s protocols and procedures.

The drill was, “to test our operating procedures and practice coordination, communication with Des Moines Police and train Public Safety for emergency events,” Menke said.

Public Safety officers worked on blocking off routes from outsiders and directing protestors away from areas that led to the parking lots or buildings. Public Safety also communi-

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Primer, Tiruneh win student vote

By **Ellie Aguilar**
Staff Reporter

Vanessa Primer had been elected as Highline’s new Student Government president.

Primer won with 55 percent of the votes or 282 votes, over Michaela Clemming who had 42.5 percent of the votes or 218 votes.

Mahlet Tiruneh won the election for vice president.

Tiruneh won 53.4 percent of the votes or 274 votes, over Byung Min that had 43.7 percent or 224.

Primer will replace James Jackson as the new student body president. Tiruneh will replace Gabby Fuller as the vice president.

“It’s really hard to get students motivated to vote, especially when they are set in not voting... so when people



Vanessa Primer

are willing to listen and say they are going to support you it means a lot because every vote really counts,” Tiruneh said.

The elections held on May 10 and 11 had a total of 513 electronic ballots submitted. The turnout was consistent with last year when 512 students voted.

“Voter turnout was kind of low. Out of the 17,000 students only about 500 students voted but it’s always low because it’s hard to get students interested,” said Tiruneh.

“I attribute my success to the people that supported me, like TRIO and the people in my program that constantly were encouraging me to run,” Primer said. She said she hopes to deal with issues that

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Mahlet Tiruneh

Lower youth jail population, Upthegrove says



Dave Upthegrove

By **Cynthia Velez-Regalado**
Staff Reporter

King County Councilman Dave Upthegrove says he is for helping reduce the number of youth going into jail, but is also for public safety.

“We are leading the nation in reducing the number of kids in jail,” said Upthegrove.

The typical average was 200 and has gone down to 30-50 a day.

Half of the detainees are African American, and two thirds are people of color, said Upthegrove.

“Something is wrong with that. It that does not match our population,” said Upthegrove.

“I’m for reducing the number of detainees, reducing racial disparity, and protecting public safety,” he said.

One of the things the council has done is decriminalizing not having bus fare.

Previously, if a person was

caught on a Metro bus without having bought a ticket, they could be sent to jail. Similar infractions merely resulted in tickets.

The bus-fare crime disproportionately affected young people of color.

Now people only get a ticket if they didn’t pay their bus fare, he said.

Another thing they have done is changed the court people could appeal at. Juveniles who wanted to appeal some-

thing like a bus fare citation had to travel to Shoreline District Court north of Seattle.

Upthegrove said he attempted to plot a bus trip from his house in Des Moines to the court. The Metro search engine kicked it back because it would take more than four hours to complete the trip by bus.

Now people can go to different courts that are closer to their homes.

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Unwanted extra-curricular activity in the Library

By **Brendan Myrick**
Staff Reporter

A female student reported to Library staff that an unknown male approached her while she was studying and began harassing her in the Library around 3:30 p.m. on May 10. Reports were that the suspect approached the student and asked if she needed help studying, then repeatedly tried to put his arm around her.

The female student moved away from the suspect and decided to take a nap, despite what just happened. She then woke up around 4 p.m. to the same individual groping her. There was no report if the individual was apprehended.

Panhandlers beware

A non-student was seen aggressively asking multiple students for money, food, or cigarettes on May 11 at 8:11 p.m. It was believed the individual would not leave students alone, even when they denied his requests.

The person then turned their aggression toward Public Safety officers who confronted him. Des Moines Police were contacted and the individual was banned from campus.

They told him if he was to come back he would get arrested. The person then complied and left campus.

Who forgot to let the dogs out?

A concerned student noticed a dog locked in their owner's car in the East Lot while they were walking to class at 11:15 a.m. on May 10. Public Safety arrived at the scene to find the dog happily sitting in the car without any signs of overheating or dehydration.

It was too cool outside for Public Safety officers to do anything; so instead officers left a printed copy of the RCW code on the windshield regarding pets in locked vehicles.

The mysterious missing plates

A student reported to Public Safety that his license plate was stolen from their car at 12:30 p.m. on May 11. Public Safety viewed over camera footage and revealed that the student's plates were not stolen on campus.

The individual was advised to contact their landlord to see if their plates were stolen at their apartment complex.

Pictures or it didn't happen

A student reported that their car had been damaged in the North Lot around 2:39 p.m. on May 11. Once again Public Safety reviewed camera footage and revealed that no damage occurred to the vehicle.

Student has a medical scare

A student complained they were experiencing chest pains and contacted 911. Medics showed up and figured out the individual was only having a panic attack.

The individual was calmed down and did not head to the hospital.

No roughhousing in Building 8

A group of students were caught playing a game of volleyball inside of Building 8 on May 15 at 5:40 p.m.

Public Safety directed the students outside of the building, taking away the possibility of breaking something or causing harm to other individuals.

Women rise up in award ceremony



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Highline student Caryn Truitt receives a women in action award in a ceremony last week.

Better your health and wisdom

The Inter-Cultural Center is hosting a Counseling Wisdom Series with the first round being all about resting the body, soul and mind.

The Inter-Cultural Center is in collaboration with the Counseling Center and will be holding an open dialogue creating a way to ease the disheartening experiences through facing and understanding emotional wounds.

The workshop will focus on how to heal the emotional pains and how to maintain a high level of health after dealing with them.

The first round takes place today in Building 8, the Inter-Cultural Center, room 204 at 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The Inter-Cultural Center will be moving on to the second round of the Counseling Wisdom Series on Monday, May 22.

This time the session will be more focused on the physical side of wellness, with a complete workshop dedicated to yoga and learning the benefits of physical fitness to improve your mental health and college success.

Facilitation by Inter-Cultural Center Peer Facilitator Steve Rose and Counseling Center Staff Member Joshua Magallanes, and featuring personal fitness trainer and Highline graduate Melissa Miller.

All levels of fitness are welcome; dress comfortably.

The second round will be in Building 8, the Inter-Cultural



Center, room 204 at noon to 1:30 p.m.

Vote for faculty before it's too late

The deadline is almost here for Highline's annual vote for Outstanding Faculty Awards.

The Highline College Foundation provides two \$1,500 awards to be presented to Highline College's Outstanding Faculty of the Year. The two awards that are up for grabs are the Tenured Faculty of the Year which is only eligible for all full-time tenured faculty, and then the adjunct Faculty of the Year which is only eligible for all part-time and adjunct faculty.

Nominations can be made by any student, staff member, faculty member or administrator of Highline. A person may make only one nomination for each award.

The nominations need to consist of written statements from both the nominator and then a second reference that gives specific emphasis to the nominee's contribution to education at Highline.

Nominations need to be submitted to the Selection Commit-

tee in the Office of Instruction, Mailstop 9-2, by 5 p.m. on May 26.

The names of the recipients of the 2017 awards will be announced at the Faculty & Staff Spring Luncheon on June 15.

Clean up crime and garbage at Highline

A crime prevention clean-up day is scheduled at Highline for June 1, where students and faculty can help improve Highline's environment.

Public Safety is seeking out students and staff to help prevent crime on campus, by cleaning up.

The cleanup will take place Thursday, June 1 at 11 a.m. to noon and will begin in front of Building 6 near the East Lot.

The event is open to everyone at Highline.

David Menke, director of Public Safety, as well as Sgt. George Curtis and other Public Safety officers, will be at the event.

All the supplies needed for the cleanup will be provided by Public Safety.

Those who participate have a chance to win prizes such as gift cards.

Working in a diverse enviornment

Today CASE Center will host a informational session on working in a diverse enviornment.

The event will be held from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in Building 6, room 214.

Blossoms take student to homeland

By Ao Hsing-Yi
Staff Reporter

Highline's campus is bursting into bloom and for at least one international student, it brings fond memories of her homeland Japan.

The Hanami or flower-viewing season usually refers to the custom of enjoying cherry blossoms or plum flowers and usually happens in April. For Ayaka Tateishi, a Japanese international student, the awakening of trees and shrubs weeks later on the Highline campus is reminding her once again of the tradition.

But she says that although both old and young people appreciate the beauty of the flowers, Hanami is celebrated much differently between newer and older generations these days. Rather than quiet contemplation, today's celebrations have more energy.

"My friends and I have Hanami every year, but unlike elders, we just enjoy eat-



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International student Ayaka Tateishi celebrates Hanami at Highline this year.

ing, drinking and having fun under cherry blossoms instead of [simply] watching flowers blossoming," Tateishi said. "Older

generations are not as crazy as us."

Some companies and foreign communities hold Hanami events every year

as well. The annual Seattle Cherry Blossom and Japanese Cultural Festival was celebrated late last month at the Seattle Center. Another popular Seattle blossom-viewing place is the main University of Washington campus.

Tateishi said that when companies celebrate Hanami, it is "a good way to build good relationships with your co-workers."

Hanami may be a Japanese tradition, but it seems that people from around the world enjoy it.

According to Japan's National Tourism Organization, a record 19.73 million foreign tourists went to Japan in 2015 for cherry blossom season.

Among the places where Hanami is celebrated in the United States are New York City or Washington D.C., where enjoying the season it is a lot cheaper for those who can't afford to visit Japan.

"Whatever you do or whatever you eat while participating in Hanami, just enjoy it!" was Tateishi's advice.

Program director uses past struggles to help support students

By Jo Robinson
Staff Reporter

Highline's AANAPISI program is helping a diverse group of students have success in college, its director said recently.

Ekkarath Sisavatdy the AANAPISI [Asian American, Native American, Pacific Islander Serving Institution] director said he is very familiar with the struggles faced by the students enrolled in the program. He said he went through some of the same struggles himself.

"Oftentimes the system doesn't fit our population," said Sisavatdy.

"And oftentimes the problems associated with being a college student, are really just stemming from not knowing where to get support when you come here," he said.

Sisavatdy said his experiences in the beginning of college were similar. He was born in Laos and came here as a refugee, and although both of his parents were college educated, his father was a freedom fighter and was never home.

"That put a strain on our family, my mother often had to feed all eight of her children alone," said Sisavatdy.

"That mixed with coming to a new place and a new system that, although my parents were college educated, they didn't understand," Sisavatdy said.

Currently 86 percent of the students in the AANAPISI program are first-generation stu-

dents.

Sisavatdy said similar to his college experience, students in the program struggle with understanding the system and not knowing who to ask for help.

"A big challenge faced by our community of people would be most of us being a first-generation," said Sisavatdy.

"Because of that some students come into college with pride from already knowing their purpose and can ask any question they need to know without fear or shame. This is a good thing, but unfortunately most students feel ashamed or embarrassed to ask these same types of questions," said Sisavatdy.

He said this is where the program comes in.

"We see this a lot in our students and work hard to show them to speak to their professors and advisers. A lot of times students need us in the capacity of staff first then us as professionals second, not the other way around," said Sisavatdy.

He said his goal as a staff member is to support students holistically, to meet their needs in a timely manner, and to realize that often times he will be needed more in the role of center contact for the students than as a director to them.

Seven AANAPISI participants will be graduating from Highline this year, and there will be two participants awarded the APIASF national scholarship this Friday in Building 8, Mt. Constance at 1 p.m.

AANAPISI to host series of events and workshops

By Jo Robinson
Staff Reporter

Highline's AANAPISI program will celebrate and capture the achievements and culture of its students in a series of events this month.

"We really wanted to share our traditions with other cultures and really show people some things that you probably won't ever see again if you don't come," AANAPISI Director Ekkarath Sisavatdy said.

AANAPISI, the Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution program, serves all current students of Asian American, Native American, and Pacific Islander descent.

The opening event is the Ava ceremony which is a Samoan tradition that is held in celebration or welcoming of visitors. This ceremony will be performed by Highline's Pacific Islander Club in Mt. Constance, Friday May 19, noon until 1 p.m.

Following immediately after the ceremony in the same room, will be APIASF [Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund] Scholars Reception from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

This event is to honor APIASF scholar winners for their achievements and resilience, acknowledge AANAPISI program participants, and to celebrate the programs graduating class, Sisavatdy said.



Ekkarath Sisavatdy

The last event that day will be a feast called Back To our Roots, with food, drinks, and dance performances from South Seattle College's Pacific Islander Club. The event will be held in Building 8 from 3 to 6 p.m. RSVP with Nestor Enguerra at nenguerra@highline.edu.

There will be a workshop called Closer Look series part one: Southeast Asian Americans.

This workshop will discuss the model minority myth, best practices of integrating Southeast Asian material, and scholars into curriculum.

This event will be hosted by Dr. Rick Bonus, a professor of American Ethnic Studies at University of Washington, on Tuesday May 23 in Building 2 from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

There will be a second

workshop called Closer Look series part two: Pacific Islander Studies. Topics that will be discussed in this workshop are Pacific Islander communication styles, breaking cultural stereotypes, and addressing the achievement gap.

This event will be on May 25 in Building 2, from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

The final event will be an Asian American Pacific Islander student panel. Organizers hope this event will discuss identity, support, and cultural competency in the classroom and across campus.

This event will be Tuesday, May 30 in Building 2 from 2 to 3 p.m.

All of these events are free and are open to the public. Anyone who attends both parts of the Closer Look series will receive a certification of completion.

Each event will stamp what organizers call a game board, which can be picked up at the event or in Building 9 room 225.

If a participant collects four or more stamps they will receive a surprise gift.

"The surprise gift and certificate of completion are both great additional benefits for coming, but I am most excited for the Ava ceremony, it is the most beautiful thing that you may ever see," AANAPISI Director Ekkarath Sisavatdy said.

Congratulations and good luck

Congratulations to Highline’s Student Government president and vice president-elect. Vanessa Primer will be the 2017-2018 school year’s president and Mahlet Tiruneh will be vice president. While congratulations are in order for the two, it’s important for them to remember that they are representing a vast range of people with different needs. They should remember what platform they ran on, and be respectful of the power they will hold. As Spiderman’s uncle would say: with great power comes great responsibility. They need to keep in mind that they will be serving a diverse campus with diverse views, and everyone’s view should matter.

Between classes, late nights of studying and Student Government meetings, it might be easy for them to forget why they ran for office in the first place: to serve their fellow students, and to make a difference.

With the state of our country under the Trump Administration, there is even more pressure to think about how to combat the effects he is having on our small community.

How are the politics of our country affecting our college, and what can they do to ease the pressure?

Current President James Jackson has strived to create change for the college.

Whether or not you agree with his fight to have the national anthem removed from commencement, he fought for something he believed was right, and would create inclusion for a group of our community. And even though the vote didn’t turn out the way he hoped, he started an important conversation at our college.

He has also been involved in the creation of a re-entry program at Highline, that will provide educational opportunities for people re-entering the community from the criminal justice system.

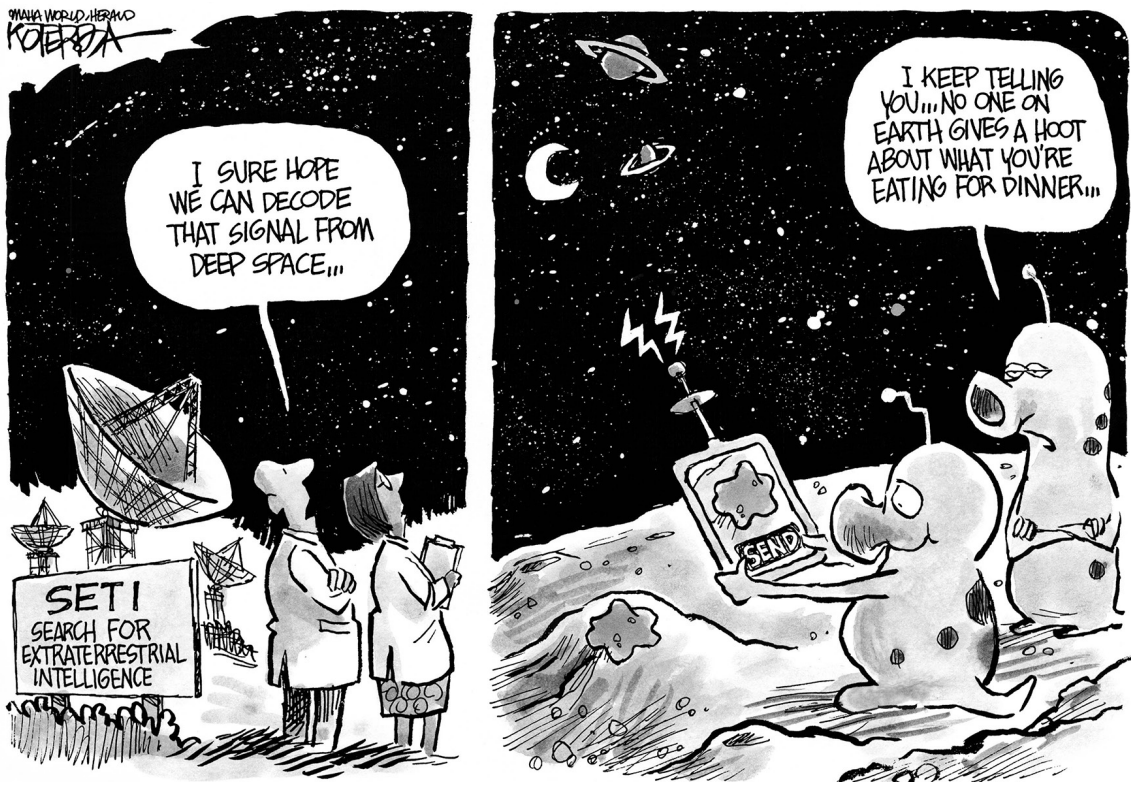
He is leaving behind big shoes to be filled, and kudos to him for that.

For our new elected officials, they should find their own passions to fight for that will make Highline a better college. Be persistent even if they face opposition. If they believe it’s right, there’s probably something there.

A year is not a long time, so they need to be diligent and start pushing for changes early.

They should look at the accomplishments of their predecessor and strive to accomplish more.

The easy part — getting elected — is done, soon it will be time for them to roll up their sleeves and get to work.



Register to vote

There is an election every year folks, let’s get you registered.

Highline is hosting a voter registration drive in the Student Union on May 22, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Even though the presidential election is important it only happens every four years and doesn’t affect everyday life as much as your local elections.

All registered voters receive a pamphlet in the mail with information about all of the candidates.

Washington elections are done all by mail, so you can pick a candidate then drop your ballot off right at Highline.

All registering will be done online for a quick and easy experience.

One small vote may be no big deal, but all of those small votes collide together to decide who is allowed to affect the lives of the people.

If you think voting doesn’t matter because it doesn’t affect you, just think about all of those standardized tests you or your

Guest Commentary



Klara Woodruff

children have to pass in order to graduate. For local and state election, 50 votes can change the outcome of the race.

Having to take a standardized test may be 50 people away from never having to happen.

If you are one of those people that doesn’t vote because you think none of the candidates are perfect then you are leaving the future up for grabs. Don’t let the perfect get in the way of the good.

Have a say in what happens in your local community and register to vote.

Getting people registered is what we are there to do so join us in the Student Union and take the first step in exercising your right to vote.

Klara Woodruff is a political science student at Highline.

Reader opposes president’s continued bid to change anthem

Dear Editor:

I’m writing in response to President [James Jackson’s] guest commentary advocating that Highline abandon the national anthem.

Sir I’m sorry you feel that way. It says a lot about how far apart we still are and how much we do need to continue to embrace “inclusion” and come together.

I am sorry that hearing our country’s anthem is painful for you. Nevertheless, it’s our anthem and I cannot come your way on this one.

Consider for a moment what sweet music this song was in the ears of Jesse Owens when standing on the top step before Hitler.

In my opinion, if you were going to go for such a far reaching change, it would have been more brave and intellectually honest to disclose this from the beginning when you first chose to run; not at the end when you’re going out the door in cap and gown and sending it to a committee.

Good luck in your future goals.

- Dan Anderson

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Is she being chased by alligators?

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

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1. **GOVERNMENT:** How many U.S. senators are elected from each state?
2. **TELEVISION:** What is the name of the bartender on *The Simpsons*?
3. **GEOGRAPHY:** What is Canada's southernmost point?
4. **ADS:** What airline used this advertising slogan: "You are now free to move about the country"?
5. **HISTORY:** Which war ended with the 1763 Treaty of Paris?
6. **FAMOUS QUOTATIONS:** What American writer once told Ernest Hemingway, "You are all a lost generation"?
7. **U.S. STATES:** What is

- the state capital of California?
8. **FOOD & DRINK:** What is the meat used in a dish called tournedos?
9. **GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:** What is the name of a hot-air balloon's basket?
10. **MUSIC:** What pop group had a hit with the 1970 release *I'll Be There*?

- Answers
1. Two
2. Moe
3. Middle Island in Lake Erie
4. Southwest
5. The French and Indian War
6. Gertrude Stein
7. Sacramento
8. Beef
9. Gondola
10. The Jackson 5

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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- 1 Listen to
- 5 Aries symbol
- 8 Clenched hand
- 12 Part of the foot
- 13 Clean air org.
- 14 Division word
- 15 Stead
- 16 One walking proudly
- 18 Mathematician famed for his "last theorem"
- 20 Lacking vigor
- 21 Pesky kid
- 23 "— Town"
- 24 Criminal in tent?
- 28 Jump
- 31 Huge star
- 32 Mideast nation
- 34 Hot tub
- 35 Candle string
- 37 Go everywhere, as spilled liquid
- 39 Mouth part
- 41 Droplet of sorrow
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- 45 Beast
- 49 Furry Pacific denizen
- 51 Corpse

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- 19 Bohemian
- 22 Dangle a carrot
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- 26 Removes the cover
- 27 Brushes up on
- 29 Gorilla
- 30 Standard
- 33 Indian flat bread
- 36 Put the — on (stop)
- 38 Clan-related
- 40 Household pooch, e.g.
- 42 "Yeah, right!"
- 43 Sandwich shop
- 44 Goblet feature
- 46 Double agent
- 47 Commotions
- 48 Caustic solutions
- 50 Always, to a bard

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- 1 50 percent
- 2 Great Lake
- 3 Computer brand
- 4 Ballroom dance (Var.)
- 5 Paraphrases
- 6 Suitable
- 7 Filly's mom

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You might have to turn your Arian charm up a few degrees if you hope to persuade that persistent pessimist to see the possibilities in your project. Whatever you do, don't give up.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A "tip" about a co-worker's "betrayal" might well raise the Bovine's rage levels. But before charging into a confrontation, let an unbiased colleague do some fact checking.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Although a relationship still seems to be moving too slowly to suit your expectations, it's best not to push it. Let it develop at its own pace. You'll soon get news about a workplace change.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A continually changing personal situation makes you feel as if you're riding an emotional roller coaster. But hold on tight; stability starts to set in early next week.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Believe it or not, someone might dare to say "No!" to the Regal One's suggestion. But instead of being miffed, use this rebuff to recheck the



proposition and, perhaps, make some changes.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You might find it difficult to make a decision about a family matter. But delay can only lead to more problems. Seek out trusted counsel and then make that important decision.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Concentrate your focus on what needs to be done, and avoid frittering away your energies on less-important pursuits. There'll be time later for fun and games.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Although the conflicts seem to be letting up, you still need to be wary of being drawn into workplace intrigues. Plan a special weekend event for family and/or friends.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your quick wit helps you work through an already difficult situation without creating more problems. Creative as-

pects begin to dominate by the week's end.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Be patient. You'll soon receive news about a project that means so much to you. Meanwhile, you might want to reconsider a suggestion you previously turned down.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) There are still some aspects about that new job offer you need to resolve. In the meantime, another possibility seems promising. Be sure to check that out as well.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Opening up your emotional floodgates could leave you vulnerable to being hurt later on. Watch what you say, in order to avoid having your words come back to haunt you.

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BORN THIS WEEK: You're usually the life of the party, which gets you on everyone's invitation list. You also have a flair for politics.

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Arts Round up



• Centerstage is back with a new musical, *Cardinal Sins*, written by John Forster and Centerstage's own Alan Bryce.

The show is currently running until June 4 at 8 p.m. on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, and at 2 p.m. on Sundays.

Tickets are \$35 for general admission. For more information, visit centerstagetheatre.com.

• The Renton Civic Theatre is hosting comedian Morgan Preston on May 26 and May 27, at 8:30 p.m. for both showings. The shows are at 507 S. 3rd St.

Preston has been performing stand-up comedy since he was 17 years old, and now 22 years later has made a big name for himself as an edgy comedian.

Tickets for these shows are \$12. For tickets or more information, visit rentoncivictheatre.com.

• The ShoWare Center is featuring singer-songwriter Maxwell on June 20 at 8 p.m. for his 2017 summer tour.

Maxwell is known for helping shape the subgenre neo soul, which was most prominent in the late 1990s.

He is performing alongside special guests Common and Ledisi at 625 W. James St., Kent.

Tickets range from \$56 to \$96, and \$1 from every ticket will be donated to Artists for Peace and Justice.

For tickets or more information, visit showare-center.com.

• The Renton Civic Theatre hosts the musical *Company*, a tale surrounding a bachelor who ponders over the pros and cons of his last days as a single man.

The showings are from June 9 to June 24 on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 2 p.m. at 507 S. 3rd St.

Tickets range from \$20 to \$25.

For more information or to order tickets, visit rentoncivictheatre.com.

Listen to music in the sun

By Winter Dorval
Staff reporter

The Summer Concert Series in Des Moines' Beach Park will hold concerts featuring artists performing varying genres of music.

The genres will include Beatles music, bluegrass, rock, country, and Latin... lots of Latin.

"The Sunset Farmers Market contacted the Des Moines Arts Commission to collaborate with us to promote the Wednesday Market before our concerts; we agreed," said Jean Munro, chairman of the Des Moines Arts Commission.

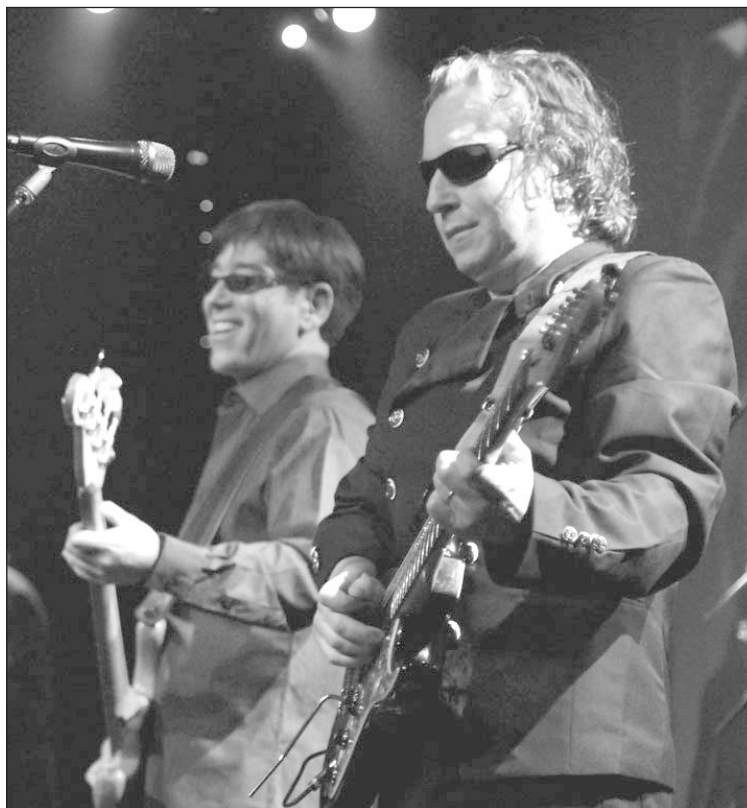
"Who wouldn't want a farmers market and a concert series in a beautiful waterfront setting? It is a win-win."

She said the Arts Commission is particularly conscious of the community's diversity in selecting this year's lineup.

"We looked at who is liv-



Bobby Medina will be performing on July 19.



David Ball photo

Bowie Vision performs covers of songs originally performed by the late legendary musician, David Bowie.

ing in our community and tried to bring in bands that we hope will bring our community members to the park, [bringing] their students to listen to great music and more exposure to the arts," Munro said.

The band Cordavia will be playing on July 12. Their music is Latin, afrobeat, and funk dance.

Bobby Medina will perform Latin and jazz music on July 19.

Fun Addicts will perform a variety of music on July 26.

Bowie Vision, a David Bowie tribute band, will kick off the August concerts on the second.

Alama Y Azucar will play

Latin and Jazz music on August 9.

Cherry Cherry will be covering songs originally done by singer-songwriter Neil Diamond on August 16.

The series will close with the band Mantra, a Santana tribute band, on Aug. 23.

All of the concerts will be from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

The average attendance of each concert has been 800 to 1,500 people in the past, Munro said.

People wanting to enter input on the music selections can visit their facebook page at desmoinesartscommission.com.

Munro said that collaborations such as these with the

Summer Concert Series benefit the local community as well.

"The collaboration, involving the Arts Commission, Farmers Market, Destination Des Moines, and the Legacy Foundation, is very important to the city," she said.

"The community ultimately benefits from these offerings to keep our city active with performing and visual arts, and with healthy food options."

These include "local business owners who run food trucks, bakeries, and farms," Munro said.

Food can be purchased at the Sunset Farmers Market in the North Marina parking lot before people head on over to listen to live music at Beach Park.

"If they purchase [food] at the Sunset Farmers Market they can get their parking fee comped," she said.

The events are pay what you can, so while there is no set price, donations are encouraged.

"Donations collected in bins around the park will go to the Des Moines Arts Commission to pay for future concerts in the park. The raffle tickets and other sales will be split with Legacy and Destination Des Moines for beer and wine sales," she said.

"Legacy helps seniors, youth and arts programs. Destination Des Moines helps with advertising and keeping businesses marketed and open," she said.

The event will be held at Des Moines Beach Park, 22030 Cliff Ave. S.

Arcturus displays students' fresh work

By Winter Dorval
Staff Reporter

Highline's Arcturus have fresh pages and a fresh start this year.

Arcturus is an annual literary journal that Highline students can submit their work to, and potentially get published.

"As long as the college has been here, since 1961, Highline has had a literary magazine; the name Arcturus came about closer to 25 years ago," said Susan Rich, an English professor at Highline.

Rich, along with teaching, has taken the position of faculty adviser for Arcturus, following the previous faculty adviser Sharon Hashimoto.

"I have wanted to work on Arcturus since I came to Highline College to teach. It's thrilling to finally be on staff with a superb group of students," said Rich.

This year's edition has more than 80 pages of poetry, prose, artwork, and photography.

"The editors of Arcturus, as well as the designers, are all Highline students," said Rich.

The editors enroll in a two-quarter, three-credit class to work on Arcturus.

"The first quarter is spent reading, annotating, and then debating submissions. Near the end of the first quarter, we start organizing it and talking with the print shop," said Cin-

dy Ngo, one of the editors for Arcturus.

"In the second quarter we decide on the cover, designs, and which types of paper we'll use.

There are 44 people that have worked on this year's edition of Arcturus, including the editors," said Ngo.

They received over 100 submissions, and only printed a handful.

"It has the same types of content as past issues," said Ngo. "This is a milestone year, because we're doing a lot of new things."

"We're branching out with publicity through social media," Ngo said. "The Arcturus is a dark, tucked-away gem. There are constantly people coming

and going, so they don't have enough time to really get to know all of what the college has to offer."

Their website is arcturusliterarymag.highline.edu, where their Twitter and Facebook accounts can also be found.

31 of those chosen were poetry, and 16 were art or photography.

On June 8 in Building 2 at noon and 6 p.m., the 2017 issue of Arcturus will be released.

At the launch party, attendees will see a slideshow of the artwork in Arcturus, receive a free copy of the issue, and the editors will be hosting a question and answer session.

Portfolio Show prepares students for creative fields

By Kenai Brazier
Staff Reporter

Highline students will be displaying two years of hard work during the 2017 Portfolio Show.

Students from the Graphic Design, Drafting, Multimedia, Interior Design, Ceramics, and Photography programs have been working this quarter to put on the portfolio show that will take place June 5 and 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and 5 to 8 p.m. on both days.

With only five classes left until the show, the students persevered through the process of completing and compiling work that they had done in their respective classes for the last two years.

Interior Design student Amanda Engel said that “The most important part of a portfolio is that you show the diversity of all the skills you have.”

However, this is just the fundamental basis of what students have been learning throughout their time spent in the class, another student said.

“Not only did we learn to create our portfolios but we learned how to present ourselves and our creative works



Highline student Melissa Black entered this piece as a contribution to her portfolio.

to employers,” said Interior Design student Ivanna Miakota. “As you go back to projects from the past two years you realize that there are things you would do differently now and that can be challenging to handle.”

“The key point to remember is that employers don’t just want to see the final product, they want to see how you got there,”

she said.

Graphic Design student Lauren Bonck agreed.

“It’s interesting to see the changes from my first quarter up until now,” she said.

“The biggest challenge has been wondering if I will get it all done in time. I broke my nose and missed a week of class so I was behind schedule, Bonck said.

One of the most prominent topics that the students in the portfolio class spoke of was time, because ultimately the work shown will be used in order to become employed, so being late is not an option.

“The portfolio class teaches a critical skill that anybody entering a creative field will need,” said the Art and Design

Program Manager Tamara Hilton. “There are many things that could go wrong during this process, I’ve seen jump drives break, printers stop working, colors that don’t print right, or even entire computers being stolen, so making sure not to do things at the last minute is a necessary skill.”

Overall the students said that portfolio class is a platform that students can use as a base to build off of as they continue outside of the program itself.

“Even once the class is finished, a portfolio is something that I can constantly add to and make better in order to show employers,” said interior design student Daniel Kristiansen.

“The goal when making a portfolio is to show your taste and style so that people can see the uniqueness in your work. Anybody coming can expect to enjoy amazing work, many other talented artists are presenting this year, and even the photography and ceramics students are participating this time around,” he said.

The event will take place in the Mt. Constance and Mt. Olympus Rooms located in the Student Union, Building 8.

It is open to all.

Come on and slam, welcome to the Space Jam Club

By Khalil Johnson
Staff Reporter

Space Jam is a club that gives students the chance to connect with one another from all different types of art disciplines.

The purpose of the club is to create a safe and stimulating space for students and to provide opportunities for them to view live performances through quarterly events, its leaders said.

Tiana Ross is the president of the club and Chino Gonzales is the coordinator. The club has been around before under the name CAPE. Neither Ross or Gonzales

could remember what the initials CAPE stood for, but that hasn’t stopped them from resurrecting the purpose.

Ross said that with the demise of the Drama Department two years ago, her goal is to bring awareness to all of the talent on campus.

Ross worked for the Drama Department and has been a staff member at Highline since 2010. Gonzales has been with Highline since 2012 and graduated last year.

Ross and Gonzales are the last people who remain from the old theater department. They say they are hoping to find new

replacements to fill their roles as president and coordinator.

They cooperate with many clubs that focus on different art disciplines. They have collaborated with the Yamato Taiko Club in the past, which teaches the traditional Japanese drumming art.

“We are dedicated to creating a space for art,” Gonzales said. “I feel like arts are what helped me survive.”

They say they believe that art is activism.

“I’ve met so many people through this club,” Ross said.

She said she wants to restart the Drama Department and see it

grow significantly so that Highline can give students the option to be a part of something new.

“People want a drama department here at Highline, but instead, had to go to another college such as Tacoma Community College or Pierce because we don’t have one,” Ross said.

“Anyone is welcome,” Gonzales said. “We’ll take anyone that is interested in all types of art.”

There are 25 members in the club, but they associate and collaborate with other clubs as well.

Space Jam is also providing a Spring Arts Jam this quarter. The members plan to present

a play about unplugging from one’s mobile device and getting a glimpse of what mother nature has to offer. It is also about being mindful of the present moment and observing the beauty of our world through performance arts. This is a play called *Nature Resumes Her Love* and will be performed on June 1 from 1 to 2 p.m. in Building 7.

Club meetings are Wednesdays in Building 4, room 122, and Fridays in Building 4, room 109.

For more information, contact Ross at tianaross@students.highline.edu and Gonzales at getabogorolo@gmail.com.

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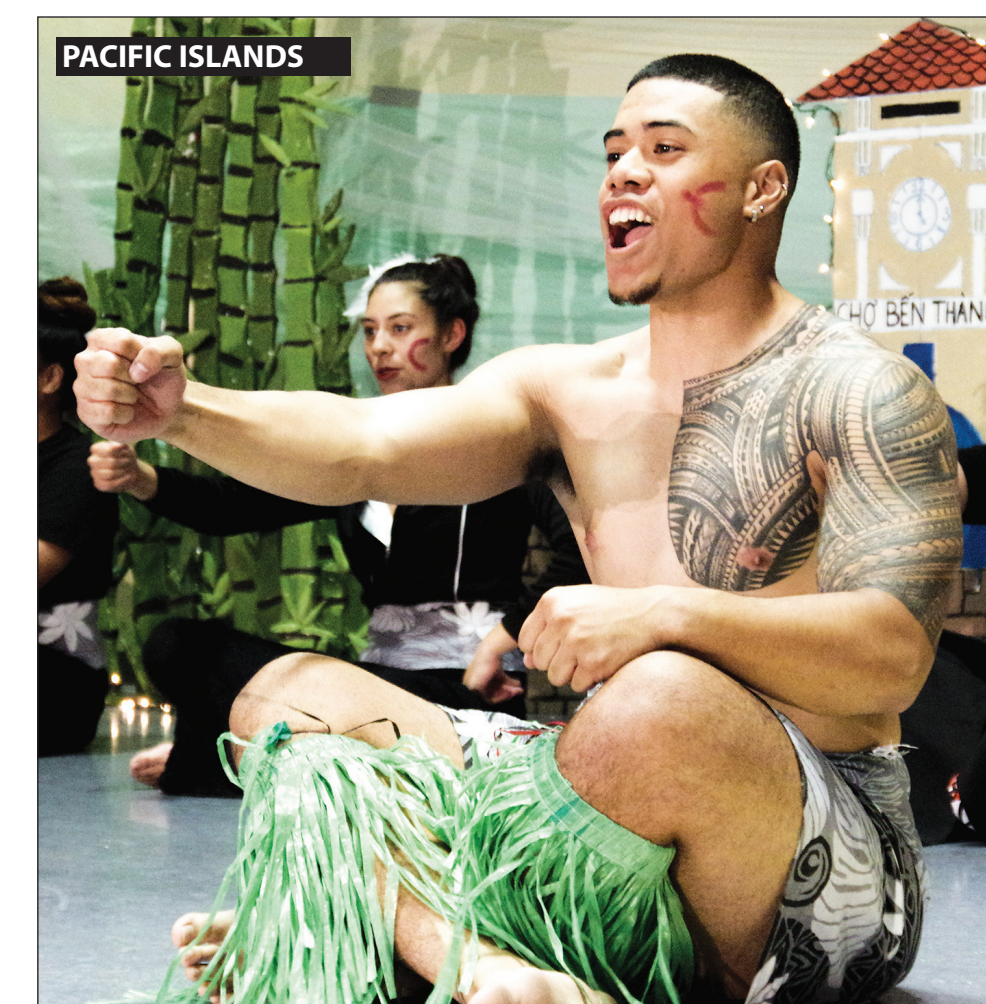
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A Taste of the World

GLOBALFEST 2017

By Chikako Murakawa / Staff Reporter

Culture and cuisine, song and dance were all on the menu last Saturday for the college's annual celebration of GlobalFest.

The theme was "A Taste of The World" and about 250 visitors celebrated with Highline International Student Programs students.

There were cultural booths for seven countries: Mexico, Japan, China, Thailand, Vietnam, Korea and Cambodia; and eight countries were represented in the performances, in addition to the Taiko and Hip-Hop Dance clubs.

One of the highlights was the surprise appearance of a dancer on stilts, performing to traditional Mexican music. The dance team kept the appearance under wraps throughout rehearsals. Many a jaw dropped.

The Vietnamese team enacted the story of Cinderella through dance and the Thailand team also emphasized dance — their specialty.

"My favorite part of GlobalFest is at the end of the night, when the last performance is done and everyone

cheers and congratulates their friends. There is a great feeling of "We did it," said Amee Moon, assistant director of International Student Programs. "It was hard to organize about 100 volunteers."

"This year Global Fest was really fun. The decorations were a lot more colorful and the performances were even better than last year," said student Esbeanite Dumo.

The premise of the entertainment was to highlight the many stories of how international students found their way to Highline.

"The skit was about how the life and connection to Highline College changes their life," said Moon.

Student Siqi Xu said the sharing of experiences "helped me to understand how significant globalism is at this college. This enhances my unique experience in the U.S."

Although fewer groups participated in GlobalFest than last year, the organizers wanted it to be the best one ever, said participant Chiharu Yamaguchi.

"I wanted the audience and the performers to feel the same [gratitude] I feel," Yamaguchi said.





Looking east from Mount Si's summit is the view of a snow-covered stretch of the Cascade Mountain Range on a sunny day in all its glory.

Mountain of sighs

Well-worn Mt. Si trail still delivers breathtaking views

**Story and photos
by Kelsey Par**
Staff Reporter



One of the Western Cascades' busiest trails still provides a view that's worth the uphill climb.

Located in North Bend, Mount Si is positioned on the western margin of the Cascades. The climb is approximately 4,167 feet high and 4 miles from the base to the summit, equaling an 8 mile hike round-trip.

"Mount Si is a very popular hike and more than 100,000 people climb it each year," said Anna Roth, hiking content manager for Washington Trails Association.

In early spring, hikers who are preparing to climb Mount Rainier will climb Mount Si with weighted packs to get ready, Roth said. The hike begins with a series of switchbacks, but flat-

tens out about halfway up the mountain. Soon after, the trail steepens and the switchbacks return until the summit.

This is a climb that I recommend all hikers experience at least once. However, it's important to come prepared. The trail itself was very muddy, rocky and uneven, making it easy to slip. Hikers should wear hiking shoes or boots that provide traction as well as ankle support.

They should bring a warm jacket and rain jacket as well, since the weather can turn at any time.

Hikers should also bring plenty of water and snacks as they should expect to spend three or more hours on the mountain.

Roth said that no matter how easy, how short, or how close to home a hike is, hikers should always come prepared.

Washington Trails Association recommends that all hikers bring the following 10 essentials on any hike;

- Navigation - a detailed map of the area and a compass.
- Hydration - plenty of fluids, especially water.
- Nutrition - carry at least one extra day's worth of food, in case of an unexpected delay.
- Rain gear and insulation - the weather can change very quickly in the mountains.
- Firestarter - always bring

waterproof matches and a dry or waterproof striker.

- First aid kit - carry a first aid kit that is useful and has all the essentials.

- Tools - knives, a multitool and duct tape are helpful for various tasks.

- Illumination - a light source is critical if you get stuck after dark. Make sure to bring extra batteries and an extra bulb.

- Sun protection - sunglasses and sunscreen are important, especially if you're above treeline.

- Shelter - An emergency tarp or blanket can be a life saver during an unexpected night in the woods.

One of the biggest challenges of climbing Mount Si was the lack of mile-markings along the trail. About a mile up the mountain, a piece of wood fastened on a tree read "1.0 mile" written in black marker. Aside from the kind gesture of a fellow hiker, there are no other signs throughout the hike that tell you where you are.

While this made the hike all the more suspenseful, I found myself wondering how high I had climbed and how many more miles to the summit.

On the way to the top, my group and I encountered at least

40 other hikers - all of whom were friendly. We soon came across a group of hikers who told us that we were almost to the top - about half a mile to be exact, and that the view was absolutely stunning.

Overjoyed, we pushed on - not knowing that the last half a mile consisted of steep, snowy switchbacks. The temperature near the summit was approximately 10-15 degrees cooler than the base temperature.

After all the hard work, the summit rewards the persistent hiker with an otherworldly view of the Cascades in all their splendor. The stillness is punctuated only by the sound of birds chirping and the air is crisp and clear.

From the lower western summit, hikers can view Mount Si's true summit - the Haystack. For those wanting a greater challenge, they must navigate through a rough and rocky route to the top.

To get to Mount Si Trail get on I-5 South and follow Highway State Route 18 East and I-90 East to 436th Avenue South East in Riverbend. Then take exit 32 from I-90 East. Continue on 436th Avenue South East, then take South East Mt. Si Road to SE 124th Street.



Looking west from the summit, hikers can overlook the city of North Bend and Seattle on a clear day.



Gray jays pierce the silence of Mount Si with their serenades.



To reach Mount Si's peak, the "Haystack," hikers must navigate their way through rocky staircase to the top.

Women's fastpitch playoff bound

T-Birds' offense powers them into NWAC tournament

By Colin Phan
Staff Reporter

Highline women's fastpitch is ready to make some noise in the playoffs, making the tournament after going 1-3 over the final four games of the regular season.

Highline was able to sneak into the playoffs thanks to its runs per inning average, good for No. 13 in the NWAC. The top three teams in each division and the top seven remaining teams whose RPI is highest make the playoffs.

The T-Birds were swept in their doubleheader last Wednesday against Douglas. Highline wasn't able to find its rhythm dropping the games 5-1 and 6-0.

Highline batters struck out a total of 14 times against Douglas.

In their first game, the T-Birds were only able to get six hits off Douglas pitcher Keeley Ainge. In their second game, the T-Birds were again held at bay, only managing one hit off Douglas pitcher Kira Staley.

"Their pitching was a lot better than last time we played them," said third baseman Taylor Poe. "We were kind of nervous. We tried, we just didn't make adjustments at the plate."

Highline split its doubleheader on Saturday with Everett, while keeping its playoff hopes alive.

In the first game High-



Megan Chan photo

Savanna Gusaman (left), Taylor Poe, Steffani Gollin, Precious Tabangcura, and Megan Chan received baskets as part of their sophomore night last Saturday.

line crushed Everett 13-5. The T-Birds looked like themselves again, jumping out with a four-run lead in the first inning.

Catcher Precious Tabangcura played a major role, hammering a three-run homer.

The T-Birds carried the offensive onslaught into the second and third innings, scoring four in each.

Pitcher Rosie Delrosario (11-12) helped lead Highline by scattering two hits, and striking out two batters. Play ended in the fifth inning due to the mercy rule.

In their second game, the T-Birds ran out of gas, losing 7-4.

Highline held a one-run lead after the first inning, but surrendered four runs in the second. The T-Birds never recovered, allowing two runs the rest of the game while managing to only score one of their own.

The ladies say they were not complacent with the way the season ended, expecting more from themselves.

"I wish we would have finished higher in the rankings and won the games we needed

to climb the standings," Tabangcura said. "But we are still in this. We aren't finished yet."

Despite being tough on themselves, the ladies say they are confident heading into the playoffs.

"Going into the playoffs, I know we are going to do great things," Delrosario said. "We just have to play our game and have confidence in ourselves that we can win and we'll be fine."

The NWAC playoffs are at Dwight Merkel Sports Complex in Spokane. The tournament

runs from May 19-22.

Single-day admission for students with current school ID for the tournament will cost \$8.

The T-Birds open up against Clackamas on Friday, May 19 at 12:30 p.m.

Clackamas (22-6 in division, 28-7 overall) finished No.2 in the NWAC South Reigon. Clackamas owns the No. 4 seed in the NWAC playoffs.

Clackamas will be led by catcher Katie Rosie Whestine who has a .486 batting average, hit 60 RBIs, and hammered 11 home runs.

Women's golf takes home eighth with no sales tax

By Taylor Poe
Staff Reporter

The Highline women's golf team placed took home eighth place in a tournament hosted by Southwest Oregon over the weekend.

Highline played over the weekend in a two-day tournament on May 14-15 at Bandon Dunes Golf Resort in Bandon, Ore.

The T-Birds placed eighth out of nine with a total score of 556.

The winning team for the tournament was Fraser Valley totaling at 469.

Spokane took second place with a total score of 490.

Columbia Basin came in third, North Idaho in fourth, Southwestern Oregon in fifth, Olympic in sixth, Skagit Valley in seventh, and Walla Walla in

ninth.

Highline's Hailey Johnson placed 24th out of 42 with a total score of 182, while Megan Martin placed at 29th with 189. Ruby Lampkey placed 30th at 190.

Jasmine Hansgen shot 191 for 32nd place; Mikayla Kato placed 38th at 210.

"The tournament went very well. Even though we didn't come out on top, we had tons of fun. You can see improvements from each of us in different ways which is all you can really hope for," said Jasmine Hansgen.

In preparation for the NWAC tournament, the ladies will choose something they struggled with, and will dedicate this week's practice to work on their weaknesses.

By working on their weaknesses, the ladies say that they



Steve Turcotte photo

Hailey Johnson watches a swing at the SW Oregon Invitational.

hope to see lower scores from themselves in the tournament.

"We are as ready as we'll ever be," said Hansgen.

"All the players are getting better at different parts of their games," said Head Coach Steve Turcotte. "This is helping the

Lady T-Birds in making it to the NWAC Championships.

The T-Birds have a team goal of placing fifth or better in the NWAC tournament.

The ladies have also set personal goals for themselves in the upcoming NWAC tournament, saying they hope to each place at least fifth or better individually.

All teams in the NWAC will participate in the tournament.

The NWAC tournament will be played on May 21-22 at the Home Course in DuPont.

The tournament will kick off at noon on May 21 with a split tee start, then 8 a.m. on May 22 with splitt tee start.

The NWAC Women's Format for the Championship is a 36-hole stroke play with the three lowest scores from each 18-hole round to determine the team's score.

Women’s fastpitch

Gollin aims to be a star

By Colin Phan
Staff Reporter

Stefani Gollin has come a long way in her journey to become a star softball pitcher — heading to Highline to heat up her career from Langley, BC.

Here, she has been a force on the mound for the Highline women’s faspitch team, helping lead them to a playoff berth.

Gollin (7-3) has tossed 44 strikeouts, and has a 3.88 ERA.

At first glance, you can’t tell Gollin is Canadian.

But then she speaks. Her slight accent gives her away when she says “out.”

It’s been a long haul to pursue her dream.

Softball for Gollin began at age 5, with her mother being a heavy influence.

“My mom really got me into softball,” Gollin said. “She was my coach from t-ball to rec.”

Rec teams are the equivalent of an American travel team for Canadians, with an “A, B, C” system Gollin said. Gollin played rec all throughout high school, as Canada doesn’t have varsity softball.

By the time she reached high school, Gollin was at a crossroads with softball.

“I was kind of freaking out because I didn’t have as much downtime to hang out with friends,” Gollin said. “I was at a fork.”

A conversation with her mother helped iron out her priorities.

Gollin knew she wanted to be dedicated to softball — more specifically — as a pitcher.

“I had a conversation with my mom,” Gollin said. “I figured out that I wanted to work on pitching, and that was when I decided to focus on softball.”

Golin’s intent to pitch helped her develop as a player, as well as develop a go-to pitch. “My go-to pitch is the curveball,” Gollin said. “I’ve worked on that one the longest.”

Gollin’s reinforced focus to softball, helped her net scholarship offers.

“I was talking to a couple schools on the East Coast,” Gollin said. “I always wanted to keep playing competitively. It was a goal of mine since elementary.”

Those East Coast schools weren’t the best fit for Gollin, who was trying to be concious about the financial burdens of being an international student.

“I had to be a little more realistic,” she said. “I was just trying to figure out what would work best for me and my family.”

Two years ago, when Gollin played at a softball tournament in Kent, her opportunity came.

“When I was playing at a tournament in Kent, I met [Highline Coach Jason Evans],” Gollin said. “It was close enough to home, and I knew I could come here and work on my skills in a personal environment.”

She has improved her skills at Highline, but is willing to travel even further to improve them at a four-year university.

“I definitely want to keep playing softball,” Gollin said. “I’m talking to one school in Kansas right now, but I’m trying to figure out what’s best for me in the long run — whether that’s back home or in the States. The goal is to keep playing down here though.”

No matter how far she must travel, Gollin has a career path in mind she wants to pursue.

“I’ve gotten my AA at Highline,” Gollin said. “I want to be a pediatric nurse eventually.”



Stefani Gollin

Yuki Yamauchi/THUNDERWORD

Hawkins has more in store for her tennis career

By Keiona Trimmer
Staff Reporter

Highline No. 2 singles player Kenzie Hawkins said she has big plans for her tennis career.

Hawkins has only been playing tennis for the last four years.

She is excelling this season with the little bit of experience she has under her belt.

Hawkins won the No. 2 singles bracket at NWAC Championships this season.

In it’s first year of competition, the ladies took home second place overall behind Bellevue.

Hawkins plans to continue with tennis, despite the little experience she has.

“I started playing tennis my junior year of high school and haven’t stopped since,” Hawkins said.

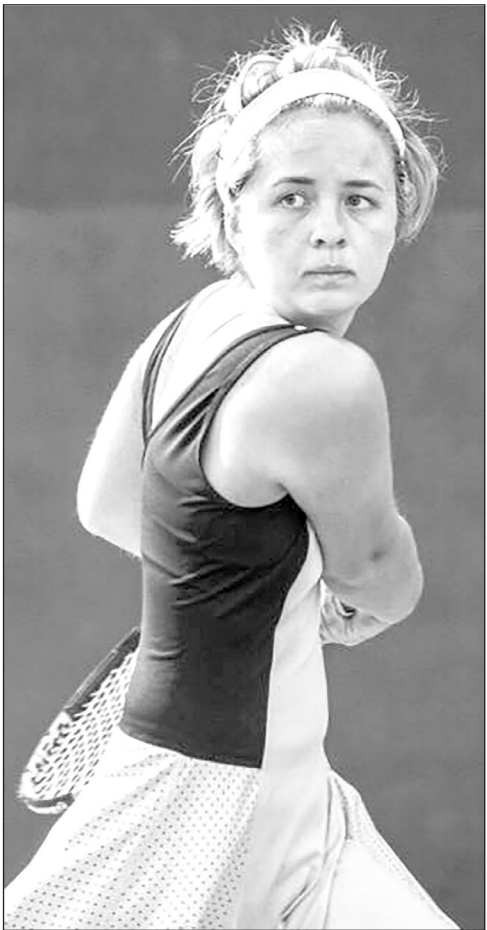
Hawkins, who is only a freshman, said she started playing tennis for fun.

However, it became a passion, Hawkins said.

She said she relishes the competition, and the satisfaction of seeing herself improve as a player.

Hawkins was inspired to come to Highline because she wanted to be a part of bringing back the tennis program. She also wanted to come to Highline to experience tennis on a college team, but wanted to have the small setting atmosphere in the classroom at a community college.

On the court, Hawkins says that



Kenzie Hawkins

Kenzie Hawkins photo

nothing gets her down, and she is always motivated to be a better athlete.

“As a teammate I always encourage others by supporting others no matter what,” said Hawkins.

One thing Hawkins is wanting to get better at is her mental game.

“I get psyched out when I am playing a really competitive game. Sometimes this affects my consistency and ability to think strategically,” Hawkins said.

Hawkins said one thing she enjoyed most about this season was having Head Coach Laura Rosa help the whole team focus to become successful as a whole.

“Because of this we all supported each other, we were all focused and determined to be a good representation of Highline,” Hawkins said.

Her academic goal is to get a degree in education. Hawkins says she wants to be a physical education teacher at an elementary school.

For now, Hawkins wants to continue her tennis career in hopes of playing for a D2 school, and continue to play for USTA, a tournament league.

In her spare time she wants to be able to coach tennis for a high school or college team.

Hawkins will still be playing for Highline next year, and she is hoping for a championship next season.

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Scoreboard

NWAC Women’s Softball

North Region

Team	League	Season
Douglas	32-0	39-2
Edmonds	26-6	34-8
Bellevue	21-11	31-13
Highline	18-14	21-21
Pierce	16-16	16-20
Everett	11-21	13-28
Olympic	10-20	13-29
Skagit Valley	5-27	6-29
Shoreline	3-27	4-30

East Region

Team	League	Season
Wenatchee Valley	30-2	32-10
Walla Walla	22-10	27-13
North Idaho	20-12	29-15
Treasure Valley	18-14	23-21
Big Bend	16-16	19-21
Spokane	14-18	23-19
Blue Mountain	11-21	15-31
Yakima Valley	7-25	11-27
Columbia Basin	6-26	10-34

South Region

Team	League	Season
SW Oregon	24-4	34-7
Clackamas	22-6	28-7
Lower Columbia	16-12	17-13
Centrallia	16-12	18-15
Clark	13-15	15-18
Chemeketa	11-17	18-21
Mt.Hood	10-18	18-21
Grays Harbor	0-28	1-33

Softball Scores

May 10
Douglas 5, Highline 1
Douglas 6, Highline 0
Pierce 11, Skagit Valley 3
Pierce 19, Skagit Valley 3
Edmonds 7, Everett 2
Edmonds 11, Everett 5

May 13
Highline 13, Everett 5
Everett 7, Highline 4
Bellevue 8, Pierce 0
Bellvue 6, Pierce 5
Douglas 3, Skagit Valley 2
Douglas 10, Skagit Valley 2

May 14
Pierce 18, Everett 10

NWAC Women’s Golf

Team	Total Points
North Idaho	43
Skagit Valley	37
Spokane	35
Columbia Basin	34
SW Oregon	30
Olympic	23
Highline	18.5
Walla Walla	14.5
Centrallia	7
Bellevue	0
Grays Harbor	0
Green River	0

SWOCC Golf Invitational

Team	Total Score
Fraser Valley	469
Spokane	490
Columbia Basin	503
North Idaho	506
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Mix up a memorable Memorial Day

As the days get warmer and the Memorial Day holiday (and relatives) descends upon us, it's time to grill outdoors.

Memorial Day is a federal holiday that was created to remember those who died while serving our country. The holiday originated after the Civil War to commemorate the Union and Confederate soldiers.

Today, the holiday commemorates all of those brave men and women who served in the American military and sacrificed their lives for our country. It is observed every year on the last Monday in May.

Memorial Day also is considered to be the unofficial start of the summer vacation season. Family gatherings featuring barbecued or grilled meats and vegetables are a traditional part of the holiday. Here are a few tips and a great recipe to guarantee that your outdoor grilling will be something to celebrate!

Grilling Tips:

• Take time to properly prepare your grill before using it. If it's been a while, give your grill a good spring cleaning. Scour the grate with a wire brush. Save future cleaning time by using a nonstick cooking spray to prevent food from sticking to the grill.

• Keep safety in mind. Place

your grill on a level surface in a well-ventilated area and away from overhangs, deck railings and shrubs. Use long-handled tongs and flame-retardant mitts to protect your hands.

• Preheat your grill. You can estimate the approximate temperature by counting how many seconds you can hold your hand 4 inches above the coals. If you can hold your hands in place for four seconds, your grill is at medium heat or about 300 F to 350 F. If you can hold your hand in place for less than two seconds, you have a hot grill at about 375 F.

• Be sure to use a clean plate and clean utensils to collect the cooked food from the grill. If you use the same plate that held the raw meat, you could be adding some unwanted "secret ingredients" to your meal. Salmonella, E. coli and other bacteria often are spread by cross-contamination.

• Use a food thermometer every time you grill. Don't trust color as an indicator of doneness. According to a study by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, one out of every four burgers turns brown before reaching a safe internal temperature. Insert the thermometer in the thickest part of the meat, away from fat and bone. Clean your food thermometer well after each use because a dirty thermometer can cross-contaminate other foods.

• Meat, poultry and fish aren't the only foods that can be grilled. Try grilled fruit or grilled vegetables, whether directly on the grill or in a foil packet.

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Cheeseburger sliders have sriracha mayo sauce for a little extra kick.

Hamburger Day and hamburgers on the grill is a traditional part of Memorial Day, these Cheeseburger Sliders with Sriracha Mayo Sauce are the perfect way to create a memorable meal.

CHEESEBURGER SLIDERS

- 1 pound ground beef
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 2 teaspoons steak sauce
- 1/2 tablespoon garlic powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground pepper
- 1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 small onion, finely chopped
- 1 1/2 ounces Munster cheese, thinly sliced, cut into 1 1/2-inch squares
- 3 red tomatoes, sliced 1/4-inch thick

- 3 Romaine leaves, shredded
- 8 three-inch mini brioche buns or mini pretzel buns, split in half

SRIRACHA MAYO SAUCE

- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 cup sour cream or plain Greek yogurt
- 1 1/2 tablespoons Sriracha
- 1 teaspoon honey or agave syrup
- 1 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon pepper

1. Gently combine beef, 2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce, steak sauce, garlic powder, and salt and pepper in a bowl. Set aside.

2. Heat oil and butter in a small skillet over medium-high

heat. Add onion and remaining teaspoon of Worcestershire sauce and cook, stirring occasionally, until translucent, about 2 minutes. Remove from heat and let cool completely.

3. Make Sriracha mayo sauce: In a small bowl, combine mayonnaise, sour cream or Greek yogurt, Sriracha, honey or agave, lemon juice, salt and pepper until well-combined. Set aside.

4. Heat grill to medium-high. Gently form meat mixture into 8 one-inch-thick patties. Grill 4 to 5 minutes per side for medium-rare. Top with a square of cheese after flipping burger. Close grill for 30 to 60 seconds to melt cheese. Toast buns on the grill, about 30 seconds.

5. Place hamburger patty on bun, top with veggies and mayo.



Churn up some chile casserole

Green chiles and cheddar cheese are baked into eggs for a healthy take on a classic dish.

- 6 large eggs
- 1 cup reduced-fat milk
- 2 tablespoon all-purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoon sweet paprika
- Salt
- Pepper
- 2 can whole green chiles
- 1 medium red pepper
- 4 ounces extra-sharp Cheddar cheese
- 1/2 cup packed fresh cilantro leaves

1. Heat oven to 350 F. Grease shallow 2-quart ceramic or glass baking dish.
2. In large bowl, with wire whisk, mix eggs, milk, flour, paprika, 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper until well-blended. Stir in chiles, pepper, Cheddar, and half of cilantro; pour into prepared dish.

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3. Bake casserole 35 to 40 minutes or until puffed and golden brown, and center still jiggles slightly.
4. Cool in casserole in dish on wire rack 10 minutes. Garnish with remaining chopped cilantro and cut into squares or wedges to serve. Makes 4 main-dish servings.

Double Chocolate Chip Cookies

Here's a new take on America's most popular cookie, combining semisweet and white chocolate chips for a delicious double-chocolate sensation.

- 1 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 3/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup butter (1 stick), softened (no substitutions)
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 2 1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract

- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 large egg
- 3/4 cup semisweet chocolate chips
- 3/4 cup white chocolate chips

1. Heat oven to 375 F.
2. Into large bowl, measure all ingredients except semisweet and white chocolate chips. With mixer at medium speed, beat ingredients until blended and smooth, occasionally scraping bowl with rubber spatula. With spoon, stir in chips.
3. Drop dough by rounded tablespoons, 2 inches apart, onto ungreased large cookie sheet. Bake cookies 10 to 12 minutes or until golden. Immediately transfer cookies to wire rack to cool. Repeat with remaining dough. Store cookies in tightly covered container up to 1 week. Makes about 2 dozen cookies.

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Raspberry chicken salad

A quick chicken salad that is sophisticated in taste but simple in ingredients.

- 1/4 cup raspberry spreadable fruit
- 1/4 cup white distilled vinegar
- 2 tablespoons Diet Mountain Dew
- 4 cups torn mixed salad greens
- 1 1/2 cups (8 ounces) diced cooked chicken breast

In a large bowl, combine spreadable fruit, vinegar and Diet Mountain Dew. Add salad greens; mix well to combine. Gently stir in chicken. Serve at once. Makes 4 (1 cup) servings.

* Each serving equals: 138 calories, 2g fat, 18g protein, 12g carbohydrate, 47mg sodium, 46mg calcium, 1gm fiber; Diabetic Exchanges: 2 Meat, 1 Fruit, 1 Vegetable; Carb Choices: 1.



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Long-gone glaciers echo in landscape

By Cameron Boosman
Staff Reporter

It may be called the Emerald City now, but at the end of the last ice age the entire Seattle region was covered in 3,000 feet of white glacial ice.

The Puget Sound was once the location of a slow but steady march of mile-high glaciers that carved their way through the region tens of thousands of years ago.

Highline Professor Dr. Eric Baer said that it was these glaciers that gave the area its unique topography, and that even now they have a significant effect on our daily lives.

“It is so easy to go north-to-south in this area,” Dr. Baer said. “But there are almost no major highways going east-to-west.”

Dr. Baer said that as the glacial ice moved further south it pushed whatever was on the ground along with it, forming elongated hills in a north-south fashion. This makes it easy to build infrastructure along the ridge lines of the hills, but attempting to build across them can be difficult and costly.

“The effects of the glaciers aren’t only on the surface, but beneath the ground as well,” Baer said.

He said as the glaciers pushed sediments along their paths these sediments were deposit-



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There are not a lot of roads going east to west because the glaciers moved north to south, making it easier to build road going only north to south, Dr. Eric Baer says.

ed in layers of clay, sand, and dirt. This makes underground projects, like portions of the SoundTransit Light Rail, extremely difficult to accomplish.

“As the drill moves down

from the surface it faces varied and extremely different types of sediments in the ground,” Dr. Baer said.

While these towering walls of ice are now long gone, their

effects on the landscape will ensure people never forget they were once here.

This week’s Science Seminar will be held in Building 3, room 102, and will run from 1:30 to

2:30 p.m. Mark Kerr, a guest speaker who worked with NASA’s Human Research Program, will speak about his time studying how to help humans survive on other planets.

MaST Center seeks volunteers for summer

By Cameron Boosman
Staff Reporter

Learn about the Puget Sound’s native marine life while padding your college resume by attending the Highline MaST Center’s volunteer orientation.

The Marine Science and Technology Center is opening its doors to interested volunteers this Saturday, to help with the increasing work load

the center and its aquarium experience during the summer months.

The center’s aquarium is open to public viewing during their “Discover Days,” which take place on Saturdays from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. and from June 1 until Aug 31.

It will also be open on Thursdays from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

“The Discovery Days are all run by our volunteers,” said

Katy Kachmarik, The MaST Center’s volunteer coordinator. “Volunteers do everything from cleaning tanks to interacting with the public and answering questions about Puget Sound marine life.”

The options for people to volunteer are varied, ranging from helping with aquarium maintenance to working as a counselor during the center’s four-day summer camp.

“There is something for everyone,” Kachmarik said.

The MaST Center also has a group of volunteers called the Marine Mammal Stranding Team, who are placed on a call list and assist in aiding marine mammals who become trapped or beached along the southeast coast of the sound.

The Stranding Team also helps with work around the exhibits, including completing

a bone articulation of a harbor porpoise to be placed on display.

Kachmarik said that the orientation will also include a tour of the aquarium and an opportunity to speak to current volunteers to learn about the center and what they do there.

The orientation will be held at the Highline MaST Center at Redondo Beach on Saturday, May 20, and will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Plastic garbage inundates South Pacific island



Researchers found piles of trash washed up on the beaches of Henderson Island.

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) – When researchers traveled to a tiny, uninhabited island in the middle of the Pacific Ocean, they were astonished to find an estimated 38 million pieces of trash washed up on the beaches.

Almost all of the garbage they found on Henderson Island was made from plastic. There were toy soldiers, dominos, toothbrushes and hundreds of hardhats of every shape, size and color.

The researchers say the den-

sity of trash was the highest recorded anywhere in the world, despite Henderson Island’s extreme remoteness. The island is located about halfway between New Zealand and Chile and is recognized as a UNESCO world heritage site.

Jennifer Lavers, a research scientist at Australia’s University of Tasmania, was lead author of the report, which was published Tuesday in “Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.”

Lavers said Henderson Island is at the edge of a vortex of ocean

currents known as the South Pacific gyre, which tends to capture and hold floating trash.

“The quantity of plastic there is truly alarming,” Lavers told The Associated Press. “It’s both beautiful and terrifying.”

She said she sometimes found herself getting mesmerized by the variety and colors of the plastic that litters the island before the tragedy of it would sink in again.

Lavers and six others stayed on the island for three months in 2015.

Decades have done much to Dubai

By Leticia Bennett
Staff Reporter

The changes in Dubai in the last few decades have been amazing, a professor said at last week’s History Seminar.

Dr. Amal Mahmoud, who teaches courses in Adult Basic Education at Highline, spoke last week about the Dubai in the United Arab Emirates and the changes it has gone through between 1984 and 2017.

History Seminar is a weekly series of presentations on different historical topics of significance.

The United Arab Emirates is an Arabian Peninsula nation settled mainly along the Persian Gulf. It is a federation of hereditary absolute monarchies. It was founded on Dec. 2, 1971 after gaining independence from Great Britain in 1968.

The United Arab Emirates consists of seven Emirates, or lands. Dubai is one of these emirates.

Dubai is often mistakenly



Amal Mahmoud, left, recounts the changes he has last seen in Dubai over the last several decades, such as this evening view of the city’s marina.



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thought of as the capital of the Emirates. The capital is Abu Dhabi.

The Emirates are very highly populated, with 9.2 million people.

“The population is very, very interesting,” said Dr. Mahmoud, “Because when you go there, the [official] language is Arabic. The last language you’ll hear on the streets is Arabic.”

The Emirates are very diverse, with Indians making up almost a third of the population, and the rest being made up of native Emirati, Russians, Ukrainians, Middle Easterners, and other Europeans.

“I was really shocked to see a really diverse region. And they all live really, really peacefully,” said Dr. Mahmoud.

“Seventy countries are represented in this little piece of land,” he said.

Dr. Mahmoud first visited the Emirates in 1984, where he taught a class for one semester.

He showed pictures of Dubai in 1984, when he first visited, and then showed pictures of the same areas now in 2017.

The most noticeable changes were the emergence of the new towering architecture and the

nonexistent traffic in compliance with the new strict traffic laws, which had not been there previously.

The new architecture includes the world famous Burj al-Arab Hotel, one of many luxurious hotels in the emirates, the Dubai Skyline, the mall of the Emirates, the Grand Mosque, and the Palm Islands.

Other changes consist of the huge increase of technology use in everyday life, including the driverless subway trains and the mini cities that specialize in one specific field.

The mini cities can specialize in being anything from a center for Internet to being a hub for universities.

“The Emirates,” Dr. Mahmoud said, “...are the future.”

Next week’s series will feature Dr. Jennifer Jones, a geography instructor, who will speak on the history of citizenship.

History Seminars are on Wednesdays and take place in Building 3, room 102, from 1:30 to 2:40 p.m.

No texting while driving under new state law

By Rachel La Corte
Associated Press

OLYMPIA – Texting or holding a phone to your ear is already against the law in Washington state, but soon Washington drivers will be prohibited from doing all the other stuff some do while driving or sitting in traffic: checking Facebook, reading emails or anything else that requires them to hold their electronic devices while behind the wheel.

The measure, signed by Gov. Jay Inslee on Tuesday in Tacoma, prohibits holding an electronic device – including phones, tablets and other electronic gadgets – while driving, including while in traffic or waiting for a traffic light to change.

Inslee vetoed a section that had the measure take effect in 2019. He said it was too important to wait for the provisions to take effect, so the law will now take effect in mid-July.

Under the measure, “the minimal use of a finger” to activate, deactivate, or initiate a function of a personal electronic device while driving will still be allowed.

Current law in Washington state only prohibits texting or holding a phone to the ear while driving.

The new expanded law will make the public safer, Inslee said. “All too often from our own cars, we see other drivers reading their cellphones, and cross our fingers,” he said in prepared remarks at the signing.

Once the measure takes effect, the standard traffic fine of \$136 would apply to a first offense but would increase to about \$235 for a second offense. The first distracted driving offense would also be reportable to insurance companies, which could raise rates like any other moving violation.

Another section of the new law also says a person who engages in “any activity not related to the actual operation of a motor vehicle” is subject to pay an additional fine of \$100. It only applies if an officer catches a driver being distracted while committing a standard traffic offense, such as running a stop sign because their coffee spilled or a pet jumped in their lap.

Exemptions under the law

include using an electronic device to contact emergency services, or operating an amateur radio station or two-way or citizens band radio services.

Also signed by Inslee on

Tuesday was a measure that would make a fourth driving under the influence offense a felony in Washington state. The new law allows prosecutors to file felony charges if a person

gets a fourth DUI within 10 years.

Existing law requires four misdemeanor DUI convictions over 10 years before the fifth offense can be charged as a felony.



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Another thing that has changed is people under the age of 18 who are in county detention have the right to an attorney before the police start questioning them.

Previously, police officers would pull detained juveniles out of jail for questioning.

Without the advice of an attorney, they might be pressured or tricked into admitting to a crime they didn't commit.

Now they have the right to an attorney before questioning.

"People of color are less likely to have an attorney," he said. "People of color are more likely to be low-income."

People from wealthier families are more able to afford attorneys and offer get better

deals from police and prosecutors, Upthegrove said.

"My goal is to reduce the number of youth we lock up, reduce racial disparity, protect public safety," said Upthegrove. "I have the goal of zero youth detention."

All of the studies show that locking young people up is not good for them, because it's like a downward spiral, said Upthegrove.

Nonetheless, he said, the county needs a new youth detention center, which some people in the community have opposed.

"There will be times when ... someone presents a threat to public safety," he said, and needs to be incarcerated.

The old detention center is in very poor shape.

"The youth jail is in horrible condition," he said. "We made a

decision to rebuild the jail."

Voters have approved the funding, said Upthegrove.

Some people don't want the jail, he said.

"They're protesting at the mayor of Seattle's house," Upthegrove said. "The mayor of Seattle has nothing to do with this."

"I think people like it because it's a bumper sticker solution - 'No youth jail,'" he said.

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affect every student at Highline.

Both Primer and Tiruneh said they want to be the voice

of the students for all issues that concern them whether they be big or small.

One issue both Tiruneh and Primer want to address is open educational resources.

Open educational re-

sources are materials that you can access online for free to replace traditional textbooks.

"I think open educational resources are so important and I think teachers should be tak-

ing advantage of that resources that we have. Teachers have the power to use them, they just have to look for them," said Tiruneh.

She said that to achieve this she will be talking to

teachers to motivate them to use open educational resources.

Primer also said she believes that open educational resources should be used in classrooms.

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cated through dispatch with Des Moines Police to explain the scenario and direct the police officers to the scene. Public Safety cannot arrest protestors, only police can.

In a real-life scenario, Des

Moines Police would be contacted if protestors turned violent and started acting aggressively towards Public Safety or others. From there, police officers can bring a civil disturbance team and make arrests.

"A civil disturbance team is multi-jurisdiction," Sgt Mike Graddon of Des Moines Police

said. "They would form like SWAT, with several members from different groups of law enforcement."

After the drill, Public Safety and members of Des Moines Police got together and discussed what went well and what areas need to be worked on.

Sgt. Graddon also reminded

Public Safety when police should be contacted and what determines when protestors cross the line from legal to illegal.

"When the first amendment rights get thrown out the window is when there is vandalism and assault," he said.

Students and staff who participated in the drill also got to

learn how Public Safety handles a scenario such as a large protest and how they adjust to changes in behavior.

"I think it was good training for them" said Ryan, one of the student participants. "If it were real, there would have been a lot more violence for officers to deal with."

Washington is changing to the REAL ID by 2020

OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP)- People in Washington state likely won't have to worry next year about the identification they take to the airport after Gov. Jay Inslee signed a measure Tuesday seeking to make the state one of more than two dozen in compliance with federal identification requirements.

Washington and several other states have struggled for years to comply with the REAL ID Act, a 2005 federal law that requires state driver's licenses and ID cards to have security enhancements and to be issued to people who can prove they are legally in the United States.

The law was passed after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks to strengthen rules for identification needed at airports and federal facilities.

granted various extensions.

Residents of states that are in compliance have until Oct. 21, 2020, before being required to show the REAL ID compliant identification.

Washington state already offers, but does not mandate,

enhanced driver's licenses and IDs that require proof of U.S. citizenship and are valid under the federal law. The state also issues standard licenses that don't comply with the federal rule.

Starting in July 2018, those standard licenses will be

marked to indicate they are not REAL ID compliant and thus not acceptable for certain purposes by federal authorities.

Residents will have a choice of which license they want. Those with the non-compliant

licenses will need additional documentation—such as a passport, permanent resident card or military ID—to board domestic commercial flights and for other federal purposes, most likely starting in October 2020.

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