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Setting the story straight

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In continuation of Women's History Month, "What is the True Story of Juanita?" was shown Monday in the New Science Building, room.

Professor Maythee Rojas of California State University of Long Beach was the moderator for the discussion of the legend of Juanita.



"I was writing my dissertation in graduate school when I came across a blurb about Juanita in a book called 'La Chicana' published in 1979," said Professor Maythee Rojas of CalState Long Beach.

Juanita is the only female to have ever been hung in the state of California according to Rojas.

"Juanita lived during the gold rush era and was hung for killing a white man," Rojas said, "which in the eyes of the white townspeople was a double insult."

The real name of Juanita was Josefa without a last name, but is simply remembered as Juanita due to Anglo, racist sentiments during this time according to Rojas.

"On the other hand, the name of Juanita's victim, Fredrick Alexander Augustus Cannon, is remembered in its entirety," Rojas said.

Rojas goes on to explain the situation that led to the stabbing of Cannon by Juanita.

"Cannon had apparently called Juanita a whore during and argument outside her own house," Rojas said.

"Juanita stepped into her house and called Cannon inside," Rojas continued, "once Cannon stepped into the house, Juanita stabbed him in the stomach."

Racist tendencies are exaggerated by white townspeople about Juanita because she is Mexican.

After Juanita's death, the townspeople became remorseful for their role in Juanita's death and painted her as a martyr in the newspapers.

"The presentation was very informative," Franklin Jackson, business major, said, "I have never heard of her (Juanita) before."

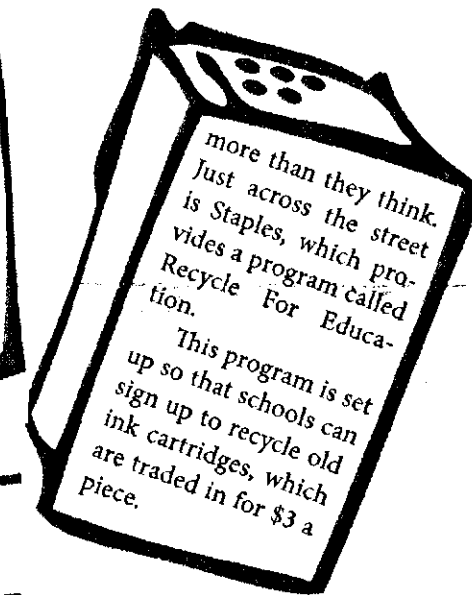
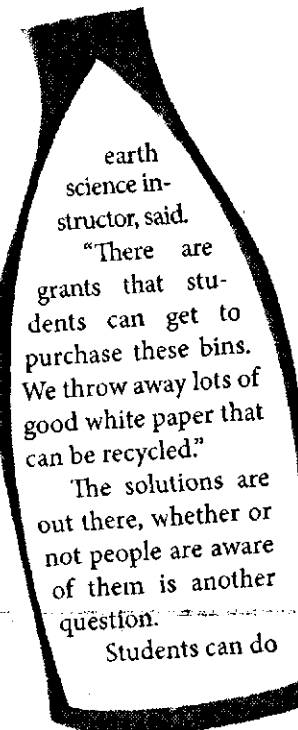
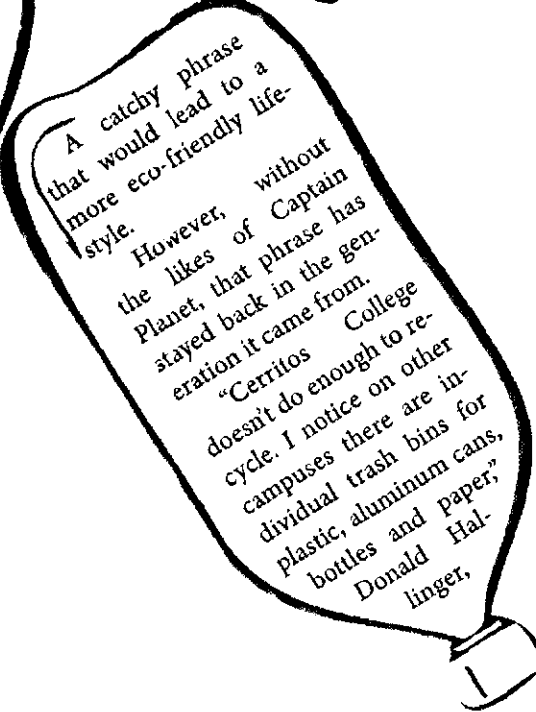
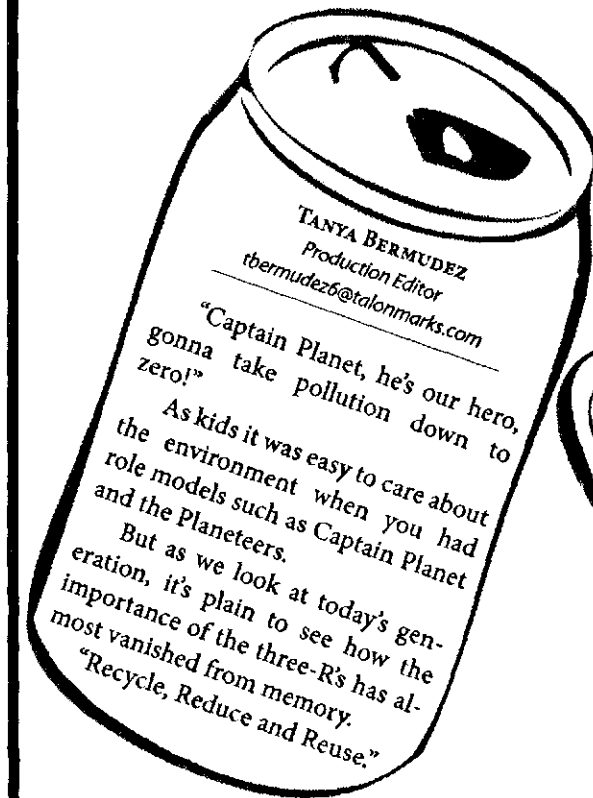
"I think professor Rojas went into great detail to get Juanita's story across people," Jackson said.

Rojas said she spent two years researching the legend of Juanita and even got the opportunity to travel to California's state library in Sacramento, all expenses paid.

"I was writing my dissertation in graduate school when I came across a blurb about Juanita in a book called 'La Chicana' published in 1979," Rojas said.

The full story of Juanita by Rojas will be published in Women's Study Quarterly journal, which comes out in June.

Save the planet, one can at a time



RECYCLING FACTS

ALUMINUM

- Recycling one aluminum can saves enough energy to run TV for three hours.
- There is no limit to the amount of times an aluminum can can be recycled.

PAPER

- To produce each week's Sunday newspapers, 500,000 trees must be cut down.
- Americans use 85,000,000 tons of paper a year, about 680 pounds per person.

PLASTIC

- Plastic bags and other plastic garbage thrown into the ocean kill as many as 1,000,000 sea creatures every year.
- Americans throw away 25,000,000 plastic beverage bottles every hour.

GLASS

- Every month, we throw out enough glass bottles and jars to fill up a giant skyscraper.
- A modern glass bottle would take 4000 years or more to decompose.

LANDFILLS

- Out of every \$10 spent buying things \$1 goes for packaging that is thrown away.
- On average, it costs \$30 per ton to recycle trash, \$50 to send it to the landfill, and \$65 - \$75 to incinerate it.



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Cerritos kicks off 28th Hoe Down Days celebration

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Cerritos got ready to hoe down for the 28th annual Hoe Down Days celebration.

Twenty carnival booths were out for the first day event on Tuesday in Falcon Square.

The events will continue until Thursday.

More than 2,000 students were treated to have fun with a water dunk tank, rock climbing and hoop basketball.

Among those who were participating in the water dunk tank booth was peer counseling supervisor Francesca Bello.

She added that her reason for participating was to help the school raise money for ASCC scholarships and that it felt good doing it.

Bello lost count as to how many times she had been dropped into the dunk tank and said that the water was cold but got used to it.

Vice President of Student Services Stephen Johnson also said that he'd lost count as to how many times he'd been dropped in as well.

In addition, he said that to have

an event like Hoe Down Days is great because the money being raised would go toward scholarships.

One of the 20 booths that were participating in the carnival was the Psychology Club's duck race. The object of the game was to squirt water toward a rubber duck to the finish line.

As Psychology Club president Jaime Sandoval was encouraging students to take part in the game, he said that it was great to have these events.

"An event such as Hoe Down Days brings out the competitive side of the students."

He noted that there was something different this semester as opposed to last semester. "The Psychology Club is trying to encourage student involvement within the campus."

From the looks of the turnout on Tuesday, Sandoval felt it was encouraging to see students looking to be involved in any way possible.

Another booth that was looking to challenge the students was the Accounting Club's booth that tested the knowledge of students to find



JONATHAN SANCHEZ/TM

Day 1: Mariska Beltran, psychology major, ran one of the Hoe Down Days booths and looked on as Juan Gomez, sociology major, and Laura Nunez, psychology major, raced their rubber ducks.

out whether he or she was smarter than a fifth grader.

The sample questions that were asked were "How many stars are on the American flag?"

Sarah Ko, undecided major, answered eight questions correctly and following the quiz as to see how smart she was, said that it was difficult at first.

"I had to think backward for a minute, but after that it was easy." The prize that she won was a stuffed animal and commented that she was happy that she won.



Cerritos brings in Lunar New Year

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The Lunar New Year Celebration was held at the Student Center on Saturday. More than 300 people attended the event in honor of the year of the Boar.

The event was sponsored by Cerritos College and Chinese Culture Association of Southern California and affiliated Cerritos Chinese School.

There were 20 performances during the event that honored the Lunar New Year. Among the 20 performances were:

- The Lion Dance
- Beijing Opera
- Taiwan Aboriginal Dance
- Green Mountains
- Chinese Musical Instrument
- Pi Pa, Snow in the Early Spring.

In addition, there was also a traditional Fashion Show that featured Cerritos College President Dr. Noelia Vela, Dr. Mary Sieu, Harvey Lindo, Vivian Liu, Carol and Olympia Chen.

After her performance during the fashion show, Vela said that it was an honor to participate in the Lunar New Year Celebration.

"I was invited to participate and it was fun to do so," she said.

Vice President of Academic Affairs William Farmer Jr. was present



NEW YEAR HOSTED: Harvey Lindo and Vivian Liu, performers in the Lunar New Year program, prepare for the traditional Chinese fashion show on Saturday.

at the celebration.

He said that there was a reason behind having the Chinese Lunar New Year Celebration.

"The Academic Affairs office is looking into offering academic course such as Chinese language

courses some time in the near future."

As for the event itself, Farmer said that the turnout was impressive and enjoyed watching Vela walk down the runway during the fashion show.

He added that the Lunar New Year Celebration is a great way to connect with the Chinese population that it is great that Cerritos has built a relationship with those that were involved with the organization of the event.

CCM provided with 'stem'ulation

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Rafael Gonzalez, alumnus of Cerritos College and stem cell researcher, talked about his career as a stem cell researcher and encouraged students to pursue their educational goal, at the Chicanos for Community Medicine meeting last Thursday.

Gonzalez attended Cerritos College, from Spring '96 to Fall '99, as a natural science major, and graduated from the University of California at Irvine with a bachelor's degree in biological science.

He talked about stem cell research, explaining everything from the process of cell manipulation to its ethical issues.

Juan Guerrero, biology major, feels that Gonzalez was informative and that the fact that we can change a cells function was the most interesting point of the presentation.

"He had a lot to present and he was very interesting," Guerrero said, "I'd definitely come back to hear him talk more about stem cell research."

Alvaro Lizcano, president of the Applied Science, Engineering and

Technology Club, also found Gonzalez's presentation to be informative and interesting.

"He explained everything well," Lizcano said, "he took a hard subject and used simple terms to make it easier to understand."

Lizcano believes the most interesting point that Gonzalez made was that, although researchers in the US are the pioneers of medical advancement, they move very slowly.

On average, it takes 11 years to get a product FDA approved, Gonzalez said during his presentation.

"Our (the U.S.) regulations are too strict," Lizcano said, "we're halting the progress of medicine."

He said that he would enjoy listening to another presentation by Gonzalez, and that he would like to hear him talk about the process of starting a biotech company.

Some faces of the audience attended the meeting without any prior knowledge of stem cell research.

Dylan Yoou, architecture major, attended the meeting for extra credit. He said that he is more interested in the subject now that he knows more about it.

"It was pretty exciting," he said.

Ex-senator concerned about MySpace usage

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Oskar Ruiz, business administration and international relations major, voiced his concerns about excessive MySpace use at the computer lab during last Wednesday's ASCC Senate meeting.

Students are left waiting for a computer for long periods of time due to the usage of MySpace in the computer lab according to Ruiz.

Ruiz, a former senator, said that MySpace usage is now prohibited in the computer labs, with postings stating this all around the lab, but people continue to ignore the rule.

"It's an easy issue, but people want to make it complicated," he said.

He proposed to the Senate to set up a special committee to further look for a solution to the MySpace issue.

Holly Bogdanovich, director of

student activities, informed him that the Senate has already set up a committee in order to resolve the issue.

According to Bogdanovich, the committee that is looking into the issue was set up a few weeks ago.

Ruiz responded that the problem has been going on for over a year, yet there was no visible progress being made.

"How much longer do we have to wait to see any positive results take place in the computer lab?"

Ruiz said that things in ASCC have not changed since he has left.

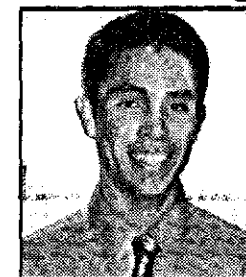
"Things get started, but they end up in a dead end," he said. "They do this to quiet students down."

"I don't want to be disrespectful, I just want to see results instead of talk."

Students use the excuse that they could not see the signs posted in the lab since they are too small, according to ASCC Vice President Jason Macias.

Former student gets involved with election

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"I hope to learn about what it takes to organize students, win an election and transform a nation."

— Former Cerritos College student body president Josh Franco

It's not everyday that a former Cerritos student gets appointed to work with someone who could be the next President of the United States.

But for Josh Franco, that opportunity came when he applied to join Students for Barack Obama.

"I was appointed SFEO California director by SFBO Executive Director Meredith Segal and Deputy Director Tobin Van Osten," Franco explained.

For the next 20 months, SFBO's mission is to inform people on Obama's message.

"I hope to learn about the hopes, dreams, aspirations of my peers, what it takes to organize students, win an election and transform a nation and how to better engage and inspire youth," Franco said.

Former colleagues like Alex Armendariz, psychology major, feels like this is only the beginning for

Franco.

"He's working hard and he's not where near done yet," he explained.

Armendariz learned a lot from him when Franco was ASCC President for the Fall 2004 and Spring 2005 semesters.

Current ASCC President Joe Cobarrubio also got the opportunity to work with Franco as well and feels that Franco has "opened up a lot of doors for himself."

Armendariz and Cobarrubio both explained that Franco is enjoying what he is doing right now.

Armendariz also mentioned how when working with Franco, he makes you feel more driven.

Armendariz explained how there are people that bring out the

best or worst in people and he felt that Franco brought out the best in the people around him.

Holly Bogdanovich, director of student activities, also explained how great of an opportunity it would be for him.

"It's neat to see somebody from Cerritos move on and do something he loves," Bogdanovich said.

Some of Franco's accomplishments here at Cerritos were helping pass the \$210 million dollar G.O. Bond, which helped build the new Science Building and he reformed the Executive Cabinet as well.

He also initiated Operation Outreach, in which ASCC members reached out to the student body by talking to students about what

ASCC is all about. Members would go to classes as well to talk and promote ASCC.

But Franco's work didn't stop at Cerritos.

While attending UC Merced, he established student government and became the first student body president for the university.

Franco said, "People often tell me that I am making history as the first student body president of UC Merced."

He will be graduating this May with a bachelor's degree in public policy.

After the 2008 presidential elections he plans on attending graduate school to obtain a Masters degree in public policy.

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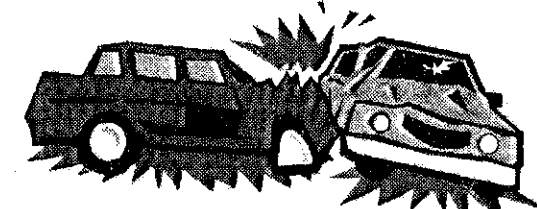
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RECYCLE: companies make resourceful efforts

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Daniela Ramos, undecided major, says it's a good idea to recycle because that way the school just doesn't get money, but it gets the opportunity to make new things out of old ones.

Other office supply stores do similar things, such as trading coupons and even a pack of recycled paper for old ink cartridges.

There are more benefits to recycling than one would think. Many types of household items can be recycled and reused, but if people don't take the time to be resourceful, then the accumulation of waste will continue to grow.

According to the Recycling Revolution Web site, the U.S. is the No. 1 trash-producing country in the world at 1,609 pounds per person, per year. Meaning the five percent population that makes up the U.S. generates 40 percent of the world's waste.

"The primary misconceptions are probably that recycling does little to protect the environment, or that recycling isn't necessary because the earth has (an) infinite supply of natural resources," said Tor Lacy, earth science instructor.

But as science studies have

shown, the earth does not have an infinite supply and our resources are slowly but surely depleting.

That is unless people start to make it a priority to be resourceful.

Many companies are eco-friendly and work with trying to find solutions to recycling, reducing and reusing.

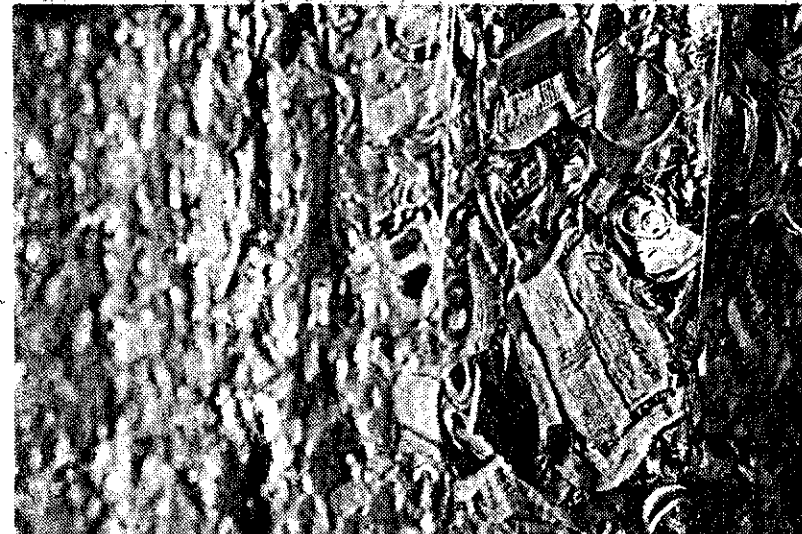
M•A•C cosmetics offer the Back To M•A•C program, where you can return six primary packaged containers in return for a free M•A•C lipstick.

Apple is one of the leading companies that has revolutionized the way computers and its products are made.

Using less toxic chemicals that harm the environment, Apple also has reduced packaging for its products by more than 50 percent, which has eliminated hundreds of thousands of pounds of packaging waste.

Apple also has an iPod-recycling program, where it offers an environmentally friendly disposal and 10 percent discount on the purchase of a new iPod.

If students on campus continue to work on events that promote recycling, such as the one that ASCC



Aluminum Cubes: At the Bellflower Recycling Center, aluminum cubes like the one shown above are made and sold overseas and come back as cars.

put together for its Show Pride In Your Camps campaign, then changes can be made to the awareness of the environment.

For former ASCC Vice President Alex Armendariz, he hopes that the event sent a message to the students to take action toward making the environment better by making people aware of the effects of not recycling.

The Recycling Revolution Web site states that the energy saved from recycling one glass bottle can run a

100-watt light bulb for four hours. It also causes 20 percent less air pollution and 50 percent less water pollution than when a new bottle is made from raw materials.

"Recycling is good for the environment because it cuts down the demand for natural resources, resulting in less trees being cut down, oil being pumped and refined, or mountains being mined away.

"By cutting down this demand, fewer pollutants are put into the atmosphere and hydrosphere."

'Maria' film addresses women drug-trafficking

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Joshua Marston's directorial debut "Maria Full of Grace" was screening for more than 20 students as part of Women's History Month's Film Festival last Thursday in the Science Building.

The film first premiered at the Sundance Film Festival in 2004.

It depicts a woman named Maria Alvarez who lives in Colombia and accepts a business deal to smuggle heroin into the United States.

However, she later finds out that she is pregnant and she refuses to go back to her life where she is mistreated.

She is mistreated because she is considered to be the bread winner of the family.

After the screening of the film students like Ana Chavez, Spanish and French major said that in watching the life of a woman who is pregnant and makes a decision to not go back to the life that she has known was interesting.

"What she did is consider the future of her offspring, but a movie like this is within our culture."

Chavez added that women con-

tinue to fighting for their rights despite having the 19th amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

Niurka Valin-Medina, Spanish instructor, agreed that women have continued to fight for their right but there is also something else.

"There is feminism that resonates throughout this film because of the fact that Alvarez is a 17-year old that she should take her of her grandmother, mother and sister," she said.

"It is because within Latin America it is a tradition that should not be broken.

When Alvarez did break that tradition of being the one who supported the family it was like, 'How dare you!'"

Barbara Mueller, English instructor, agreed.

However, the other films screened such as "Water" directed by Deepa Mehta about a Hindu girl who is suddenly widowed and screened on March 5, "Yesterday," a motion picture about a woman living in a remote village in South Africa screened on March 6. "Leila," a film set in contemporary Iran screened on March 7 all deal with religion.

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EDITORIAL

What will ASCC think of next?

Anyone who's conscious enough about the environment knows that it's about time the school did something about recycling on campus.

But, it's too late.

For many of the oblivious people on campus, the simple task of recycling is too much to ask for.

Instead of doing something to better our campus, people choose to be ignorant to the problems concerning global warming and the lack of recycling.

And if ASCC thinks that it can solve the problem by going around campus in its T-shirts promoting its "Show Pride In Your Campus" campaign, by collecting bottles and cans, it's surely mistaken.

Our so-called student government has not concerned itself with the issues at hand and that of the students have been concerned with for years!

Instead, it continues trying to find solutions to the use of MySpace in the lab.

Get over it! It's MySpace now, but it'll be something else later. There's no point in trying to fix something that students will always find a way around anyway.

This may sound like an absurd idea, but how about trying to do something that holds some importance in people's lives?

Sure, it seems like a good idea. What could possibly be wrong with wanting to do something for the environment and for the sake of being resourceful?

Lets put some things in perspective, especially, to the candidates who plan on running for '08 presidential election.

Consider this, as plans to create an organized recycling system furthers, what will happen to the people, those marginalized by society, who have been and continue to walk

around the campus rummaging through the trash to collect bottles and cans?

These people aren't just doing us the favor by doing something we should already be doing. For them, this is a means for survival.

Collecting about \$500 worth of bottles and cans provides the basic necessities that the campus already has.

So why would ASCC have to create a recycling system on campus? Where is that money going?

And if ASCC collects enough money to buy recycling bins for the campus, how and who is going to be in charge of maintaining that?

And if ASCC were doing such an admirable thing, why the hell would they consider buying locks for those bins?

If ASCC really wanted to do something for the campus, why doesn't it just install bins that give students the opportunity to recycle and still allow for those people who collect the bottles and cans to continue doing what they've been doing?

If anything, this would make it easier for those people who already collect the cans to take them to the recycling centers.

Not only would we be helping the environment, but we will also keep some people off the street.

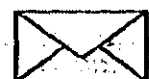
Do we really need another tedious bureaucracy to transfer cans to a recycling center?

No thanks. The people who already pick up after us have taken the initiative to save the planet already.

And if ASCC is really concerned with providing students with an educational and hands-on experience with the environment, they could just start an eco-club on campus.



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The President listens to stars

The President refuses to listen to Americans but listens to the 'Chicks'



The Dixie Chicks have faced enough rejection and it needs to stop.

People, as well as the music industry, need to get over the comment that was made on the eve of the Iraq war in 2003 by Natalie Maines when she stated, "Just to tell you all know we are ashamed the President of the United States is from Texas."

It's more than four years later and you tell me was she right when she said not only was she ashamed but that the Iraq war was a mistake to begin with.

Sure, the American public can hold anti-war protests and say that the troops should be brought home now. But look at what is happening.

No matter what you do, no matter how much you say it, President Bush will not listen. Oh, but

sure when a music star like Maines has something negative to say about the President, that is when all of the attention is drawn to her.

Again, the only thing that Maines did was express herself through the first amendment and all of the death threats, shunning in country radio station and fans boycotting that followed afterward is just a poor excuse.

Maines was right about the war itself. I mean just look at President Bush's approval ratings. Every time he opens his mouth it breathes hot air.

He needs to focus on taking an English course because he keeps mispronouncing the word Vietnam. That's not the only word that is mispronounced. Pay close attention to the word nuclear being said by our esteemed President.

And you thought that the accent that Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger has is bad.

Can someone please get Bush an English teacher?

Maines could have gone as far as saying that not only was she ashamed of President Bush for being from Texas, but that he needs to work on his language skills.

It makes me want to investigate how a seemingly okay looking President got as far as he has. It has been said that when Bush had ambitions to run for the Oval Office that when he told his parents, they laughed at him.

Despite Bill Clinton's affair with Monica Lewinsky when his presidency was the center of attention makes it look like a speck on the wall.

It really does. Imagine this headline for the newspapers, "President Bush in need of English lessons."

Maines was not the one at fault for targeting him in the first place. She was actually doing a service to the American people.

Her instincts were right and now even before the Iraq war started, all that is left is for the public, that includes the Country Music Awards and all of the music industry, to get off of her back.

Look at it this way, if we decide that we wanted to express ourselves with our mouth, how can we do that if we were born without one?

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

PACE MAKES CONTROVERSIAL REMARKS

General Peter Pace, chairman of the Joint Chief of Staff, voices his opinion in an interview on Monday to the Chicago Tribune regarding the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy.

"I believe that homosexual acts between individuals are immoral and that we should not condone immoral acts."

Pace said the military should not condone homosexuality by allowing gays to serve openly.

"I do not believe that the armed forces of the U.S. are well served by saying through our policies that it's OK to be immoral in any way."

FREE SPIN ZONE!?

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HECTOR HERNANDEZ
biology/anatomy major

"It's important for the economy because we might run out of resources one day if we don't take care of our environment."



ROBBYN HARRIS
undecided major

"Environmental conservation has always been important to me. We have to take care of our environment for the next generations."



TATIALENN JONES
business major

"It's pretty important because there are things being thrown in the ocean and these things can hurt the sea creatures."



VANESSA MARTINEZ
elementary teacher major

"I think it is so important for people to know to put their trash and other recycling materials in the right places. It's all part of life and together we can make a better world."



FRANCISCO A. JUAREZ
chemical engineering major

"I think it should be a fundamental part of society. A lot of things go to waste and by recycling we can make it better."



AMANDA NOBLE
hospitality and hotel management

"It is very important because it'll help clean all the pollution and make a cleaner environment."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR.

Dear Editor,
Many thanks for the article on obesity. I wish to supplement them as follows.

I believe that one of the causes of obesity is that the farm animals are fed with various things such as antibiotics, hormones, pesticides and others.

These fatten the animals for increasing productivity.

However, now these are adversely affecting human beings in various ways with health matters.

A dramatic example is the recent case of an Orange County mother who did not know that she was pregnant, as she weighed 420 pounds.

I believe that a vegetarian diet is a very good answer to obesity. To understand the term vegetarian, one has to define three kinds of vegetarians.

Firstly, there are the ovo-vegetarians. They use eggs and milk products in their diet.

Secondly, are the lacto-vegetarians who exclude eggs from their diet.

Thirdly, are vegans who exclude both eggs and milk products from their diet.

Transition to being a vegetarian or going from one kind of vegetarian to another has to be done by careful planning.

For example in becoming a vegan, one is able to reduce weight, blood pressure and cholesterol, thereby help ailments like arthritis. But in this process one loses the calcium provided by milk.

However, this can be overcome by use of tofu, which provides both calcium and proteins.

Similarly, a vegetarian by excluding fish can avoid the problems of mercury.

More examples can be cited. Of course, there are more complex dimensions to obesity.

For example, children who become obese have their physiology so set in early years that a deeper research is needed to understand the problems.

How does this tie into the question of hunger?

One study suggests that to produce a day's food for one meat eater, 4,000 gallons of water are needed, 1,200 gallons for a lacto- or an ovo-vegetarian and 300 gallons for a vegan.

To produce one pound of meat,

2,500 gallons of water are needed, which is 100 times that of what water for one pound of wheat requires.

Rice takes more water than any other grain, but that is one-tenth of the water needed for one pound of meat.

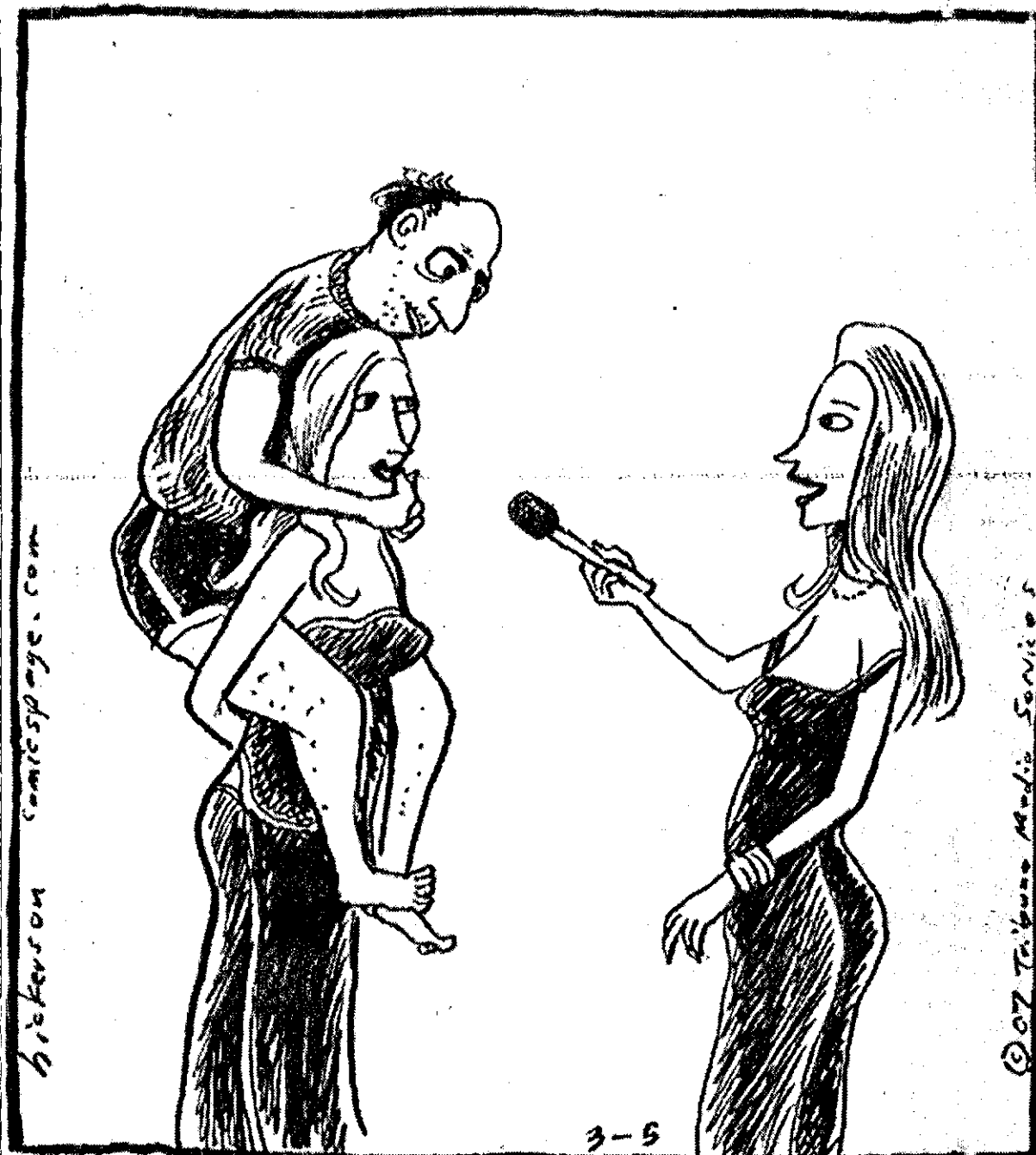
In short, vegetarian style will enable more food to be produced for human use and also save water that is expected to become scarce in the coming years.

Mr. Mike Garcia has rightly stated on the Obesity story found on www.talonmarks.com that if the poorest regions of the world increased their share of exports by just 1 percent, then 128 million people could be lifted out of poverty.

Dr. Miguel Altieri of UC Berkeley says that there is enough food today to feed 9 billion people.

This strengthens Mr. Garcia's argument for a change for social justice.

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"You always look so elegant.
And who are you wearing tonight?"

LETTER TO THE EDITOR.

I am an adjunct English instructor and I have enjoyed working at Cerritos College for a number of years.

However, I need to remark on the noise levels in the college library.

Libraries are places to read, study, research, and not places to socialize, chatter, or create loud distractions.

Many times, I've gone into the library here at Cerritos to find that people gather to socialize, laugh loudly and make jokes around a study table as if they were at a Starbucks.

That's inappropriate behavior for a library.

However, I can't completely blame the students for this behavior.

They have had some bad examples. I've actually witnessed admin-

istrative staff members behaving badly in the library, as well.

For example, today, I was exiting the reference desk area, and an administration building staff member came stomping through the library so loudly in her high-heeled boots that the floor shook.

This level of intentional noise intrudes on the rights of those in the library.

Library patrons are entitled to silence and the chance to concentrate on their reading or study.

If the administrative staff members deem it necessary to wear heeled boots or pumps, then they should learn to walk quietly.

If the routine is to stomp through the library, such staff members serve as a bad example for the students that we constantly shush.

Foot-attire that creates earthquake level noise in the library is

unprofessional, regardless of "Cosmo's" fashion advice.

When I was younger, I worked in a military library, and I should say that we had soldiers in combat boots and full gear who walked more quietly and showed more respect for others than the stomping administrative staff member did today.

I know I seem like a "ssh!" style fuddy duddy, but I think that library behavior is important and those who behave demonstrate that they are educated and respectful of others—and isn't that how all college students (and staff) want to be perceived? I'd hope so.

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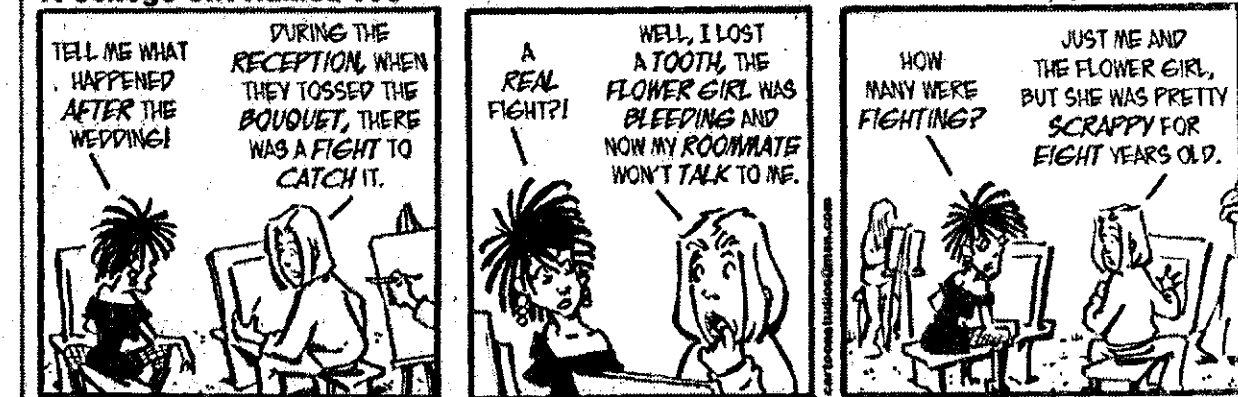
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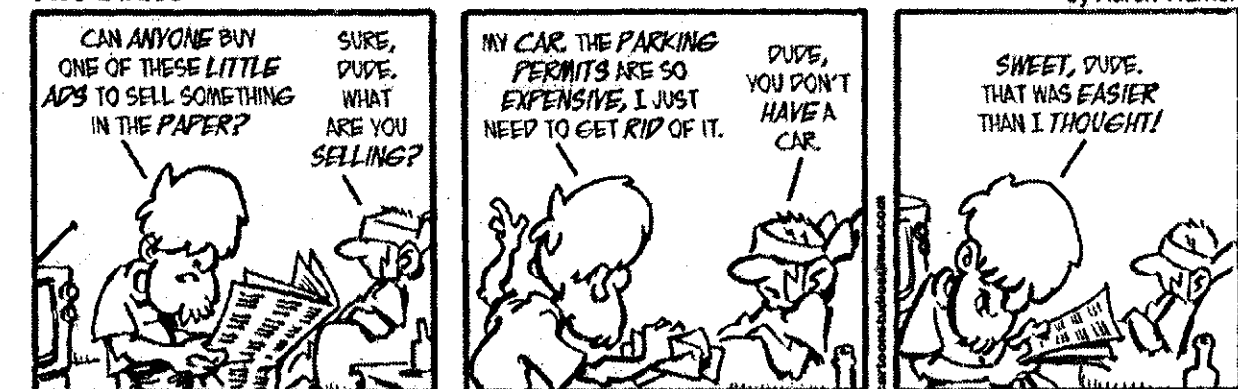
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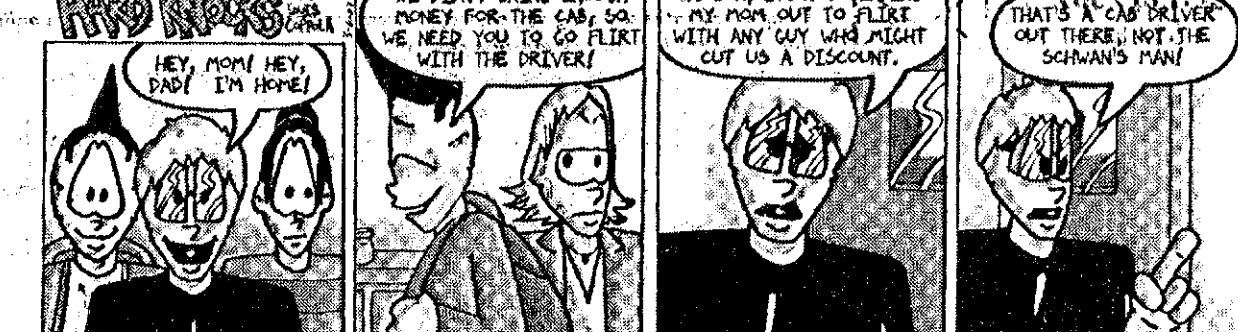
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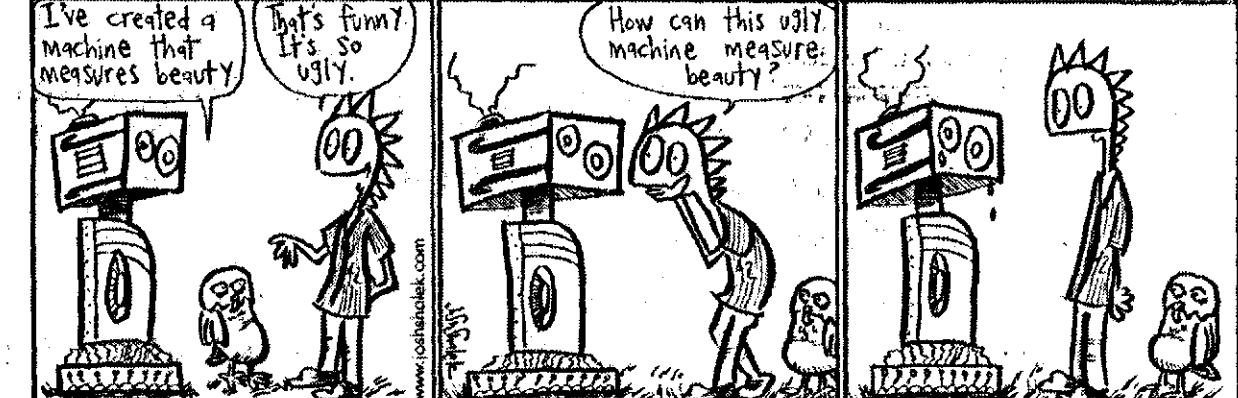
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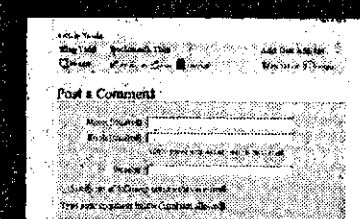
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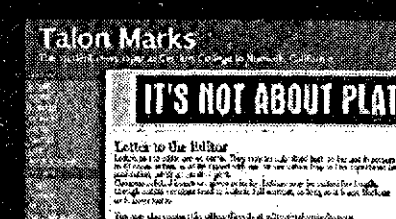
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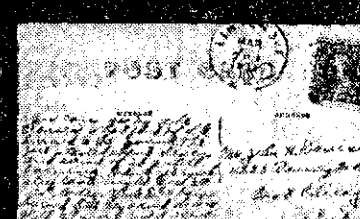
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Lisa Simpson has inspired Stacy

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As one of the most recognizable faces in the Applied Music program at Cerritos College, 21-year-old music major Stacy Neacato has spent a significant portion of her life trying to get not only the best sound out of a trumpet, but also finding her own style and expressing herself through playing.

Now in her final semester within the program, she hopes to take what she's learned at Cerritos and apply it throughout the rest of her musical career.

In her semesters in the music program, she has been a part of every instrumental ensemble; the symphonic band, jazz ensemble, concert band, orchestra and pep band.

"She's taken on a leadership role (in the ensembles)," David Betancourt, director of bands, said.

"Not only in playing, but also in morale-boosting. She gets others pumped-up and ready to play."

On Feb. 21, she played her last recital as a member of the program.

"All of the pieces that I played felt good and (had) very lyrical phrasing," Neacato said.

Eak Sun, music major, who played piano during the jazz piece she played, said about her recital, "It was a good contrast between classical and jazz. It allowed her to show her versatility."

But Neacato's musical abilities stretch beyond the instrumental world; she is also working on becoming vocally talented as well.



Playing with feeling: Stacy Neacato, music major, presses the buttons on her trumpet hoping to get good sounds out of it.

This year, she joined the choir. She said that she has been singing since she was a child and feels that singing helps out with her trumpet playing.

"You can't just press a button and hope to get a good sound out of the trumpet; with singing, you can't just open your mouth and hope to get a good note."

"I'm focusing on playing with feeling, instead of just playing (the music) that's written on the paper,"

Neacato said.

"I was a fan of 'The Simpsons,' so I wanted to be like the character Lisa, who played sax. Then I saw that the (trumpet) had only three (buttons) and I thought it would be easier to play."

"I learned by mimicking what others were doing, until I learned how to read music."

She will start the fall 2007 semester at Cal State Long Beach, where she wants to earn a bachelor's degree in music education.

She plans on earning a master's degree from UCLA and a doctorate's degree from USC, all in the same concentration.

Her goals are to teach music theory and music history, as well as become a band director at the high school level.

Members of Cerritos' music department hope that her time in the program will be a launching pad for her career.

Henderson's ninth scholarship concert

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Cerritos College's Music Department, will host its Ninth Annual Scott Henderson Memorial Scholarship Concert March 30 at 7:30 p.m. at the Burnight Center Theatre.

Henderson first taught in the music program as a French horn instructor.

Later, he became a voice teacher after his peers discovered his baritone voice.

The Scholarship program was created in memory of Henderson after his passing in April of '97

to have students doing what they loved while raising money for other students who are not able to afford college in hopes of pursuing a career in music.

The concert consists of students who are in the Applied Music Program.

Performances will consist of vocalists and many students playing instruments such as: pianos, violins and clarinets. Rosemary Medina, secretary of the music department, said, "It's a true experience to watch."

"Our music department does concerts all semester long but our Memorial Concert is one of our highlights."

Music department hosts student recitals

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The music department hosted a music recital for Daniel Park, Melisa Khemthong, and Eak Sun last Wednesday.

Park sang Wolfgang Mozart's "Ein Madchen oder Weibchen," C.W. Gluck's "O del mio dolce ardor" and R.V. Williams' "The Roadside Fire" with help from Sung Ae Lee, who played the piano.

Khemthong, was also accompanied by Sung Ae Lee and they performed Henry Eccles' "Sonata in G minor" and Teppo Hauta-

aho's "A Little Waltz (Pieni Valsi)" with her string bass.

"I wanted to play a string instrument, and that was the one that was available to me," Khemthong said.

Sun finished the recital with Johann S. Bach's "Prelude XVI, WTC1," Ludwig van Beethoven's "Sonata, Op. 2 No. 1" and C.A. Debussy's "Reverie."

Sun has been playing the piano for three-and-a-half-years.

Sun said, "I never got the chance to play before college and I've always wanted to."

"There isn't any other instrument as beautiful as the piano," Sun said.

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