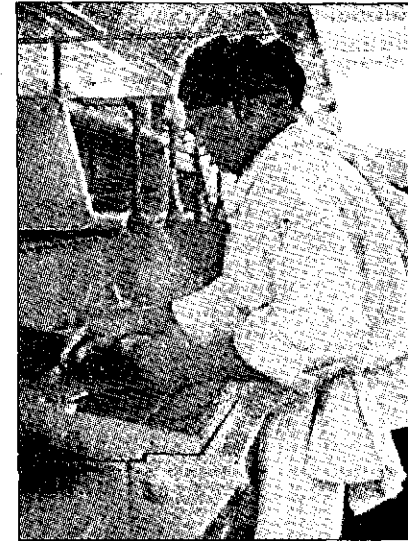




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Fees may rise to park

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ASCC President Michael Barrita along with Chief of Police Richard Bukowiecki announced at Monday's cabinet meeting that there is a possibility that the fee of parking permits will increase.

The price has not been set in stone but there is talk about the fee increasing from \$20 to \$30.

"The cost has not changed in 10 years, and we're running out of money to keep up with the maintenance of the parking lots," Bukowiecki stated.

With the extra money coming in from the parking permits, there will be more maintenance occurring in the parking lots.

Barrita stated that there will be less holes and the look of the parking lots will improve.

One of the main reasons the fee is being increased is because Cerritos fees are not the same as other neighboring campuses.

Barrita explained that colleges like El Camino charge \$2 for a daily parking pass when Cerritos only charges \$1.

With problems like the economy being in utter wreck, the extra income is extremely beneficial in these times.

"This is going to be tough and hard, but I rather pay the extra \$10 than having one of my tires pop," Barrita said.

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Accreditation talk heats up



Faculty senate discusses accreditation report

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The faculty senate convened on Tuesday to make a few announcements and discuss a number of issues facing both students and faculty on campus.

The Academic Excellence awards ceremony was one of the first topics of note, all applications are to be turned in by Feb. 12 with the ceremony itself scheduled to take place on March 24.

It was also stated that an agreement regarding the ongoing issues with summer sessions had been reached, with the first session being split into two parts, the first portion will

commence as scheduled with the second part being rolled into the second session.

Faculty Senate President Bryan Reece also spoke about a new campaign known as Habits of Mind, which is solely for the purpose of student success.

A task force to run the new campaign is going to be formed and will meet on the first and third Mondays of every month at 3 p.m.

Once the floor was opened up to senate discussion, it became clear that the hot button issue at this meeting was undoubtedly the ACCJC accreditation report.

On June 30, 2008, the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges placed Cerritos College on

warning status and cited eight sets of issues that need to be addressed, four by March 1, 2009, and the remaining four by June, 2010.

Several senators voiced concern over the report, and the discussion became heated quickly with several senators stating that the report contained numerous inaccuracies.

One senator even requested that an emergency meeting be called in order to address the issue.

CCFF Liaison Ted Stolze expressed concern over the lack of communication between the Faculty Senate and the Cerritos College Faculty Federation, feeling that on numerous critical occasions the senate failed to consult the union.

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A HISTORIC ACHIEVEMENT



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Entering the record books: Women's basketball team's head coach Karen Welliver receives a plaque from athletic director Dean Grosfeld after her 564th victory, all as the head coach of the Falcons. She won her record breaking game on Jan. 21. Welliver passed Tom Martinez with an overtime victory against El Camino.

New commissioners named at ASCC Senate

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The ASCC Senate meeting on Jan. 21 dealt with approving rules and regulations such as the award banquet, Club Information Day.

Four cabinet members and nine senators were also voted in.

An announcement was made by one of the members about holding a group meeting to help students with free wireless on campus.

The meetings are said to be held 11 a.m. on Mondays at the Hill.

The second half of the senate meeting involved letting new members into the senate and new leaders for the committees.

Trina Burch, child development major, was voted as Commissioner of Vocational Outreach.

Jennifer Murillo, theater arts major, was voted as Commissioner of Student Outreach.

David Vasquez, architecture major, was voted as Commissioner of Athletics.

"It's my job to keep up with the sports

activities on campus, to show the pros and cons, advertise and keep up with cabinet," Vasquez said.

Sergio Vasquez, political science major, was voted in as a Commissioner of Public Relations.

"I want each club to get an e-mail of the senate and the president so they can be more interactive with the student government," Vasquez said.

Nine students gathered up in front as members of the senate asked them various questions about being senate such as why they wanted to be in the senate and what would they bring to it.

"To be honest, it's to help with parking," James Lee, business major, responded.

The rest of the senate could not help but laugh.

"It would help with scholarships and it looks good on a resume," he continued.

Dushyant Shah, engineering major, said, "Really, I like organizing events and getting involved with campus."

Michael Barrita, ASCC president, was impressed on how the students handled the questions and was proud to have all nine of them voted in.



International Students Association: Umeamara Butt and Shola Shodiya try to recruit new students to join their club, the International Students Association.

Clubs recruit new members

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The students of Cerritos College had an opportunity to pick up information and join the many different clubs that are open for them to join on Club Information Day, held on Jan. 27.

One club that stood out from all the others was the Cosmetology Club.

People gathered around this club because they were giving \$5 haircuts, eyebrow arches and a little bit of make-up application all day long.

"We are trying to get a lot of attention to our club and our program

because we are located all the way in the back and not a lot of people know about us," said cosmetology major Alecea Duran.

To promote the club, the group had Henry Tang, cosmetology major, walk through the crowds with a poster with prices of what the club had to offer to bring more people to the cosmetology booth.

There were many clubs aside from the Cosmetology Club that students had to choose from.

For instance, Angie Conley, assistant professor from the Math Club, was there to get people to join her club.

Conley stated, "We are trying to recruit some new members. We are

trying to help out the Falcon campaign and their study skills and we think that math needs some special study skills."

Conley's focus is to help students pass math the first time they take it, and they can do so by joining the club.

Ana Garibay, math major, stated, "We gather up the people in our club and if we need help we ask the other members."

The Math Club welcomes all students to join.

Johnny Gonzalez, anthropology major, found the Anthropology Club interesting and was looking forward to joining.

"I want to join this club because

it is my major and it will help me when I want to transfer," says Gonzalez.

Although there were many clubs to choose from, not everyone was happy with Club Information Day.

Shawn Bragg, geology major, sat to the side and read his book on the day of the event because "there wasn't anything interesting."

Bragg continued, "There weren't any geology clubs. Geology is my major and there isn't a geology club, so I'm not going to join any of those other clubs."

Accreditation at risk for Cerritos

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Although he feels that in certain instances the standpoint of the union has been excluded, Stolze was quick to point out that they have continued to speak up.

He went on to say that the senate performs best when working in unison with the CCFF.

Reece asserted solidarity with the CCFF and the Senate, explaining that, while they play different roles, they are both often concerned

with the same issues, agreeing that there were several matters that require consultation and an ongoing campus dialogue.

He also stated that many of the senators who have made attempts to get involved in more meaningful ways have become frustrated, but feels that overall Cerritos College is not in jeopardy and he remains optimistic about the future.

Meebo interface infects Cerritos

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A new instant messaging interface has begun to infect the Cerritos College library.

Meebo, a new media and communications company, has targeted and manifested itself on campus as its new source of web-based communication.

Full-time librarian Val Mitchell said, "It is a new way that students and librarians can communicate with one another."

Just like instant messaging, any student can type in a question or concern he may have, and a librarian will respond.

Despite the short amount of experience that she has had with meebo, part-time librarian Anne Head feels it is a great means of communications with students.

"It is a great way to keep in con-

tact with students," she said. "It is also a much faster and beneficial way to respond and attend to their concerns."

Students are always welcome to come to the library and personally ask for help, she added.

"It is much easier and faster for students to use meebo though," said Head.

Many students were not even aware that meebo was accessible through the library.

Criminal justice major Antony Gomez said, "I use it with my friends but I didn't know I could use it with the library. I could just check for book availability from my house instead of having to come all the way to school."

This service is only available during library hours Monday through Thursday, from 7:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Parking to be raised

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Along with making the parking lots safer for students, there will be a wider range of extra parking spaces available.

Barrita explained that if the parking spaces were to run straight rather than perpendicular, there would be a 30 percent increase in parking.

Parking permits for summer sessions will also be increased. There is talk about the permits being increased an extra \$10 to \$15.

When it comes down to the point, this is being done for the students benefit. Some students wouldn't mind paying the extra money.

"I'll be fine with it, I have no problem with it since its parking for the entire semester," said Amy Muro, business major.

Students like Hector Holguin, business administration major, say it will have no effect on him, since he doesn't even park at the parking lots.

"I decided to park across the street this semester because finding parking at Cerritos is bad. Last semester I paid the \$20 to park all the way in the corner of the parking lot, so it's not worth it."

The price of the fee is still up in the air and is still a work in progress.

Further information regarding the fee will be discussed at the ASCC Senate meeting on Jan. 28. Anyone can go attend the meeting if they have further questions.

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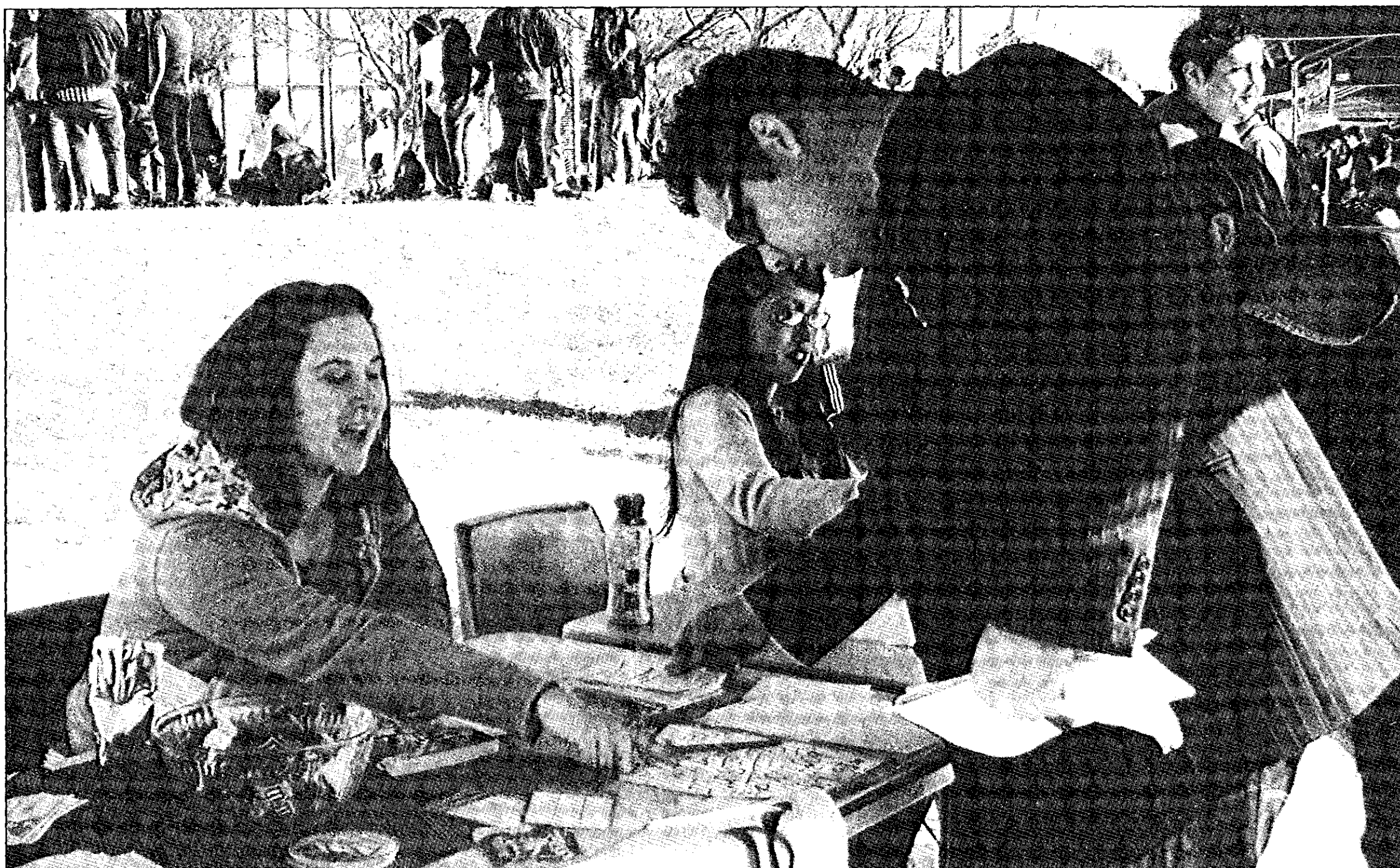
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Club info day: Oscar Franco, Student Outreach Commissioner, receives information from Jessica Vigil from the Campus Crusade for Christ.

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Club info day: Richard Mejia from Mijo Entertainment spins the soundtrack for Club Info Day.

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CLUB INFO DAY

Club Info Day is an ASCC organized event that happens every semester.

Various campus clubs set up a table and distribute information to any student interested.

Many clubs give away souvenirs, food, or drinks in order to attract more prospects.

DJMijo provided the soundtrack for Club Info Day, varying from different genres depending on the students tastes.

This semester, the weather cooperated nicely and provided sunshine for all the attendees.

The event lasted from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and again from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.



ISA Club: Umeamara Butt informs students of her club.

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Club List - Spring Semester 2009

- Accounting Club
- Anthropology Club
- Art Club
- Black Student Union
- Campus Crusade for Christ
- Chicanos/Latinos for Community Medicine
- Child Development Club
- Cosmetology Club
- Court Reporting
- Dental Hygiene
- FMLA
- Foreign Language Club
- F.U.E.L.
- Future Teachers Club
- International Student Association
- Kabarkada Club
- Math Club
- Mu Omega Alpha
- Phi Rho Pi / Forensics
- Phi Theta Kappa
- Philosophy Club
- Physical Therapist Assistance
- Psychology Club
- Scholars Honors Club
- Student Veterans' Club
- S.P.I.C.E. Club
- Journalism Club
- Writers Anonymous Club



Club Info Day from the sidelines: Spectators crowd around and overlook Club Info Day from the Hill.

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Xs and Os: Head coach Karen Welliver presents the gameplan during a Cerritos timeout late in the game.

DANIELA GUZMAN/TM

Falcons bounce back

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Just when the days for the struggling Falcons seemed dark, sunlight shined through beating El Camino and Long Beach City.

The Falcons went into Wednesday night's game attempting to end a young losing streak of two and avoid dropping to 0-2 in SCC play.

With an all around team effort, the Falcons did exactly that by defeating El Camino College, 54-51 in overtime.

No player for the Falcons scored in double digits. Taylor and Guard Raven Tripp had a team high nine points a piece with three other players scoring eight points each.

The Falcons cruised through the first half dominating perimeter shooting and forcing the Warriors into low percentage shots.

The Falcons ended the first half on a 15-6 run and took what seemed to be a commanding lead of 23-14.

But the momentum never carried over into the 2nd half for the Falcons. The Warriors had new life and went on a 20-7 run to take a 34-30 lead.

"We were letting them get second chances," Guard Rachel Butler said.

Taylor's late basket put the Falcons ahead, 45-41 however the Warriors were able to tie and send the game into overtime.

Tripp had the opportunity to win the game with six seconds left in regulation after given two free-throw attempts due to an aggressive drive to the hoop.

Tripp missed both free-throws.

In overtime, Guard Cherish Sanchez came off the bench to give the Falcons a quick start and a four point lead that was never contested by the Warriors the rest of the period.

"We could have played better. We should've killed them," Taylor said.

On Friday, things only got brighter for the Falcons after overcoming a small deficit at halftime and coming away with a 60-47 victory versus rival LBCC.

"We shut them (LBCC) down defensively," head coach Karen Welliver said.

The Falcons biggest lead of the game was 21 and held the Vikings to only 30% shooting.

In the first half, the Falcons struggled offensively scoring a mere 14 points but turned it around the second half converting 45 percent of its field goals.

Welliver makes it to the top

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The Tennessee women's basketball team has Pat Summit, the Tennessee Titans has Jeff Fisher, and the Cerritos College women's basketball team has Karen Welliver.

What do these head coaches have in common? It has nothing to do with the state of Tennessee.

It has everything to do with having a long tenure with a team and the success that follows.

On Wednesday night, the Falcons victory over El Camino gave Welliver a place in the record books after 26 seasons as head coach for the Falcons.

The win on Wednesday placed her on top as the winningest coach in community college women's basketball history with 564 wins.

Even after the victory, Welliver remained humble and poised.

"It's not about me. The main thing is them (Womens basketball team)," Welliver said.

Some of Welliver's players were not surprised of the milestone.

"She's dedicated and does whatever it takes to win," Sophomore Mercedes Taylor said.

Prior to Wednesday's victory, Welliver chose to keep the milestone a secret from her players.

With two consecutive losses under their belt, Welliver did not want any more distractions.

"They don't need that," Welliver said.

"They are going to battle hard no matter what. The past is the past and we can only look forward. What's important is the next game."

Welliver has sent the Falcons to nine SCC championships and has been awarded SCC Coach of the Year five times, not to mention one State Coach of the Year award last year.

Now in her 27th season, Welliver attempts to lead her young team to yet another playoff appearance. If successful, this will be the 17th year in a row she leads Cerritos to the playoffs.



Words of wisdom: Welliver yells to her players from the sideline.

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BY THE NUMBERS

565 wins

27 years as head coach

18 twenty-win seasons

16 straight playoff appearances

9 SCC Championships

6 state tournament appearances

5 time SCC Coach of the Year

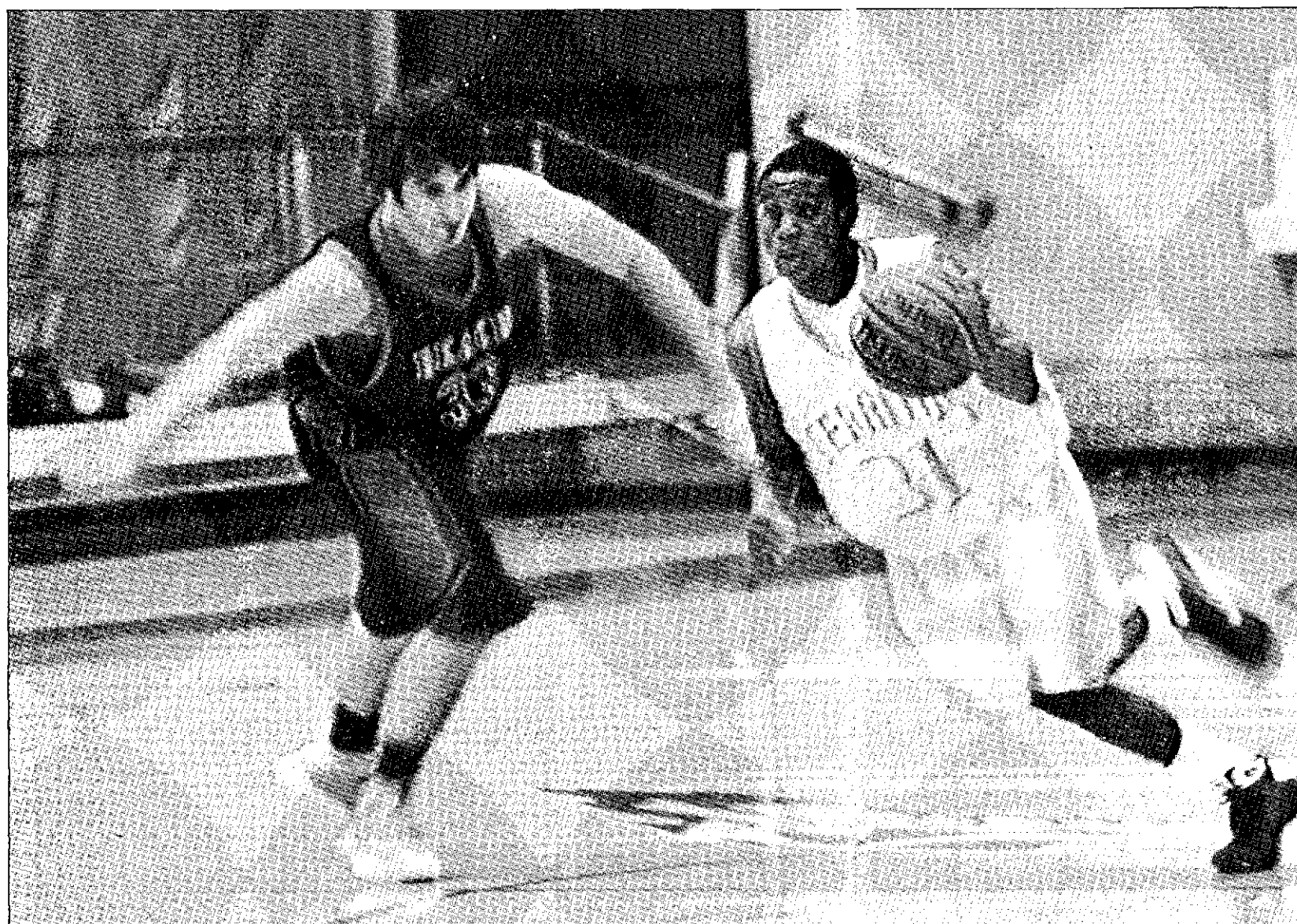
1 State Coach of the Year award

Source: www.cerritos.edu

CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL ALL-TIME WINNINGEST COACHES

1. Karen Welliver (Cerritos)	565
2. Tom Martinez (San Mateo)	563
3. Karen Franci (Santa Rosa)	560
4. Colleen Riley (Fullerton)	559
5. Ned Mircetic (Ventura)	552
6. Tom Powers (College of the Siskiyous)	491
7. Mike Thronton (Orange Coast)	455
8. Paul DeBolt (Contra Costa)	432

Source: www.cerritos.edu



Dashing forward: Brian Barner dribbles the ball across the court.

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Stunning victory for Falcons

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After a bit of a slow start by the Falcons and some hot shooting from LBCC guard Randolph White, Cerritos kicked its game into a completely different gear and ran away with a big victory, 78-48.

The Falcons definitely made it a statement game, especially after head coach Jesse Teplitz called his first timeout.

After being down to the LBCC Vikings, caused by early turnovers and weak interior defense, the Falcons came out of that timeout an entirely different team.

They made a strong comeback early in the first half with great full court trapping defense, which really complimented the make up of the team.

The Falcons even became more assertive offensively with good hustle on both ends, rebounding by forward Marcellus Jackson and basket attacking by guard Jeremiah Barnes.

Both teams shot poorly from the field and that really took its toll mentally on the Vikings team but the Falcons stuck to their game plan and never let up, looking like a disciplined team who didn't let their shooting percentages determine the outcome of the game.

As a matter of fact, the Falcons lead just continued to increase throughout the half and ended it with a 14-point margin.

The second half was an even slower offensive

half for both teams, as no one could find their touch, and the Falcons held the Vikings leading scorers to a terrible and obviously frustrating night.

The frustration from the LBCC coaching staff as well as its players really showed with the numerous substitutions coach Barry Barnes made throughout the game.

Trying to find any possible answers, the Vikings went to a little pressure defense of its own which backfired on them completely and complemented the Falcons team.

With the quickness, size, and athleticism of the Falcons guards, they broke the presses and traps easily, which lead to easy buckets down the stretch.

To add to their already high momentum, forward Marcellus Jackson stayed relentless with his rebounding 17 and running the floor for a few nice dunks to add to his point total of 17.

Guard Jeremiah Barnes also contributed with an all around performance of three key steals which turned into his points to score 14, aggressive drives to the hoop either scoring

or drawing the foul, great showtime passes, eight assists, and also rebounding eight.

The Falcons plan on making a strong run at winning conference and Friday night's effort showed that they will be a team to be reckoned with.

The team bounced back big from its last game's heartbreaking loss to El Camino with a 30-point win over Long Beach City College to put them at 2-1 in conference play.

SCC Men's Basketball Standings

Team Name	Conference	Overall
El Camino	2-1	10-11
Long Beach City	2-1	9-12
Cerritos	2-1	6-13
LA Southwest	1-2	8-14
Compton	1-2	5-18
LA Harbor	1-2	4-17

Source: Coasports.org

Softball shuts out Vaqueros

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It was a stellar performance from freshman pitcher Hillary Perez-Ashley as she pitched a one-hitter against Santa Barbara City College.

The Falcons also hit four home runs and was certainly a team effort from Cerritos winning, 9-0.

Everything went well for the Falcons as Santa Barbara was held to one hit and no runs through six innings.

Cerritos jumped on the Vaqueros quickly in the second inning when shortstop Lindsey Marquez hit a deep home run towards center field and put the Falcons up, 1-0.

After three consecutive singles, the bases were loaded for outfielder Lauren Castellon, who took advantage as she drew a walk to make it 2-0 for Cerritos.

The Falcons continued to run the score in the third inning as Cerritos sent six batters to the plate to get two more runs making the score 4-0.

"We pulled out the bats today, we were smart on the pitch counts," said Castellon.

A two run home run from third baseman Brandi Rummell put the Falcons up 6-0 and made a comeback from Santa Barbara City College seem unlikely.

After second baseman Gina Alcaraz walked, catcher Samantha Vaalu stepped up and hit a monster home run toward left field to end the game.

The mercy rule came in effect after the home run and sealed the victory for Cerritos to win 9-0.

"Trying to stay in my game and doing what I know I could do and trusting it," Perez-Ashley said about her strong performance on the mound.

Head coach Kodee Murray was certainly pleased with Cerritos performance saying, "Cerritos did a great job especially for the opener."

It was certainly a statement game for Cerritos showing that it is the team to beat, regardless of playing eight freshman.

Sports at a Glance

This Week

Wednesday Basketball

Women @ Compton 5:30 p.m.
Men @ Compton 7 p.m.

Thursday Tennis

Men vs Glendale 2 p.m.
Women @ Rio Hondo 2 p.m.

Friday Track & Field

@ Northern Arizona University

Softball

vs Ventura 9 a.m.
vs Santa Ana 11 a.m.

Baseball

vs Glendale 2 p.m.

Basketball

Women vs LA Harbor 5:30 p.m.
Men vs LA Harbor 7:30 p.m.

Saturday Track & Field

@ Northern Arizona University

Softball

vs. Imperial Valley 11 a.m.

Baseball

vs. Rio Hondo 12 p.m.

Sunday Baseball

vs College of the Canyons 11 a.m.

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Last Wednesday Basketball

Women vs El Camino W 54-51
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Friday Basketball

Women vs LBCC W 60-47
Men vs LBCC W 78-48

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•EDITORIAL•

Inauguration party too costly

Unemployment has risen sharply. The economy is dwindling to no avail. The country is still at war, spending millions of dollars a day. Yet, President Obama's inaugural celebration racked up a \$150 million tab.

Around 3,000 students could have had their entire college education paid for with all that money.

Roughly five schools could have been built, providing education for over 5,000 American kids.

George W. Bush was asked back in 2005 to be more frugal in his celebration spending.

According to a MSNBC article, two lawmakers, Reps. Anthony Weiner and Jim McDermott wrote a letter in which they stated, "President Roosevelt held his 1945 inaugural at the White House, making a short speech and serving guests cold chicken salad and plain pound cake.

"During World War I, President Wilson did not have any parties at his 1917 inaugural, saying that such festivities would be undignified."

The country then was at war, resources were scarce and such festivities were unnecessary.

Today, our country is again at war, our economy is going through the worst recession since the 1930s, yet our president still generously celebrates his inauguration, a-la-Grammy Awards.

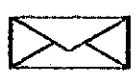
Obama's inauguration was without a doubt a historic event, but many historic events have taken place without the luxury of a star-studded gala.

A quieter, subtler celebration would have greatly helped his idea for economic restructuring.

With so much negative press about exaggerated corporate spending, perhaps spending three times the average American income on a party was bad planning.



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Obama isn't America's savior

Although many people are looking forward to having the first African American president, not many realize that their hopes and expectations will not be met by Barack Obama.

Obama will not go down in history as just another president of the United States, but rather as a symbol of equality, justice and for many, freedom.

African Americans have, for many years, struggled and fought for equal rights and equal representation of their race.

To them, Obama is the answer to their prayers and the symbol of their accomplishment.

Although I, for one, am very happy and grateful to what our country is experiencing at this moment, I must admit that I do not



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look forward to the next four years of his presidency.

Obama represents so much more than just a country. He represents the hopes and dreams of an entire race.

Because he is the first African American president, a lot will be expected from him.

Every single thing he says and every single move he makes will be criticized at a much more aggressive manner than any other president.

He carries the weight of too many people, too many hopes and too many dreams.

Obama speaks of change and all these improvements he will provide for the country.

In reality, though he may try to make these changes and make these improvements, our country is too far down the gutter to have the capability of being fixed any time soon, let alone by one man.

Not only that, but the American people have been trashed and scattered so badly, that they expect Obama to be their savior and save them from this horrid place we call America.

I am proud of Obama for carrying himself so well knowing exactly the responsibility he now carries.

However, as much as I respect and honor him, I must admit that he will only end up

being hated and mistreated for his attempt to fix this country.

The hopes, dreams and expectations of an entire race and an entire country are all in the hands of one man; hands that as much as they try to fulfill these hopes, dreams and expectations, he will only end up shattering them.

America has entrusted and is expecting too much of this man.

By expecting so much, they will only add to the stress that the presidency already provides.

People need to face reality and realize that Obama will not accomplish what everyone expects him to.

He will only be another factor in the destruction of America.

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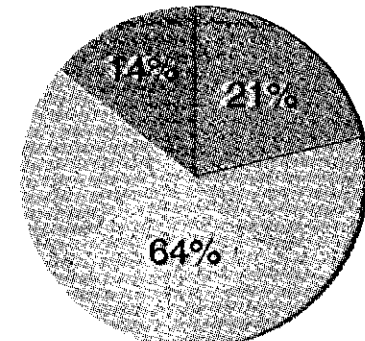
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- I can deal with it
- I don't drive
- I park at Home Depot, it doesn't affect me

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How have the budget cuts affected you?

- I can't sign up for classes 21%
- The library closes earlier 0%
- Nothing 64%
- Other 14%



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What issue do you think Obama should tackle first?

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"He should try to fix the economy first. He should worry about providing schools more money for education."



BRYAN MANJARREZ

undecided major

"He should dedicate his time to lowering the unemployment rate, providing more jobs and medical benefits."



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"He should get the troops out of Iraq. We are there for no good reason. He should bring our troops home."



EDUARDO GARCIA

art major

"He should try to fix our economic crisis. There are too many people losing their jobs."



SHANNON LINDO

nursing major

"He should focus on our economy. He should also definitely address the war and bringing our troops home."



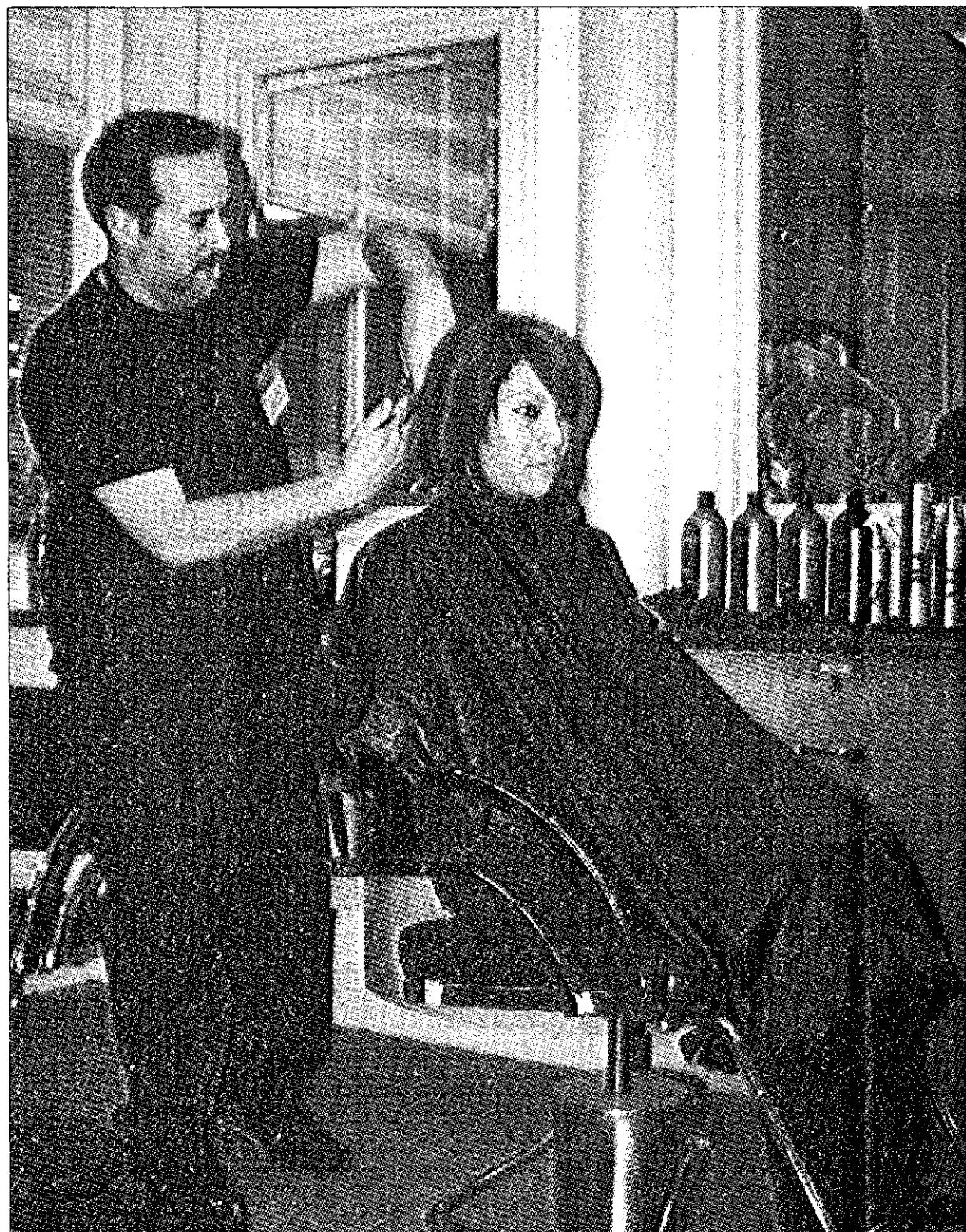
LEONOR GOMEZ

undecided major

"I think he should focus on the unemployment rate and providing more jobs."



Cosmetology students cut hair



Shear pleasure: Gabriela Rodriguez receives a haircut from Bryan Griffith.

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Many students may know that Cerritos College provides a cosmetology program, but what they may not know is that the Cosmetology Department provides its services to the student body as well as to the public.

The cosmetology program runs its very own salon, providing services that include haircuts, manicures, make-up and facials, just to name a few.

"The main thing is that we want students to know that we exist," said Cindy Alvelo, cosmetology major.

Fellow cosmetology students and Acting Cosmetology Club President Monique Meza agrees.

Any given opportunity, students will find Meza and club members promoting, not only its services, but its program as well.

"We have been pushing it, and pushing it, and pushing it to the students and even faculty," Meza proudly states.

Involving the ASCC, the Cosmetology Department had ASCC President Michael Barrita over to see firsthand the services the program provides.

"I walked in and business was booming," an elated Barrita stated.

But what impressed Barrita more was the clubs outreach across campus.

"(Meza) has reconnected the cosmetology program back with the ASCC, making the student body more aware of what it has to offer," Barrita said.

Cosmetology students want skeptics who are not sure of having their hair cut or make-up done by a

student to not be afraid.

"You will be receiving professional haircuts from students," said Sam Becker, cosmetology major.

The students are watched over carefully by instructors to make both students and clients feel comfortable.

"We have an amazing staff that is there to help us step-by-step if needed," Meza insists.

The instructors have been very successful with their program having an impressive 85 percent passing rate of students going in front of the California Board of Barbering and Cosmetology for the first time.

For students that take extra classes to get through college faster, the Cosmetology Department offers

an extra day per week for cosmetology majors to come into school and do the same.

"Once you become a junior in our program, we are given the chance to come in on Saturdays to accelerate through and get more hours per week," Alvelo explains.

Even with the help of their instructors and opportunities to finish their schooling faster, cosmetology majors rely on their constant practice to successfully complete the program.

With the help from student and faculty, by going over to the student salon and supporting it, Meza believes, "You will help us to learn, to make us better and to be more confident."



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Practice makes perfect: Jamie Van Essen practices on a mannequin head.

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- Tuesdays and Thursdays 12:00 noon - 3:30 pm
- Fridays and Saturdays 8:45 am - 3:30 pm

Nights

- Wednesdays and Thursdays 5:45 pm - 8:30 pm

Cosmetology Services

- Dermalological European Facial \$22 & up
- Plain facial \$17.00
- Manicure \$2.50 & up
- Water Manicure \$2.50
- Tints, bleaches & frostings: prices vary on client
- Press & curl w/ shampoo & conditioner \$20 & up
- Eyebrow Arch (tweeze) \$3.00
- Waxing (eyebrows, lip or chin) \$4.00 each
- Haircuts \$5.00 & up

Esthetician Services

- Facials & Make-Up \$27.00 & up
- Mini facial \$20.00
- Make-Up application \$10.00

Note To Clients

Clients must have a P.D. test 24 hours prior to any color service, artificial lashes, lash tint and brow tint. P.D. tests are completed free of charge in the Cosmetology Department.

- There is an extra charge for:
- Haircuts for certain services
- Long hair
- Requests for a particular student

All services are done by students. Student gratuities are appreciated.

Do you smell what Cerritos is cooking?

The Culinary Arts open at the student center with fine cuisine for only a fraction of the price.

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With the scent of fresh cooked meals lingering in the air the Culinary Arts opens its doors to the eager students awaiting to munch down on a good meal.

Students gather in line as they get fine cuisine dishes for only a fraction of the price they would see somewhere else.

"I am happy that it's really cheap. I thought the plates would be like 20 bucks. But, everything is under seven dollars," said

Alexandra Romo, nursing major.

Many of the dishes sold at the café, such as the grilled teriyaki salmon, beef and bok choy stir fry and Brazilian skirt steak, that would normally cost \$12 to \$15, only cost a fraction of the price.

Vicky Garcia, culinary arts ma-

jor, said, "We also have a variety of foods. We sell foods from all over the world."

Each day, the Culinary Arts Café has different themes, such as Asian, Italian and Mexican.

Michael Pierini, chef instructor, helps pick a different country theme along with the students.

"I make the decision based on cooking techniques," Pierini explained. The menu is separated into different parts for different class levels to do.

The beginning class does the breads while an intermediate group does the international cuisine.

"Given all the (mediocre) fast foods around the Student Center, the culinary arts is closest thing to a gourmet cuisine on campus," said Devon Lopez, psychology major.

If anyone would care try some the dishes at the café, it is open from Monday through Thursday.

Alexandra Romo

"I am happy that it's really cheap. I thought the plates would be like 20 bucks. But, everything is under seven dollars."



Culinary Arts: Vanessa Velasquez cooking up a storm to feed the hungry.

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Lunch Hours:
11:00am to 1:00pm
Monday - Thursday

Menu

Appetizers and soup

Eggroll 2.25
Crab Cake 2.25
California Roll 2.25
Spanakopita 2.25
Shrimp and scallop 2.25
Small soup 1.75
Large soup 2.50

Specialty Sandwiches

Grilled Chicken Sandwich 5.50
Grilled vegetable & chicken 6.00
Grilled vegetable sandwich 5.00

Entree salads and cold plates

Chicken caesar salad 5.50
Chinese chicken salad 5.50

International Cuisine

Masala 5.75
Herb chicken breast 6.00
Mediterranean lamb sausage 5.50
Brazilian skirt steak 6.00
Stuffed pork loin 5.75

Cafe Classics

Grilled teriyaki salmon 6.75
Sautéed pork loin medallions 5.50
Grilled sirloin steak 6.00
Smoke salmon angel hair 6.50
Beef and bok choy stir fry 6.25

A BLOODY DISASTER!

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The 2009 "My Bloody Valentine 3D" remake of the 1981 original was a horrible slasher movie.

I wouldn't even count this as a "Slasher film" more along the lines of nonsensical violence movie.

The movie centers on a mining community that had a mineworker named Harry Warden trapped in a coma, then wakes up and goes on a killing spree on Valentine's Day.

The title was too obvious, which makes me think of a less obvious title so I could wonder what the movie is about so I would want to go out and pay for a movie, but with a give away title like this one, I didn't really want to go pay, as I did not.

I did not like how it leads straight into the killings after the first ten minutes of the movie. Is a little suspense too much to ask for in a movie?

I am so glad that I did not pay to see this movie, cause I would have been really angry. But again I did not see it in 3-D because the theatre I went to did not screen 3-D movies.

The graphics were horrible, it looked too cartoonish, but in a

Movie Review

My Bloody Valentine

Starring: Jensen Ackles and Jamie King

Director: Patrick Lussier

Rating:

computer animates kind of way, so that also gets a fail on this movie.

The plotline was one too obvious, and should have had more detail to it, instead of jumping right to the killings.

This movie did not meet my expectations on the gore, and slashing, only three of the murders were even half way decent, the other ones you can tell that the director tried to hard.

But it was somewhat entertaining in the middle were there was a slight mix in the story were it baffled me a little, but in the end I was

right about the outcome.

I am a consistent fan of horror movies, and I am beginning to like them less and less with every new-fled me a little, but in the end I was right about the outcome.

I am a consistent fan of horror movies, and I am beginning to like them less and less with every new movie.

But in the end of the ranting of this movie, I give it a one thumb up for keeping me occupied and out of the house.

This narrows me down to say, any original slasher movie should be left alone, it was fine as it was, so



please leave these movies alone and come up with some originality.

No Japanese English remake of scary movies, no remake of classics; they were actually good. Cause it's the old, simple things that are the best...like Gameboy Color.

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