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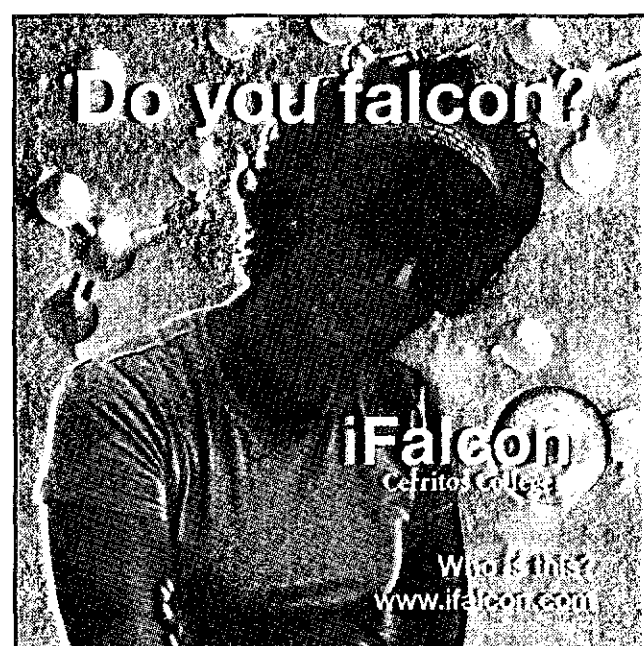
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# DO U F.A.L.C.O.N.?!?



## Cerritos kicks off 'Habits of Mind' campaign

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With 24,000 students enrolled, Michael Barrita, ASCC president, wants to leave a program of student success behind for Cerritos College.

The answer is iFALCON.

Bryan Reece, president of the Faculty Senate, introduced the new campaign, "Habits of Mind," to fellow faculty members Thursday morning.

"We want to focus on student success. We saw this program bigger than anything else," Barrita said.

With the majority of Cerritos College students enrolled being first-generation students, "Habits of Mind" may benefit them the most.

"Habits of Mind," scheduled to launch Spring semester of 2009, will be the defining program for Cerritos College students.

"It's a fantastic campaign. It is well organized and it's needed," said David Betancourt, chair of Music Department.

The campaign will feature a new Web site, cards and posters to promote the program, and a catchy acronym to go along with it, iFALCON.

With the craze and popularity of Apple inserting the letter "i" in front of its products such as the iPod, students in Cerritos put the "i" in iFALCON, the meaning being Focus, Advance, Link Up, Comprehend, and New Ideas. Habits of the campaign will treat F.A.L.C.O.N. as a verb.

"To falcon is to practice 'Habits of Mind,'" Reece said.

In the Web site, each letter in the word F.A.L.C.O.N. will provide great detail of what it means.

The Web site will also include videos of students describing their own views and opinions of what to do to be successful in college.

Quizzes and resources will also be provided through the Web site to help students think about each topic or letter.

The promotional approach has also taken a similar approach to that of iPods. There will be posters and cards with the same silhouette theme iPod advertises.

The component of the cards and posters is that the people as silhouettes are actually students from Cerritos.

The cards will contain two main features.

The first one being a quick background of the student and his success in Cerritos College and the second being a code provided on the back of each card that can be entered into a contest to win various prizes varying from an iPod to a flash drive.

Every time there is some sort of purchase, whether it be in the bookstore or Taco Bell, the iFALCON cards will be distributed

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**F**

Focus

Focus on the work that needs to be done.

**A**

Advance

Always improve and advance.

**L**

Link up

Link up with the academic community.

**C**

Comprehend

Study for comprehension.

**O**

Organize/embrace

Successful students are well organized.

**N**

New ideas

Embrace new ideas.



**Habits of Mind:** Oscar Franco is the Commissioner of Student Outreach in the ASCC.

**Talon Marks: What are your thoughts on the new iFALCON campaign?**

**Oscar Franco:** I think it's a good idea. I think every student needs a little bit of guidance in his or her academic journey.

**TM: Are you a first generation student?**

**OF:** Coming to college in the United States, I'm the first in my family.

**TM: Do you think this campaign will benefit you?**

**OF:** Yes, it would be a lot of help for me and other students.

**TM: What's your favorite feature on this campaign?**

**OF:** Well, I think the campaign cards are my favorite because they are more

personal. Also, the banners and the pictures are really good and attractive.

**TM: Do you think it will be successful in the spring?**

**OF:** Every campaign needs a little bit of time. I think the most important thing is to deliver the message. I think when you are delivering that message, it is somehow going to have an impact.

**TM: Do you think 'Habits of Mind' will spread to other schools?**

**OF:** Well actually yes because we are preparing something called the outreach program that goes out to high schools and promotes college and education. I think it would be great if it were extended even to high schools.

**TM: What kind of feedback has faculty given about iFALCON?**

**OF:** There have been many emails received and all the emails have included positive comments.

**TM: What do you think are some problems that might come across when it first gets launched?**

**OF:** I think it would be more minor problems. I think the biggest problem would be how students are going to receive this. It takes time.

**TM: Do you think the transfer percentage will increase?**

**OF:** Yes, it will make an impact. I think more importantly, it will increase the percentage we have right now.

**TM: Do you falcon?**

**OF:** Of course I falcon.

## Health Center wants to raise cost

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A proposal for a \$2 student fee increase will be in the process of approval in early November.

If this proposal is approved, by Spring 2009 the student enrollment fee will no longer be \$14, but rather \$16.

The \$14 that each student pays when he enrolls covers the services that the Student Health and Wellness Center provides.

Students may receive vaccines, check-ups, birth control, condoms and pap smears, along with other services.

"Many of the prices for the vaccines and other services we provide have and will continue to increase," coordinator of student health services Nancy Montgomery said.

Last year, the cost for a Hepatitis B shot was \$25, now it has risen to \$30.

Not only that, but a change in one of the rules and regulations of the state provides for community colleges, will have an immediate impact on the number of students who receive vaccine shots on campus.

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## Cerritos hosts Day of the Dead

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Dia De Los Muertos festivities infested Cerritos College last Tuesday leaving students with a fresh reverence for the dead.

Dia De Los Muertos is celebrated on Nov. 1 and 2 and concentrates on gatherings of family and friends to pray for and remember loved ones who have passed on.

The event included a summary of the origin of the "Day of the Dead" and an explanation of why the holiday is celebrated. Various clubs were selling food and beverages.

The event was co-sponsored by the Puente Club and Puente Program at Cerritos College, along with other groups such as La Sociedad de Profesores Hispanos, the History Department, Chicanos for Community Medicine, Project H.O.P.E., Anthropology Club and E.U.E.L.

The Chicanos for Community Medicine were selling candy apples and cupcakes to raise money for conferences at different universities.

"We like to help students entering in the sciences," stated Ashley Rojas, biology pre-med major,

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Fire up the grill: Robert Campolo, film professor, gives a thumbs-up to theater professor Dr. Robin Huber's cheeseturger.

## Theater Department feeds potential artists

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Dr. Robin Huber was hard at work behind the grill feeding hungry mouths Tuesday afternoon. The Theater Department had a barbecue which provided free lunch to students that were interested in learning on what the department had to offer.

The barbecue was held next to the studio theatre.

Huber, theater professor, has been part of the Cerritos Theater Department for 20 years.

"We've been doing this barbecue for

many years now, and it's always turned out very successful," Huber said.

The lingering scent of juicy cheeseburgers in the air was good enough to stop any one dead in their tracks, and head towards the barbecue.

Tables were set out for students to sit down and enjoy their lunch. Faculty members, both full-time and part-time were walking around to answer any questions students might have.

"We basically do this for students to get information on upcoming auditions, and to sign up for the mailing list we provide. We do everything from e-mails, flyers, and posters," explained Georgia

Wells, Theater Department chair.

The Theater Department wasn't able to carry on a barbecue the last couple of years, but this year they decided it was time to do it once again.

"This is nice for a change, we don't get to do the barbecue all the time, but this department is great, and always very friendly," mentioned Robert Campolo, film professor.

Hamburgers weren't the only thing on everybody's plate, there was a table full of cookies and chips and student Enzo Canepa was right there filling up his plate.

Canepa has been part of the theater

department since last fall.

He has recently auditioned for "De Donde?" the new Cerritos College play that is set out to come out on Dec. 5.

"I love being part of this department and all the plays. I get to be someone I am not, like an opposite of me and it's such a great experience," Canepa expressed.

Throughout the barbecue students actually had the opportunity to sign up for the mailing list. It was a huge success according to Huber.

"We actually had six or seven people that changed their majors to theater," Huber announced excitedly.

## Weeding out the facts and fallacies of pot

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Is it good or is it bad? What's wrong with it? Students filled the classroom of SS215 to listen to the facts and fiction of the controversial substance of marijuana on Tuesday morning.

During Drug Awareness Week, the Psychology Club hosted numerous presentations of drugs, marijuana being one.

Daniel Snipes, president of Psychology Club, said, "I was very surprised of the outcome of students. There were lots and lots of people."

All the seats became vacant in an instant once the doors opened and students were forced to sit on the floor or stand in the hallway during the presentation.

The two presenters, Asja Hall and Kennya Menendez, presented the many aspects of marijuana. They covered areas ranging from older laws and current laws to the negative effects and benefits of weed.

Kennya Menendez, psychology major, said, "I was trying to point out the good stuff of weed. I do support it only if it's for medical usage."

After the presentation, students filled the room with questions and concerns. Students discussed experiences and opinions of the illegal substance.

Some topics discussed after the presentation were health issues, law enforcement regulations, and the safest way to consume weed.

Snipes, who's against marijuana, said, "I thought the questions were biased toward weed."

David Gallarzo, chemistry major, asked many of the questions as well as adding his own opinions during the questionnaire.

"I was very happy that they objectively presented both sides of marijuana. They gave us the decision to decide whether it is good for ourselves," he said, as a user and advocate of marijuana.

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# DSP&S attends Mentoring Day at LMU

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"This was the best experience of my life," said Bryan Vandenberg, law major.

Students from the Disable Student Programs and Services joined hundreds of other disabled students from across the country for Disability Mentoring Day on Oct. 15.

Locally, the event was hosted by Loyola Law School on the campus of Loyola Marymount University.

Students that attended the event were paired up with mentors from each of their chosen fields.

Ten students from Cerritos College attended the event with three teachers also going.

This was the first year that Cerritos participated in the event according to Aurora Segura, specialist at DSP&S.

The students were able to trail their mentors for the entire day learning what types of duties that were performed in their chosen professions.

The students also were treated to lunch and attended workshops.

One student that attended the event was Pearl Netrayana, she said that she is study in the child development field but really is still undecided.

She suffers from cerebral palsy. Cerebral palsy affects muscle movement and coordination.

According to [www.about-cerebral-palsy.org](http://www.about-cerebral-palsy.org), it is caused by an injury to the brain before, during or shortly after birth and is either a failure of the brain to develop properly or neurological damage to the child's developing brain.

Two in every thousand born in the United States have some type of cerebral palsy and that is more than any other developmental disability.

Netrayana went to Los Angeles World Airport and was able to visit both the account and human resources departments.

"It was good because I am still undecided in what career I want to explore," she said. "So it opened my eyes to things I didn't think I would

be interested in."

She wished that one thing would be changed in how the Mentoring Day was ran.

"I wish we were able to get hands on experience," she said.

Vandenberg was also a participant and was able to trail a lawyer.

He was involved in a motorcycle accident and had the back of his skull crushed.

He said the doctors told him that it was a miracle that he was still alive.

He learned what types of things lawyers do and watched as his mentor prepared for a case.

"I learned about the logical things that happened in the case my mentor was working on and it was a great experience to see him get ready for a big case," Vandenberg said.

Even though Netrayana was born with a handicap, she doesn't want people to feel sorry for her.

"I embrace my handicap and I am not ashamed or sad because of it," she said.



Mentor Day: Don Garriot (L), Bryan Vandenberg (C) and Pearl Netrayana after attending Mentoring Day at Loyola.

## iFALCON: Faculty is asked to help by introducing plan into teaching lesson

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In addition, "Habits of Mind" will be a two-part campaign, an in-class and a general campus campaign.

The in-class campaign requires the help of faculty members. It will consist of a 14-week cycle in which every week, the teacher will focus on a specific letter to students in the class.

Faculty is being asked to use

iFALCON when teaching study skills to students and also contribute to the iFALCON Web site.

"It's set up to be successful, if [faculty] gets involved, then I believe it will be successful," Betancourt adds. "[Faculty] needs to make sure students are aware of iFALCON. It's quite easy to incorporate iFALCON in my class."

The other part of the campaign, the general campus cam-

paign, has one main goal: general awareness. This aspect of "Habits of the Mind" will be student driven with the message of iFALCON being delivered through the banners, campaign cards, posters, and Web sites.

"Overall, students are excited. The students are nothing but positive about 'Habits of Mind,'" Barrita said.

## Day of the Dead: A lively event

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from the Chicanos for Community Medicine. "We also offer tutoring for chemistry, biology and math."

"Our goal is to raise the number of Latino students in the medical field," added Carlos Munoz, pre-med major.

The Anthropology Club cre-

ated an altar to facilitate students' understanding of the origin of the "Day of the Dead."

Traditions include visiting graves and creating altars with photographs, candles and flowers to honor the deceased. Sugar skulls, marigolds, and the favorite foods

and beverages of the dead are used as gifts.

Dia De Los Muertos is a holiday that aims to help families accept the death of their loved ones by honoring and remembering them, thus allowing people to relieve sorrow and being to heal.

## Health Center: New vaccination rates

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Before California began to experience an economic deficit and forced budget cuts in schools, the cut-off age for free vaccines was 25.

This year, the cut-off age is 18. Any other student, who wishes to receive a shot, will be forced to pay \$50 for each vaccine.

"We (at the Student Health Center) pay for the things we supply the students with," Montgomery states. "With the enrollment fees, the students help pay for them. We pay the remainder of the price."

Although the fee increase appears to be necessary, not many students are pleased.

Angel Vasquez, criminal justice major, proclaimed, "That's ridiculous. I know prices are increasing, but I don't think increasing services that are supposed to be free in school is going to promote more student involvement at the SHC."

The gynecologist and mental health counselor will not be of any cost to students as well.

Marina Martinez, cosmetology major, said, "They are really helpful."

"I don't have to go anywhere else if I need a check up or feel sick. I just go to the Student Health Center."

A major concern to the students on campus is the consistency of the increases.


Ricardo Cortez, nursing major, is afraid to someday be paying an enrollment fee of the same price as an entire semester worth of classes.

"By the state of California community college rules and regulations, enrollment fees cannot, and I mean absolutely cannot, exceed \$17," Montgomery clarified.

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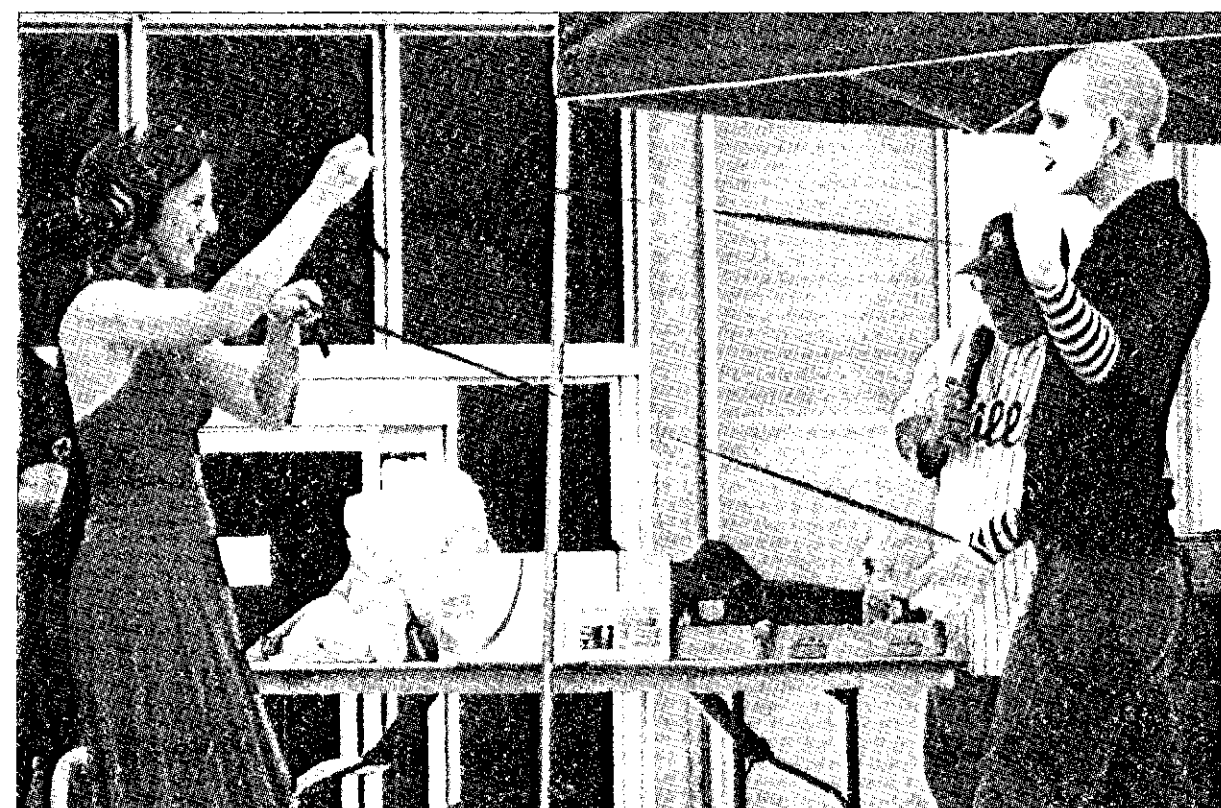


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Master of puppets: The puppeteer controls her puppet during the costume contest.

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## Creepy costumes celebrated at the Hill during pre-halloween costume contest

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Cerritos College brought the Halloween spirit with a costume contest for its students on Oct. 30.

The celebration had music, food from Chick-fil-A and Halloween music of all types.

Winners of the costume contest were:

- the most creative, Rick Angel as Black Angel,
- the scariest, Brian Wittig as

- Ghost Rider.
- the funniest, Sherman Pascoe as a T-Rex and
- the best group, Monique Meza and Fritz Torres as Indians.

The S.P.I.C.E. Club was selling sugary treats outside of the library for the contest and to raise money for the club.

Caroline Ocampo said, "I think they did a good job (at the contest)."

Participant Abel Osorio, music

major, said, "I think there should be more events, I like how everyone is into school spirit, and they should be more informed."

He added, "(There should be) posts in classrooms and announcements over loud speakers."

"I wanted to get into it. I wanted to fit in."

A successful school event screams school spirit and offers another opportunity to make new friends.



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### •EDITORIAL•

# No smoking rule ignored

There is a rule on campus that one cannot smoke within 20 feet of entrances and exits of any building on campus.

When walking out of a building and getting a puff of tobacco blown into one's face, one can only assume that this policy is being ignored.

This is a simple rule that's easy enough to follow.

No one is asking smokers to go off campus to smoke.

No one is even asking them to use the designated smoking areas, which there are some on campus.

Smokers are being asked to be respectful to everyone else by not smoking by an entrance to a building.

Many non-smokers can tell you that tobacco smoke is uncomfortable.

Not to mention that it's in the best interest of those with asthma to stay away from it at all costs.

So why not walk those few extra steps away from the doors so non-smokers don't have to be subjected to it.

Second-hand smoke kills just as many people as those that put the cigarette in their mouths.

Students are getting a taste of this when all they want to do is go to class.

Some smokers may say that they don't know how far 20 feet is so they don't know where they can smoke.

Twenty feet is not right next to the door, that's for sure.

Maybe the school needs to make it clear where the 20-foot mark is.

If ashtrays are 20 feet from the entrance to a building, maybe a sign on it saying "this is the allowed distance from the entrance."

In some cases, ashtrays are right next to the door.

There couldn't be more of a welcome to smoke within 20 feet.



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# Smoking is linked to cancer, and?

I smoke and love smoking and before you say "It will kill." I know. It's on the package.

Smokers have been ostracized about this for years. We are forced outside and looked at as jerks every time we light a cigarette in public.

People pull that little fake cough when they walk by us. It is better to be a drug addict than a smoker in California.

Most people that smoke do so because they are addicted, not because they feel like killing themselves.

Addiction is a disease. Addicts of drugs are sent to rehab, while addicts of cigarettes are given a patch or some gum and that's supposed to help fight the addiction.

There are many types of addicts. How many people talk trash to someone that drinks a lot of coffee or eats a lot of sugar.

It's the same thing, those vices will also kill you. Personally, I never smoked until I joined the Navy and the only reason I started was to get a few breaks here and there.

I know that is a stupid reason but after 16 straight hours of work, drills and anything else the powers that be decided we need to do, it doesn't seem as stupid.

When you haven't slept in days you start to look for ways to get even a five-minute break.

I continue to smoke now because I never found a



productive outlet for my stress. Instead of being even more mean to people than I already am, and trust me I am pretty mean, ask anyone who knows me, I just light up cigarette.

People just don't understand that when you try to quit you get moody, grumpy and sometimes when you say you want to be left alone, all you want is someone to say its ok, I understand, I'm here for you.

Instead they take everything you say personally. So if you have a friend that really wants to quit smoking just be there for them and understand that sometimes they might lash out at you.

Understand that they don't always mean what they say. When they push you a way they really want to be closer.

If more people were understanding of this then maybe there would be less smokers.

The last thing you should do to a friend or family member that is trying to quit smoking is to leave him

or her out because he/she smokes.

If you embrace the fact that they smoke, they just might feel comfortable enough with you not to smoke around you. They might actually begin to trust you because they know you don't judge them, and they might even ask you to help them quit smoking.

Think about this: When you go to a club, where is everyone having fun? From my experience, it's the people that are outside smoking, because instead of trying to find a reason to talk to the person of the opposite sex all they have to do is ask for a light.

Smokers that must leave to go smoke find themselves joined to by a common habit; one the rest of the world hates and that makes them unite, even if subconsciously.

Because we are all going through the same thing. Our friends hate us for smoking, our loved ones who don't understand continually talk trash to us, do you really think that helps us quit?

Don't get me wrong starting smoking maybe the worst decision I ever made and I don't think anyone should start. All I am saying is give smokers the same respect that they give non-smokers.

We don't talk trash to you for not smoking so don't talk trash to us for smoking.

And if you really want to help someone quit smoking don't judge them, just love them.

*So if you have a friend that really wants to quit smoking, just be there for them and understand that sometimes they might lash out at you.*

## What do you think of the 20-foot smoking rule?

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**FRANCISCO RODES**  
history major  
"I think the rule isn't really being followed."



**NATASHA MAJARRO**  
English major  
"I don't have a problem with it. I think it's fine as is."



**CHRISTINA MIJARS**  
animation major  
"I think it should be a bit more far from the entrance."



**JOEL BATISTA**  
hygiene major  
"It's fine. You gotta respect other people. I think it should be further. It bugs a lot of people."



**ALLISON GRAY**  
nursing major  
"I don't like it because I don't like the smell, there should be a given area (for smoking)."



**TONYA SPURLING**  
paralegal major  
"I think the campus should be non-smoking, or it should have a designated smoking area."

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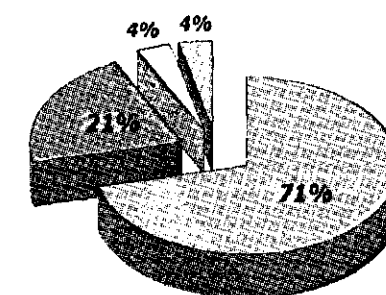
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# Art student embraces peers' recognition

Professor and peers see Hong Mei as inspiration to others.

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Anyone can paint and draw something on a piece of paper, but it takes a true talented person to create something worth calling "art," as stated by Hagop Najarian, Art department chair.

Najarian believes Hong Mei is that talented artist, and her artistic skills are what made her stand out to him, and to many of her fellow classmates.

Every so often the art department has a certain someone that qualifies for a special feature called "Spotlight."

Mei was that certain someone, that qualified and exceeded in Najarian's eyes, and was such an inspiration to many of the students in the art department.

Mei is a mother, a student here at Cerritos, and is also currently working in the school library.

"I thought Mei would be a great candidate to be recognized in the paper. She is such a hard-worker, tremendously gifted and such an inspiration to everyone," Najarian explained.

Mei has been living in the United States for three years now.

She and her family, which consists of her husband and son, came to California from China in 2005.

Najarian has come to admire the pieces that Mei has produced over the courses she has taken with him.

"She took my first class during the summer, and right then and there I saw that she had an eye for technique," Najarian explained.

Mei had little experience before she became part of the Cerritos art department.

"I have improved a lot, but it's my secret!" Mei joked.

From drawing and painting real life props, to landscapes and even self-portraits, Mei couldn't set her heart entirely to one.

"I love to draw anything that is beautiful to draw, I can't choose, I love it all," Mei explained.

Art has become such a passion for Mei, that she jokingly admitted that she forgets to eat and sleep because of the great impact drawing has had on her.

But being an art major was never part of her educational plan.

"I was going into accounting before I decided to change into art. I have always been good at mathematics, but accounting was too much for me," Mei mentioned.

Mei has been a hit in the art department since day one, according to her fellow classmates.

"She puts a lot of heart into her paintings. She is always learning, and it's impressive because she works at school and is a mom, all at the same time," marveled Sonia Hernandez, art major.

Mei has tried every sort of drawing form out there, from cubism, abstract, to impressionist. She admitted that her personal style and favorite was realistic.

"I like to work with real life objects, like for example, human models, I would say that my personal



ESMERALDA INFANTE/JM

**Spotlight feature:** Hong Mei, art major, explains her favorite piece which portrays the Chinese earthquake that hit in May 2008.

style is classical realistic," Mei remarked.

He feels blessed to have her in her class and sees how she has blossomed throughout the semester.

Mei in return couldn't have been happier to have Najarian as a pro-

fessor.

"He has always supported me, and has been more than patient with me, but he's awesome," Mei expressed.

Mei doesn't only have natural talent, but she comes prepared to

class.

"She comes to class with a book for reference, and apart from that she always finishes her assignments earlier than the rest of us, and they come out amazing," said Cristina Rivera, art major.

Not only is she recognized for her artistic skills, but she has many other positive traits.

"She is extremely modest, and such a great role model for any inspiring art student out there," Najarian voiced.

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## Fall orchestra performs free show for all Cerritos students

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An orchestra exchange concert featuring the California Baptist University String Ensemble and the Cerritos College Orchestra was held on Oct. 24.

The string ensemble, composed of 19 musicians, performed first with the list of songs:

- Edward Elgar's "Nimrod,"
- George F. Handel's "A Tempo Giusto" and "Allegro" from Concerto Grosso in G Major Op. 6, No. 1,
- Edvard Grieg's "Air," "Sarabande" and "Gavore-Musette" from Holberg's Suite, Op. 40 and
- Peter I. Tchaikovsky's "March" from The Nutcracker.

Dr. Angela Brand, director, said she chose the list of songs, "to show the range of musicality (the ensemble) is capable of."

David Betancourt, director of the Cerritos College Orchestra, opened the orchestra's performance with Gioachino Rossini's "The Barber of Seville, Overture."

- Most (from the audience) probably know (it) really well," Betancourt said.

The song has been known to be in Bugs Bunny cartoons.

- The other songs the orchestra played are:
- Mikhail Ippolitov-Ivanov's "Procession of the Sardar" from Caucasian Sketches,
  - Jean-Joseph Mouret's "Rondeau" from Premiere Suite,
  - Henry Purcell's "Chacony" and
  - Ludwig van Beethoven's "Presto" and "Allegro con Brio" from Symphony No. 7 in A Major.

"(This selection) has a certain level of excitement and variety," Betancourt said, who wanted to challenge the orchestra to play its best.

There was going to be a piano concharto, but it was delayed until Dec. 3.

"We had an issue with the instruments," Betancourt said.

## "Rock 'n roll" band comes back into the spotlight after an eight-year hiatus

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AC/DC is back after eight years and is as great as ever with the new album, "Black Ice."

Songs like "Rock 'N Roll Train," "Skies on Fire" and "Money Made" are instant classics and live up to the high reputation the band has built over the past three decades.

You would think that some of these songs were recorded at the same time as classics like "Back in Black" and "Highway to Hell."

They're that good!

While many classic music groups should have stopped making music in their prime, AC/DC has proven

that some bands can hold their own over the decades.

AC/DC has shown no sign of losing its edge. If you like the band's classics, you will like the new stuff.

"She Likes Rock 'N Roll" in particular has become a favorite as much as "TNT."

The lyrics are so catchy and stay stuck in your head.

"Black Ice" is a "rock 'n roll dream" for AC/DC fans and leaves you listening to it over and over again.

The band's previous albums are "Blow Up Your Video," "The Razor's Edge," "Ballbreaker" and "Stiff Upper Lip."

"Black Ice" is now available at stores for fans everywhere to enjoy.

## AC/DC's Black Ice Track List

1. Rock 'n Roll Train
2. Skies on Fire
3. Big Jack
4. Anything Goes
5. War Machine
6. Smash n Grab
7. Spoilr'n for a Fight
8. Wheels
9. Decibel
10. Stormy May Day
11. She Likes Rock 'n Roll
12. Money Made
13. Rock 'n Roll Dream
14. Rocking All the Way
15. Black Ice

# Women's soccer continues to roll

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Led by two goals from forwards Liliana Leos and Monique Cisneros, the Cerritos College women's soccer team defeated East Los Angeles College, 7-0, Tuesday afternoon.

Later in the week, the Falcons beat San Bernardino, 3-1, and LA Harbor, 7-0.

Forward Elba Menjivar said, "We just wanted it more today."

Leos also had three assists in the victory.

The win sends the Falcons record to 12-0-3 overall and 6-0-1 in conference.

They are ranked No. 1 the country for the fourth week in a row by the National Soccer Coaches of America.

"Being the No. 1 team in the nation puts a big target on our backs," head coach Ruben Gonzalez said. "Every team we play, (those teams) feel it's a victory if they can score against us."

The Falcons are in first place in the conference by two points and will have one more big game against second place Mt. SAC.

They will play Mt. SAC on Nov. 11 at 4 p.m. Before that, the Falcons will face the Under-20 Mexican National Team on Nov. 8.

"If we continue to do well that game (Mt. SAC) will be for the conference championship."

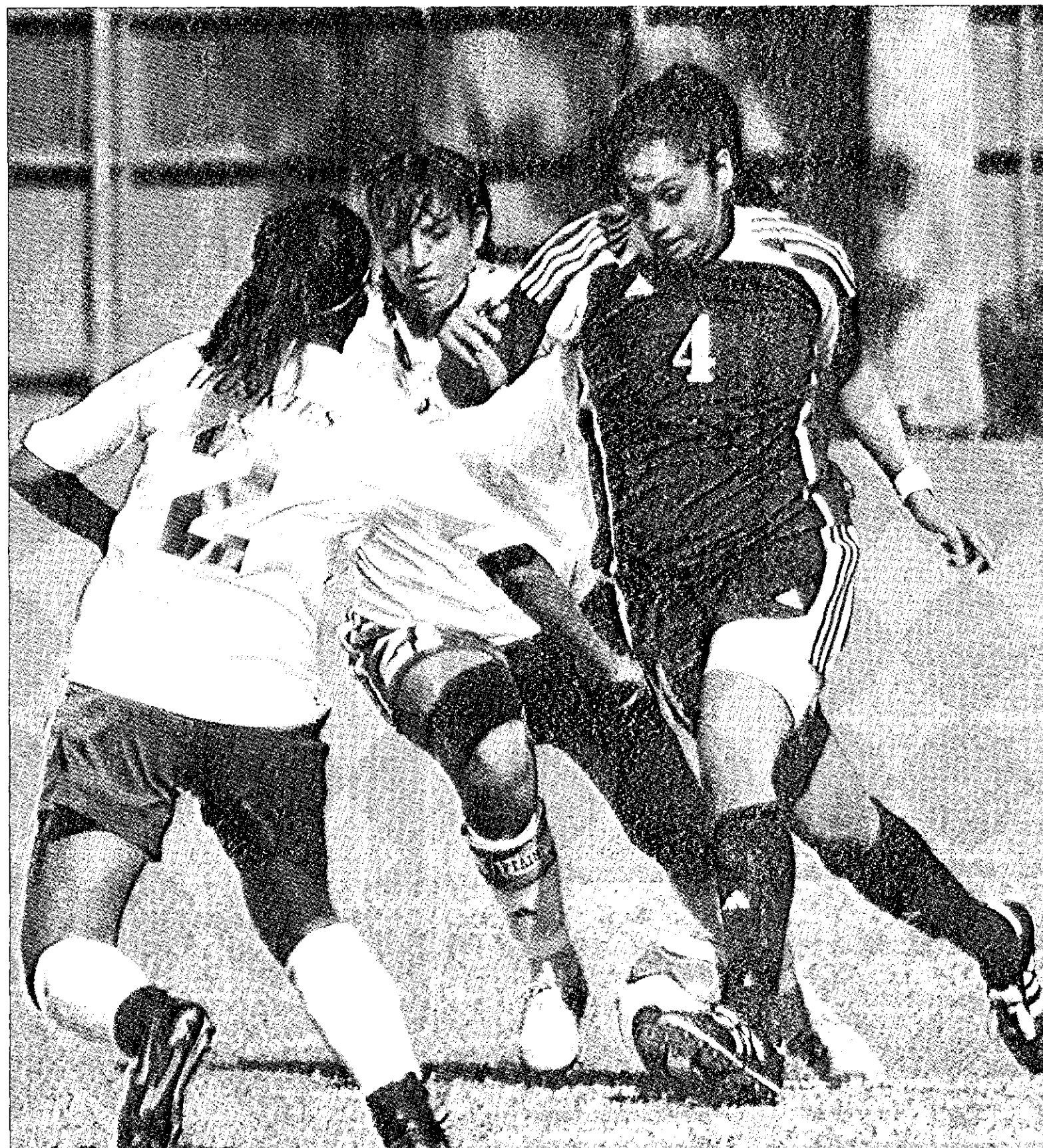
In the first half, the Falcons scored twice, once by Leos and the other by Cisneros.

Approximately 10 players were suspended for the game.

"Those players missed practice on Sunday," Gonzalez said. "If we are going to win a state championship again this year, the women must be disciplined."

The Falcons came out in the second half and dominated the time possession scoring five times.

"In the first half, we came out a little heavy-legged," he said. "In the second half, we got our rhythm back."



Double-teamed: Forward Corina Villegas (No. 4) is swarmed by players from East Los Angeles College during the Falcons' 7-0 victory last Tuesday afternoon.

## Women's Division III Soccer Rankings

1. Cerritos
2. Broome
3. Santa Rosa
4. DuPage
5. Cypress
6. Oxford
7. Ventura
8. Montgomery
9. Santiago
10. Brookdale
11. American River
12. Modesto
13. Camden County
14. Santa Barbara
15. Tompkins

Source: www.ncaa.com

## Individual Leaders

**Goals:** Cisneros 24  
Leos 12

**Assists:** Villegas 14  
Leos 12

**Points:** Cisneros 56  
Leos 36

Source: www.cerritos.edu

## Men's soccer defeats Huskies

### Men's Soccer Division III Rankings

1. Herkimer County
2. Santa Rosa
3. Morris
4. San Francisco
5. Manchester
6. Mt. SAC
7. Hartnell
8. Montgomery
9. Taft
10. Brookdale
11. Cerritos
12. Evergreen Valley
13. Fresno
14. Ulster County
15. Richland

Source: www.ncaa.com

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Scoring four goals in the second half after being shut out in the first half, the Cerritos College men's soccer team defeated East Los Angeles College, 4-0, Tuesday afternoon.

Also, the Falcons lost to LA Harbor, 3-2, last Friday.

"We play a pressure-style of defensive so if we can do that in the first half, we are able to take over the second half against. Most teams we play will come out and die in the second half," head coach Benny Artigas said.

With the win, the Falcons move into second place in the South Coast Conference.

The National Soccer Coaches Association ranks them No. 11 in the country, according to its latest poll, dropping six places from last week.

Next up for the Falcons is Los Angeles Harbor College this Friday at 6 p.m.

In the game, forward Luis Gonzalez got the Falcons on the first in the scoring past an outmatched Sergio Molina, Huskies goalkeeper on a penalty kick at the beginning of the second half.

With 13 minutes left in the game, Molina was relived by goalkeeper Abel Carrera.

The Falcons scored three more times, capped off by Alex Munoz's goal with 10 minutes left in game when the Molina looked like he had the save easily, but the ball just slipped between his arms.

The last time these two teams played they tied, 0-0.

"The Huskies stole 2 points from us last time we played them so I think there was a little extra incentive to beat them this time" Artigas said.



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Going nowhere: Running back Tylik Carter is gang tackled by a group of defenders from College of the Desert during last Saturday's game that the Falcons won 42-27.

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## Football team runs over Roadrunners

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Led by quarterback Jeffery Fisher's three touchdown passes, the Cerritos College football team defeated College of the Desert, 42-27, Saturday night.

The Falcons are now 6-2 overall and 3-1 in conference action and if they win the next two games, they will be assured at least a tie for the top spot in the National Division's Central Conference.

"Destiny is in now our hands," head coach Frank Mazzotta said.

This was the first of three big games to wrap up the season and the next is against Mt. SAC, who is currently ranked No. 1 in the

country, next Saturday night at 7 p.m.

The defense caused three turnovers and held the Roadrunners' offense in check in the first half by not giving up a point until there was just minutes left in the first half.

"We got more physical and beat them to the punch all night on defense," defensive end Ryan Davis said.

The Falcons got on the board first scoring on a 25-yard field goal by kicker Pedro Puga on their first drive of the game.

Later in the first quarter, Fisher found wide receiver Joshua Robbins for a 50-yard touchdown catch and run.

Robbins finished the game with five receptions for 78 yards and two touchdowns.

In the third quarter, the Roadrunners started to make some noise.

They were able to run the ball but a combination of turnovers and penalties ended any hope they had left.

The Falcons scored on just minutes into the fourth quarter when Fisher found wide receiver Sheldon Smith on a slant over the middle of the field for a 36-yard touchdown reception.

"I saw the safeties leave me and told the quarterback to watch me," Smith said. "He found me and I was able to outrun everyone for the touchdown."

On offense, running back Duane Bowen led the Falcons with 74 yards on the ground and one touchdown.

Linebacker Jack Francis led the defense with nine tackles and defensive end Kirt Puleasi had 1.5 sacks.

### Preview of the Mt. SAC game

Mt. SAC is ranked No. 1 in Southern California and is 8-0 overall.

Last week it beat El Camino College, who is currently ranked No. 3.

Offensively the Mounties are led by quarterback Nick Lamaison, who has 2209 passing yards.

On defense, they led by Dominique Gaisie, who leads the team with 34 tackles.

The game is Saturday at 7 p.m. at Cerritos College

### Southern California Football Top 20 Poll

1. Mt. SAC
2. Canyons
3. El Camino
4. Fullerton
5. Cerritos
6. Saddleback
7. Palomar
8. Grossmont
9. Allan Hancock
10. Southwestern
11. Santa Ana
12. Pasadena
13. Chaffey
14. Desert
15. Orange Coast
16. Golden West
16. Ventura
18. Antelope Valley
19. Bakersfield
20. LA Valley

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### Falcons Statistical Leaders

Rushing	Yards
Carter, Tylik	602
Bowen, Duane	214
Passing	Efficiency
Fischer, Jeffery	156.05
Morales, Chris	112.22
Receiving	Yards
Robbins, Joshua	450
Smith, Sheldon	316
Interceptions	No.
Lewis, LeQuan	2
Russell, Eric	2

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## Women's basketball ready to tip-off

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"It's like I have a lot kids this year," Mercedes Taylor said.

The forward is one of three returning players for the Cerritos College women's basketball team this season after a season that saw the team advance to the Great Eight in last years state tournament.

"Last year's team was really refined and had a lot of court smarts," guard Rachel Butler said. "This year we have a lot of raw talent and will have to get into better habits."

Besides have a lot of new players the Falcons will also have one new coach.

Tricia Raniewicz will take over the defensive responsibilities for Steven Johnson who left to help Long Beach City College.

Raniewicz was a wealth of experience ranging from coaching high school basketball to serving as a scout for the WNBA's Houston Comets.

"We are going to get better as the season progresses and the players get closer," she said.

Head coach Karen Welliver returns for her twenty-sixth season as

coach of the Falcons and is coming off a season where she was named Southern California Coach of the Year.

"Even though we don't have a lot of returners," she said, "we have a wealth of experience with the players that are returning."

Taylor was named the co-MVP of last season's team and was named to the first team all South Coast Conference team.

She was fourth on the team in points and third on the team in rebounds.

"It is going to take longer to get situated because we are so young this season," she said of how the team is coming together this season.

Butler was the team's sixth man last season and now is expected to take a bigger role on the team now that she is a sophomore.

"This year's team is really quick and during the games the freshmen have exceeded expectations," she said.

Butler was also named one of the captains for this season's Falcons, along with Taylor.

### Women's Basketball Roster

No.	Name	Position
10	Cecily Garcia	Guard
11	Brittany Quitte	Guard
12	Cynthia Lara	Guard
13	Cherish Sanchez	Guard
14	Adria Jackson	Guard
20	Raven Tripp	Guard
21	Rachel Butler	Guard
22	Mercedes Taylor	Forward
23	Maleta Daughtery	Guard
31	Angelica Washington	Center
34	Amber Finley	Forward
40	Michelle Nunez	Forward
42	Vanessa Faagata	Forward

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**Painting away:** A child with her mask, which she painted and placed stickers on, watches with great interest as another child gets her hand painted during the Family Harvest Buffet held at the Child Development Center last Thursday.

The Child Development Center held its Family Harvest Buffet for the children that attend the it and their parents on last Thursday.

With this event, parents were given the opportunity to volunteer.

They helped set up, decorate and direct activities.

They also provided all food that was given during the harvest.

Children were able to participate in activities such as face painting and mask making.

Because many cultures don't celebrate traditional holidays, this harvest allowed families not only to celebrate the Halloween holiday without celebrating Halloween, but to also interact more with their children and teachers.

## Families dig in at CDC

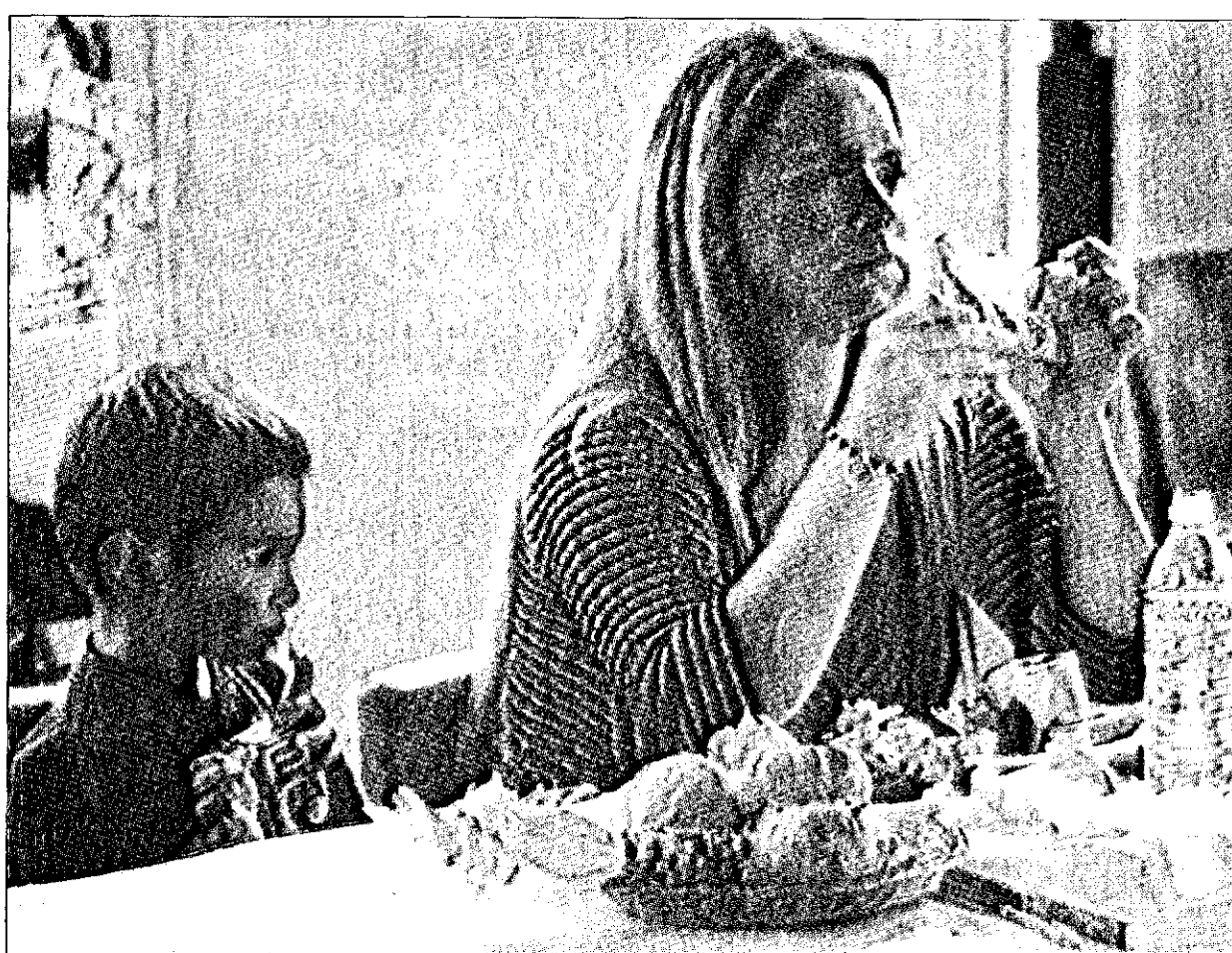
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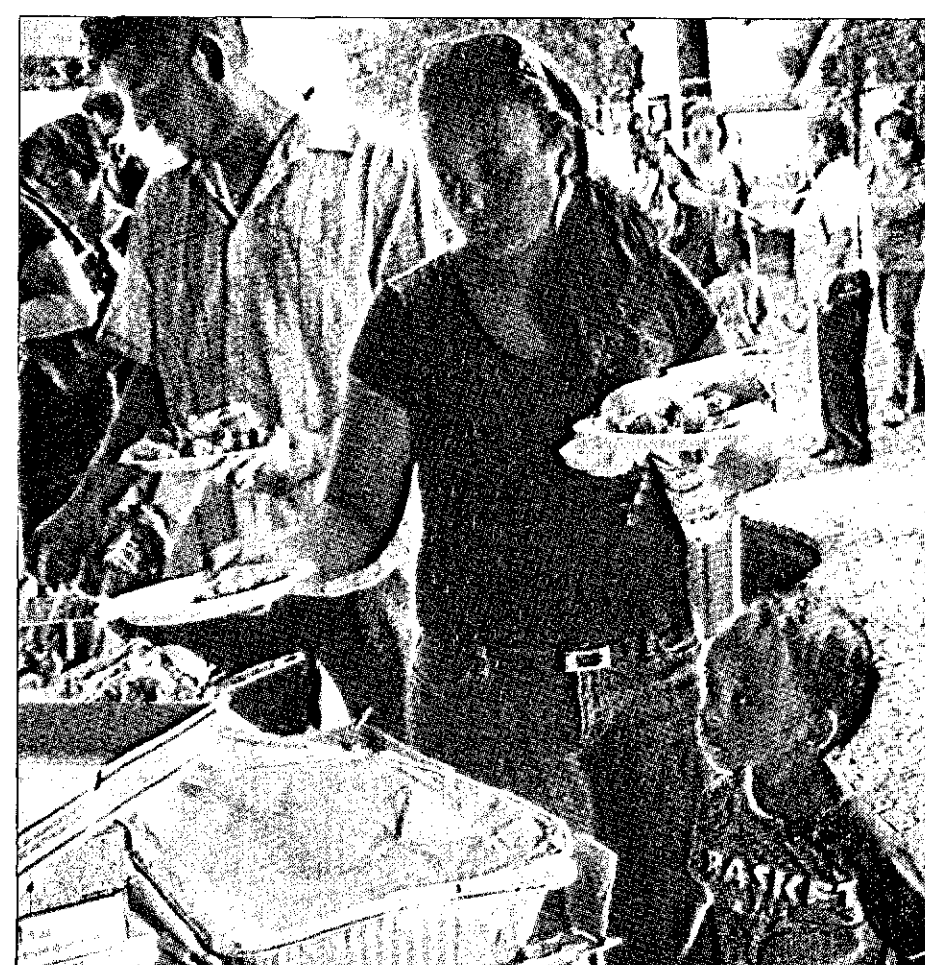
**Making a choice:** A volunteer tries to help a child decide on what she will get painted on herself.



**The stare down:** Two children that attend the Child Development Center play in the mud.



**Get your grub on:** Mother and son sit and partake in the abundant food and drinks that were served at the Family Harvest Buffet held at the Child Development Center last Thursday.



**Serving it up:** Mother and son serve themselves some of the delicious food provided by other parents.