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Full-time faculty not permitted sabbaticals

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Faculty Senate President Debra Moore announced that there would not be any sabbatical leaves next year, at the faculty senate meeting Tuesday afternoon.

The decision comes nearly a month after the Faculty Senate approved 11 faculty applications for sabbatical leave for the 2010-2011 school year, in accordance with the faculty handbook.

"It was a decision based solely on the uncertainty

of the budget. It is something we don't ever want to do, but we need to put the students' needs first," president Linda Lacy said.

For most, the decision has been made since last Sept., when Victor Collins, Interim Director of Human Resources met with Faculty Senate president, members of the Sabbatical Leave Committee and the CCFE President to convey the position that sabbatical leaves would be suspended.

Administration still went ahead with the process in hopes that the budget situation would improve but with the state projecting a \$6 billion budget deficit for this

year and a \$14 billion shortfall for the next, it was a decision many students and faculty agree with.

"I think the decision is appropriate for the time, in the near future we should definitely reinstate them, but just not now," said ASCC Vice President and Student Trustee Felipe Grimaldo.

Grimaldo is not the only student that thinks it is a beneficial decision, "I think it's a great decision, I'm just confused how they thought it could actually work out, but I'm glad they came to the right decision," said psychology major, Magaly Zamora.

While the benefits of sabbatical leave are under-

stood, the cost of funding them is something that faculty have taken into consideration. The estimated cost of funding these sabbaticals would cost an estimated \$200,000 and result in an estimated loss of 67 classes.

Vice President of Academic Affairs Bill Farmer said in a statement, "we jointly acknowledged and commended the time and effort that the 11 faculty applications represent; we also noted that the majority of the proposed projects/activities would benefit Cerritos College. However, we also mutually agreed that it would not be fiscally prudent to approve any of the applications."

Student march Friday

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Are you frustrated with the State of California gambling with your education?

If you're fed up it's your time to break the silence in the "March for California's Future," Friday in Bakersfield at 8 a.m. as well as at the kickoff event Thursday in Falcon Square at 11 a.m.

The California Federation of Teachers will lead a six-week march through Central Valley to Sacramento for the purpose of three goals to be recognized.

Some students and faculty certainly say they have had enough of this on-going budget crisis.

"This march is a symbol of everyone saying enough is enough," stated Joseph Silva, Political Science major who will be marching 15 miles.

The problem is that the education of many students across the State of California is being ravaged due to a system that allows a minority of anti-government/anti-tax conservatives to confine the budget that decapitates quality education.

Education is becoming progressively more unaffordable, but is the money being recycled back into the education budget?

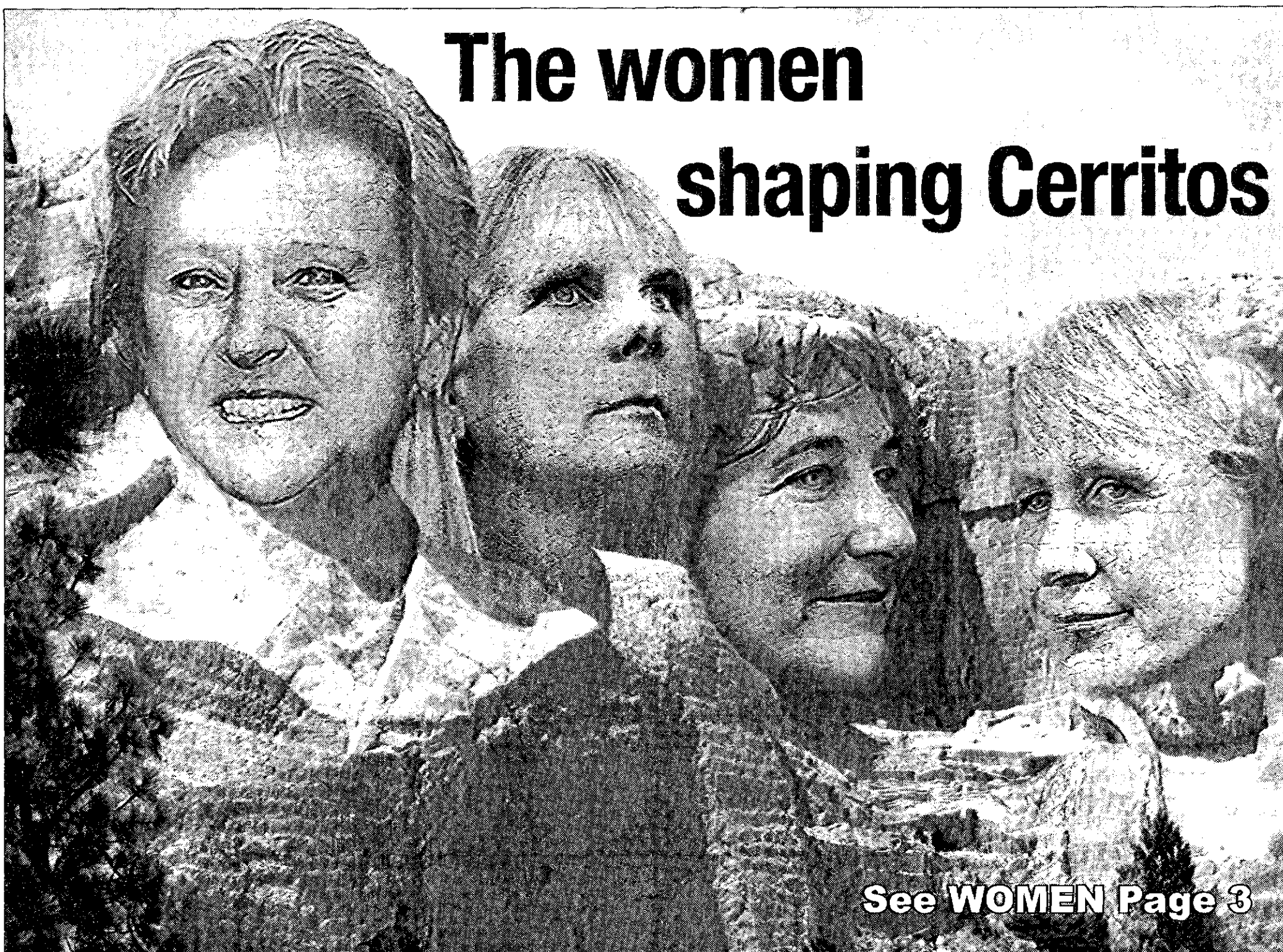
Silva believed that the problem isn't just spending money.

"The state doesn't have a spending problem," Silva said, "but a revenue problem."

"The state budget crisis can be repaired with fair tax increases on the wealthy and closing corporate tax loopholes. Silva continued"

The "March for California's Future" is the beginning of trying to ensure that goals and solutions are heard at the legislator's office to protect higher education and put

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The women shaping Cerritos

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Steinberg hosts webcast in response to fee increase

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Senate President pro Tem Darrell Steinberg (D-Sacramento) hosted a live webcast discussion through The California Channel, in a statewide discussion in response to the recent student fee increases made in higher education on Feb. 23.

A product of the University of California system, Steinberg addressed the controversial issue millions of students are facing in the state of California due to the inadequate

funds in higher education.

The 54-minute webcast included a pre-taped "day-in-the-life" segment of a few students devastated by the fee increases, sharing their personal adversities, experiences and concerns.

The discussion was followed by questions answered by the panelists, previously submitted via e-mail, from various student participants statewide.

"Higher Education is critical to the future of our state, these institutions have served as a beacon of hope and opportunity for thousands of students," Steinberg said.

"The state's budget has taken a plunge along with the international economy, our public colleges and universities have been hit the hardest," Steinberg added.

After the UC's Board of Regents' vote to increase tuition by 32 percent, caused by the \$1.2 billion spending gap in result of the state's budget crisis, California's students are dealing with the aftermath of skyrocketing fee increases.

Fees at UCs are up 144 percent resulting in an increase of \$5,000 per year. CSU's are dealing with a 180 percent increase, a \$2,600 increase per year.

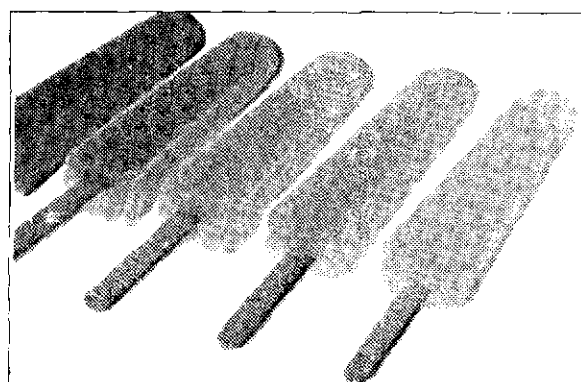
Community Colleges are dealing with a 136 percent increase and \$15 per unit increase.

Students all over are dealing with various circumstances, like not being able to enroll in, or experiencing difficulties getting their classes, which in turn, prolongs their time in their respective institutions.

The estimated time to earn a degree is 5.5 years in the CSU system and 4.2 years for UC's.

"Experts have already warned that if we

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Getting the Vote: Host Jazmin Lopez interviews undecided major Iraiz Mosqueda (left) and criminal justice major Annabel Simental (right) during an MTV3 segment.

MTV3 takes Falcon votes

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MTV Tr3s came to Cerritos Campus on Wednesday to film the television show "ReMEXa." Field Producer Ananta Mara said the reason why MTV Tr3s chose to film in Cerritos College was because of its "big Latino community."

The "ReMEXa" is a competition show for fans, and the episode that was filmed featured reggaeton artist Don Omar and bachata group Aventura.

The episodes put the two competing artists against each other to see who has more loyal and knowledgeable fans.

Host Jazmin Lopez would ask questions to students about each artist, like, "who would make a better boyfriend Don Omar or lead sing-

er Romeo?"

Aventura fan Maritza Preciado, sociology major, said, "Romeo, because I think he's cute."

The winner of each round would have its music video aired, with a total of 10 videos in each episode.

The winner of the entire competition would have one extra music video aired on the show.

Preciado said, "I was really nervous," about going on MTV Tr3s and that she was just standing there when she was asked to participate.

Art and design major Susana Be Navies said that she likes Aventura because, "its lyrics talk about common relationship problems."

Don Omar fan Iraiz Mosqueda, pre-med major, said that being on the show was, "exciting, because it's on TV."

Jose Gonzalez, massage therapy major, said the reason why he likes Don Omar is because,

"he was one of the first originators of reggaeton and made an impact."

Mara mentioned that the production manager, Marisol Rivas, attended Cerritos College before transferring to USC.

Lopez has been a host for MTV Tr3s' "ReMEXa" for about a year, and has been hosting shows for six years.

She said that the biggest advice she has to offer for any students wanting to pursue a career in television is to "stay in school."

Some classes that are worth taking, Lopez mentioned, are speech and theater. "It really helps, and don't be afraid of rejection, it happens. Just continue doing what you love, and it will pay off, she said."

"ReMEXa" airs on the weekends and students can expect to see Cerritos College this upcoming weekend.

'116 Seconds' sheds some light

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This presentation of abuse on women and children started with the film "116 seconds" by Froulan Cabute, who in his statement, said, "116 seconds" implants powerful and emotional images that generate awareness of the complex issue that the film presents.

"116 Seconds" challenges the viewers to look deep within themselves and to see this issue from a different perspective."

His film demonstrated examples of sexual abuse through the character Benito, who was abused by his father and ran away to seek sanctuary with his uncle who violently raped him, and Samantha, a victim of a rapist who deceived her into opening her front door.

Samantha later murdered her rapist herself using her built up rage. Benito later became a proud parent, choosing a career path in the FBI where he eventually caught his rapist and brought him to justice. The film then concludes with Benito forgiving his mother for his ordeal.

After the film, the discussion started with Max Estrada, Counselor Advocate for "Su Casa," Emily Franco, and Tiombi Preston, marriage and family therapist, being introduced.

Preston opened the discussion pointing out that one in three women and one in five men are sexually abused and less than 10 percent actually report the abuse.

Preston pointed out that this issue is often silenced when it shouldn't be and said, "think about the language used today to talk about sexual abuse such as date rape, date theft, and think about how it minimizes the impact of sexual abuse."

She also said that the victims deserve to talk about their experience and there are hotlines, such as 1-800-656-HOPE, where you can anonymously talk about it and find support. Preston said that an abusive relationship usually starts out with someone making you cross your own boundaries.

Max Estrada was then up next and started by saying, "we need to support each other, women and kids, it's very important for victims to move forward." He said that this issue is mostly about power and control. He also said that statistically three or four teen boys go to jail for the murder of their mothers abuser, and that it is very traumatic for the child to go through.

Emily Franco then took the spotlight and stated, "a lot of times people blame the victim for what has happened to them."

Michelle Cody, nursing major, said, "some abused victims eventually become abusers themselves and people need to understand that."

Franco clarified that it would just be a defense mechanism.

Preston said, "if ever faced with a victim, we need to remember not to interrogate, or be forceful, just be supportive."

Dragster is cause of accident that killed one, after visiting Cerritos

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Top fuel driver Antron Brown was involved in a racing accident that killed an unidentified female spectator at the Firebird International Raceway in Chandler, Ariz. on Feb. 21, just 12 days after Antron and his 800-horse power Matco dragster, visited Cerritos College.

"It's horrible to see anyone getting killed by having fun, you can only imagine how (Brown) must have felt," Automotive Department Chair, Tony Baron said.

During an elimination race, Brown's car unexpectedly swerved left and on to its side, hitting the

retaining wall and exploding into flames. One of the dragster's wheels was then sent airborne and hit the woman who was sitting in the crowd.

According to Alia Maisonet, a spokeswoman for the Gila River Indian Community who was first on scene, the woman was airlifted to an area hospital for treatment, where she later died.

"It felt like the back end just dropped out and the car started pitching end over end," Brown said in an interview with SpeedTV.com. "I saw a little burst of flame come around my head, and I saw sparks."

In a statement Brown said, "my heart and prayers go out to the woman's family and friends. Our

focus is on the family's well-being during this very challenging time. We also ask of our fans and supporters to keep the family in your prayers."

During Brown's visit to Cerritos College he talked to students about the importance of staying in school and learning a trade, while displaying his dragster to students.

"He gave a bit of a pep talk to students while he was here," Baron said.

Abel Ponce, auto instructor said "I had a class when (Brown) was here, but it is like anything it's a shock when something like that happens."

You can watch the full video of the crash at www.talonmarks.com

Webcast: Students plead cases

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don't change these trends California will not have the workers it needs to keep our economy on the cutting edge," Steinberg said.

The "day-in-the-life" segment featured different stories of students. Jordan Mortimer, a special education major at Sierra Community College, shared some of the struggles he is facing stating, "with the high cost, the probability of attending next semester, as a full-time student, won't happen."

Yemini Lopez, a junior at CSU Sacramento, shared her experience as a first generation college student. "It's a scary situation because instead of dedicating myself to my studies, half of the time I'm think-

ing about how I will continue to pay for college."

The student leaders were able to voice their concerns to Senator Steinberg.

Roberto C. Torres, President of Associated Students, Inc. of CSU Sacramento said, "we've seen in the CSU system a loss in quality in our education, less class availability, and fewer professors, we are essentially paying for a full gallon of milk when we are only getting half of it."

Steinberg said, "an issue far beyond as students, but a less educated workforce will put a big hurt as a whole state, if changes are not made."

Steinberg reassures that Cal Grants will remain a primary source

of help for the recipients who qualify, and financial aid will be kept in tact, but is in need of an increase of resources.

Not only are UC and CSU students being affected by the increases made in tuition, lack of class availability, and being turned away from enrollment, some Cerritos College students are dealing with similar issues.

Natty Kan-Art, a biology major, stated, "I'm dealing with trying to find more financial aid through Cal Grants, but community college still remains more affordable than other institutions."

If you missed the live webcast, watch it online at www.talonmarks.com.

March: Students and faculty march for education

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an end to those who are suffering due to the lack of California's education promise.

"I believe that the state must continue funding higher public education," stated Executive Director of Cerritos College Faculty Federation Julie Ivey, "if it goes down then the economic growth and recovery will

go down too."

For students who are interested, the CCF will pay for the mileage if you commute to Bakersfield with car-pool restrictions.

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Women's History Month

March 8

Women in Medicine and Dentistry
11-12:15 p.m. HS102

March 9

WHM Film Series:
Profesores Hispanos present:
"Camila"
2-4 p.m. S 201



March 10

WHM Film Series
Profesores Hispano: "Yo, La Peor de Todas"s
2-4 p.m. S 201

March 11

Mariachi Divas:
Fundraiser for Su Casa
Student Center
5-6 p.m. Dinner
6-8 p.m. Show
Tickets: \$8 per person

Available for purchase before the event from a WS faculty member and in Falcon Square

For More Information contact Diane Keenan (562) 860-2451 ext. 2765

Women's History Month

1850 - The first women's rights convention is held in Seneca Falls, New York. At this convention, the Declaration of Grievances is signed. The declaration was created to set an agenda for women's rights.

1869 - The first National Women's Rights Convention takes place in Worcester, Mass., attracting more than 1,000 participants.

May - Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton form the National Woman Suffrage Association.

Nov. - Lucy Stone, Henry Blackwell, and others form the American Woman Suffrage Association.

Dec. 10 - The territory of Wyoming passes the first women's suffrage law.

1890 - The National Women Suffrage Association and the American Women Suffrage Association merge to form the National American Woman Suffrage Association (NAWSA).

1893 - Colorado is the first state to adopt an amendment granting women the right to vote.

1896 - The National Association of Colored Women is formed.

1903 - The National Women's Trade Union League (WTLU) is established.

1913 - Alice Paul and Lucy Burns form the Congressional Union to work toward the passage of a federal amendment to give women the vote.

1916 - Margaret Sanger opens the first U.S. birth-control clinic in Brooklyn, N.Y.

1919 - The federal woman suffrage amendment, originally written by Susan B. Anthony and introduced in Congress in 1878, is passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate.

1920 - The Women's Bureau of the Department of Labor is formed.

Aug. 26 - The 19th Amendment to the Constitution, granting women the right to vote, is signed into law by Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby.

1921 - Margaret Sanger founds the American Birth Control League.

1935 - Mary McLeod Bethune organizes the National Council of Negro Women.

1936 - The federal law prohibiting the dissemination of contraceptive information through the mail is modified and birth control information is no longer classified as obscene.

1955 - The Daughters of Bilitis (DOB), the first lesbian organization in the United States, is founded.

1960 - The Food and Drug Administration approves birth control pills.

1961 - President John Kennedy establishes the President's Commission on the Status of Women and appoints Eleanor Roosevelt as chairwoman.

1963 - Betty Friedan publishes her highly influential book *The Feminine Mystique*, which describes the dissatisfaction felt by middle-class American housewives with the narrow role imposed on them by society.

June 10 - Congress passes the Equal Pay Act.

1964 - Title VII of the Civil Rights Act bars discrimination in employment on the basis of race and sex.

1965 - In *Griswold v. Connecticut*, the Supreme Court strikes down the one remaining state law prohibiting the use of contraceptives by married couples.

1966 - The National Organization for Women (NOW) is founded by a group of feminists including Betty Friedan.

1967 - Executive Order 11375 expands President Lyndon Johnson's affirmative action policy of 1965 to cover discrimination based on gender.

1968 - The EEOC rules that sex-segregated help wanted ads in newspapers are illegal.

1969 - California becomes the first state to adopt a "no fault" divorce law,



Celebrating WOMEN of Cerritos

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Rosa Parks, Harriet Tubman, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, Sally Ride, Amelia Earhart, Dr. Mae Jemison, and Condoe Rize; all women who have made a significant change in women's suffrage history.

At Cerritos College, women like Linda Lacy, Debra Moore, Holly Bogdanovich, and Karen Welliver are responsible of making a change in the college's history.

Art major Andrea Juarez said, "I think the women that have powerful positions at this school will make a mark in this college's history. They are setting an example and paving the way for more women to run and take responsibility of roles that years ago, only men would obtain."

Although March is women's history month, some students believe that there should not only be one month of the year to celebrate the progression the women are making and everything they have suffered to be in the positions they are today.

Marcos Tuvar, psychology major, said, "I personally think that there should be a men's history month but at the same time I think that women have gone through so much more suffering and pain throughout history than men have."

What people fail to recognize or realize however, is the fact that the majority of the people running this school are in fact women.

The president of the college is Linda Lacy. The president of Faculty Senate is Debra Moore. The Director of Student Activities is Holly Bogdanovich. The basketball coach that had made history for Cerritos by being last year's most winningest coach is Karen Welliver.

Although those are the most obvious leaders, Moore said that if you take a look at the

deans as well as the rest of the employees of Cerritos College, they are in fact women.

These women are proof that not only our society, but our college, is making a great progression to accept and allow women to take such responsible roles.

Lacy believes that the college is setting an example for other colleges by proving that jobs and titles should not be given out because of gender or race but should be earned by the work that people do.

Lacy said, "I think now it's so common for women to hold powerful positions in society that it's come to a point that society has come to realize that race and gender shouldn't be an issue. Someone should earn their title and their position by what they can do, what they have to offer, and the responsibility they are capable of handling."

She thinks that she has not had to face hardships in her current position as president because people realize that she is capable of handling her position just as anyone else responsible enough would do so also.

Someone who has faced hardships, however, not as a coach but as an athlete, is Welliver.

Back in 1976 when she was in Long Beach State's women's basketball team, her female teammates were forced to carpool or take their own cars to games, whereas the males would take a charter bus to the airport and fly to the games.

Welliver doesn't take it personally though because, she said, it is different in athletics because competitiveness and being aggressive is in athletes' blood.

"Thankfully, that has not been the situation here at Cerritos. I think the men in the athletics department as well as the women are all striving for the same goal and that's to encourage students and help them achieve the goals they aspire."

Although we have grown to be more ac-

cepting of women taking on more responsibilities, there are still people who think like business major Jose Ramirez and think that all women should be housewives.

He said, "Women should be at home cooking, cleaning, and watching the children. They have no business doing anything anywhere else. They are stupid if they even think they are capable of doing things as well as men can."

Moore cared to disagree with that kind of thinking by saying that "one shouldn't limit the talent or gift someone has by restricting them and putting imaginary lines that can't be crossed. Everyone should be accepting of everyone else's talents and whether or not they support them they should at least acknowledge that they can in fact be able to pursue such goals."

Hoppe-Nagao agreed with Moore and said that to those who think that women should only be at home cooking and cleaning and being with their children, "Welcome to the 21st century."

People should not have this preconceived notion that women are not allowed to things that men are also capable of doing. Women should be allowed to pursue anything they want regardless of whether or not you agree with it you should at least accept it.

Bogdanovich said, "I think society is continuously evolving and now I think we are to the point that there is no clear role of what men and women are suppose to do. The roles are now in a grey area because women are doing things men do and men are doing things women do."

Regardless of what gender you are though, Welliver said that things shouldn't be done halfway.

"If you are a man or a woman, if you are going to do something don't do it halfway. Do it and do it with passion," she said.

which allows couples to divorce by mutual consent.

1970 - In *Schultz v. Wheaton Glass Co.*, a U.S. Court of Appeals rules that jobs held by men and women need to be "substantially equal" but not "identical" to fall under the protection of the Equal Pay Act.

1971 - Ms. Magazine is first published as a sample insert in New York magazine; 300,000 copies are sold out in 8 days.

1972 - Mar. 22 - The Equal Rights Amendment (ERA) is passed by Congress and sent to the states for ratification.

Also on Mar. 22 - In *Eisenstadt v. Baird*, the Supreme Court rules that the right to privacy includes an unmarried person's right to use contraceptives.

June 23 - Title IX of the Education Amendments bans sex discrimination in schools. It states: "No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal financial assistance."

1973 - As a result of *Roe v. Wade*, the Supreme Court establishes a woman's right to safe and legal abortion, overriding the anti-abortion laws of many states.

1974 - The Equal Credit Opportunity Act prohibits discrimination in consumer credit practices on the basis of sex, race, marital status, religion, national origin, age, or receipt of public assistance.

In *Corning Glass Works v. Brennan*, the U.S. Supreme Court rules that employers cannot justify paying women lower wages because that is what they traditionally received under the "going market rate."

1976 - The first marital rape law is enacted in Nebraska, making it illegal for a husband to rape his wife.

1978 - The Pregnancy Discrimination Act bans employment discrimination against pregnant women.

1984 - EMILY's List (Early Money Is Like Yeast) is established as a financial network for pro-choice Democratic women running for national political office.

1986 - Meritor Savings Bank v. Vinson, the Supreme Court finds that sexual harassment is a form of illegal job discrimination.

1992 - In *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*, the Supreme Court reaffirms the validity of a woman's right to abortion under *Roe v. Wade*.

1994 - The Violence Against Women Act tightens federal penalties for sex offenders, funds services for victims of rape and domestic violence, and provides for special training of police officers.

1996 - In *United States v. Virginia*, the Supreme Court rules that the all-male Virginia Military School has to admit women in order to continue to receive public funding.

1999 - The Supreme Court rules in *Kolstad v. American Dental Association* that a woman can sue for punitive damages for sex discrimination if the anti-discrimination law was violated with malice or indifference to the law, even if that conduct was not especially severe.

2003 - In *Nevada Department of Human Resources v. Hibbs*, the Supreme Court rules that states can be sued in federal court for violations of the Family Leave Medical Act.

2005 - In *Jackson v. Birmingham Board of Education*, the Supreme Court rules that Title IX, which prohibits discrimination based on sex, also inherently prohibits disciplining someone for complaining about sex-based discrimination.

2006 - The Supreme Court upholds the ban on the "partial-birth" abortion procedure.

2009 - President Obama signed the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Restoration Act, which allows victims of pay discrimination to file a complaint with the government against their employer within 180 days of their last paycheck.

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EDITORIAL

Women take center stage

The history of women has not always been worthy of celebration, but recent generations of women have made great strides in the United States. This progression is worth spending a month celebrating, but the fight for full equality still has a ways to go.

For much of history women were not allowed to receive any sort of formal education. However, since 2000, women have outnumbered their male counterparts on college campuses with women making up approximately 57 percent of the student body. This is a great achievement on behalf of women across the country, but the problem remains that degrees do not equal employment.

In 2008, women made up only 48 percent of the labor force in America. The good news is that number has slowly risen over the previous generations. However, considering the fact that females make up 50.7 percent of the population, it's easy to see that, although close, the gap has not quite been bridged.

Another area in the fight for equality that has improved, but is still not good enough, is equal pay for men and women. Nearly 47 years after the Equal Pay Act of 1963, women still only make 85 percent salary compared to their male counterparts. This issue remains so important that

the first congressional act that President Obama signed was the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act of 2009, which gives women more robust protection against pay discrimination.

Also in Washington D.C., the current U.S. Congress is composed of 76 female representatives and 17 female senators, including both senators from California and the speaker of the house. While these statistics are promising, women across the country are still far underrepresented compared to their population size.

In sports, thanks to recent generations of girls growing up under the protection of Title IX, females have made great advancements in athletic representation as well. Over the past 15 years, professional female athletes have found a home in the WNBA, LPGA, and WTA, as well as other leagues. These leagues are a great start for female athletes, but most are extremely less popular and profitable than male professional sports leagues.

Women still have leaps and bounds that need to be made concerning equality, but women today are far more equal than even many of their mothers were a generation ago. So, while praising the great heroes in women's history this month, let's not forget to consider the history that still needs to be made.



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2010 Census takes two steps back

Question number nine regarding race on the 2010 U.S. Census has exhumed memories of a painful and embarrassing time in U.S. History.

To some, the decision to include "Negro" as a racial identifier on this year's census will take America two steps back in the nation's journey to achieve equality in all aspects of society.

"The N-word branched out of Negro," said Greg Melvin of Queens when speaking to a New York Daily News reporter, "these days African-Americans wouldn't like the term."

While opponents of using the term have chosen to torment themselves with thoughts of a buried history mostly unearthed to be discussed in classrooms, at least 50,000 members of American society preferred to look beyond images of segregation and identify themselves as Negroes in the 2000 census.

Perhaps 50,000 does not compare to 300 million, roughly the entire U.S. population, but if that is the reason the New York Daily News article has received almost 200 heated responses on the subject, Americans need to step away from their keyboards and ask themselves:

Should the outcomes of our society's struggles



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historically fought to defend the right to self-identity for all ever be silenced?

Jack Martin, a representative of the U.S. Census Bureau, defends the decision to include the term because, "many older African-Americans identified themselves that way, and many still do. Those who identify themselves as Negroes need to be included," he said.

Jonathan Pitts-Wiley of NewsOne.com expressed curiosity as to who these 50,000 participants are. "I would like to meet the people beating down the Census Bureau's door wondering why they as Negroes were left off the form," he stated. The purpose to the census including several options under the question of race is that individuals should never have to beat down the federal government's door to be recognized as members of American society.

Other members of the black community worry that the term will negatively affect future generations.

be determined solely through strength in numbers? More importantly, should members of a minority that

tions. "I don't want my grandchildren being called Negroes," said Pamela Reese Smith of Rochester. The chances are they won't.

Backlash from the debate caused by this year's form has already led to swift action by the Census Bureau. "As an experiment, roughly 30,000 households will receive forms without 'Negro' as a pre-written option," said Nicholas Jones, director of the Census Bureau's racial statistics branch, as reported by The Washington Post last month.

No matter what option census participants choose, or cross out, Americans are showing their true colors, and they're not pretty.

Even in the 21st century, more than 200 years since the first national headcount was conducted in the Land of the Free, people are missing the big picture: the federal government uses the census to determine each state's congressional representation and allocate billions of dollars to services which benefit all members of American society—no matter what they prefer to be called.

These funds, if allocated correctly by accurately including all factions of American society, will help maintain a level of social equality which Martin Luther King, Jr., Mahatma Gandhi, and Cesar Chavez spoke of, but were not fortunate enough to experience themselves.

"Should the outcomes of our society's struggles be determined solely through strength in numbers?"

Who is your favorite woman in history and why?

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KRYSTAL LARA
psychology major
"Michelle Obama, she's doing a good job being the first African-American First Lady and her speech was moving."



CODY FINNELL
sociology major
"Rosa Parks opened a lot of rights for people of different ethnic background."



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RICKY MEZA
physics major
"Joan Jett is musically talented and she started at a young age, plus her beauty is eternal."



CHIRSTA MALDON
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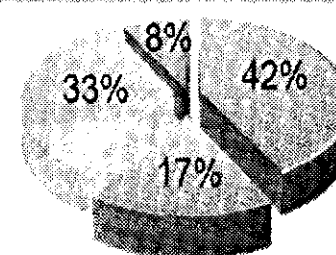
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Spotlight: Members of the band "Rabbit and the Sound of Perception" express their musical talents while performing at the Haiti Relief Concert.

Concert provides relief

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The Cerritos College Music Club raised \$201 for the Haiti victims by hosting a relief concert on Friday.

The fundraiser showcased students from Cerritos and their musical talents. The concert featured a variety of musical genres such as classical, pop, rock, and Spanish.

The concert took place in BC 51 where students, friends, and family members came in support of the musicians and the benefit.

Auditions were held prior to the concert.

Ultimately, the donations were going to be sent to the Red

Cross, but after careful decision-making, the club decided to combine the money it raised with the money ASCC has raised.

"It seemed fitting since it was a Cerritos event," Music Club Vice President Cindy Hernandez said, "we wanted to do our part."

Solo artist, duos, and bands took part in the concert.

Mary Ann Zacarias, music major and fellow Music Club member, participated in the concert along with guitarist Chris Moreno.

The two recited three songs, one including "Linger" by the Cranberries.

"We choose popular songs together that the audience would know and be interested in," Zac-

arias said.

Aaron Gonzalez, current adult hourly in the Music Department, attended the concert and was pleased with the turn out.

"It's great to see people at Cerritos really caring about helping people in the time of need."

"I've worked and played with some of the students involved in the concert, to see my friends and colleagues grow musically and put on a great show is very rewarding."

Aside from the Music Club, other clubs have raised money for the Haiti victims like the Cosmetology Club who raised \$75.

Director of Student Activi-

ties, Holly Bogdanovich is grateful for the additional donation. "It's great to see the students work together," she said.

Cerritos will be writing a check to The American Red Cross once it collects the rest of the money that is being raised.



Carlos Bolivar: Playing solo on guitar.

Middle schoolers get college experience

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The Cerritos College Music Department held a band exchange concert on Monday in the Student Center featuring the Cerritos College Concert Band and Symphonic Band as well as the Northpark Middle School Band.

The Cerritos Concert Band, directed by Dr. David Betancourt, played four songs, two of which had guest conductors.

The Concert Band's repertoire included "First Suite in Eb for Military Band" by the well-known composer Gustav Holst, which consisted of three different movements and "Anthem For Winds and Percussion," which featured French horn player Jeffrey DeSeri as a guest student conductor.

The Cerritos Symphonic Band performed two songs in the concert.

The Symphonic Band played Adam Gorb's "Eine Kleine Yiddische Ragmusik" and Samuel R. Hazo's "Ride," a piece that the composer came up with the idea for while driving, according to Dr. Betancourt.

The Northpark Middle School Band played seven songs

that night, all of which had a different guest conductor.

Some of the songs that Northpark played included the popular song "Ave Maria," "Promenade," a song that the band will play at the world-famous Carnegie Hall on April 2, and the always entertaining "1812 Overture."

According to Dr. Betancourt, the concert was held in order for young students in the community to gain interest in playing music.

"The purpose is to be able to have community members come and get involved with the college and let them experience what we're doing," Betancourt said.

The concert was also a rewarding experience for the Cerritos students who performed.

Clarinet player Janet Cisneros said, "I think we performed really well."

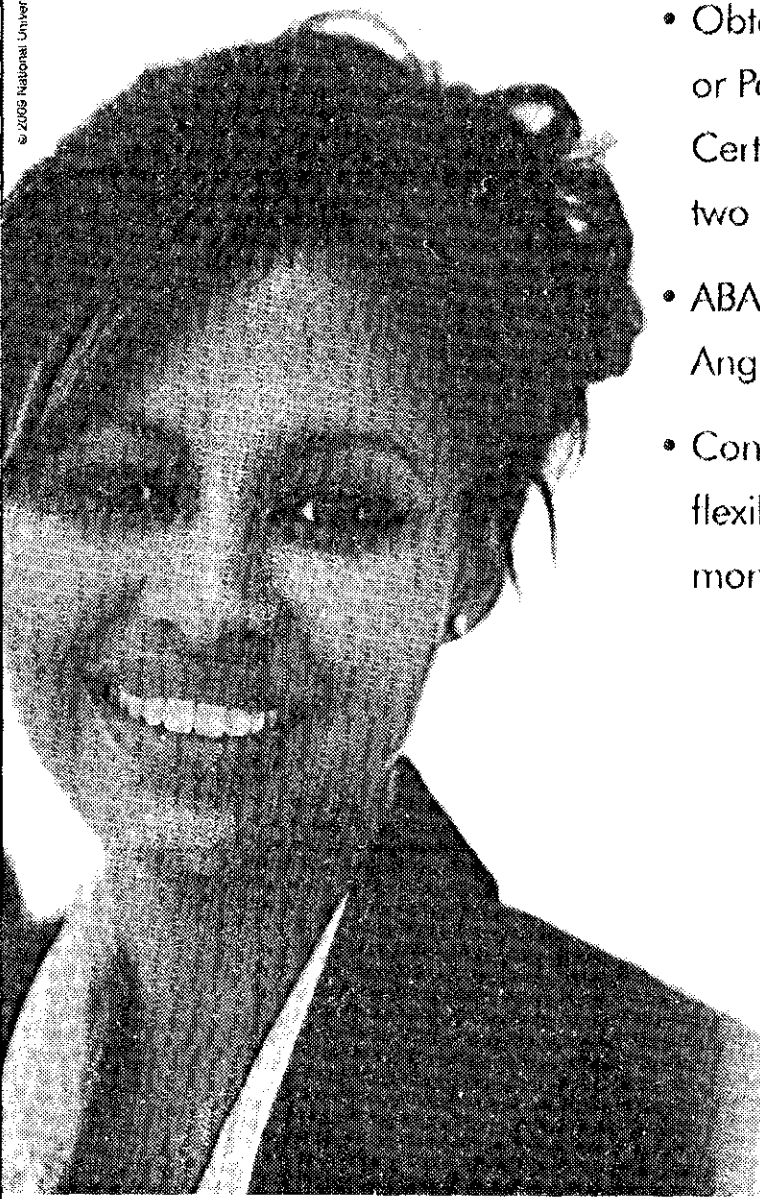
Regarding the visiting school's band, Cisneros went on to say, "I think they are awesome for a middle school band. Their quality of sound is very round, which is a must for any kind of band."

The Music Department's next concert will be the Jazz and Pop concert on March 3 in the Student Center at 7:00 p.m.


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Blazing a trail: My Enemy's Enemy uses its ambition and its music to gain popularity and recognition among its fans.

Local band, My Enemy's Enemy looks to leave its mark on the industry through its music

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My Enemy's Enemy, a local band featuring both current Cerritos College students as well as alumni, is looking to make a name for itself in the music world.

The band, which was formed in 2009, specializes in playing indie music, as well as a Spanish rock style with English lyrics.

Its fan base includes residents of Downey, Norwalk, Lynwood and Bellflower.

Although each member has their own influence, such as Goth, trance and electronic music, the band's influences include the general sound of rock bands from the 1980s and the British Rock style.

The band frequently performs twice a month in the local areas that its fans originate from.

However, it has also played at

popular venues such as the House of Blues in Hollywood on Sunset Blvd.

According to Manny Hernandez, the band's lead singer and guitarist, the band's name was inspired by the Academy Award-winning movie "Slumdog Millionaire."

According to Hernandez, he got the idea for the name after hearing the statement, "The enemy of my enemy is my best friend," in the movie.

Hernandez also goes on to say that most of the band's songs talk about internal conflicts that people deal with on a daily basis, which in turn, connects to the band's name.

"When I started writing, it was mostly songs about fighting within yourself, your thoughts are your worst enemy," Hernandez said.

Cerritos College student Ernest Canales, the band's drummer, is currently in his first year, majoring in accounting.

Canales has been in the band for nine months and his influences include the bands Interpol, Block Party, and Dave Grohl, current member of both Foo Fighters and Them Crooked Vultures.

In regards to his experience with the band, Canales said, "for me, being in a band is all about playing music. I love creating music and I love dissecting it."

Ivan Toledo, the band's bassist, graduated from Cerritos in 2006 with his A.A. in liberal arts.

Toledo joined the band five months after the band's formation. One of Toledo's musical influences is Twiggy Ramirez, current bassist for Marilyn Manson.

The band is currently planning on releasing a four-song demo in the first week of March as well as having two performances in Long Beach and Fullerton in the same month.



Honored once again: Former baseball head coach Wally Kincaid had the baseball stadium named after him in 1990; now in 2010, he's become a hall of famer.

Former coach is honored

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The National College Baseball Hall of Fame will be welcoming Wally Kincaid, the very first baseball coach in Cerritos College history, as part of the 2010 inductee class.

It all began in 1958, when Kincaid decided to take the challenge of guiding the Falcons brand new baseball program as their new head coach.

He coached the Falcons for 22 years, from 1958-1977 and 1979-1980, posting an astonishing career record of 678-163 with a winning percentage of .803.

"He's a legend," said Jack Brooks, this year's head coach of the Cerritos baseball team.

Kincaid led the school to six California State championships, 15 conference championships, six Southern California Champion-

ships, and one Northern California Championship.

"He is very knowledgeable about the game," said sophomore second baseman Max McEleney, former player of coach Kincaid. "He makes me proud to be a Falcon."

By the end of his 22-year coaching period, Kincaid reached milestones that most coaches only dream of reaching.

In 1966, the Falcons became the first and only community college team to go undefeated with a record of 40-0 and a state championship to go along with it.

But that's not it; he also has a 60 game win streak under his belt that lasted for three seasons from 1965-1967, which is currently the longest ever in college baseball.

Kincaid will not only make history as a Hall of Fame coach, but also as the first coach coming from a two-year institution to ever be included in the class.

"We are very pleased that coach

Kincaid will be a part of this year's hall of fame class," said Mike Gustafson, Hall of Fame chairman and the Executive Director of the College Baseball Foundation.

Votes ranging from retired and active coaches, media members, and previous inductees decide who will have the privilege of entering the hall of fame, with the only requirement being the inductee is no less than 75 years old.

As a result of coach Kincaid's legendary career, Cerritos College named its baseball stadium "Kincaid Field" in 1990 in his honor.

Baseball America Magazine also jumped on the Kincaid train by bestowing him the award as the National Community College Baseball Coach of the Century in the spring of 2000.

His success in coaching not only produced championships and record breaking seasons, but also propelled his players into professional baseball and coaching careers.

"He has influenced so many guys," said Ken Gaylord, assistant coach of the Falcons and former player of coach Kincaid. "He won with teams that had great players and with teams that had so-so players."

Gaylord also puts Kincaid in the same category as John Wooden, the Hall of Fame basketball coach of UCLA who led the Bruins to ten NCAA titles.

Even after his time at coaching the Falcons, he never left the game of baseball. He went on to coach three College World Series teams at Cal State Long Beach, and also coached at Cal State Fullerton and Santa Ana College.

Kincaid made a return back into a Falcon uniform as an assistant coach for the 2009 season, helping the team to an overall season record of 27-17 and a South Coast Conference record of 16-8.

Johnson leads women to win

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Sophomore Alana Johnson was victorious in all four of her sets to lead the Cerritos College women's tennis team to its first conference win over Long Beach City College last Thursday evening making Cerritos 1-1 in the conference and 2-6 overall.

With four of the six singles matches ending in defeat, Cerritos needed to win all three of the doubles matches to overtake Long Beach, which they did, even though it meant having to play until 7:30 p.m.

Johnson competed in one singles match and one doubles match and came out on top in a total of four sets.

She had the most trouble with her singles match that went 6-2 in the first set, and 6-4 in the second set in favor of Johnson.

"The first set I started out strong," Johnson said, "in the second set I lost focus, but I got my mind straight and pulled it off."

Johnson had trouble getting in position with her footwork and remaining calm to execute her swings.

"She had good lob shots that would hold me back," Johnson said, "I would have to work with my feet more just to get the ball in the right place."

"I could've improved my forehand on the short balls she would give me, put more spin on the ball and take my time more," she added.

After Johnson's singles victory, she went on to win her doubles match but had to make some minor changes in her game plan.

"In the beginning I started off struggling, but you know it's differ-

ent players and a different game, so I just had to adjust."

Freshman Tabitha Zavala lost her lone singles match, 6-4, 6-3; having trouble keeping her footwork tight and dealing with her opponent's short offense.

"I tried my best," Zavala said, "she had short shots I had trouble with. I need to work on my footwork."

Head coach Rosanna Chatman said, "Tabitha is a strong player but she is more of a doubles player, for her to play singles today was kind of a challenge for her."

Although Chatman was happy with the win, she expected a better performance in the singles sets.

"We need a little bit of improvement," Chatman said, "we shouldn't be fighting for this, we should have won singles."

The biggest problem facing the team seems to be confidence while having a losing season; this win may pick up morale for the women in tennis.

"I think a lot of the girls are lacking a lot of confidence," said Chatman, "I'm proud of everybody, I think everybody played their role well."

With the team working on its individual performances, women's tennis intends to keep improving its singles performance and overall record.

Johnson said, "so far I think I'm getting myself together so hopefully the rest of the season will be good for us."

Cerritos will now host Mt. San Antonio College this Thursday at 2 p.m. The team looks to improve since an away game at Mt. San Antonio from earlier in the season ended in a 2-7 loss for Cerritos.

Samanthas lead Falcons to victory with pair of home runs



Solid Hitting: Samantha Vaalu bringing in an RBI in last Thursday's 6-4 win over Long Beach City College.

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Home runs by Samantha Garcia and Samantha Vaalu were enough to squeak the Cerritos College softball team past rival Long Beach City College, 6-4, on Thursday at Nancy Kelly Field.

The Falcons came out of the gates swinging as a pair of runs were scored in the first and second inning by two run home runs coming off the bats of freshman shortstop Garcia and sophomore catcher Vaalu to extend their lead to 4-0 to open the game.

"We should have done better, we should have roped this pitcher" stated Vaalu, who added another hit to go along with her two-run homer in the game.

The final two runs came in the

fourth inning, which started with a walk to sophomore third baseman Brandi Rummel, who would then score on a throwing error off of a bunt down the third base line by freshman outfielder Rochelle Romero. Freshman outfielder Natalie Garcia then followed with an RBI single up the middle to bring home Romero.

"We hit the ball hard," Garcia said, "we left too many girls on base today."

Sophomore outfielder Devin Salmones racked up three walks to go along with the Falcons' overall eight hits in the game.

The Falcons are still undefeated in the South Coast Conference with a 5-0 record and an overall season record of 18-3.

Leading 6-0 heading into the 7th inning, the game turned into a nail-biter as Long Beach City was able to put four runs up on the score board off of soph-

omore pitcher Hillary Perez-Ashley.

With a runner on second base and the tying run coming to the plate, Perez-Ashley was able to get the batter to pop up for the final out to freshman Gabriella Villarreal.

"It's something to learn from," said Perez-Ashley, who improved her record to 14-0 with the victory.

Before the seventh inning arrived, Perez-Ashley allowed just three hits with only two of them making it out of the infield.

"Long Beach gave (itself) an opportunity to win," said head coach Kodee Murray about her opponents' last-inning offensive surge. "That's a typical Long Beach team."

The Falcons will next face Pasadena City College, who has an overall record of 4-7 and a South Coast Conference record of 1-3, on Thursday at 3 p.m. at Nancy Kelly Field.

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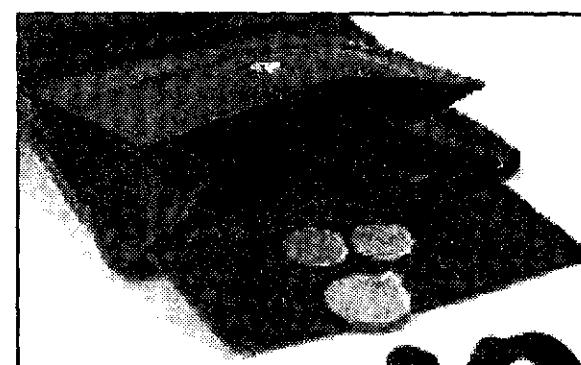
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