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New semester introduces new deans in four positions

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Cerritos College welcomes new deans to the campus as Spring 2012 begins.

Rick Miranda, who is now the Dean of Academic Affairs, is a resident of the city of Norwalk. He left 21 years ago to work for Taft College in which he held a division chair position.

Now he returns to his hometown to hold his new position as dean at Cerritos College.

Miranda explains that the campus that he came from was small, and although he held his position as division chair, he was treated more

like a dean.

"I was able to experience a lot of different roles in dealing with scheduling, dealing with budgets, conflict and different issues so it was more of a great opportunity," he said.

From the moment Miranda became a part of Taft College, he knew he wanted to do bigger things. He had goals that he wanted to accomplish, and being a part of the administration was one of them.

"One of the first things I told a colleague at the time was that seven to ten years is what I plan to be in the classroom, because I always knew back then, administration is what I was interested in," he added.

Miranda explains that the best

thing he can do right now is watch, learn and listen.

"My role is not to come in here and change things and go through that type of mentality up front, it's to learn the process, listen, see what the needs are and to keep helping everybody on campus to have a smooth time here."

Nick Real has been named the Instructional Dean of Technology.

Prior to his position as dean, Real has worked for Cerritos College for 11 years.

He has participated in Faculty Senate and the Budget and Planning Committee.

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New deans at-a-glance

Rick Miranda - Academic Affairs

- Former Division chair at Taft College

Nick Real - Technology

- Worked at Cerritos for 11 years

David Fabish - Liberal Arts

- Former Cerritos College Faculty Federation president

David Moore - Physical Plant

- Replaces Robert Riffle as Director of Physical Plant



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Losing a Falcon: A photo downloaded from Mathew Tautolo's Facebook profile. Tautolo died at the age of 20 after collapsing on campus.

Aspiring athlete dead at 20

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Cerritos College student Mathew Tautolo, 20, died after taking part in a physical education activity on campus on Jan. 10.

According to a statement issued by the college, Tautolo asked to be excused from the physical education activity to pick up some shoes.

On his way to retrieve his shoes, Tautolo collapsed on a field on campus.

Paramedics arrived at 2:30 p.m. Tautolo was pronounced dead at Coast Plaza Hospital at 3:14 p.m. Details of which field he collapsed on have not been disclosed.

According to ASCC President Jasmin Ramirez, Tautolo was an aspiring football player and was a familiar figure among members of the Cerritos College football team.

Ramirez said, "It's definitely very sad to lose a Falcon. I know the football community on campus is very distraught right now with

the loss of one of its family members.

"It's a very hard time for our football players and I'm hoping that they're strong enough to keep family alive within their team."

Friends of Tautolo asked for donations throughout campus on Wednesday and Thursday for Tautolo's funeral arrangements.

Business major Jesse Maiava, who was assisting in receiving donations, described Tautolo as someone who was a positive influence for those around him.

"There were times that he'd make you laugh and times he made you mad, but in the times he made you mad, you would also laugh about the things he'd make you mad about."

"He kept everything 100 percent; anything he didn't like, he'd let you know about it. To sum it all up, he was our brother. Blood couldn't make us closer."

Maiava also said that more than \$1,000 were raised in donations and he, along with other friends, were selling massages at the Student Center for \$10.

He also mentioned that a candlelight vigil was in the process of being planned but wanted to go through the proper avenues to do so.

Another group that is planning on raising

funds to assist the Tautolo family is the Cerritos College Triathlon Club, who is planning on selling baked goods, nachos and beverages at Falcon Square on Jan. 31 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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New state budget calls for \$10 tuition increase

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All community colleges across California are set to have another tuition increase this fall by 8.6 percent.

An 8 percent increase was passed last year. The cost for tuition will rise from \$36 per unit to \$46 per unit.

This new increase was made due to the new state budget that cuts \$100 million from each school system.

State tuition costs are projected to reach \$5,472, almost two times as much as they were five years ago.

Gov. Jerry Brown's budget proposal for 2012-13 will see students paying more for school, spending \$150 more per 15 units.

Students will also see shrinking faculty size and closing extra curricular activities.

The California Community College Chancellor's office predicts an increase of Board of Governors fee waivers for low-income students from 56 percent to 70 percent with the new state budget.

Despite the new increase, California remains the cheapest state in the nation when it comes to tuition, second only to New Mexico.

Business major Fader Shami expressed his disgust over the tuition increase.

"I feel like crying over the prices. It influenced me in a negative way and it makes me feel like I'm going to become homeless and it forces me to hustle hard for a dollar."

Nursing major Jeffrey Manalang said that he is paying a total of \$170 for four units alone. He also remembers tuition being \$11 for one unit in 2004.

"I am working, but for other students that depend on their parents or loans for money it would be an additional financial burden on top of other life expenses, which can be very frustrating," Manalang said.

Elizabeth Aguilar, a returning student majoring in court reporting, said that learning about the tuition increase enables steps in helping herself with the costs.

She now has a chance to budget her spending and save appropriately for the fall tuition prices.

"One of the best ways to cut budget is to get rid of these unneeded administrators and staff, there's just too many of them, make them find a real job," she said.

Vice President of Business Services David El Fattal elaborated on the new increases coming this Fall and said that the state is basically legislating the increase to help them balance their budget.

The state gives money to schools depending on the number of students attending.

When tuition is paid, the money is returned to the state. Whenever there is an increase, the state reduces money sent to the college, thus affecting the students the most.

"Tuition in California is still the lowest in the country."

"Getting an education, you're going to end up better off in your life."

El Fattal stated that colleges are forced to implement an increase not because they want to but because it is legislated from the state.

"You're going to make more money over the long run; the more educated you are, even with the rate escalating as it is, it's still a good value for what you're receiving and for how it's going to benefit you over your entire life," he said.

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Court Reporting
giving
scholarships

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Three \$500 scholarships are being given to students in the court reporting department of Cerritos College for the spring 2012 semester.

The \$95,000 grant given to the Court Reporting and captioning careers department was used to create more classes and pay teachers as well as provide scholarships for students in the captioning program.

Court reporting major Denise Robles submitted her essay and spoke on the strategy she used to put her application together.

“I read some articles on captioning and used the information I knew from taking other captioning classes and put it all together for the essay,” she said.

In-N-Out
satisfies students’
hunger

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The line spanning nearly the entire length of the north hill in Falcon Square was a bittersweet indication that In-N-Out was back on Jan. 10 and 12.

Those in line waited diligently for at least an hour and a half on Tuesday before the trucks served up the well-known flavors of the classic burger at 5:30pm.

Students, such as music major Anthony Turietta, see the campus tradition as a financial relief.

“I’m glad that In-N-Out comes out here every semester because I’ll be out here in between classes and not have anything to eat for a while or no money.”

Potato chips, soda and a burger were handed out to all students with their current ASCC sticker on their student IDs.

Talon Net 2.8
shows
early issues

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Cerritos College’s online course server, TalonNet is debuting its new 2.8 version in the Spring 2012 semester.

As changes happen, problems and issues are very likely to happen to students who don’t understand it yet.

“Most of the problems are login problems, they’re going to have to be reset,” Dean of Library and Learning Resources, Carl Bengston said.



A new level of Tae Kwon Do: Tae Kwon Do instructor, Vicmar Coliflores introduces the spring semester to his class that has a mixture of 2nd degree yellow belts and 1st degree white belts. This is the first time the class is featuring yellow belt students.

Students earn their belts

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During the fall 2011 semester, Cerritos College Tae Kwon Do students held the position of “white belts” in the schools’ Tae Kwon Do program.

The spring 2012 semester will see students go up in rank with some students receiving a yellow-belt.

Tae Kwon Do is more than just physical fighting skills, it is about discipline as well.

Microbiology major Casey Luna commented on her receiving a yellow belt by saying, “It feels refreshing, like a new start, pretty much kick butt all over again.”

At the time, not many students were aware that the Tae Kwon Do

class was offered during the fall 2011 semester at Cerritos College, although it has received more attention this semester.

Returning students who have passed the final and received the yellow belt are looking to improve their skills.

Still, the new yellow belts students aren’t the only ones looking to improve.

Students starting out with white belts are looking to gain some skills as well.

There are also some new students who have actually had previous training in the martial art.

Those students are looking to brush up on their skills, like engineering major Lorenz Viste. Viste commented on the benefit of Tae Kwon Do being for everyone.

“Tae Kwon Do is for everyone and anyone, whether students have prior experience or just starting out.”

Instructor Vicmar Coliflores, who teaches the Tae Kwon Do class at Cerritos College, said regarding his new yellow-belt students, “I think they’re awesome, to me it’s an honor to have them

back and I look forward to seeing them develop into the next high rank student.”

“
Tae Kwon Do is for anyone, whether students have prior experience or just starting out.”
VICMAR COLIFLORES
Tae Kwon Do instructor

Biology researched top major nationwide

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According to a recent CNN study, biology is the most popular major among college students.

“From a bachelor’s of biology, you can branch out to a lot of different fields,” Biology Department Chair Connie Boardman said.

Biology major Zareeb Lorenzana commented on her reason on choosing biology as her major.

“I’m curious as to how the universe began and I’m also curious as to how bacteria evolved into a diversity of species,” she said.

Biology majors have plenty of job options such as jobs in microbiology, project manager in environmental, medical assistance and more.

“I think it’s [popular] because humans have a natural curiosity for the natural world and other living things,” Boardman said.

Biologists with the highest salaries are research scientists, who make around \$75,000 a year and environmental project managers, who make around \$72,000.

The lowest paid biologists are pharmacy technicians, their salary is \$30,000.



Brown Pelican Eggs: These eggs can be found in the Science Building, where biology courses are held. A biology degree can lead to various careers after graduation.

Tautolo:
Promising career
cut short

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“We hope that students will come together; we’re a community here, and if something happens, we should help each other out,” Triathlon Club President Christopher De Maree said.

Nursing major John Tuli, another friend of Tautolo’s, reinforced Maiava’s sentiments, also describing him as a brotherly figure.

“We always had a close relationship. When school first started, it was always me and him walking around and he would always get me into classes and pushing me to go to class when I decided to stay home.”

According to Dominic Tiapula, defensive end for the Cerritos College football team, Tautolo was eager to join the team prior to his death.

“He was excited to try out, he wanted to play on the team so badly. He was just excited to play football,” he said.

Tiapula also mentioned that Tautolo had a pre-existing heart condition and did not expect for it to affect him in regard to trying out for the team.

“He was feeling good at the moment, he didn’t think it was going to act up at football tryouts but it just hit him out of nowhere.”

He also mentioned that Tautolo created strong ties with his friends due to his Polynesian heritage and hopes that this incident can create a stronger bond within the Polynesian community.

“Matt was special to all of us because he was Polynesian and we, as Polynesians, manage to stick together.”

“I just hope that we don’t forget our culture and we just love one another.”

Funeral arrangements have not yet been disclosed as the Tautolo family could not be reached for comment.

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New deans:
New hires include
Cerritos College
veterans

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He also participated as state sponsor of committees to learn more about what's going on at the state level.

To have the title of dean was one of the things Real strived for.

He said, "the previous dean helped me quite a bit, it kind of groomed me for the position and gave me some advice."

As an instructional Dean, Real is responsible for a division that has a faculty who are teaching in a department level where there's instructors, part-time, full-time and a department chair.

Real's plans for Cerritos College include improving student success,

"It's something that's very important here on campus and we want to make sure that our students in our area [technology] are prepared for jobs."

Along with Miranda and Real, David Moore and David Fabish are also new Deans at Cerritos College.

David Fabish is the new Dean of Liberal Arts and David Moore is the Director of Physical Plant and Construction Services.

Both were unavailable for comment, but there will be a welcome reception held at the Cheryl A. Eppler Board Room on Thursday from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



ALEXA BAZUA/TM

Exercising for an experiment: Aerospace engineer major, William De La Torre and nursing major, Iesha Raymond taking part in an exercising activity. Exercising is a big part in physical education instructor, Deborah Jensen's experiment.

PE instructor starting study

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Physical Education instructor Deborah Jensen is starting a new volunteer-based experimental program titled the "PE Pilot Program."

Jensen was inspired to start this program at Cerritos College while at a conference that featured John Ratey, an associate clinical professor of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School.

Ratey is the founder of Spark, a program that stresses the importance of exercise to improve brain function.

His idea is that exercising right before a class improves your academic abilities in that subject, whether it be math or reading.

Jensen is taking the same approach with this experiment.

Volunteers for the experiment will be placed into three groups: one will have PE pilot and an academic class back to back, another will have PE pilot and an academic class at any time, and the last will have no PE and an academic class.

The goal of the experiment is to find out if the group taking the PE and academic class back to back will have improved in that specific class, and whether the group not taking PE will have significant improvement at all.

Many schools all over the country, from elementary to high school, have already incorporated this program into their curriculum and have seen great success with their students because this program has already benefited so many schools, coach Jensen wants to bring this program to the com-

munity college level.

Jensen also explained the scientific aspect of this program.

"Picture your brain having one hose, and mine having four.

"My brain will fill up a bucket with water faster than yours will," she said.

The example with hoses is to describe how someone who exercises before studying or attending an academic class will have more neurochemicals released from the brain, improving brain function, and ultimately improving their abilities in that academic subject.

Besides exercise helping your grades, "It also helps to keep your stress levels down," Jensen said.

"Anyone can benefit from this program," Jensen said in regard to who would qualify for the program.

“Picture your brain having one hose and mine four... Anyone can benefit from this program.”
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Pell Grant split confusion continues

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The Pell Grant split at Cerritos College first took effect in the fall semester of 2011.

Students receive the first half of their financial aid at the beginning of the semester.

The second half of the financial aid is given out about three months later.

Students do not drop classes within the first couple of weeks of the semester.

Students whom drop classes early will not receive the second half of their financial aid.

"The Pell Grant split was created to enforce the financial aid codes provided by the Pell Grant.

Students tend to drop a course within two to three weeks, or any time before the second part is disbursed, then they won't receive their second half," ASCC Vice President Julian Del Real-Calleros said.

Kelly Diaz, a biology major said, "You want to get your books on time because you have exams or quizzes. Not being able to get your books right away is a hassle, because then you'll have to go to the library or ask to borrow from somebody.

"There's other ways to get books too but at the same time if you don't get all your money you'll have to choose which one is more important."

Stephanie Cortez, a business major wasn't impacted by the Pell Grant split all that much.

She said that the split is both good and bad.

Good because "people take advantage of it, they get the money and spend it besides books and school work", and a bad idea because "some people really need the money," she said.



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Banking the disbursement: A room containing bundles of money represents students banking their pell grant disbursements. Students continue to find alternatives to adjust to the new pell grant split.

Budget cuts might require high G.P.A

California Gov. Jerry Brown proposes financial aid reforms to increase student success in community colleges

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As part of his proposed 2012-13 budget, Gov. Jerry Brown plans to increase the minimum grade point average needed to qualify for Cal Grants.

The grants are merit and income-based and are an essential part of the financial aid package for many low- and middle-income students.

The change affecting community college transfer students is that the minimum required GPA to qualify for Cal Grants would rise from a 2.4 to a 2.75.

While the move will make Cal Grant qualification harder, it will also push students to get better grades for the aid and improve student determination.

"I don't currently receive Cal Grants but I'm planning to apply for it," said Robert Contreras, Engineer-

ing major.

"I didn't know about the GPA requirement change, it wouldn't affect me since I have a high GPA. I think it will affect students because then they will have to do better in their classes to get the necessary GPA for the grant."

An estimated 256,000 students are expected to benefit from the Cal Grant this coming year which would cost the state \$1.6 billion.

While it may seem like a small increase to the GPA requirement, the increase would save the state an estimated \$131 million a year.

Cal State and UC officials are estimating that over \$50 million in financial aid for Cal Grant students will be lost.

Community college officials have yet to determine the impact this plan will have on it's students but many two-year students that receive the grants will be the ones that are affected most.

Ishan Shah, the commissioner of student aid in California, has stressed on Twitter that this plan is still not official.

"People need to know that the budget plan being discussed is just a proposal and not certain," he said.

New retiree reflects on long career

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Intermediate typist clerk for the child development department Nancy Mirabella retired on Thursday after nine years in her position.

Her co-workers celebrated her career by throwing her a retirement party.

She joined the foster care and kinship center prior to transferring to the child development department, keeping relationships with people who she left behind. Mirabella previously worked in the aerospace industry as a secretary.

Mirabella's co-workers commented on her work ethics by saying,

"Nancy is an incredible woman, she would go out of

her way for everyone.

I nominated her for employee of the month because she would go above and beyond her call of duty," said Lori Switanowski, director of the Foster and Kinship Care Center.

Stephanie Heddon, who worked with Mirabella as an intermediate typist clerk said,

"She is friendly and I know she is well loved by the children and the parents. I think she is very reliable, she has a really good work ethic.

"I know that she takes her work very seriously but has a fun personality and comes through even in her work."

She hopes to spend time with her husband and family after her retirement, and finish projects that they started together.

EDITORIAL

Students must choose wisely

Never has the phrase, "pinching pennies" been truer than it is now. Statewide budget cuts have called for the raising of community college tuition throughout California, hiking tuition from \$36 per unit to \$46 per unit. What does this mean for students? Other than the obvious fact that we all have to pay more for classes, it also means that we may need to be more conservative when choosing courses. If we're going to have to pay more for classes, shouldn't that mean that we need to reconsider our selection process come registration time? It's time we start being pickier with our class choices. We don't have the time or the money to be wasting our college lives with unnecessary courses. This means that "Johnny Student" should reconsider when proceeding to step two of three on his bowling course. Or maybe that means that flag football may be low on enrollment for a while. The point is, we need to actually crack down on choosing courses and only choose what we need to

move forward in our college career. If we're paying more for our classes, it's time we get our money's worth. If we don't do this, we're directly buying into another community college predicament: lowest student success rates. If we don't choose classes that will give us a return on the fees we pay, we're staying at school longer. If we're at school longer, we are taking up valuable space for any student that may seriously want to pursue his career. Staying as a Cerritos student taking meaningless classes totally defeats the purpose of pursuing a degree, especially when it's time to be frugal with our class-selection spending money. Being more considerate with our college careers should be our No. 1 priority as students. Let's actually take some time when we're registering for our classes to make sure that the \$46 per unit is worthwhile. We need to consider our future. It's time to get serious with the money we're spending on our classes or leave. In short, it's time to do our business or get off the pot.



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Free food comes at a cost to our education

With school budget cuts, high tuition cost and over-populated classes, In-N-Out should not be served free to college students on campus. Every school has its own way to show its appreciation for the new students arriving on campus, but our economy is bad and it is affecting our school system. The current tuition is \$36 per unit and will rise to \$46 per unit this summer. An average meal from In-N-Out is about \$5. If you multiply that by how many students there are on campus, that would be enough to pay tuition for some students who can't afford college. With that being said, if education is the main focus for a regular college student, then why are we receiving free In-N-Out?

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This past semester, college students were seen on TV protesting for cheaper education. We need every bit of money we can get toward our education before the government taps in again. As college students we do work hard and we need a break, but instead of free food we can host it as a fundraiser. Students would have the benefits of having In-N-Out at their school, but the money that is raised will go toward school funding.

Just think about it, when you are biting into that delicious, freshly grilled burger with a side of chips, you are biting right into your education. Nothing is ever really free. Getting the funding for incentives for starting a new semester has to come from somewhere. Holding fundraisers by serving the same food at a small profit is much more beneficial to students and the college. It's time to tough it out and be wary of the economic situation affecting our school. What is more important? Getting your education at a lesser price, or is receiving that free meal from In-N-Out that you could have purchased on your own time?

"Just think about it, when you are biting into that delicious, freshly grilled burger with a side of chips, you are biting right into your education."

New equality law promises protection for LGBT community members in college

It is such a tremendous accomplishment for the Lesbian, Gay, Bi and Transgender community to be protected in state universities and colleges from harassment based on a new law that took effect this past New Year that will lead campus police to take action. Based on the LGBT Equality and Equal Access in Higher Education Law, 2012 is a year of change that will give more rights to the LGBT community. People who pester LGBTs in universi-

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ties or college will now be fined for the harm they have done. There has been countless stories the internet and the news about homosexuals committing suicide because of how they have been teased, bashed, or verbally

abused by a person that does not favor homosexuals. It is already injurious when a person discriminates others because of their sexual orientation. It leaves those who are harassed into depression, low self-esteem, anxiety attacks and even nightmares; this goes for everyone even if they are not from the LGBT community. No person wants to be harassed over for who they are or what they stand for, now there is justice.

Verbal, physical or emotional abuse is damaging toward the people that are being attacked. If an individual does not favor people who are attracted to the same sex then they do not have to accept it, this is called "tolerance." How is it meaningful if one assaults an innocent lesbian for walking around minding her own business? It is simply not right for any person to be hammered down based on who they are.

It has led many homosexual men into frustration and depression when they are constantly called derogatory insults that bring negativity toward gay men and lesbians. This new law will lessen harassment and will bring more reassurance to those that are attracted to the same sex to know there will be consequences for those who have harassed them. 2012 brings new light toward the LGBT community.

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Drawing from live experience: Culinary and Arts major Claudia Reynaga finishing her life drawing portrait. Life drawing offers students a live experience of working with nude models.

Students benefit from live models in life drawing

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Life Drawing is a hands-on experience class that allows students to draw a live nude model.

Professor Hagop Najarian and Professor Daniel Du Plessis are the life drawing instructors for Cerritos College.

The concept of the different models of all shapes and sizes is for students to see in detail the muscles, lines and shapes of the human body.

“It’s beautiful to put a nude model on the stand and have students surround it,” Najarian said.

“Drawing a nude model may be awkward for some students at first, but everyone’s pretty professional in class. No one giggles, so you get eased into it,” culinary arts major Claudia Reynaga said.

Graphic design major Alan Littarlo said

that Najarian has lectures about different bone structures and muscles of the body and how to see the shapes that are formed in the body to apply it in the drawing.

Najarian commented on knowing about the structural fundamentals of the human body.

“Learning how to see with your own eyes the human form is a very crucial foundation.

“It’s a different experience when drawing a live nude model in front of you, it’s unlike anything from drawing a model based on a photograph or from a book,” he said.

With discussions about having budget cuts for the class, Najarian has fought to keep the class, including having nude models for lab hours to benefit from.

“Having the physical body in front of you makes you see more detail and specifics of the body. There’s a three-dimensional atmosphere surrounding [students].”

Graphic design major Martin Miranda pointed out that he wasn’t focused on the nude female model because of her being naked.

“I was concentrated on the outline of the body.”

Depending on where a student is sitting in the room, each student draws the model in a different angle and captures a different lighting.

They learn to capture the movement, gesture and anatomy of the model, Najarian mentioned.

“There isn’t a union of models that can be called at,” he said, “models are privately booked.”

Full time professional model Rebecca Revelle was a model that worked as one of the first nude models in this semester.

“I like being around artists,” Revelle said.

“It’s a pivotal skill that artists need to know how to draw the human body, regardless of the nude model, for any area of art that

they choose,” Revelle continued.

There are many graphic designers who are puzzled as to why they have to take the class in order to transfer to another school.

Graphic designers draw characters with exaggerated muscles and features. To see in live models, male or female, graphic designers get a better understanding to base the features on, according to Najarian. .

Najarian pointed out that American culture is used to photography.

“To slow down and look at someone in front of you and learn to draw it is a challenge,” Najarian said.

“I definitely recommend this class to anyone. Whether it’s a short, tall, skinny or big model, it’s really beautiful to see all the lines on our body,” Reynaga said.

The prerequisite for life drawing is Art 110, which is freehand drawing.

“If you don’t know simple things like shading, drawing lines or proportions, it’s going to be difficult [in life drawing],” Najarian said.

“It’s a different experience when drawing a live nude model.”

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Piano instructor performs at Hollywood Revisited Show

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Cerritos College Piano Instructor Greg Schreiner produced an event titled, “Hollywood Revisited” Saturday at Menifee Valley’s Center for Spiritual Living. He displayed more than 350 outfits from old-time Hollywood stars while playing songs identifiable with the customs.

“It fits beautifully with my love for piano and my love for costumes,” Schreiner said.

In this world-wide event, costumes are original pieces of art and speak anecdotes of their own.

Some gowns in Schreiner’s were used on films from the 1930s to the 1960s. Originally he only collected Marilyn Monroe’s gowns, and has 12 of her gowns, however as her fame rose throughout the decades, so did the prices, he expanded to collect other Hollywood’s big stars apparel.

“Nowadays a Marilyn Monroe ground can run into millions of dollars,” explained Schreiner.

Marilyn Monroe, Elizabeth Taylor, Julie Andrews, Gene Kelly, Bette Davis, Katherine Hepburn, Mae West, Bob Hope, Bing Crosby and Judy Garland are just some of the iconic figures whose outfits were shown.

Despite Schreiner’s love for old-time Hollywood stars, he also collects costumes from current films. Costumes shown at his events are influenced by the age of the audience.

The show has been more than twenty years and perhaps it will be around longer since its content is very rare. The eras at his show shaped the direction of Hollywood.

As a little boy, Schreiner, fell in love with Marilyn Monroe and the whole movie scene in Southern California. He relocated to Illinois only to follow his passion.

Schreiner is not only involved with the glamorous Hollywood scene but is also a piano instructor since 1987.

His passion for music has opened doors for him that he would have never imagined as a child. To accomplish all this success he only had to do one thing, know exactly what his dream was and follow it.

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COURTESY OF GREG SCHREINER

Just for laughs: Piano instructor Greg Schreiner wearing Steve Martin’s outfit from 1981 musical drama “Pennies From Heaven.” Schreiner owns a collection of various costumes worn by Hollywood stars.

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Dance students audition for spring dance concert

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Cerritos College’s dance department held auditions for an upcoming dance production on Saturday.

A total of 70 hopeful students auditioned.

Only a selected number of students will obtain the opportunity to perform at the end of the semester for a dance concert.

The dance concert, which is put together by the hard work of the arts department every semester, acts as an opportunity for dance students to perform and showcase their talent.

Janet Sanderson is the head director of the

production and regulated the audition process.

The modern dance routine for the audition was put together by choreographer Rebekah Davidson.

The famous hit “Set Fire to the Rain” by super star singer Adele was being played in the back ground as part of the audition.

Students took the stage and put their moves to the test, with only a quarter of an hour to perfect and perform.

Cerritos College dancers moved with quick feet and extenuated arms moved in syncopation with the rhythm of the music.

Daniel Schaper, a Romance Linguistics major who has been dancing for four semesters described his perspective on the audition process.

“There are a lot of very talented dancers here so it can get intimidating at times, but all you have to do is your best.”

Many of the Cerritos College’s dancers are truly inspirational as they set the stage ablaze with their strength and presence.

Dance major Keiorne Hill described that the dance department has formed a “family” unit, tied together with the bonds of movement and music.

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Novel-based film explores the issues of being a spy

Movie Review

Tinker Tailor Spy Soldier Spy

Starring: Gary Oldman

Director: Thomas Alfredson

Rating: ★ ★ ★ ★

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“You have to do something for me. I need you to assume they’re watching you.”

This may sound like the paranoid rantings of a delusional person that we can dismiss as a lunatic, but this is the harsh truth of a spy constantly in the line of enemy fire.

Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy once a classic work of British espionage literature, has now been adapted into a motion picture.

Like the book, a semi-autobiographical account of John Le Carre’s life as a former MI6 member, this film sheds an explicit light on this seldom recognized personal aspect of homeland intelligence.

The film used a superb cast composed of high caliber English film characters.

This film is written by the late Bridget O’Connor and her husband Peter Straughan, with Swedish film director Thomas Alfredson.

Unfortunately, this film brings as immense amount of details rapidly presented require a great level of attention to be grasped because one may lose focus and will not follow the story.

Never the less, this is an alternate perspective completely different from the glamorized Jame’s Bond films that contain much less depth.

I would advise anyone to discover this literature classic in this new medium because of it’s challenging content unfamiliar to a general American audience.



Long live the coach: Cerritos College baseball Head Coach Ken Gaylord instructing his players during practice. This season he will be coaching for his 19th year at Cerritos College.

Gaylord 15th in line for All-Time

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Coach Ken Gaylord returns for another season as the Falcons' head baseball coach.

In 2010, Gaylord had taken a year off to watch his sons Adam and Brian play collegiate baseball. Adam is now playing for the Delmarva Shorebirds in Baltimore.

Brian is now playing for the Kansas City Royals as a free agent.

Entering his 19th year as a coach on the Cerritos Baseball team, Gaylord has had much success as coach for Cerritos compiling a 487-256-4 (.655) record.

Gaylord looks to avenge last year's loss against Orange Coast College in the Super Regionals.

Coach of the Year

Gaylord, in his 24 years as a community college head coach, is tied for 15th on the All-Time list with 623 wins.

Freshman pitcher Geoff Bill said that Coach Gaylord is, "a good coach. He's more laid back of a coach than strict."

Gaylord has been the named the Conference Coach of the Year three times while at Cerritos in 1995, 1998, and 1999.

Within his 19 years coaching about 145 of his former players went on to receive scholarships and minor league contracts.

Freshman right fielder Zach Mello said, "I think Coach Gaylord is a great guy. He's a good

coach. He knows how to push us hard out there and make us a better team."

Back in the Day

He played baseball at Mayfair High School, and was a three-year varsity letterman in baseball, basketball, and football.

After graduating from Mayfair, Gaylord went on to play for Cerritos College.

During his time on the team he led the Falcons with a 75-8 record.

He was a two-time All-South Coast Conference select at 1st base, and also led the Falcons to consecutive state championships.

Coach Gaylord then went on to play for the UCLA Bruins

where he also had a decorated career.

"It was fun. We had a unique group of guys," he said.

He was named 1st team All-PAC 8 as a designated hitter in his senior year.

Player admiration

"I think we have a really good shot of making it to the the Super Regionals again," he said.

The Falcons lost last year in the Super Regionals 8-11.

Sophomore third baseman, Chris Esparza talked about the loss.

"It was hard for us going all the way like that especially how no one thought we could win Conference," he said.

Baseball determined to avenge last season

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Losing in the Super Regionals to Orange Coast College at the end of last season, Cerritos College baseball Head Coach Ken Gaylord has been preparing the team with non-stop efforts and a fresh new squad.

"We've been working out and practicing really hard, and I feel like we will see our hard work pay off this season," pitcher Josh Schoenberger said.

The Falcons are coming off a season where Gaylord won Conference Coach of the Year and players Tim Soonthorngarun, Hector Gomez, and Christian Rodriguez were named First Team All Conference.

After losing some players during the off season, the whole team is looking forward to see some of the new talent coming in, such as newcomers Daniel Renteria and Chasen Holland.

With new incoming players, Gaylord is excited to start the new season but says he won't name who he has high expectations for until the season has actually begun.

"With new incoming players our squad looks more sturdy, but I don't want to mention any names

until the season is well under way," Gaylord said.

After playing the occasional fall games, Gaylord said this could be one of the toughest seasons in recent memory.

"We've seen East Los Angeles College, El Camino [College] and [Los Angeles] Harbor and needless to say they have really talented squads, not to mention Mount San Antonio College.," Gaylord said.

With a record of 14 wins and seven losses in conference play last season, the Falcons look to dominate the tougher conference this season.

Other players sound extremely confident about their chances of winning the conference this season.

Left fielder Evan Sanchez said, "All the guys returning this season want to win the conference again, we might have the target on our backs. I have a good feeling that we'll run over our conference this year."

Gaylord thinks that this team can go beyond the Super Regionals, and push for South Coast Conference Champions.

The Falcons play their first game on Feb. 3 against Citrus College at 2 p.m. on home field.

“We’ve been working out and practicing really hard, and I feel like we will see our hard work payoff this season.”

— JOSH SCHOENBERGER
Pitcher

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Batting practice: Third baseman Chris Esparza practices his swing at practice. Esparza was named Athlete of the Year his senior year of high school.

Men’s tennis looks to regroup following the transfer of former players Siddiqui and Chai

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After losing two key players last season, Cerritos College men's tennis head coach Alvin Kim is determined to fill those two spots as the season approaches.

Derek Siddiqui and Johnny Chai dominated opponents last season with Siddiqui ending the season with a 23-3 record and Chai with a 13-5 record.

Siddiqui left to play for San Diego State and Chai became an assistant coach for McPherson College men's tennis in Kansas.

Kim talked about the impact Siddiqui and

Chai's departure has had on the team.

"It was absolutely tremendous," he said.

Derek and Johnny were both top ranked tennis players, were also top-ranked as doubles, and were also Doubles Champions.

"Everyone has to step up. We are the underdogs more than we were last year. I think last year we were really on the radar as one of the better teams."

Kim continued to talk about his expectation for the upcoming season.

"This year we're really going to have to fight for it."

Last year, the Falcons finished sixth in state, finished undefeated in conference going 9-0, and had an overall record of 14-5.

Kyle Porter, who had a record of 17-4 as a singles player last season, said, "Everyone on the team has been working hard five days a week. We come together, we leave together."

Last year, Porter made it into the quarterfinals of the Ojai Tennis Tournament.

Ryan Ilagan, who is also in his second year with a 10-4 record last year in doubles, described Kim, "Very experienced and hands on. When we get into matches, he's right there giving us feedback on everything we do."

The Falcons will have their first away game against Victor Valley College on Jan. 31 at 2 p.m.

Rendon leads charge in women’s basketball’s win over short-handed Cougars



Victory speech: Cerritos College women's basketball Head Coach Karen Welliver talks to her players after their 63-33 win. The team is currently 16-4.

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Freshmen point guard Marissa Rendon led the Cerritos College women's basketball team in its 63-33 win, over Los Angeles Southwest College in its seventh South Coast Conference game on Jan 14.

"Though we got the win, we had some fault, but we worked through it. We played as a team and got the win," Rendon said.

Rendon was able to score two three-pointers to start off the scoring for the Falcons.

The Falcons (16-4) were able to get a 16-0

run, and prevented the Cougars from scoring till eight minutes into the half.

LA Southwest was able to score a few shots, cutting the Cerritos lead to 12 by the half.

Cerritos' defense and the fact that eight of the players had at least one basket helped it maintain the lead.

"(The mixture of shots by Cerritos) is just good, unselfish basketball on their part. We did a great job defensively; (LA Southwest) had a big forward in the game, and I thought Dershawna Staves, Deenesha Bee, and Regina English did a good job defending her," Cerritos Collegre head coach Karen Welliver said.

LA Southwestern was unable to come back

during the second half, losing the game by 30.

Rendon lead the Falcons in points with 11, with Staves and Bee getting eight points a piece, and guard Kimberly Morris with seven.

"It feels good being able to score and having many of my teammates involved," Rendon said.

The win helped the Falcons gain their sixth win in conference, and let them remain ranked No.5 in the state, and No.2 in the South Coast Conference, behind only Mount San Antonio College.

"We have a few days to prepare for El Camino, so we will be ready for the game," Rendon said.

The Falcons' next game will be away against El Camino on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.