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## 32 elected to Senate

BY BRENDA DURAN  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Thirty-two Associated Students of Cerritos College Senate seats were filled in student government elections last week. Forty-seven people ran for office.

The top votes came in for the Poetry and Arts club members of which all 7 who ran were elected.

"Last semester, we only had two people running for Senate and this semester we had seven, which is really good, we want to promote participation and have everybody get along this semester to try to do something productive for all of the students," poetry and arts club president Claudia Valdez said.

According to the ASCC Student Government Manual the Senate is a legislative body on campus responsible for establishing the rules and regulations for the budget, as well as raising revenue for all the programs on campus and other duties such as enacting impeachment proceedings against appointed officers of the Associated Students.

The main responsibility for Senate is promoting the progress of

"useful arts for the general welfare of the Associated Students" according to the ASCC Manual.

"I'm looking forward to working with so many new energetic student senators and my emphasis will be placed on ethics and positive contributions that the Senate could make for the improvement for the ASCC and Cerritos college," ASCC vice president Tim Stavakis commented.

The 32 student senators who were elected are:

- Claudia Valdez-Poetry and Arts Club
- Maria Jacobson-Poetry and Arts Club
- Hethy Trujillo-Poetry and Arts Club
- Yvette B. Romo-Poetry and Arts Club
- Karla Romero-Poetry and Arts Club
- Sheryl Lemons-Independent
- Jose Iberri-Poetry and Arts
- Andre Adams-Independent
- Joe Mc Gill-Independent
- Alex Plascencia-Independent

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**WHO SHOULD I VOTE FOR?** Abril Perez takes time to decide who's worthy of being our new senate reps.



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**WORDS OF WISDOM.** New Assistant Dean of Career Services counsels student Josso Gil about planning his academic future.

## Lopez takes career services post

Assistant dean wants to help students to plan properly

BY CHARLES PURNELL  
STAFF WRITER

In the Career Services Building directly left of the information desk, there is an extremely spacious office, large enough to be occupied comfortably by twenty students, equipped with an energized adult female with a bright smile hugging cheek to cheek with her much younger nephew, chair on three wheels which belongs to the H L I C (the Head Latina In Charge), Terry Lopez, Cerritos College's newly hired Assistant Dean of Career Services.

"All I know is this office is twice the size of the one I came from. I have a nice size office," commented Lopez on her new office space she is adjusting to.

Lopez was the director of the Career Development Center at the University of La Verne prior to being employed by

Cerritos College.

Lopez's first week in office she is said to have been displaying a high energy level and a welcoming smile and greeting to all that walked through her office.

Her staff styled her attitude as an upbeat "can do" attitude with enthusiasm to work with each one of them in support of student success.

Lopez decided on a career helping students when she was a senior at La Puente high school in San Gabriel Valley. Up to the twelfth grade, Lopez had not taken any college preparatory courses.

"I wasn't even aware that my high school had a college preparatory program. So, one day I just kind-of walked with a friend to the college counselor and he asked, 'So where are you going to apply to? Well, I'm not,' Lopez answered. He said, 'Well you have to, But I'm not prepared,' Lopez said while laughing.

That counselor figured out what she had to do to be accepted into California State University Polytechnic. Lopez then began taking college preparatory courses

and was scholastically groomed for the University.

Because Lopez wasn't informed about college preparatory courses early in high school, she decided on a career helping students so they wouldn't be subjected to the lack of information and attention she received.

As the Assistant Dean of Career Services, Lopez oversees assessment operations, the Career Center, re-entry services, work evaluation and job placement services.

"I have been spending a lot of time just learning what is available here in terms of our services. I've been meeting a lot of new people," Lopez commented.

"In terms of making any changes, I haven't made any yet. One thing I feel strongly about is getting consensus to what the students needs are. So until we can devise a way to do so, I'm thinking we are just going to kind-of take our time before we make any major changes and seriously take a poll as to what the students needs

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## Haas starts second year of long-distance course

BY GIOVANNA CARTER  
EDITORIAL EDITOR

The first meeting of the history 202 class was held on Monday in the Teleconference Center headed by Dr. John Haas, professor of history here at Cerritos.

Last semester was the first time this program took flight, and the results were successful.

This program units two (and possibly more in the future), classes together in two different states, teaching the same subject. Haas at Cerritos College is connected with Dr. Alec Kirby at the University of Wisconsin.

In attendance at the Wisconsin class were approximately 40 or so students, along with the Cerritos attendance of about 50 students. "Both classes use the same textbook, and work in conjunction with the other," noted Kirby.

Both professors teach and communicate simultaneously, while covering material and discussing issues and lessons being covered.

Today was the introduction of class members and they were allowed to ask each other questions

about each others geographical areas. Some of the questions asked and answered were about the differences in living conditions and if they share the same likes and dislikes as far as music, fashion and ways of having a good time.

Wisconsin students were interested in the gang activity around Los Angeles, where as they feel very safe around their area, not having to deal with that problem.

One of the students in Wisconsin named Eric said, "I grew up in a town where my high school graduating class was a total of 80 students, so you can see we all know each other pretty much."

After introductions, Dr. Kirby introduced Mr. Carl Kasper, a local dairy farmer, as the guest speaker. His topic of interest was the farming business now and at the turn of the century.

Kasper has been a dairy farmer all of his life, and his farm has been in his family for 127 years.

He spoke about the cost of farming and labor when his grandfather ran the farm, and how it compares to today's economy.

"With the cost of living being so much different today, the wages are lower and the cost of goods are higher," expressed Kasper.

In a world that's constantly changing, the idea to bring two separate environments together to make one class has become a reality.

This collaboration has given Dr. Haas the diversity in history that he so wanted and the opportunity to expand and grow in his field of teaching.

Just this last summer, Dr. Haas had the chance to go to England to discuss and share his experience, which he said, "was so very exciting."

In November, he will go to a conference in San Diego and share his experience there as well.

Both professors are very excited about the program and are looking forward to getting into some of the more controversial topics in history.

"The civil rights movement always seems to get the classes excited and wanting to learn all they can," said Haas.

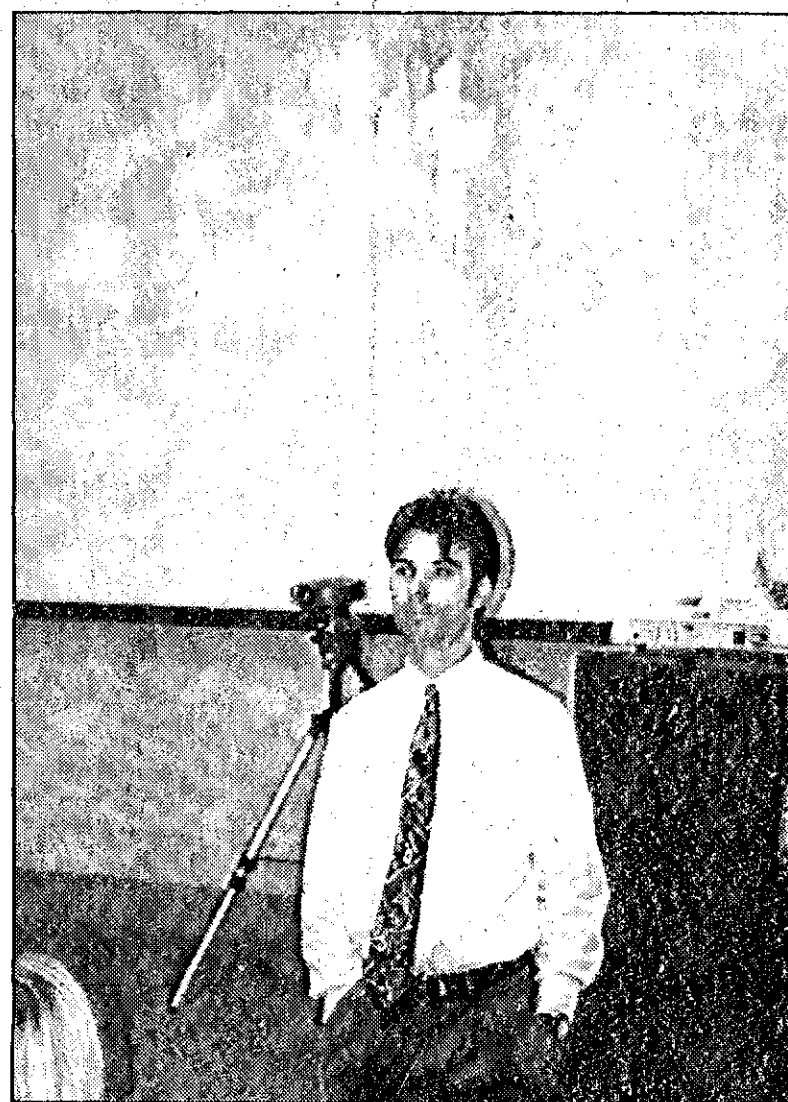


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**Dr. John Haas' U.S. Political and Social History class links up with a University of Wisconsin once a week.**

## Homecoming plans already under way

BY HELEM MAYORGA  
FEATURE EDITOR

The long awaited tradition of homecoming is among the many events that many students look forward to coming back to school in the Fall. This past Tuesday the Homecoming Kickoff Luncheon took place in order for many students to discuss the planning for the event this semester.

As it was noted in the meeting the 2000 Homecoming events are just around the corner. Homecoming will be taking place on Oct. 28 in the Falcon field. Among many of the events happening on that day is the main event the coronation of the queen and the football game against Mt. SAC.

At the welcome lunch Tuesday all the invited campus staff and club student members, along with the attendance of the ASCC campus president and vice-president gathered to encourage club presidents to encourage students to participate in this year's events.

Campus staff member and Student Account Coordinator Dean

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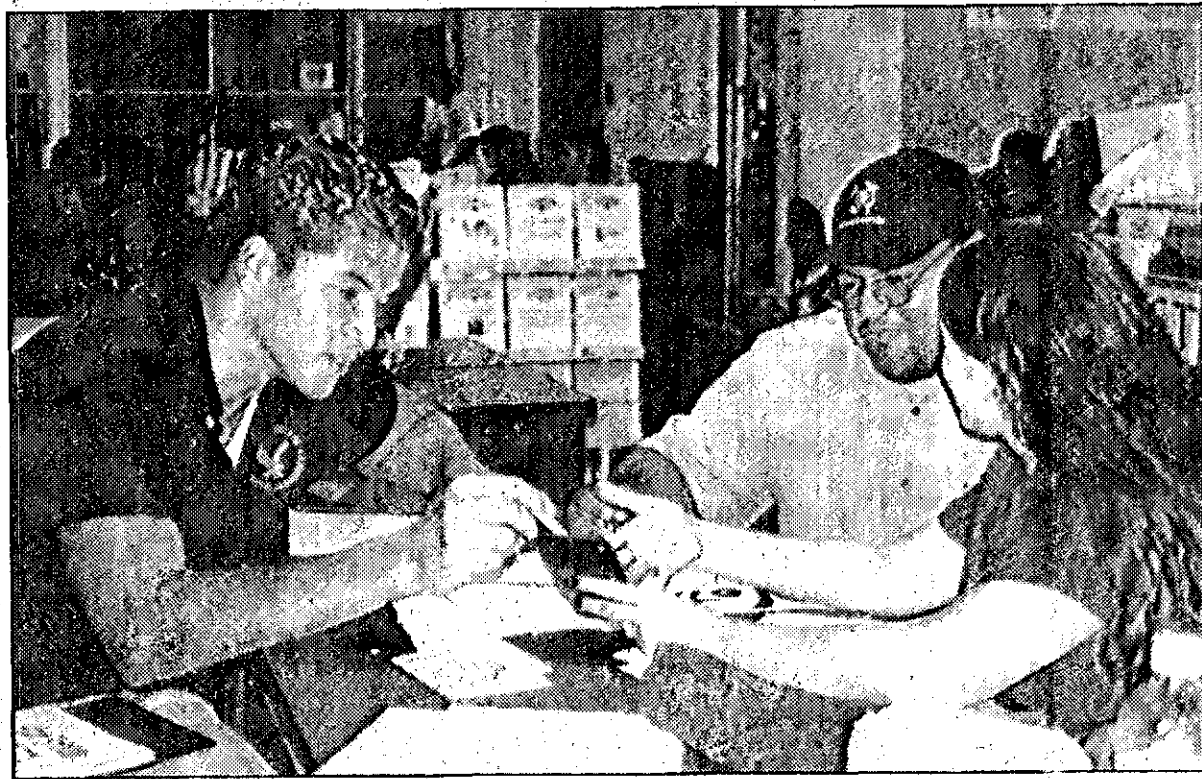


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**PLANNING SESSION:** Learning Assistance Program staff member Bruno Sandoval (left) works with other staffers Daniel Jimenez and Marcy Roufy-Hobbs to plan LAP activities for the semester.

## LEARNING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

# Math/English challenged, athletes get new programs

BY CHARLES PURNELL

Cerritos College's valued Learning Assistance Program has appended two new tutorial programs for the fall semester. The first is the Student Success Initiative program and the other is the Academic Support Program for Student Athletes.

"The SSI is just one new part of the LAP. That's the biggest thrust this year. Another big thrust is the Academic Support Program for Student Athletes. We've had that going on for a while but now it's full blown. It's mentors. We have it for men's and women's basketball, softball and football players," states Alice Miller, director of the alumni assistance program and LAP center.

The SSI program is a tutorial program that focuses on students having complications passing math 60 (elementary algebra), and English 100.

"We have targeted those classes and set up a whole communication system with the classroom instructor, the student, the counseling office, the instructions office, admissions and the LAP," Miller said.

To prematurely detect students that may have difficulty passing math 30 and/or the English 100 course, the counseling center devised the "Early Alert System."

"That is a roster that goes out to the teachers that asks them to give a classroom diagnostics test early in the semester. The students that look like they need tutoring and a lot of

Students are cordially invited by the LAP staff to receive the most comprehensive treatment plan, called the "Individualized Diagnostic and Prescriptive Instructions." A student is given a specialized assessment for their educational needs on an individualized basis.

"We have a needs assessment a student checks off what they need help in. It is our job to go out and get them that help," comments Miller.

This semester marks the SSI program's third semester in operation. Records prove that student who participate in this supplemental instruction of math or English do better than students who do not take advantage of the service.

"Here, it's really a positive attitude. I've been at Long Beach City College for one year and they didn't have anything like this. Here, it's a totally different experience. This is 10 times better," admit student Kevin Hubbard.

Freshman basketball sensation Lyn Grayson appreciates the Academic Support Program for Student Athletes. "This is my first week in the program. It's cool. I like it. They help me with my work. It's turning out a real cool program," Grayson said.

The purpose of the ASPSA is to provide Cerritos College's student athletes with mentors, tutors, professors and computer programs that will aid them in finishing courses with the highest grade scores accomplishable. It's also there to participate in the students' personal

enrichment and to keep the students motivated and focused on exceptional academic progress and achievement.

The LAP serves as the tutorial center where students can come for all types of learning needs. Students can choose from discipline specific tutorial services, supplemental, individualized courses, educational technology for college success. The center is located in LC-168.

## Homecoming plans underway

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Ackland discussed the history of homecoming and the long and fun tradition it had been for the student body. Along with that he announced all the dates of homecoming scheduled for the next couple of months.

Ackland also announced the theme name for this year's homecoming, which will be "Games People Play," this theme is related to athletic games and sports that people play.

"Homecoming is a really positive experience for both instructors and students because they can get to know each other better and students can be involved with campus activities," Ackland said.

He encouraged club members to announce these events to all campus students as well as club members, so everyone can participate in the building of floats and attending the event in general.

Thirteen different awards are going to be given to the participating floats in this year's homecoming event. Ackland also noted that

a \$250 bonus is going to be given to each participating club for the materials they need to participate in the contest. Float building can be as committee or group, also think about a plan theme.

"Students are encouraged to participate in the float building because they are able to learn organizational skills as well as group work and at the same time have fun," adviser for the court reporting club Sandy Grant said at the meeting.

As far as the homecoming candidates are concerned girls who sign up are going to be eligible to participate in the Homecoming Court, but only seven of them, will participate in the 2000 Homecoming Pageant.

The requisites to participate in the court are mainly that each candidate must be ready to participate and do a good job at encouraging the rest of the campus to participate in Homecoming this semester. The candidates are also encouraged to have important goals to realize in

their life and on campus. However, all the pretty girls are welcome, Ackland said.

Applications for floats and court are going to be available on Monday at 8:30 a.m. in the student activities center. Deadline for applications will be Sept. 29 at 4p.m.

Court elections will take place on Oct. 11 and 12 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on both days. The court introductions will be taking place on Oct. 17 at 11 a.m. in the Student Center the girls who will be running will be introduced.

The Pre-Game reception will be held on October 7 from 5:30p.m. to 6:30p.m. Game vs. Santa Ana. All students and guest are welcome, see Trudy for pre-game tickets at the Student Activities Center.

"I expect homecoming to be very original and interesting, hopefully its nothing like high school, people should have a good time and wish the best to all the girls," math club member Mike Vazquez concluded.

## Career Services has new assistant dean

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are," Lopez continued.

Lopez earned a bachelor's degree in business administration, with an emphasis in marketing from California State University Polytechnic in Pomona, and a master's in counseling from California State University Los Angeles.

Presently, she is working on her doctorate in educational leadership from the University of La Verne. Also, she is involved with

the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators and served on the Board of Directors for western colleges.

In addition to working at Cerritos College and attending classes at the University of La Verne, Lopez serves as a mentor to young college freshman in the East Los Angeles area through (TELACU), The East Los Angeles Community Union.

"That program is geared toward Latina students who are

going to Colleges or Universities and live in East Los Angeles or the surrounding areas," Lopez said.

"I hope that when my time to move on has arrived, I leave behind a good legacy for somebody who can come after me and pick up where I left off and say 'She was on target for what the student needs are' and they can continue to build upon the vision that I set here," Lopez concluded.

## 32 students elected to Senate

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- Melissa Canchola-Poetry and Arts Club
- Aghigh Afarinesh - Scholars Honors Program
- Darnell Pugh-Football
- Jason Lehman-Athletics
- Daniel Jocson-Independent
- Claudia Mejia-Scholars Honors Program
- Aisha Harris-Independent
- Doug Baughman - Football
- George Makary-Independent
- Brenda Maria French-Incumbent
- Joyce Kelly - Black Student Union
- Giovanna Carter - MAPS
- Tom Mosley-Independent
- Brian Vos - Independent
- Gina Stavrakis-Independent
- Paul Haliada-Phi Rho Pi
- Amanda Jenkins - Cosmetology
- Sandy Moon-Cosmetology
- Amanda Hansen - Cosmetology
- Alexis Thompson - Cosmetology

• Jenny Gonzalez-Independent  
Out of the 32 Senators who were elected there are 12 freshman who were elected and 20 sophomore students on Senate, bringing in a large amount of new students into the Senate arena.

Senator Tracie Ybarra is looking forward to the new semester in terms of working with the new people on Senate as well as toward new goals for the campus. "We have a really good group that is willing to work hard this semester, some of the things we want to discuss in Senate this semester are things like, setting money aside for club conferences, increasing the amount for student activities as well as the tram issue and many other issues," Ybarra noted.

The first meeting for Senate will be taking place Wednesday Sept. 13 in the Student Activities office. The Senate will meet for the rest of the semester every Wednesday for the following semester.

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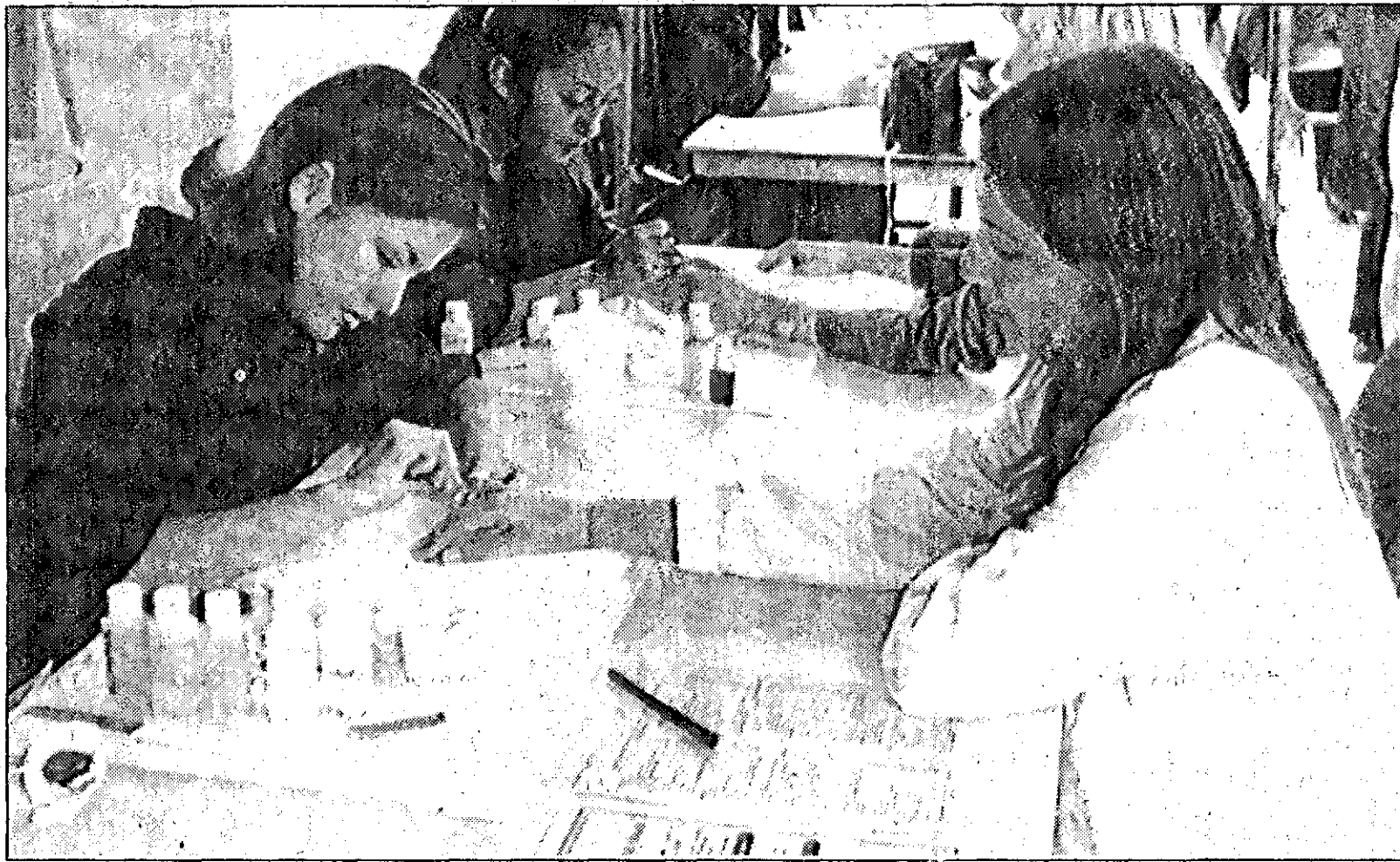


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TALON MARKS

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## CLUB INFO DAY

BY BRENDA DURAN  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Many students got to participate in the annual Club Information Day which was held in the Falcon Square on Wednesday August 30. The club information day was also held for the night students later that day at 6 p.m. in the SS Patio.

Some of the numerous clubs that were in attendance at the information day was the Poetry and Arts club, the Cosmetology club, the Phi Theta Kappa club, the Forensics club, the Astronomy club, the Alpha Gamma Sigma club, the WPMD radio station, the Christian students club, MeCha

club, and many more.

Students who attended club info day also benefitted from the event in that they also had the opportunity to sign up for numerous jobs with the Mini Job Fair taking place in the Falcon Square at the same time.

Employers such as Pepsi Cola, Delta Airlines, Hertz Corp., The Marriot Hotel, Metropolitan State Hospital, United Parcel Services, Queen Mary, U.S. Army, Mercury Insurance, Disney Resort, Blockbuster Video and the Orange County Sheriff's Department and

many more were also in attendance.

Students were encouraged to attend the event in order to become actively involved in campus activities. Some of the benefits that many clubs seemed to offer was leadership and team experience.



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**GETTING THE SCOOP.** (Left) Jessica Pulido from Cosmetology does Elizabeth Bernal's nails. (Top) Forensics' Mondo Roman and Maria Estrada discuss the team's trophies. (Bottom) Francisco Comell learns more about WPMD radio from Jason Barquero and Gina Sulme.

### SUMMER SCHOOL

## 60 students from 24 cities make dean's list

More than 60 Cerritos College students representing 24 Southland cities earned Dean's List recognition for the 2000 summer term. According to Dean of Academic Affairs Dr. Adolph Johnson, Jr.

To qualify for the Dean's list, a student must maintain a minimum of 3.5 Grade Point Average while enrolled in 12 or more units. On a 4.0 grade point scale, a 4.0 is equivalent to an "A" and a 3.0 is equivalent to a "B."

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Bell Gardens  
Lindorfe Gallegos  
Bellflower  
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Buena Park  
David M. Park  
Hai Ying Zhang  
Canoga Park  
Hossin Oshani  
Cerritos  
Armond R. Angeles  
Xinghua Chen  
Sofia Flores  
Rubaiyat Gaznabi  
Grace Jun

Yeeplu Lai  
Eun M. Lee  
Elizabeth Messina  
Kristina Natalia  
Veronica Parga  
Aristid Salvatierra  
Feifei Wang  
Pinyu Yang  
Compton  
Carmen A. Flores  
Downey  
Earl L. Anunciado  
Fernando Barraza  
Jennifer K. Keegan  
Kim Michael  
Kyung M. Koo  
Ruben R. Moreno  
Marisela Ramos

Barbara Woodpowell  
Anggie Zelaya  
Hollywood  
Jiyeun Lee  
Inglewood  
Sajid Mulla  
La Mirada  
Teresa G. Lapid  
La Palma  
Aanchal J. Advani  
Lake Arrowhead  
Sara Allmon  
Lakewood  
David Casados  
Lin Yihsun Thoma  
Long Beach  
Juan S. Franco

Sarah Gio Giglio  
Jose M. Lara  
Montrelli Rozanne  
Amber L. Morgan  
Kimberly Rodriguez  
De Seng  
Claire L. Wells  
Los Angeles  
Eric Rosas  
Norwalk  
Theresa K. Avalos  
Jesusita Chavez  
Lynette Roccazzella  
Echelona Udeze  
Obidiaso Uguchukwu  
Yi Yu  
Paramount  
Elizabeth Hernandez

Oclavio Martinez  
Yolanda Morales  
Rowland Heights  
Keren Villeda  
San Gabriel  
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## Offense shines first half, defense second

Murillo, Anderson lead rushing attack in 21-18 win over Palomar

BY JOHN KITANO  
SPORTS EDITOR

"Altogether it was a team effort. It was a really good game. Had a lot of fun out there. It's nice to open with a win, especially versus a big team. Hopefully, our season is promising."

So spoke quarterback Doug Baughman as the Cerritos College football team, ranked sixth in southern California and 11th in the state, began the 2000 season with a 21-18 victory over Palomar College (4th in Southern California and 8th in state) Saturday at Falcon Stadium.

The Falcons offense exploded in the first half, and the defense took over in the second half to preserve the victory, ending a three game losing streak to the Comets.

"We made some big plays," Cerritos defensive coordinator Pat Callahan said. "We have some very talented players with great speed, and they're just young. Every now and again they made some mistakes, but then, the next play, they come up with a big play, and that's really what talent and speed does. For being young, we played really well."

### OFFENSIVE EXPLOSION

Palomar's Deondre Alexander returned the opening kickoff to the Cerritos 38-yard line. On the next play, running back Josh Galae'i fumbled the ball, which was recovered by Cerritos safety Joe McGill.

The Falcons drove down to the Comets' 2 yard line, where fullback Manuel Murillo, who rushed for 110 yards on 23 carries, ran into the end zone for the game's first score.

After a Palomar field goal made the score 7-3, the Falcons scored a pair of touchdowns in the second quarter.

With third down and three yards to go on the Palomar 35, Murillo

made the first down with a six yard run. Another 15 yards were added because of a face mask penalty called against the Comets.

Four plays later, the Falcons were set to kick a field goal at the Palomar six-yard line when another penalty by the Comets moved the ball to the three (half the distance to the goal line).

On the next play, Murillo ran around the left end of the line to catch a 3 yard pass from Baughman. The drive took 13 plays and covered 80 yards.

Right after the Falcons partially blocked a punt and took possession at their 49-yard line, Justin Anderson went to his left and along the sideline. It was then a footrace as Anderson, the 1999 state champion in the 100 meters, blew past all defenders for the Falcons' third touchdown.

With 10 seconds remaining in the half, the Comets were at the Cerritos 40 and threatening to score, but Falcons cornerback Rashad Long broke up a pass in the end zone and time expired with Cerritos holding a 21-3 lead.

### DEFENSE HOLDS ON

The third quarter saw Palomar claw its way back into the game. After a pass interference call against Cerritos in the end zone, the Comets had first-and-goal on the Cerritos nine.

With fourth down and goal at the Cerritos three, the Falcons defense held as McGill broke up a pass intended for Tyson Thompson of Palomar.

Cerritos took over the ball but turned it over on a fumble, and Palomar scored three plays later as Keiki Misipeka dived over his blockers for the Comets' first touchdown.

The point after kick was wide to

the left, making the score 21-9 in favor of Cerritos.

Palomar got the ball back on the Cerritos 29 after Baughman and Murillo botched the handoff, but the Falcon defense clamped down and the Comets had to settle for a field goal to cut Cerritos' lead to nine.

In the fourth quarter, with five minutes and 21 seconds remaining, a missed Falcon field goal attempt gave Palomar first and 10 at the Cerritos 20.

The Comets drove down to the Falcon 25, where quarterback Andy Goodenough hit Se'e Pomele in the end zone with a touchdown pass with 2:45 left in the game.

They went for two points for the conversion, but the pass was incomplete.

Palomar, trailing by three points, tried an onside kick, but the ball went out of bounds and Cerritos took possession of the ball at the Palomar 49.

Putting the ball in the hands of Justin Anderson, who made four clutch running plays, Cerritos was able to run out the clock.

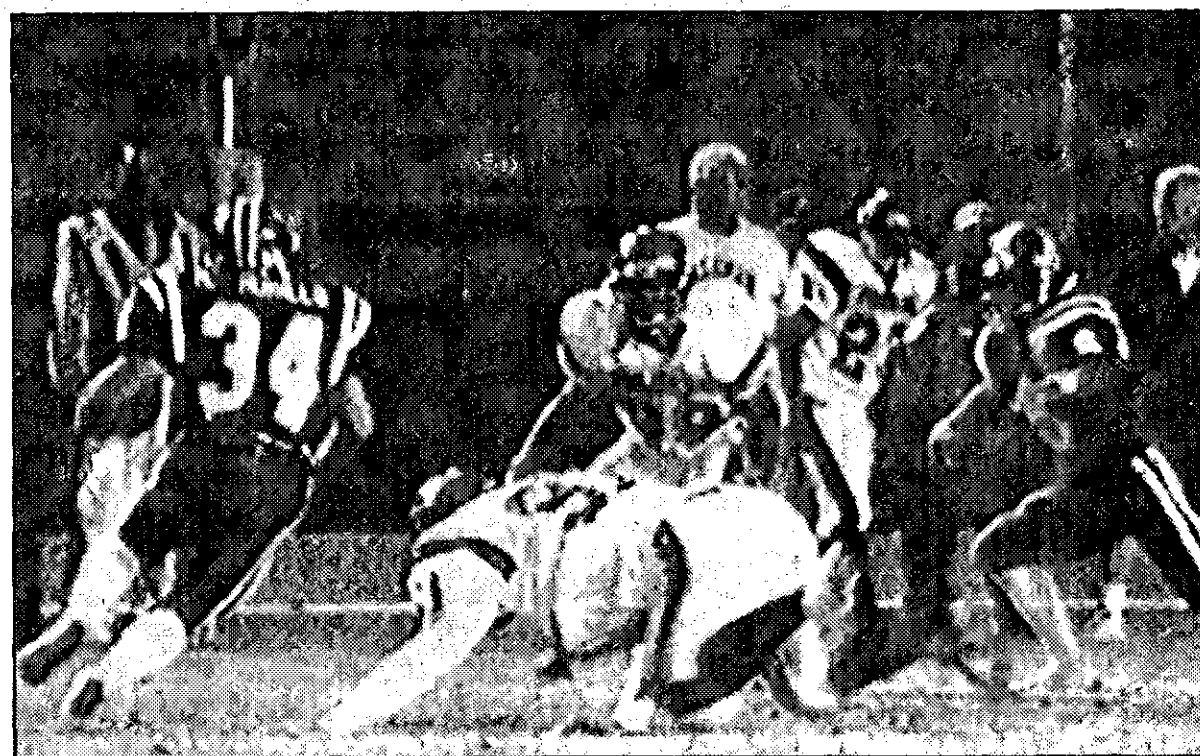
Baughman completed 11 passes in 17 attempts for 93 yards and one touchdown. Kenny Bell had 3 receptions for 22 yards and Michael Carter caught 2 passes for 42 yards.

Cerritos head coach Frank Mazzotta on his team's effort. "Hats off to the defensive kids. We kept them off the field the first half, they were on the field the whole second half."

He added that his players did well "for a first game. Playing that good a football game, (and) to win, that's all that matters to me right now."

The Falcons' next game will be Saturday at Saddleback College. Game time is 7 p.m.

Their next home game will be on Sept 23 at 7 p.m. vs. Fullerton College. Some schedules released before the season listed the game time as 1 p.m.



Falcon fullback Manuel Murillo runs around the left against Palomar. Falcons held on to win by a 21-18 score.

Photo by Adrienne Adkins/TM

### FOOTBALL

## Coordinator praises effort

BY JOHN KITANO  
SPORTS EDITOR

Cerritos defensive coordinator Pat Callahan, had reason to be proud of the performance by the Falcon defense in preserving the 21-18 win over Palomar.

On the Falcons goal line stand in the third quarter, he said, "We played 15 snaps inside the nine there, and stopped them a couple of times. Gave up a field goal one time and then, the other time they got it in."

"If you can play down there in the goal line, it does a couple of things for you. Number one, you know you played well, ... and number two, it gives them a lot of confidence in that they can give somebody the ball on the two and stop them, because a lot of that is believ-

ing. "A lot of people get on the two, and it's like, well, they're going to get it in, so why try? But when you stop them four downs it gives them that sort of encouragement to do that."

"I'm happy with the way the defense played. We made some mistakes because we're young, but I was concerned whether or not we would be physical enough, and we were, so that's a good sign. They're (Palomar) a pretty physical offensive line."

"We get better, well be okay." The next game for the Falcons will be Saturday at 7 p.m. when they travel to Saddleback College.

"It's so early in the season. We haven't had a chance to see them."

Callahan said, on preparing to face the Gauchos. "But from last year and traditionally, (Saddleback) runs an offense called the fly offense that has a lot of motion in it, and it's a little different offense, so it presents a different problem for us."

"We're going to have to change gears dramatically from what we prepared for this week, so we've got to really take a look at some plays that are very much different."

"It's a different deal, and we've got to go down there and play. And again, we're young, and when you take a young team on the road the first time, there's a whole bunch of other new things to get used to, they got kind of indoctrinated to a lot of things Wednesday."

## Men's water polo team young, inexperienced, Parks says



Waterpolo-Falcons goalie Oscar Perez blocks a shot during practice in the campus pool.

Photo by Adrienne Adkins/TM

Falcons look to Ventura Challenge for true test

BY DAVID AMEZCUA  
STAFF WRITER

As the men's water polo team begins the 2000 season, coach Ron Parks faces the season with a young team on his hands.

Parks said that the goals for this season are to, "bring more unity to the team," and "maximize every individual's potential and give each person a sense of something of belonging to a team."

He added that the biggest goal is to win the

league and to move up in the rankings, and that, "the players have to earn a spot on the team."

Parks described the players to watch for this season. They are Jorge Aguilar, who Parks said is, "small, but he is also tough," and Charles Eldridge, "is smart, but he is also quick."

"David Medlen is tough and fast. Jorge Pena is new to the game, but he is good. Oscar Perez is a good goalkeeper. James Pikulicky is new, but is improving. Sean Plotkin is coming back to water polo. And Tim Poppin is improving on his speed."

Parks also said that newcomer Rafael Puge is also fast and, "has good potential." Ryan Skopp is improving into a starter, and, "but once we

gain some experience, we should move up in the rankings, and finish in the top 10. We have good chemistry, and a lot of heart."

"Once we play the Ventura Tournament, we should be able to tell if there are more teams to watch out for," Parks concluded.

At Ventura, the Falcons won their opener against Southwestern, 17-4 but lost the next match to Citrus, 16-5. On Saturday, the Falcons were defeated by Cabrillo (7-5) and Ohlone (10-7).

The team will return to Ventura on Thursday to take part in the Ventura Challenge, and will play in the Cuesta Tournament in San Luis Obispo on Friday and Saturday.



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## Sports Schedule

### FOOTBALL

Saturday  
at Saddleback  
7 p.m.

Sept. 23  
vs. Fullerton  
AT CERRITOS  
7 p.m.

### MEN'S SOCCER

Friday  
vs. Mount San Antonio  
AT CERRITOS  
4 p.m.

Tuesday  
at East L.A.  
6 p.m.

Sept. 22  
vs. Pasadena  
AT CERRITOS  
4 p.m.

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

Friday  
vs. Compton  
AT CERRITOS  
2 p.m.

Sept. 22  
at East L.A.  
6 p.m.

### VOLLEYBALL

Saturday and Sunday  
at Cypress Tournament  
All Day

Sept. 20  
at Santa Ana  
5 p.m.

Sept. 22  
vs. Cypress  
AT CERRITOS  
7:30 p.m.

### MEN'S WATER POLO

Friday and Saturday  
at Cuesta Tournament  
All Day

Sept. 20  
vs. Mt. San Antonio  
AT CERRITOS  
3 p.m.

### WOMEN'S WATER POLO

Saturday  
El Camino Mini-Tournament  
at El Camino College  
All Day

Sept. 20  
vs. Mt. San Antonio  
AT CERRITOS  
4 p.m.

Sept. 22 and 23  
at Mt. San Antonio Tournament  
All Day

### WRESTLING

Sept. 20  
Intrasquad matches  
AT CERRITOS  
7:30 p.m.

Sept. 22 and 23  
Sacramento City Tournament  
at Sacramento City College  
All Day

## Cross country team off to running start

BY JOHN KITANO  
SPORTS EDITOR

According to freshman runner Hugo Torres, it is, "not an obstacle to seek for victory among other competitive schools."

That describes the men's and

women's cross country teams at Cerritos College. Young, motivated and full of potential.

### FALCON MEN

The men's team will have, "big

shoes to fill," according to Jeff Clingan, who shares coaching duties for both teams with track coach Doug Wells.

Last year's team finished 15th in the Southern California champi-

onships, an improvement from 25th in 1998, and missed going as a team to the state championships by 13 points.

Clingan, who was named South Coast Conference Co-Coach of the Year last season, said that the, "talent's there with the freshmen," and that they will, "get better through experience."

Returning this year is Macario Lara, who qualified for the state meet last year as a freshman. Lara, the team's Most Valuable Player for 1999, was named first team all conference.

Other sophomores include Marco Mata, Edward Chavez, Jose Gaxiola, Adrian Nunez and Brian Crosser, who said that this, "should be an exciting season. I expect both myself and the team to do very, very well."

The freshmen runners to watch include Torres, Wendall Neal and Israel Orejel, who runs, "for the Lord."

### FALCON WOMEN

On the women's side, Clingan expects much improvement, saying that they have the, "potential to have that same type of year as the men did last year."

Sophomore Davitta Williams, who qualified for the state meet last season, returns with Aisha Harris and Jeanette Lopez.

"We have the talent to be competitive," says Harris, "and we hope to pursue a great season that will finish victorious in the state meet."

The freshmen, described by Clingan as, "outstanding," include Karen Espinoza, Georgina Mojica,

Diana Palomar and Julie Stewart.

### THE OPPOSITION

The competition includes Mount San Antonio College. Clingan said they are, "always an outstanding program." He added that El Camino and Pasadena are also very good, and that the, "Long Beach women's team has always been real solid."

The Falcons appear ready for the challenge of the season.

"Second place gets you to the podium but you're still looking up," Torres said, "therefore we will work hard to get to first place."

### CROSS COUNTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, Sept. 16  
Los Angeles Invitational  
at Pierce College  
8 a.m.

Saturday, Sept. 30  
San Diego Mesa Invitational  
at Del Mar Race Track  
8 a.m.

Saturday, Oct. 7  
Irvine Invitational  
at Irvine Regional Park  
8 a.m.

Saturday, Oct. 14  
Santa Barbara Invitational  
at Santa Barbara Beach  
12 a.m.



Photo by: Adrienne Adkins/TM

RUNNING STRONG. Wendall Neal and Hugo Torres finish a long and tiring practice run.

## CCF Golf tournament raises money for Cerritos

BY JOHN KITANO  
SPORTS EDITOR

About 130 golfers had the privilege of being Tiger Woods for a day while raising money for programs to benefit the students of Cerritos College.

More than \$19,000 was raised during the Cerritos College Foundation's 15th Annual Golf Classic

at Friendly Hills Country Club in Whittier.

Funds from the golf tournament, held on Aug. 7, were raised from greens fees paid by the golfers, as well as from corporate and individual sponsorships of golf carts and signage on the tees and greens. Additional funds were generated from a dinner and auction that

evening.

The aim of the Foundation is to fund programs, such as awards and scholarships, to further the educational opportunities for the students of Cerritos College.

Through fund raising events and donations, it provides supplemental revenue for the college in addition to that provided by the state of

California.

Steve Richardson, executive director of the Foundation, said that the proceeds from the golf tournament and auction are treated as unrestricted. "The monies are used toward specific projects that come in as requests."

He added that the foundation tries to keep the funds, "free for

projects and requests as they come in during the school year."

The Foundation's other major fundraiser of the year is Monte Carlo Night, held during the spring semester. Richardson said that they are searching for a site and plan to make an announcement in the next two weeks.



## Sports Scores

### CROSS COUNTRY

Fresno Invitational  
Men - 19th place  
Macario Lara 23:56  
Hugo Torres 24:05  
Ed Chavez 24:35

Women - 10th place  
Julie Stewart 21:38  
Aisha Harris 22:26  
Georgina Mojica 23:22

### MEN'S SOCCER

Cerritos 1 Orange Coast 1  
Cypress 2 Cerritos 0  
Hartnell Tournament  
Hartnell 7 Cerritos 0  
Long Beach 1 Cerritos 0  
Southwestern 2 Cerritos 1  
Cerritos 4 Citrus 0

### MEN'S

WATER POLO  
Ventura Tournament  
Cerritos 17  
Southwestern 4

Citrus 16 Cerritos 5  
Cabrillo 7 Cerritos 5  
Ohlone 10 Cerritos 7

### WOMEN'S WATER POLO

Cypress Tournament  
Ventura 17 Cerritos 1  
Merced 15 Cerritos 2  
College of Canyons 10  
Cerritos 8  
Rio Hondo 17 Cerritos 2

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

Cerritos 0 Citrus 0  
Cerritos d. San Bernardino  
Valley (Forefeit)  
Cerritos 2 Golden West 0  
Mt. San Antonio 4  
Cerritos 0

### VOLLEYBALL

Cerritos d. Alumni, 15 - 8,  
13 - 15, 15 - 9, 15 - 10

## Women's water polo team dunked in first four matches

BY DAVID AMEZCUA  
STAFF WRITER

The Cerritos College women's water polo team, with only one starter returning, began its season last weekend with four losses in the Cypress Tournament held at Cypress College.

The team dropped matches to Ventura (17 - 1), Merced (15 - 2), College of the Canyons (10 - 8) and Rio Hondo (17 - 2).

Head Coach Hal Simonek says he plans to evaluate and work with his young team this semester by "seeing their performance game by game, day by day."

Simonek said that the team will be competing against teams such as El Camino, Mt. San Antonio, Sierra

and Golden West.

He said that key players to watch for are Yvette Garcia, Audry Medico, Jessica Meli, Laura Salinas, Jamie Stover, Jill Strickland, Julie Millett, Brittony Pesquera and Jessica Colunga.

Millett, who plays driver for the team, said that most of the players have two weeks experience with the sport.

They gain some experience, however, by practicing with the men's team. "We have good chemistry," she said. "79 percent of the team used to be lifeguards."

She also said that it's hard to say where team is going to finish, "because this is a young team."

But she adds that, "the team is pretty strong."

Simonek said that the Cuesta Tournament, where the Falcons will compete on Sept. 28 through Sept. 30, will challenge the team because they will be competing with the top 10 teams in the state.

Simonek expects to see a lot of improvement in the team over the course of this season.

"For the players this is the first time they played the sport," he said. "Nonetheless the team should be fun to watch," Simonek concluded.

After participating in the El Camino Mini-Tournament on Saturday, the team will host Mt. San Antonio College on Sept. 20 at 4 p.m.



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PASS THE BALL. Eve Valladares and Evette Garcia practice for their upcoming game.

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## EDITORIAL

### Lawsuits, legal or not?

In a world of growth and change the fast pace of our society and the economy turns the mighty dollar into a double-edged sword.

Everyone seems to want to scramble for the wealth and forget the purpose of a lawsuit to begin with.

Let's take a look at the tobacco industry. So many people have or are suing the R.J. Reynolds and Phillip-Morris tobacco companies for the deaths and illnesses of family members. Plaintiffs are claiming, "it's the fault of the tobacco companies because their loved ones bought the products that killed them. Well, is it really their fault?"

Every human being at the age of 18 years old, at least in this country, has the right to choose and be their own person. Then didn't they choose for themselves to buy and smoke those so called "cancer sticks"? Billions of dollars are being paid out on settlements, which of course doesn't bring back the deceased, but makes the recipients millionaires.

The same happens when we look at the industry of auto insurance. It is mandatory by law to have car insurance in the state of California, and so even the slightest fender-bender can rake in big bucks. A 45 year-old

gentleman, on his way home from work got into a rear-end accident on the freeway. It turned out to be a five-car fender-bender, and each car was covered by different insurance companies.

At the scene nobody claimed any injuries. The whole ordeal took about one year to settle and at the end the front driver that was rear-ended by four other cars, ended up receiving settlements from all of the insurance companies because he claimed whiplash and back injuries.

His settlements totaled \$500,000 plus his medical. Is this justice? What happened to the honesty and gratefulness in people. The honesty being, that if you are not injured in an accident, than the main concern is having your automobile restored. The gratefulness is, that only your car was damaged and you are grateful to be alright.

People must see past the dollar amount to be made in a lawsuit, and look at the original reasons. Many students going into law should keep that in mind. The purpose of a lawsuit is to recover losses and rectify damages. It is not to make a millionaire out of an unfortunate dilemma.

## Freedom of the press under heavy scrutiny

BY WILBUR F. STOREY

Freedom of the press is a fragile thing. Ideally, reporters are supposed to be able to do their jobs without hindrance from the state. In real life, however, government and business work hard to deflect or mislead reporters.

The past two years have seen freedom of the press, guaranteed by the First Amendment, take several hard hits. Not legally speaking, of course. On paper the First Amendment is still intact. But in the streets, where it really counts, freedom of the press has never been more imperiled.

One reporter was arrested for holding his ground when Forest Service law-enforcement officials ordered him away from a protest he had been covering above Vail. Specifically on location to observe and report on the way the protest was resolved, the reporter felt he had a duty to remain.

The federal government saw his arrest as a way of gaining a federal precedent that would give law enforcement more power in dealing with reporters, allowing federal officers to go about their business in greater secrecy. After a year of prosecuting him, the U.S. attorney's office finally dropped the charges Thursday, ending an unnecessary and expensive ordeal for Hansen.

While the immediate danger has passed, the Forest Service took the opportunity provided by his case to draw up guidelines for their officers to use when arresting reporters. A spokeswoman for the Society for Professional Journalists has described these guidelines as "very troubling" and "patently offensive." If nothing else, the guidelines indicate the government's determination to treat newsgathering as a suspect activity.

Nationally, demonstrations in Seattle, Washington, D.C., Philadelphia and Los Angeles resulted in reporters being arrested and beaten in

what has evolved into an overt effort on the part of police to bar the independent media from doing their jobs.

In Seattle, where police initiated violence against non-violent protesters, several reporters were arrested, threatened with pepper spray and gassed. Those arrested were released the next day with apologies.

In the nation's capital, police treated ABC, CBS, and NBC affiliates with respect, but everyone else as suspects, clubbing reporters whose credentials were in full view, forcing them away from scenes they were covering, and failing to acknowledge media accreditation when it suited their purposes.

In Philadelphia, police harassed staff at the Independent Media Center, threatening to shut down the office, which was being used by reporters from independent media organizations across the nation.

In Los Angeles, a convenient bomb scare closed the IMC temporarily, following repeated and unjustifiable police threats to shut it down. Witnesses claim that police tried to drive reporters away by deliberately targeting them with rubber bullets during the LAPD's violent crackdown on protesters, most of whom were peacefully listening to a concert in the permitted protest zone.

Together, these events paint a picture of government, specifically law enforcement, that is increasingly hostile to the progressive movement and increasingly reluctant to allow reporters access to their handiwork. They want to crack skulls, spray people's eyes and gas crowds without being held accountable.

## Reality T.V. the new bad obsession

BY PAMELA WHITE

Excuse us for gagging, but don't people have anything else to do?

At issue here is the success of "Survivor." This brainchild of CBS, the latest rage in voyeuristic TV programming, caught the attention of 40 million people. The premise behind the show was simple: Cram 16 people onto a remote island, force them to interact in unusual circumstances, and watch their wacky behavior.

Viewers tuned in to see which contestant would be axed by the others. In return, they were treated to a broad range of idiosyncratic behaviors, like Richard's parading naked around the island, mixed liberally with backstabbing and distorted bits of stolen indigenous culture.

"The tribe has spoken."  
"This is the conch shell of truth."  
Oh, please.

CBS likes to call "Survivor" reality-based television. It follows on the heels of shows like MTV's "Real World," featuring young people crammed together and forced to interact as housemates. And it is being followed by programs like "Big Brother," which takes the premise behind "Real World" to extremes, with a shower cam and toilet cam.

Where did Americans develop this obsession with voyeurism? What do people find remotely interesting about watching everyday people arguing, taking showers, and using the toilet? Aren't meaningless sitcoms and Internet porn enough anymore?

If we want to watch relative strangers living together in close quarters, let's send a camera crew to the nearest penitentiary. To heck with "Big Brother." Now there's, "Who's Gonna Be



My Bitch?" featuring the hard-core lifers in Cell Block A. Watch as they smuggle drugs in and out of the unit, trade death threats, and commit anal gang rape.

What about a show featuring a dozen students trying to find affordable housing in Cerritos? Watch what happens when they end up in a bidding war with other students for the chance to rent some garage for the semester. We'll also be able to see them drink, riot, puke and struggle to get laid. We could call it "Rent," but that name's already been taken.

Or how about "Sweatshop," filmed on location in some Vietnamese Nike factory? They're locked inside most of the time already.

There's lots of genuine struggle out there for us to feed off of. In fact, there's enough to keep every filmmaker busy and every network programmed 24-7 with reality-based shows. Together with Internet sites that feature people having sex, all we viewers will have to do to enjoy the full spectrum of human depravity and passion is click.

## LETTER TO EDITOR Tram neglects night students' needs

I am an older evening student. My class starts after an eight to 10 hour day on the job. I gave you this history because I have a problem with the tram ride. I came here early a few times and each time I observed different tram drivers taking a coffee break at the Elbow room in the Social Science patio from 6:45 to 7:45 p.m.

Most of us that attend night classes are the older generation that works all day and we need the ride from the distant parking lots the most. I also have observed that many of the tram drivers tend to always be hitting on the girls. Why don't they do this courting on their own time?

I've made several attempts to try to get this matter resolved, but to no avail. This is a problem for many students and if need be, maybe a petition taken to the president of the college might generate some attention.

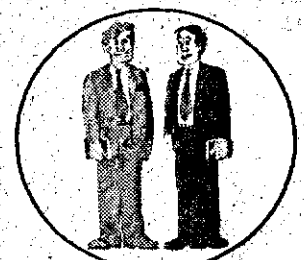
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What do you expect out of your new senate representatives this semester?

By Adrianne Adkins  
Photos by Adrianne Adkins

"More support to the arts."

SARAH AUDA,  
PERFORMING ARTS



"To know what they're doing."

JOEL THOMAS,  
MUSIC



"Come up with good ideas to improve our campus."

RICK PORRAZ,  
UNDECIDED



"Respect toward the students' opinions."

YASMIN PORRAZ,  
INTERIOR DESIGN



"This school will greatly benefit from the student body if they work efficiently as a team."

GUEKLAND CHUN,  
UNDECIDED



"The student body will be more efficient if there are no 'clans,' backstabbing, trash talking and conspiracies."

JAMES CLINT SANTOS,  
UNDECIDED



"To publicize and make students aware of what their responsibilities are."

GREG BRABANDER,  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS



"To know their fellow students and surroundings."

JOSH NAVARROW,  
FILM

