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Drug use at raves target of Havice assembly bill

TERESE LEON
MANAGING EDITOR

State Assembly woman Sally M. Havice has introduced a bill that attempts to curb drug use at raves.

The bill, Assembly Bill 1941 (AB 1941), will require permitting officials to notify local law enforcement before they grant a permit for a rave.

It also requires rave promoters to show evidence that they know about illegal drugs and paraphernalia.

"The purpose of the bill is not to do away with raves. It's to provide a safer drug-free environment," Havice said.

Cities that would be affected by the bill include Artesia, Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, Lakewood and Long Beach.

Havice's Chief of Staff Carlos Penilla said, "Drug use is pretty rampant (at raves)."

The bill will attempt to control the use of drugs such as Ecstasy. Promoters will have to prove that they are aware of some of the unlikely drug paraphernalia that is associated with

the illegal hallucinogen, such as Vapo Rub, pacifiers and medical face masks.

Mark Smith, deputy sheriff with the LA County Sheriff, said that Cerritos hasn't had a problem with raves in the past although there is a huge industrial area in Cerritos that raves could possibly be held in.

If the bill is passed and the LA County Sheriff is notified of raves before they occur, Smith said at least six deputies would be dispatched to the rave.

Promoters are expected to dislike the bill. Smith said, "They like the element of surprise, it's a big secret." This bill will take that element of a rave away considering that law enforcement has to be informed about it.

Political Science major Steven Knight has been to three or four raves. He thinks the bill shouldn't become a law.

Knight said, "It's just like prohibition. Didn't it strengthen the mobsters? Drug dealers will just make more money."

Student leaders honored at Falcon awards banquet

Other students honored with gold, silver and bronze falcon awards

MARISOL ROJAS
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

Hard work, determination and leadership were a few traits recognized last Friday night at the annual Associated Students of Cerritos College Awards Banquet.

The 45th ASCC Awards banquet allowed students who have spent the school year working hard to be formally recognized among their family and friends along with a dinner catered by the culinary arts department.

Students being recognized for their leadership, and participation in ASCC sponsored programs received Bronze, Silver and Gold Falcon awards.

The Presidents Award, one of the most prestigious awards of the night, went to Nassrin Bonyadloo. In the past years, Bonyadloo has received a Bronze, Silver, and Gold Falcon award, this qualified her to receive the award.

Jane Harman, president of Cerritos College and award presenter said, "I'm impressed with Cerritos College students and their advisors, they're amazing and unique."

Man of the year went to ASCC Senate member Mark Duran. Duran was also host for the evening banquet.

"There was a good recognition between us and the audience," Duran commented.

The woman of the year award also went to

Bonyadloo. "I have a great passion for Cerritos," Bonyadloo said, "I'm very appreciative."

In the audience were members of a number of different clubs. Many clubs were acknowledged for their activities and school sponsored programs.

Phi Theta Kappa received club organization of the year for its "outstanding record of school activities left from

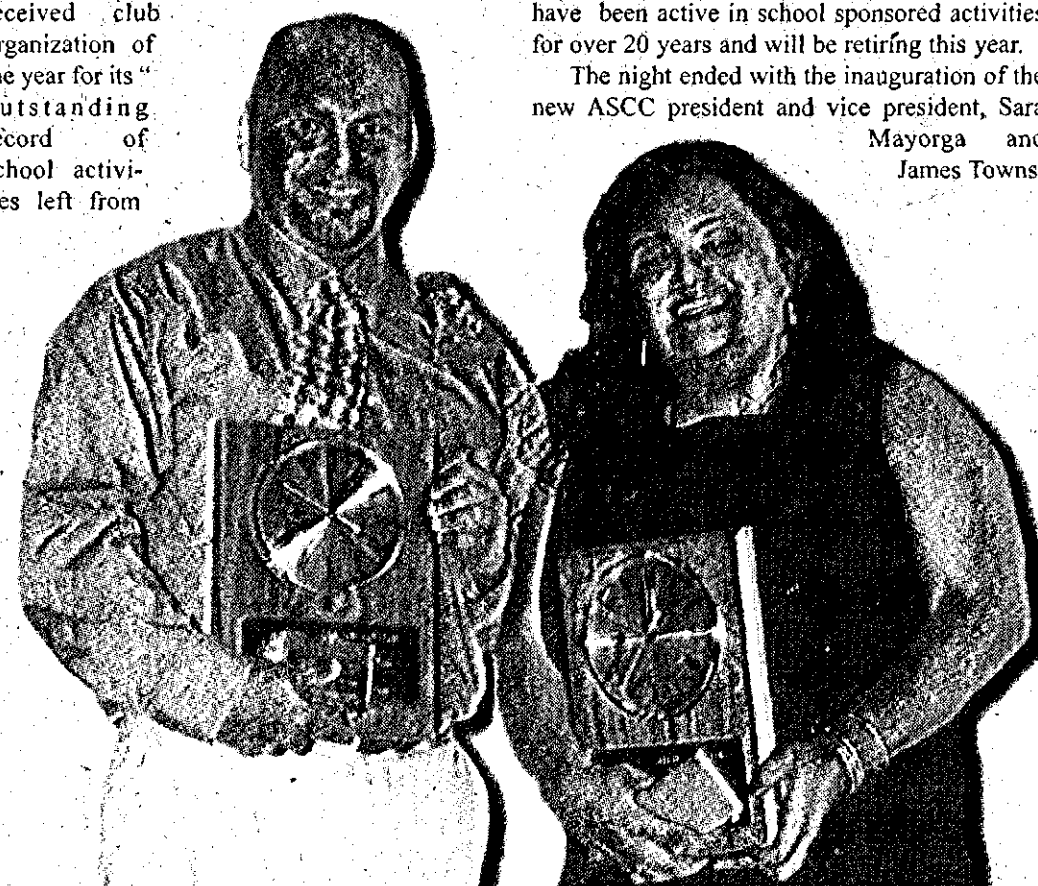
previous years including this one."

The Spark Plug award went to Scholar's Honors club.

The Feminist Leadership Alliance was also acknowledged for its on campus events.

The banquet also gave a formal farewell to Tom and Marie Jackson. A married couple who have been active in school sponsored activities for over 20 years and will be retiring this year.

The night ended with the inauguration of the new ASCC president and vice president, Sara Mayorga and James Towns.



Mark Duran and Nassrin Bonyadloo were selected as the Cerritos College Man and Woman of the Year.



Cerritos College students admire photos in the college art gallery at the student fine art exhibition reception that was held on April 24.

Student work featured in gallery

ALICIA WARNER
FEATURES EDITOR

Cerritos College Art Gallery is hosting the Student Fine Art Exhibition from April 23- May 8.

The gallery reception and awards ceremony was held last Tuesday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

There were approximately 75-100 guests in attendance. The gallery features many types of art such as ceramics, paintings, ink and charcoal, calligraphy and many more.

The students submitted their work to the teachers and then the teachers had to pick from the ones submitted to be placed in the gallery.

During the reception students, family members and faculty observed the different forms of art in the gallery.

The faculty in the Fine Arts division held a awards ceremony at the reception in the courtyard of the gallery for the students that participated in the gallery.

"The student exhibition is a very powerful

exhibition," Hagop Najarian said as he began to present the awards.

The faculty were very enthusiastic and proud about handing out the awards to their students.

Seven students received the John De Mott Memorial Scholarship. The winners of the John De Mott Memorial Scholarship are Dora Lee who received \$100 and John Magallanes, Robyn Readyuoth, Katherine Peterson, Ariel Rios, Tracy Garner and Victor Hugo Silva who received \$50. Each teacher got to pick who would receive the award.

To students also received the Jack Cassidy Scholarship, a scholarship for design. The winners of the scholarship are David Gunn and Dominic Romo. Each winner will receive a \$250 scholarship from the Board of Trustees in a week.

The teachers encouraged all the students to keep up the good work. "I want you to double your efforts and get in the gallery next year," commented Bonnie Barrett.

Not all students were present to received their awards.

Steven Portugal joked with the students toward the end of the awards ceremony by adding, "any unclaimed prizes are split by the faculty."

Najarian ended the awards ceremony by thanking the Donors for all their support in the event. This year's donors were Associated Students of Cerritos College, Cerritos College Foundation, The De Mott Family, The Cassidy Family and Follett's Bookstore.

With a smile on his face, Najarian wished the students all good luck on their finals. "Have a great finals week kids," added Najarian.

The gallery is located in the Arts and Crafts Building in AC-50. The Gallery hours are from Monday- Thursday from 11-4 p.m. and evenings Tuesday-Thursday 6-9 p.m.

Campus police get new parking lot,

SYLVIA DURAN
OPINION EDITOR

Campus Police will soon have a new \$80,000 concrete parking lot. Last week the Board of Trustees approved the bill proposed by campus police department.

"We are glad to finally have our parking lot back," said Police Lt Richard Bukowiecki.

The parking lot will be built in the 60 by 80 foot land behind the police department. Currently the empty dirt land is home to old construction machinery and the construction crews' personal vehicles.

Student President Nassarin Bonyadloo is outraged at the proposition. "Why should student money be wasted on a parking lot we cannot use?"

Vice President Sarah Mayorga also opposes the new project. "The money for this worthless project is coming directly from students."

The Police Department's budget is \$1 million. Lt. Bukowiecki doesn't know how the departments' money is spent nor where it comes from.

Bonyadloo knows where it comes from. "It comes from the students' pockets. The \$20 we pay

for parking, the stalls and the citations they issue."

"They waste their money paying those yellow jacket mother-fuckers issuing tickets 24-7," said an angry Bonyadloo.

Student Laura Romo, Medicine major, is disgusted with the new plans. "They (police) drive around all day long trying to pick up girls. They're worthless, now they want to spend our money?"

"They should have asked the students how we wanted to spend the money," Romo said.

The parking the police department was utilizing was demolished during construction of the new Senior Center. For the past six months, police have been storing carts, "anywhere we can," Bukowiecki said.

As for the existing three police units, they have been parked in red stalls directly in front of the police department. City Councilman Art Gallucci, offered to "help out with the funding."

"I am not sure if Gallucci will help," said Bonyadloo. "We haven't heard any further information."



Site of a new concrete police parking lot. The lot will cost \$80,000

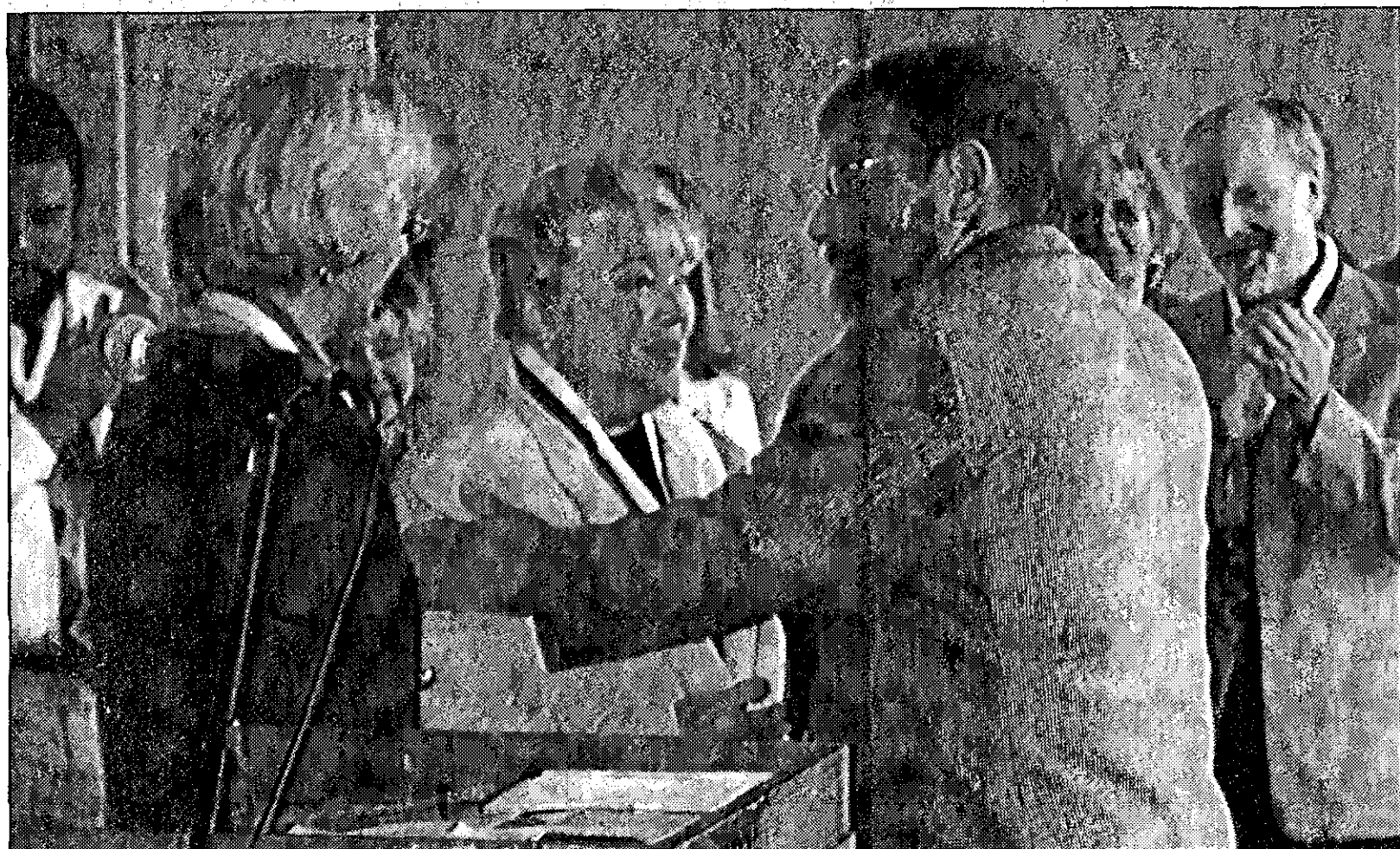


Photo by Alicia Warner

Dr. Ina Zive, the recipient of the of most outstanding faculty award receives congratulations from Bob Chester, faculty senate president.

Dental Hygiene instructor wins top award

TERESE LEON
MANAGING EDITOR

The 2001-2002 Distinguished Faculty awards were held on April 25 at 11 a.m. in the administration quad.

Nine faculty members were honored at the ceremony. Professor of Dental Hygiene Dr. Ina Zive received the highest award at the ceremony, the Most Outstanding Faculty award.

At the ceremony Zive received a \$500 check as part of her award. She donated the check to a scholar-

ship fund for dental hygiene students.

Zive has worked at Cerritos College as a faculty member and as the Director of the Dental Hygiene program for 30 years. She will be retiring at the end of the 2002 school year.

At the end of her acceptance speech Zive said, "I want to be remembered as the best damn teacher Cerritos ever had."

Other faculty members that received awards are Professor of English Suzanne Ashe, Assistant

Professor of History Walter I. Fernandez, Professor of Speech Pathology Ellen Horvath, Instructor of Pharmacy Technology Hal Malkin, Instructor of Art and Design Hagop Najarian, Professor of Music David Nelson, Professor of English Linda Palumbo and Associate Professor of Political Science Bryan Reece.

Award recipient Nelson said, "Often we hear things that are negative about the program, it's wonderful to be acknowledged. I feel bad that we can't acknowledge

everyone."

Nelson has been working at Cerritos College since 1986. He started out as a teacher of music theory and director of the Electronic Music/MIDI lab.

Nelson teaches violin and other instruments such as piano and guitar.

The teachers honored are dedicated to their work and students. Speaking about herself and others, Zive said in her acceptance speech, "The passion for one's work is the key to one's happiness."



Photo by Terese Leon

Potential students gather around a booth for cosmetology.

Seniors invade Cerritos College

TARA CARTER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Local high school students got a glimpse into college life last Friday as Cerritos College hosted its fourth annual Senior Preview Day.

More than 1,300 students from over 30 different colleges invaded the campus in hopes of uncovering all of what Cerritos College has to offer.

The college bound students day began at 9 a.m. with an opening presentation in the gym, which was followed by a vocational/academic overview, a campus tour, presentations, lunch, and a performance by the college pop ensemble and the choir.

Cerritos College clubs and programs also erected booths and met with students in Falcon Square to encourage

the students to become part of the Cerritos College community.

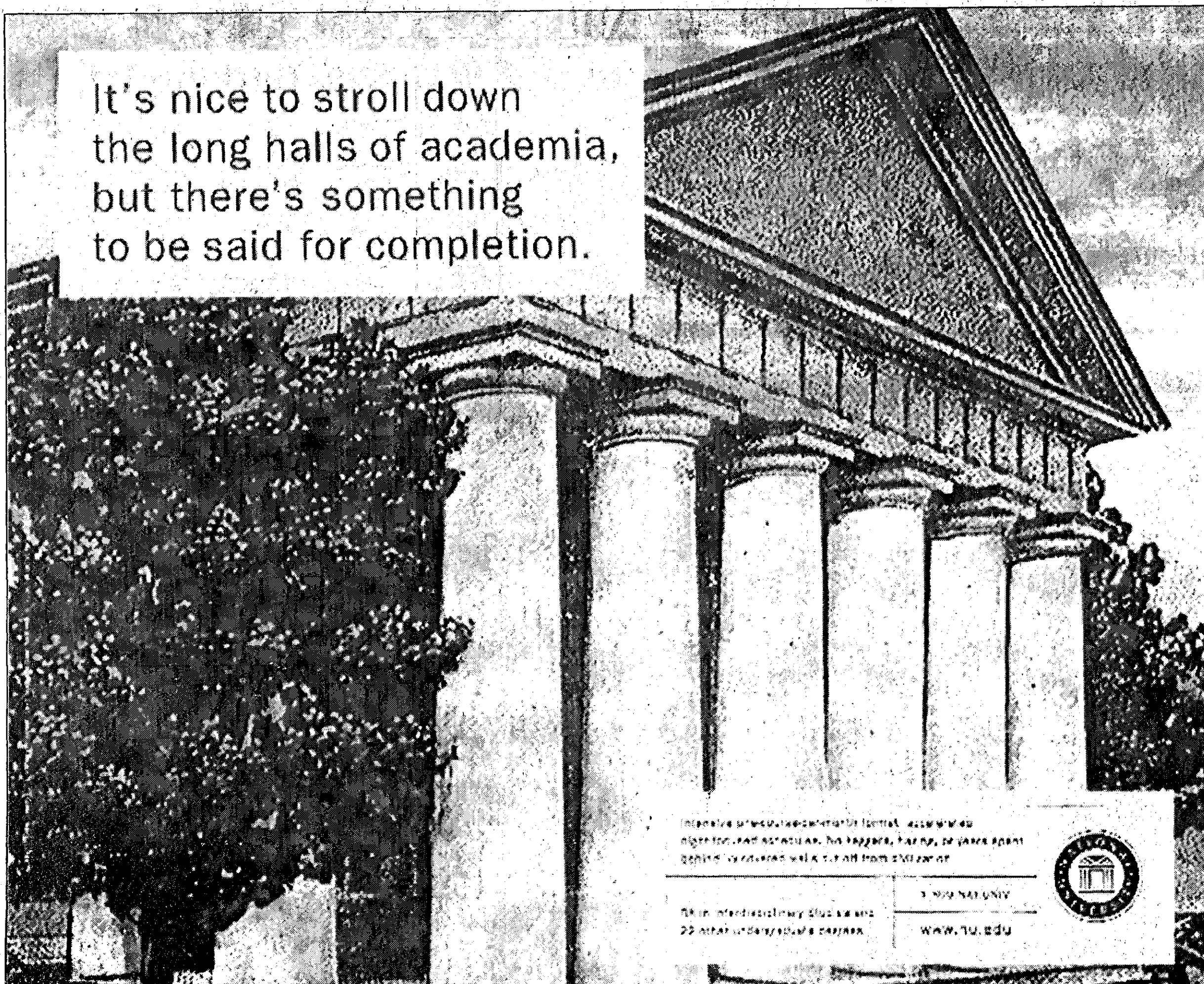
Lisa Engelbrecht, a calligraphy teacher at Cerritos College, encouraged students to visit her booth by writing their names in calligraphy.

"We had a lot of people coming to our booth," she said.

"Giving out free names was good publicity, we were signing like crazy."

Although Senior Preview Day was a day to draw students to the college some students had already chosen Cerritos as their college choice.

Joe Garcia, an Artesia High School senior, said "I had already decided to come to Cerritos, today was just basically a tour for me."



It's nice to stroll down the long halls of academia, but there's something to be said for completion.

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EDITORIAL

Take advantage of school

Life is like a box of chocolates... you pick at all of the treats inside until you find just the one that you like.

In a way, Cerritos College can be like a box of chocolates. Instead of various chocolate treats, there is the opportunity to pick and choose majors until what is desired is found. Cerritos College is an awesome institution in that it allows its students to try several different majors or vocations before they commit to the one they like the most. That is not a bad thing. At 11 dollars a unit it is best to test the intellectual waters here than at a cal state, university, or private school where the cost can vary from \$112-\$280 a unit.

Cerritos teachers are qualified and capable of steering the undecided in the right direction. They hold the same B.A. and masters as the high cost schools. They have very flexible office hours for student questions. In addition they are motivated if not more so than teachers in other institutions to help students find their true path.

Cerritos clubs also help. With clubs like anthropology, astronomy, and psychology, they allow people to learn about possible career paths. The Feminist Leadership Alliance exposes student to issues and problems that students might want fight or fix. Leading to inspiration that help choose the proper educational preparation to deal with those issues.

With the end of the semester here, there are many students moving onto higher educational institutions. Their minds set on majors that make them happy. Majors that might not be the same as the ones originally planned when first enrolled at Cerritos. Through Cerritos low cost risk, teachers, and clubs, the true major was decided on. Good luck to them. For students that remain and are still undecided, make use of the advantages of the school. Through the various advantages of Cerritos, the major that is right will present itself and when it is your time to move on you will feel confident in the decision of major made.

Professor gets a failing grade

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Here we are almost into finals and my math teacher comes up missing.

I will not mention the teacher or MATH class...FOR his privacy is very important!

I should have known from the beginning that the class was going NOWHERE FAST...when HE would let student upon student pile into the class, on the first day there was no room to sit.

I should have known that when HE called me and other female students BABY...SUGAR...HONEY...there would be trouble!

I should have thought of leaving weeks into the class when he finally gave home work assignments...and he thought it would be better for us to divide up the homework to save time so some students(slackers) could take it easy while the rest of us worked our seats off.

And finally, I should have realized that when we had our first test and half the room gave answers to each other while he stepped out of the room that there was the perfect excuse to with draw. (not to mention being told to "F" off by another student...only to be hugged by the TEACHER!)

Well he did other things in class as well: Drank Coffee with MORE than sugar and cream in it...OH YES I DID REPORT THESE THINGS...and it took weeks for something to be done).

Our teacher is gone...he left me with 18 points and two weeks to make 500 passing points!!!!!!

I am not great in math but I know I could not

make up that many points on what he taught us! We were at least two chapters behind the other classes that taught the same level of MATH.

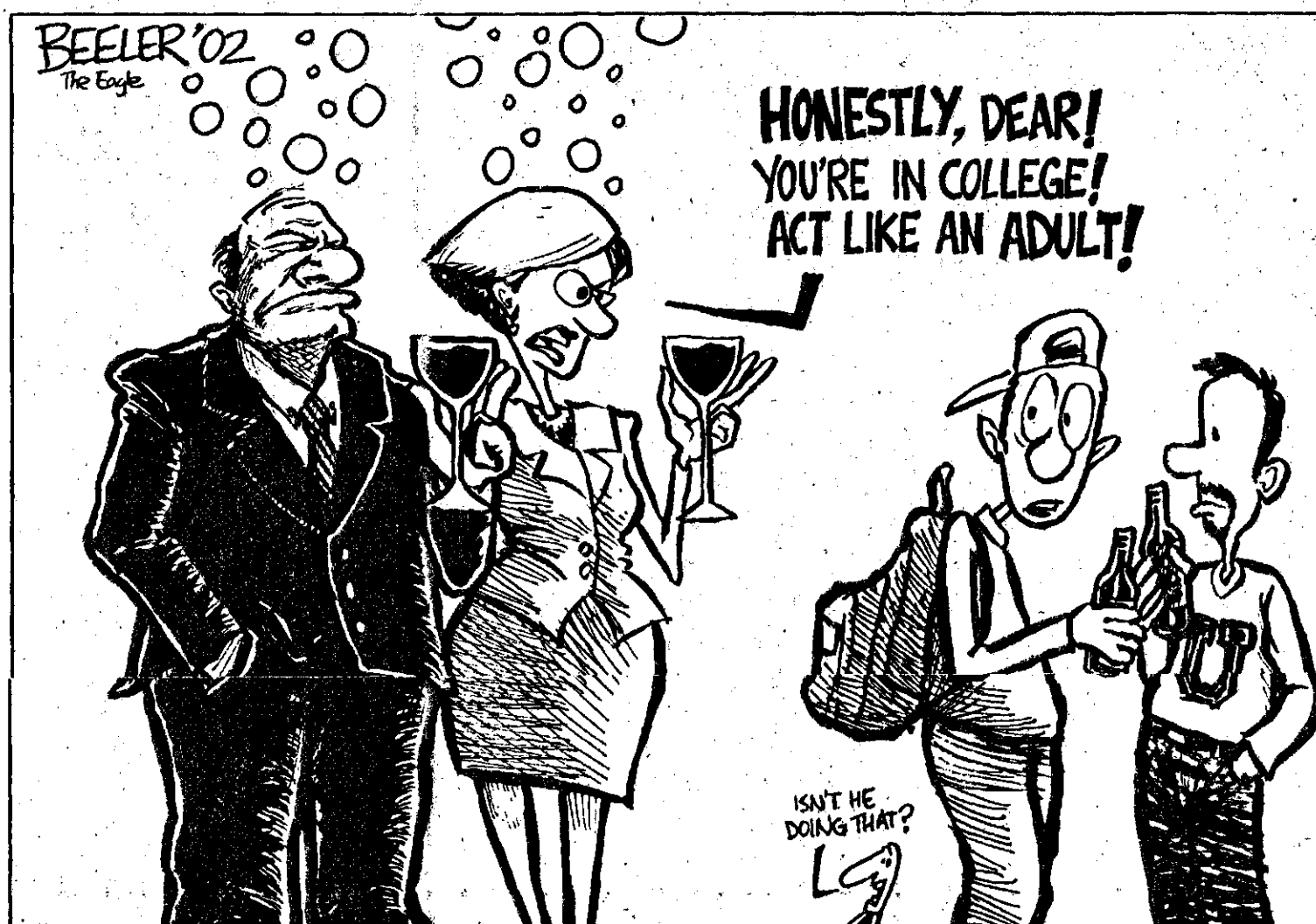
My advise is: Every department has a Dean, IF you are having trouble with your teacher Do not wait for those chessey evaluations to come around, find out who the Dean is and run don't walk to him/her and make a report...I did...but it took more than lil' ol' me to make one report.

WE have the power, We need to stand together to help each other...because sometimes little people in a big place cannot be heard alone.

SPEAK UP!

Talk about the teachers you don't like to each other...as well as in the evaluations.Be honest it only hurts someone else to let a bad teacher continue on staff.

—Nikkd Lucero, Cerritos College student



Oh, no, you are not wearing that!



SYLVIA DURAN
Opinion Editor

Walking across the Cerritos College campus is like walking on to the pages of the latest fashion magazine.

From clothes and make-up to jewelry and shoes, the latest fashion trends seem to have hit the campus like a tidal wave.

Students across the campus wake up hours before school just to get their hair just right and make sure that their eye shadow matches perfectly with their shoes.

For many students having the latest J-Lo tank top or Sean John jacket is a bigger accomplishment than getting an A on their term paper or acing a final exam.

When did college turn into a fashion

show?

Sadly, it seems that students are putting more effort into looking good for school than obtaining a degree. They'd rather fail a course than to be caught dead wearing a hideous outfit.

But why the obsession with fashion? If it weren't for the media stressing fashion consciousness on the young population, we'd all be running around campus wearing Pro-Wings and five-for-ten t-shirts.

Television networks such as Mtv and magazines overly emphasize fashion. One of the biggest issues immediately following a major awards show is the fashion.

So what does the impressionable audience do? They run out and buy exactly what J-Ló wore at the shows.

All the while the college men, enjoying every single second a trendy fashionable female bounces across his path. The guys see

college as an opportunity to pick up gals. They don't care what you wear. They'd rather see you naked.

Why not come to school and focus on our grades now and worry about fashion later? Nobody will give a crap how great and expensive your clothes are if you're still living in your parents basement and working at Taco Bell at the age of 30.

Remember, the best accessory to any outfit is a college degree.

Editor's note

In the article "An \$18,000 waste of ASCC money" in the April 24 issue of Talon Marks, there was a factual error. The amount of money used to reinstate that tram was \$709 that came from the district.

In the article "Mayorga and Townes win," Townes is spelled incorrectly

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goes straight to
hell."

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keeps her food-
stamps in a money
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Finals are next week: students stress



Photo by Terese Leon

Eddie Tepaz tries to study for his Philosophy final in the campus library the week before finals begin.

TARA CARTER
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Martha Gomez, an English major at Cerritos College, claims she is on the verge of a nervous breakdown.

"I'm totally stressed out," she said.

"I'm taking six classes this semester, which means six final exams and two term papers. I don't think I will be getting any sleep in the next two weeks."

Gomez is not alone. Every year, at about this time, college students everywhere experience high levels of stress due to final exams.

Stress is a physical and psychological reaction to issues and events stemming from our environment.

According to the website www.isma.org, stress is present in the human body in two forms: eustress and distress.

Eustress is a positive low level of stress that everyone experiences on a regular basis. It keeps us alert and motivates us to face challenges like final exams.

However, like most things in life too much stress is harmful.

Distress, occurs when our bodies experience too much stress and over react to events.

Excessive stress usually develops over a long period of time, but tension filled situations, like final exams, can lead stress to develop very rapidly.

Andre Tower, undecided, knows the feeling of stress all too well.

"This happens to me every semester," he said.

"I procrastinate until the last minute and I stress myself out trying cram a night before my final."

It feels terrible, my back starts to hurt, I get headaches and I start to snap at people."

Other symptoms of stress include muscle fatigue, insomnia, oversleeping, stiff neck/shoulders, eye strain, pounding heart, rashes, anxiety, colds and lack of confidence.

Eddie Tepaz, a psychology major, avoids suffering from the stress finals can cause by getting a head start on his studying.

"I study a week in advance before finals because I don't want to get stressed out," he said.

Other tips for managing exam stress include:

Don't procrastinate-prepare for the exam well in advance. Allot time everyday to study and don't judge yourself too harshly if you

miss a day.

Avoid last minute cramming-don't go without sleep the night before an exam. Stop an hour before to relax and compose yourself.

Avoid panicking-It's natural to be nervous prior to the exam, but over reacting and getting excessively nervous is counterproductive. It will cloud your thinking.

Pay attention to the exam-Do not waste time worrying, doubting yourself and wondering how your classmates are doing. Don't worry about what you should have done, pay attention to what you can do now.

Physically relax yourself-perform breathing exercises before the exam. Take a slow, deep breath in through your nose while counting to four. Hold the breath in for three seconds, and then exhale through your mouth for four counts. This exercise will clear your mind. Do this once more during the test if you find yourself worrying about the exam.

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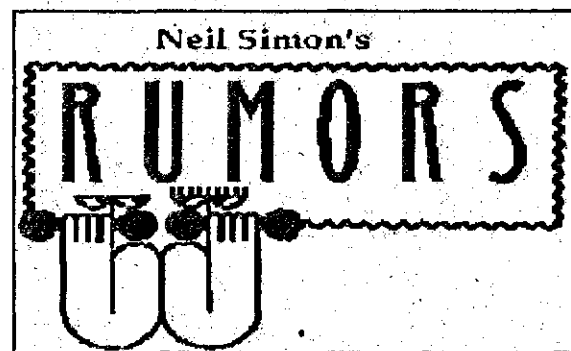
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Gossip and Rumors



TARA CARTER
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Ken, Glen and Lenny, Chris, Claire Cassie and Cookie a set of names that's bound to cause confusion. That's exactly what happened as the Cerritos College theatre department and the associated students presented their production of Neil Simon's "Rumors."

Set in Hollywood California, the play opened to find married couple Chris and Ken Gorman, (Diane Christensen and Geronimo Guzman) at an anniversary party being held by Charley Brock, a wealthy deputy mayor and his wife Myra.

Soon after their arrival the pair discover that Myra is nowhere to be found and Charley is suffering from a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the ear.

Since Charley, the host who is sadly never seen, is in his bedroom drugged up on valium and cannot speak, the Gormans must fabricate a story to explain the absence of the suspiciously missing couple to their arriving guests.

This is where the plot thickens. Rumors, accidents, sarcasm,

PLAY REVIEW

and high jinx run rampant as the party guests, who include: married couples Claire and Lenny Ganz (Amber Sneed and David Carreiro), Ernie and Cookie

Cusack (Danny Perez and Leslie Burdick) and Glen and Cassie Copper (Joseph Wise and Claudia Aicardi), all try to unravel the real story behind the couples disappearance.

Guzman's accident, Christensens and Sneed's jokes, Carreiro's sarcastic remarks and Burdick's back spasms provided comedic relief while Wise and Aicardi brought the drama of a soap opera to the production with their marital problems.

Although the play was funny and entertaining, at times it was confusing.

The similarly sounding names were hard to keep up with and the fast pace of the story left the audience suffering from whiplash as they jerked their head from side to side trying to keep up with the actors/actresses who strangely never remained stationary for more than three minutes.

But despite the chaos, the play's cast made Rumors an enjoyable experience.

Rumors was presented in the Burnight theatre April 26-28, and May 3-4.



Spider man (Tobey Maguire) hangs off of a building while Mary Jane Watson (Kirsten Dunst) watches him in the rain.

Caught in the sticky web of Spider-Man

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MOVIE REVIEW

Many movie goers this weekend got caught in the web of Spider-Man.

Spider-Man is the first movie to go over the \$100 million mark in a three-day weekend, opening with an estimated \$114 million. The lines at the movie theatres were in a web of their own as viewers found themselves stuck in the webby lines.

I waited an hour in a line to see the movie, but it was definitely worth the wait. Though the movie did have its slow points, it still spun a web the greatness.

As the story takes off we meet Peter Parker/Spider-Man, (Tobey Maguire), who leads a pretty much normal yet geeky lifestyle. He has a high interest in science, photography

and the cute girl next door, Mary Jane Watson (Kirsten Dunst).

And their classmates attend a tour of the science department at Columbia University, where the students are shown all different types of genetically altered spiders. The spiders are known to have "spider-sense" like ESP. While in the laboratory Peter gets bitten by one of the spiders.

All in all, this is where the real fun begins as Peter awakens after being bitten from the spider to discover that his weak little body looks like a gorgeous hunk who now has muscles. He learns that he has the "Spider-sense," that the tour guide talked about and that his strength has increased dramatically.

He first uses his super powers to win money in a wrestling match,

which was pretty entertaining to watch. Peter used his spider web making skills to get away from the mean wrestler that was more than willing to kick Peter's face in.

While Peter was off fighting crime, Harry's father, the evil Norman Osborn (William Dafoe) is playing with some chemistry of his own. When his experiment goes bad his intelligence and his strength increases, but it begins to drive him insane. He later becomes Spider-Man's enemy, the Green Goblin.

The Green Goblin puts Spider-Man to the test by trying to beat him at mind games along with making decisions that could ruin innocent peoples lives.

Like in any movie review, it's hard not to give away the ending and not tell you the whole enchilada. I have never really been a big fan of

comics and hardly ever watched any of the cartoons, but for someone that has never been interested or knew the story about Spider-Man, the movie gives you all the information you need to know so the viewers won't be lost when attending the movie.

The movie was absolutely fascinating. Watching all the visual effects that used new computer generated imaging (other wise known as CGI) was visually satisfying. I was amazed to see how far technology has come.

I went into the theatre with high expectations and left with complete satisfaction. Spider-Man gets eight thumbs up.

Spider-Man is definitely the action movie of the summer and a sequel is already in the making.

Free spring concert May 9

Cerritos College will present a free spring concert in the Burnight theatre on Thursday at 7 p.m. The

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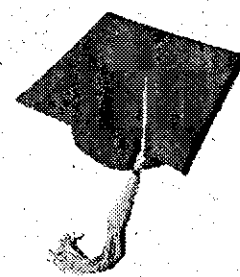
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TRACK

Women fare well at SoCal prelims

At the end of the Southern California Track and Field Preliminaries, the Cerritos College women's team has advanced athletes in 14 different events, as the Falcons look to put together a strong showing for the state championships.

This Saturday, both the men's and women's teams will compete in the Southern California Championships, which will be held at San Diego State University.

The top four fastest times, as well as the next fastest time in the state in all lane events will advance to the state championships. In all distance running and field events, the top six will advance to the state championships.

The state championships will be held on May 17-18 at Santa Barbara City College.

On the women's side, freshman sprinter April Brown has advanced in two sprinting events, as well as two relay events. In fact, in the 200-meters, Brown set a new school record with a time of 24.12, breaking the 21-year-old mark of 24.17, set by Vernicia Smith in 1981.

Brown's time in the 200-meters was the fastest in the meet, and she will be joined by freshman Veronica Hill, who turned in the third fastest time of the day with a 25.38.

The duo also advanced in the 100 meters, with Brown checking in with the fastest time of the day

with an 11.72, while Hill finished in 12.27, which was the second fastest clocking.

Brown and Smith will also make up one half of the 400-meter and 1600-meter relay teams that also advanced to the Southern California Championships.

In the 400, they were teamed with sophomore Shatoya Williams and freshman Kelly Smith for a time of 46.71, which was the fastest time of the meet. In the 800, they teamed up with Smith and freshman Merci Wedi, for the second fastest time of 3:58.42.

Sophomore Antares Vice qualified in four field events, placing first in the javelin, with a throw of 133' 11". She also qualified in the long jump (17' 2"), high jump (5' 0") and the triple jump (36' 0").

Smith also advanced in the 100-meter hurdles in a time of 15.10 and in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 64.71, while Wedi placed fourth overall in the 1500-meter race with a time of 5:01.27.

Freshman Melissa Dixon had the third fastest time in the 800-meters at 2:19.33, while freshman Karen Espinoza broke her own school record in the 3000-meter steeplechase with a time of 12:54.15.

Also advancing to the finals were Willicia Miller in the long jump at 15' 10" and freshman Dawn Riles in the 100-meter hurdles at 15.57.

On the men's side, the Falcons advanced four runners in the 100-meters, with freshman Bennie Robinson leading the pack with a time of 10.50. He will be joined by freshman Carchell Wright at 10.71, sophomore David Harlston at 10.78 and sophomore Burnell Jordan at 10.82.

Freshman Jaquon Morrison advanced in the 200-meters in a time of 21.84, while sophomore Charles Allgood, who placed seventh in the state championships last year, missed the cut.

During his heat, Allgood got disoriented while making the turn and ran in the wrong lane. His miscue cost him from advancing by .07 of a second.

Allgood did redeem himself, by running a leg in both the 400-meter and 1600-meter relay teams that both advanced. He joined, Morrison, Jordan and Wright to turn in the second fastest time of 40.68, while the quartet of Allgood, freshman Antoine Woodard, freshman Travon Lee and freshman Keith Burrows placed seventh overall at 3:16.78.

Lee (49.30) and Woodard (49.50) both qualified in the 400 meters, while freshman Michael Bragg advanced in the long jump and high jump, with Mike Sneed advancing in the triple jump.

FALCON NOTES

Baseball team ends in third place, still makes playoffs

Going into the last regular season game against last place Compton, the Cerritos College baseball team was locked in a three-way tie for first place with Los Angeles City and Los Angeles Harbor.

With a win, the Falcons would clinch at least a share of their 11th South Coast Conference championship in the last 16 years and 28th in school history.

A loss, as Cerritos could fall back as far as third place and risk being left out of the Southern California Regionals. The latter happened, as the Falcons won just their fifth game all season with a convincing 12-7 triumph.

But the Falcons earned one more chance with a berth in the Southern California Regional playoffs. Cerritos has been seeded 14th out of 16 for the playoffs, which begin this Friday. The Falcons play at No. 3 Santa Ana at 3 p.m. The playoffs are a double-elimination format tournament.

Garcia advances with bests

Cerritos College sophomore swimmer Dan Garcia used the opportunity to rest between competing in three events at the State Championships to regain his strength.

In the South Coast Conference Championships, Garcia swam in nine events and qualified for three, while he was also a member of the 200-meter relay team that was an alternate.

Garcia responded well with the rest and recorded personal best times in all three events and placed seventh in each of the events. In addition, his times were also in the top 16 in the nation, which also qualified him for All-American status.

Padilla qualifies for regionals

Freshman Nesthee Padilla was the only Cerritos College golfer to qualify for the Southern California Regionals, which will be held this Monday. Freshman teammate Frank Liu, who shot better than his teammate at the South Coast Conference Championships missed advancing by 1 after he averaged 75.8 on the year, while the final individual qualified after shooting an average of 75.7.

After Long Beach City and Mt. San Antonio qualified as a team, three individual golfers from non-qualifying teams were also invited to compete in the tournament. Liu finished fourth out of that list.

Smith added to Hall of Fame

Former Cerritos College wrestling coach Jeff Smith, who guided the Falcons to 12 South Coast Conference Championships, two dual state championships and the 1995 State Championship, was recently inducted into the National Wrestling Hall of Fame. He becomes the second former Cerritos wrestling coach to be honored, as Hal Simonek was voted in in 2000.

In addition to his wrestling and coaching accomplishments, Smith was honored for his service to the profession of wrestling coaches due to his tireless efforts of serving on numerous committees over the years.

Now serving as an Athletic Coordinator for the college, Smith spent 21 years as the wrestling coach until his health forced him to retire from coaching. He remains involved in the progress of the wrestling team and is close to the wrestlers.

Johnson signs with N.O.

Cerritos College sophomore basketball player Chrystal Johnson, who was third on the team in scoring and second on the team in rebounding, as signed a letter of intent to play at the University of New Orleans.

Johnson, who was also a 1st team All-South Coast Conference selection, helped guide the Falcons to an undefeated conference season, which was culminated by the team advancing to the State Semi-Final game for the second straight season.

Johnson averaged 9.8 points and 6.7 rebounds a game on the year, but picked up her production in conference play, checking in with 11.5 points and 6.9 rebounds a contest. In addition, Johnson shot 49 percent from the field and also tied for the team lead in blocked shots with 35.

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Rene Zavala in casual clothes

FASHION

friend or foe



Eddie Quaresma showing the relaxed look

Story and photos

by Jimmy Mistry

Tight jeans, mini-skirts, high hair, low pants, lost in the fashion maze? If so, better watch out - the fashion police are on patrol looking for the next fashion outlaws on campus.



Fallon McClendon
Anchor blue stretch low-hip jeans
Eye Candy black v-neck
Bulfinch necklace holding clear marble stone
Black belt with four silver ring holes
Mary-Kate & Ashley lip gloss named Smashing
Green/blue belly ring
Glow-in-the-dark tongue ring

Fallon McClendon, a Cerritos College Photography major, sports Anchor Blue stretch and low-hip blue jeans that she transformed into Capri pants.

She exuberates coolness as she walks through campus with her friend Desiree Martinez, who plans on majoring in Liberal Arts.

They both agree that fashion makes a statement. "Fashion is all about feeling good about yourself," McClendon said.

Martinez's tan colored knitted sweater from the GAP, white v-neck tank top from Reference, flip-flop sandals, and checkered low-rise flared capri pants reflect her mood and easygoing personality.

"Your mood completely motivates what you wear," Martinez explained.

From eye shadow, and blush, to glow-in-the-dark body rings it takes Martinez and McClendon approximately four minutes to put on their make up in the morning. The majority of their time is spent picking out a suitable outfit for the day.

It takes four outfits (or about an hour) before a final daily decision is made.

"Dressing up is representing yourself. You have to prep to know what you want to wear, dress everyday as if you were going to be discovered," Martinez advises.

McClendon recommends, "Girls, wear what fits your body type and is cute."

"As for the guys, women prefer a relaxed look, some Dickie shorts, PacSun wear, V-neck sweaters and button down shirts, blue jeans, messy spiked hair, an overall beach wear look."

Rene Zavala is another Cerritos College student who has a nose for fashion. "I like to develop my own style," he said.

Zavala calls his style the "rock star look."

"When I go out, I like to wear snakeskin boots and leather pants. I like the smell of leather and it attracts women," he said.

According to Zavala, the latest fashion is not labels or designs but it's what people see on TV. "Everyone wants to be a rockstar or a popstar, actor, or singer."

Sorry you won't find Zavala's cool fashions at your nearby mall. Zavala shops at Melrose, Hollywood and Universal City for all his rockstar gear.

"Urban Diesel wear is also one of the new looks that guys are going for; it's the European look," he said.

As for Zavala's fashion pet peeves, "I detest sagging. It's like guys just shitted in their pants to attract attention."

Zavala thinks some guys don't give a crap about how they dress, they have no fashion sense.

Zavala's tip for girls: Wear tight jeans, Bebe and Gucci brand name, low cut blouses with splits on sides and conservative long skirts.

"Lot of girls are into trendy washed down jeans," he said. "I like to develop my own style."

Eddie Quaresma, an International Business major,

prefers the "skater look."

Quaresma stays comfortable and looking cool dressed in a bright red Independent t-shirt, DVS denim shorts and Armet catfish styled sunglasses.

Quaresma shops at United Board, Pacific Sunwear, and Beyond the Beach because, "They have the clothes that interest me."

"I dress this way to become part of the social group, not to be a poser."

"I'm not about to wear something from the 80's if it's not fashionably in style," he said.

Quaresma's tip for the guys: "Stop sagging, no one wants to see your butts, if you want them to be longer (the pants) pay the extra bucks."



CANDY ALVARADO ENJOYING THE FRESH AIR, THE GRASS BRINGS ON HER DAY OFF. ALL WHILE LOOKING GOOD.

Candy Alvarado, Liberal Studies major, hardly gets to wear casual outfits due to her work as a librarian.

"Dress everyday as if you were gonna be discovered."

-Desiree Martinez

Outside of work she relaxes in a black low-cut Bebe tanktop, comfortable blue jeans and a pair of black boots.

Alvarado prefers shopping at the Galleria Mall. "I like shopping at Robinsons May and Bebe stores."

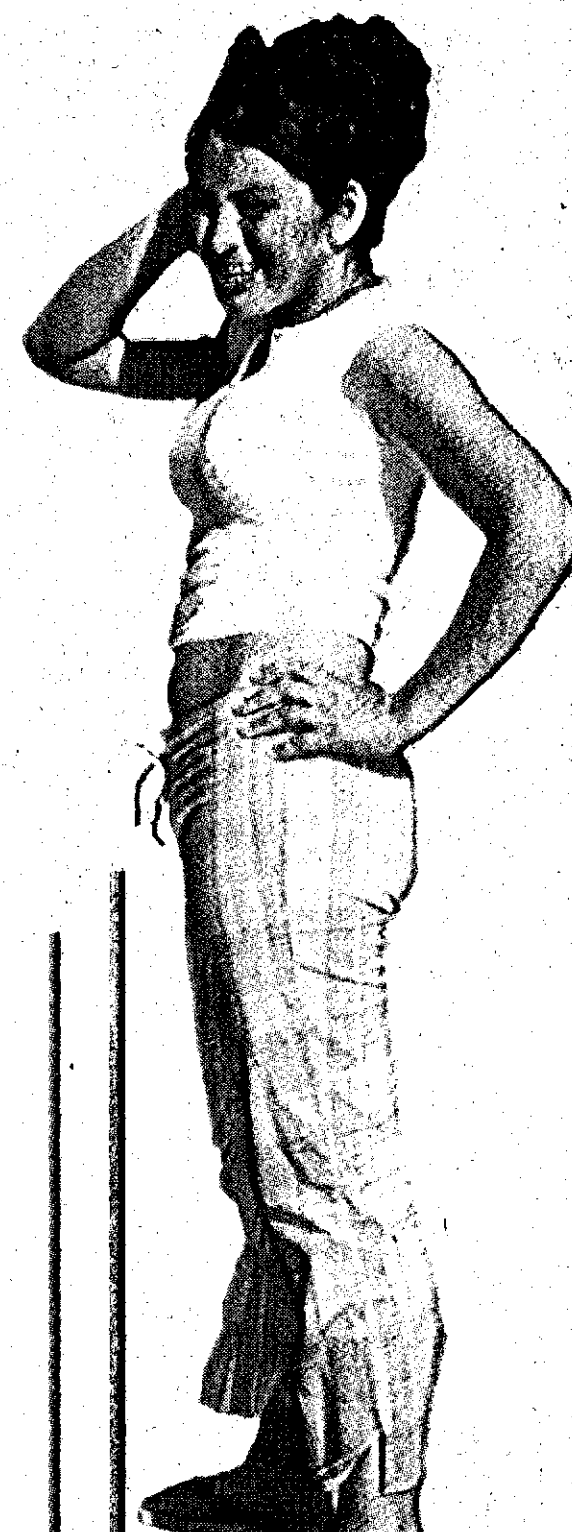
"The latest fash-

ions for girls is a lot of ruffles," she said.

The professional and stylish look is what attracts Alvarado to the opposite sex. "I like guys who wear Dockers brand shoes, shirts, and pants."

According to Alvarado, Vin Diesel, the star of the Fast and the Furious, has been setting the latest trends for guys. "Lately guys have started shaving their heads," she said. "I think that is totally attractive."

Looks like the Fashion Police are out of luck this time. They chose the wrong campus to pick on. At Cerritos College, fashion is a language to communicate by, a means of expression and representation.



Desiree Martinez
NYC eye liner
Knitted sweater from GAP
White v-neck tank top from Reference
Soft pastel low-rise, ankle-flared capri
Flip-flop sandals
Belly ring
Liquid lipstick
Natural dark brown hair highlighted

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