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JOHN GRINDEL

Grindel is new president

VERONICA FORTUNATI
STAFF WRITER

John Grindel has recently been getting ready to take on all the obstacles of what being a leader really means.

Perhaps a bit nervous at first, the new Cerritos College president notes that "one is always apprehensive when taking on a new position, but I'm quite confident on my ability to deal with the challenges."

Both of Grindel's administrative assistants agree that he will bring "a wealth of knowledge," to Cerritos College.

"I hope he will bring leadership, stability and a strong focus on student success. It's nice to have a president that really leads an institution, that people look up to. We've had three to four presidents in the last three years,

it's good to know that he'll still be here tomorrow. He'll look for what's best for the college, staff and students," notes Chi-Chung Keung, director of Marketing and Public Relations.

Grindel acknowledges that he receives an enormous amount of support from the administration, which he feels helps him move forward in his new and strenuous position.

"My first role as a leader, I was relatively young and I didn't understand the dynamics of leadership. Real leadership means listening and hearing other people's ideas and trying to integrate that with your own vision," Grindel said.

The biggest satisfaction on the job so far has been "the expressions of support from so

many people across the campus, and I need that," he added.

Grindel has a very prestigious educational background. A graduate degree in Linguistics, another degree in Theology, which he received from the Gregorian University of Rome, Italy, and the experience of teaching at a graduate level for 10 years, are only some of the general aspects of his education.

In 1995, Grindel joined the Cerritos College district administration as the Director of Development. Four years ago he became the Executive Dean of Information Technology, and just last year he was appointed vice president of Academic Affairs. Upon the resignation of recent

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Faculty decides on Union

SONIA SAENZ
STAFF WRITER

Although it's the beginning of the fall semester, teachers have a lot more to think about than the courses they teach. This fall, all teachers on campus are going to vote on whether or not they want to have a union.

In order to obtain a vote on the issue, 50 percent plus one signature from the faculty was necessary and was in fact gained.

The vote brings together two factors. Whether to have full representation by the American Federation of Teachers or to have no representation.

The election is to take place between the dates of Oct. 15 and Nov. 5. All ballots will be sent to teacher's homes and will be expected to be received by the Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) by Nov. 5.

Some benefits of having a union are that in the future there may be better salaries for teachers, more affordable health care, and there will always be a voice to represent the faculty in a manner that will satisfy them as a whole.

Robert Huber, a theatre instructor who has been working at Cerritos College for 15 years, is for union representation. "The Union has adequate representation. The most important element is the faculty and students. Without a union, it's almost like teachers have to beg for what they want. Right now, the faculty has no rights. They will have a better position if they are organized as a group."

Huber also stated that "the backing of a union can increase the probability for better insurance, and can also give the faculty more backing legally. They can compensate the faculty for what it's worth."

Although there are many on staff who have already made up their minds about which way to vote, like Robert Huber, there are still those who plan to examine all sides of the situation before casting their vote this fall.

Dr. Kimberley J. Duff, a Psychology teacher on campus who has been here for 4 years, can see why part-time teachers might have much to gain from this. "I can understand why having a union would show more support for those on faculty who are part time."

Although Duff has made no decision yet on her vote in the fall, she is not alone in her thinking. It is true that part-time teachers have no benefits and are required to have office hours that they are not paid for.

In the end, when votes are received in the fall, the result will have an effect on all on faculty. Yet once again, it is up to them to have their voices heard. Whether through a union or not.

Students experience the New Falcon Way

ALICIA WARNER
STAFF WRITER

After the long hall and continuous work of construction workers during the spring and summer semesters, the New Falcon Way entrance is up and rolling.

Cerritos College has a new entrance into the college from Studebaker Road. The new street will replace the old Falcon Way.

The street will take students between the Cerritos College Campus Police Department and the Community Education building. There is a speed

Way. Students had to make a U-turn and use a different entrance.

There is a mixed reaction to how students feel about the new entrance. "It's nice. I like it and it's wide. I think no one will be running out in the middle of the street. I think it has made it safer for people that walk in between the streets on campus," Laveaga said.

The New Falcon Way is also there to help with traffic during the peak hours, so students will have an easier time getting into the college. The new entrance is located off of Studebaker Road. It is approximately 1 block down from the old entrance.

The old Falcon Way can still be used to get parking near the cosmetology and health building.

The construction of the new entrance started in late January with the first part of the process starting in between the Cerritos College Police Department and the Community Education building.

With the completion of the new Chancellor's Village (otherwise known as the Senior Center) being finished, the New Falcon Way is an entrance into that facility as well as an entrance into Community Education building.

The old Falcon Way will become a walkway complete with fountains. The new walkway will tie the campus together and make the walk easier from the South end of the college.

The new street also has some landscape that makes the new street refreshing to enter when going into the campus.

The new street cost \$75,000 to construct for the college entrance. "The New Falcon Way didn't cost Cerritos College any money. The City of Cerritos is paying for it," Director of Physical Plant Michael Sebak said.



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A new sign hangs to pave the way for students

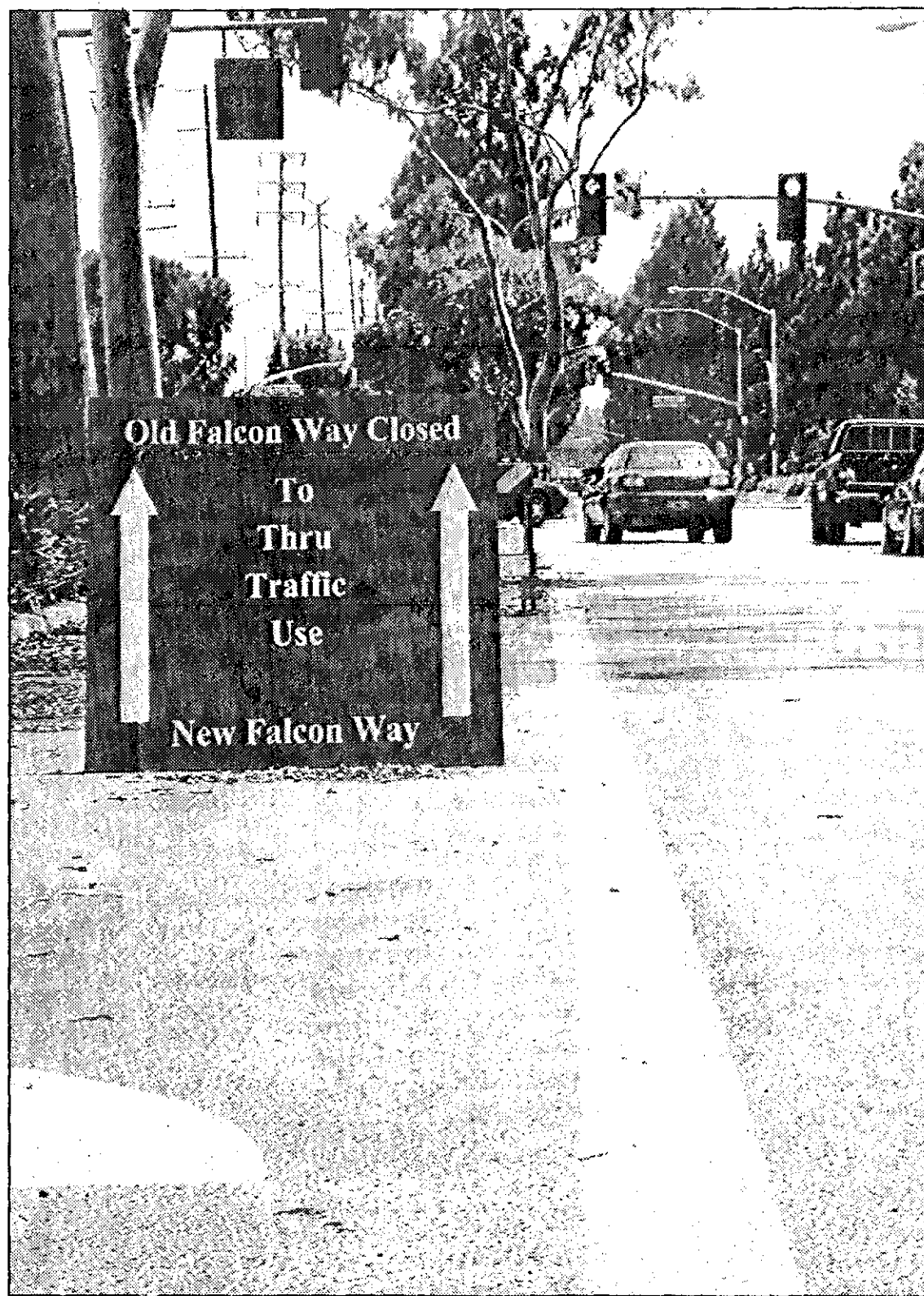
limit of 20 mph on the New Falcon Way and it's posted several times on both sides of the road.

During the first week of school, some students were a bit confused about how to get into the school from the Studebaker Road entrance that students recognized as Falcon Way.

"It's a little bit more out of the way, but I think it's a good thing," 20-year-old photojournalism major Anye Laveaga said.

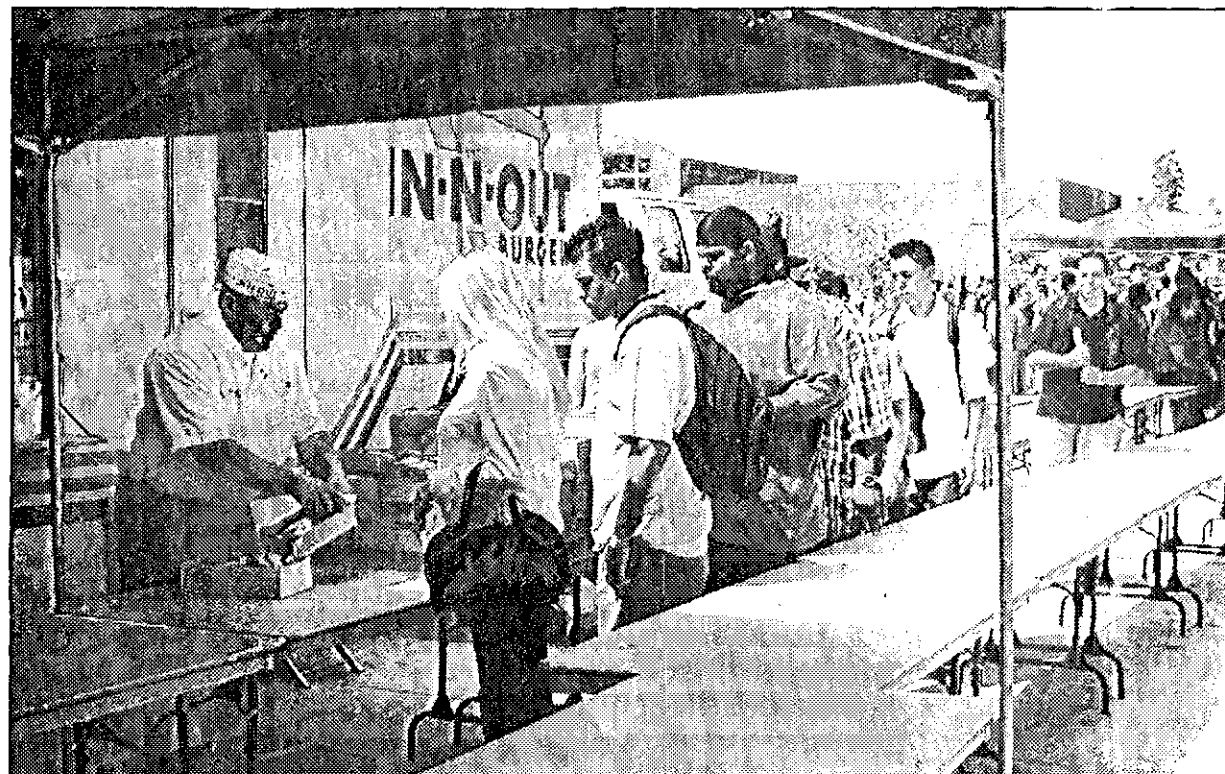
Big blue signs posted out in the left hand turn lanes say that Falcon Way is closed. It caused traffic to back up on Studebaker Road.

There were students who tried to turn into the old Falcon Way entrance in attempt to park in C-10, but later realized that the entrance was blocked due to construction on the old Falcon



STEVEN BURNS / TALON MARKS

Students and faculty had a surprise as they tried to enter the campus through the old Falcon Way. A sign directs them to New Falcon Way between Health Education and Chancellor's Village.



ALICIA WARNER / TALON MARKS

Students line up for In-N-Out hamburgers during Welcome Day on Thursday in Falcon Square

Welcome Day delivers burgers all around

JIMMY MISTRY
STAFF WRITER

"We have done this for 14 years now. It's our (Student Activities) kick-off to help encourage students to get their Cerritos College IDs," commented Dean Ackland about Welcome Day's In-N-Out treats.

The Student Activities puts on a "Welcome Night" and "Welcome Day" for students at the beginning of each new semester.

This is to encourage students to be involved with campus activities. In-N-Out came to help welcome the students back to campus.

Students stood in line out in the middle of Falcon Square to take part in several different activities.

Nursing major Susan Ortega

said "I think it's cool" about the whole event.

Each student that had a valid Cerritos College ID card received a burger, chips and a soda for free after standing in a long line.

Some students get their ID card for other than just a free burger.

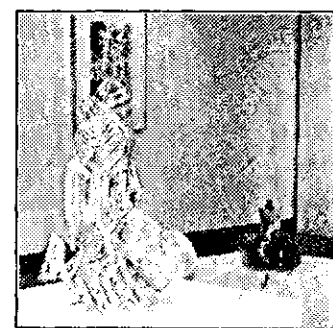
"I got it to get into the movies for cheaper," Computer Science major Matt Schenk.

Some had other reasons for coming to In-N-Out. Auto Tech major Jesus Barrios said "The cafeteria is expensive. A baked potato is four dollars from the cafeteria!"

It seems students will stand in a 10 minute line on a hot day to get free food and drinks.

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NEWS

Club Day

Club Information Day will be held on Sept. 4 and 5 from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Falcon Square. Club info night will be held at the social science building on Sept. 4 from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m.

Culinary Arts

Culinary Arts will be opening their cafeteria on Sept. 4 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. The cafeteria offers a variety of foods Mondays through Thursdays. It is located in the Student Center.



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Club wins national award

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EDITOR IN CHIEF

Valerie Streeter, president of the Psychology club, accompanied six of the psychology club members to the National American Psychological Association's annual conference last weekend.

This year, the conference was held in Chicago, where Cerritos College's Psi Beta Chapter and Psychology Club won the Outstanding Chapter award.

Psychology Club members Krista Toilolo, Nichelle Long, Jaime Vanderpool, Dipti Shah, Adriana Cortez and the club president, Streeter accepted the award on the behalf of the whole club, which contains approximately 15 members.

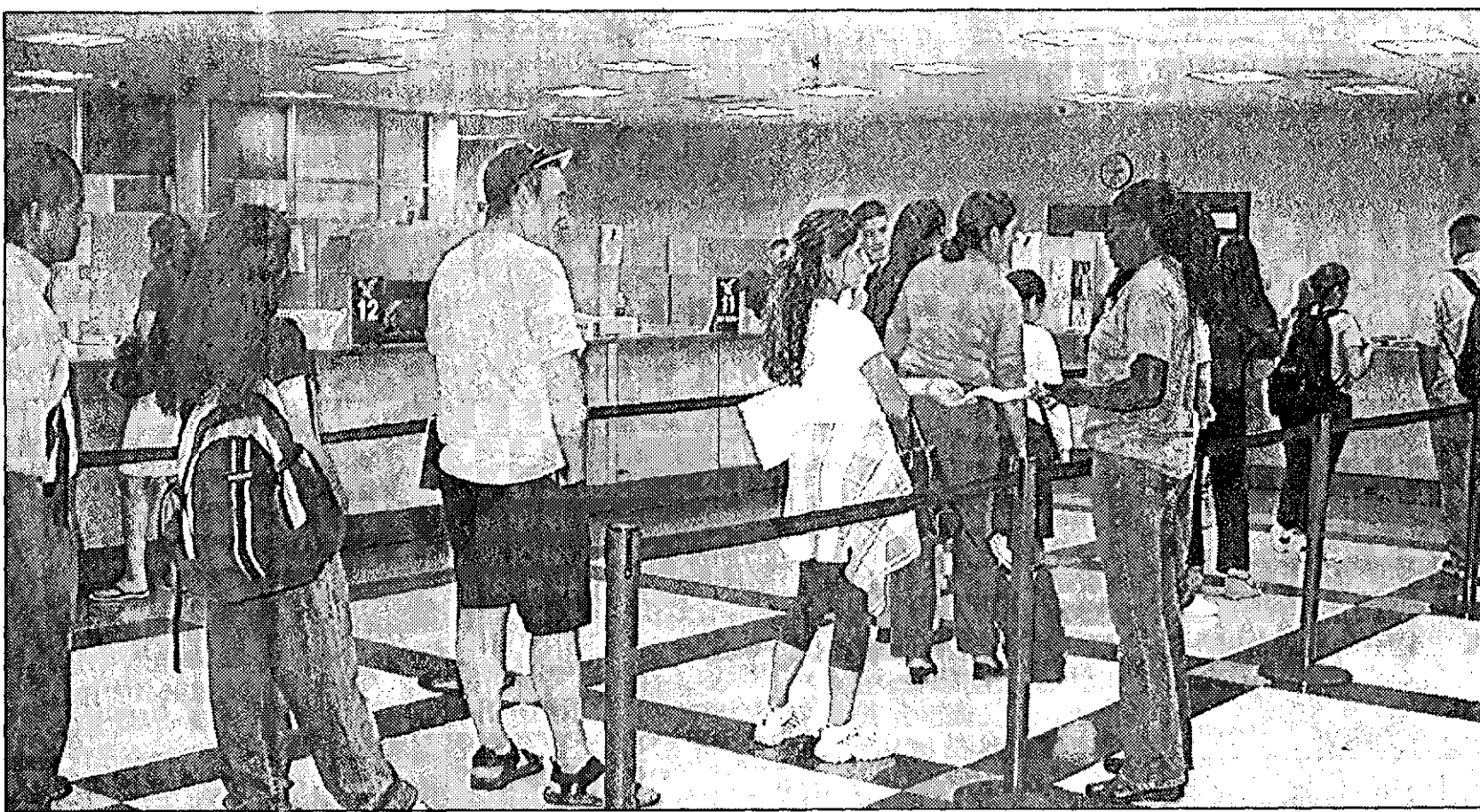
The award was given to the club because of its dedication to the campus and community, the outstanding academics of the students in the club and the community service performed by the club members.

Club members can often be found organizing and conducting fundraisers on campus and volunteering at the Metropolitan State Mental Hospital.

Faculty Advisor to the club, Dr. Kimberley Duff noted that out of all the community colleges attending the conference in Chicago, Cerritos was the only one to win this award.

The club, which meets every Tuesday from 11 a.m. to noon in Room SS215, brings in psychology and law specialists to speak to the students.

Duff was happy to report that the club considered the conference to be an overall great experience.



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During the second week of school, students still await their call in a long line in Admissions and Records Office

Never ending lines keep growing

JUAN DANIEL FLORES

STAFF WRITER

The 2002 Fall Semester started bringing with it new hopes, goals, and students.

Approximately 7,054 new students joined Cerritos College including transferred, and re-admit students adds to the current population of 15,353, which brings the grand total to 23,297.

With the number of new students attending Cerritos some would think the college would be prepared for it.

As the students might have experienced this past week the lines for the Financial Aid Office, Counseling, and Admissions and Records were outrageous.

It was like going to a theme park on a hot summer Saturday.

You had to expect to wait at least an hour to an hour and a half in line.

You had walk-in-counseling, which only allowed so many slots

to enter between certain times.

The Financial Aid was full of students waiting to process their paper work.

It was a mess and somebody had to say something about it.

Who is responsible for the lack of service, which lead all these problems to come?

The finger is pointed in every direction.

It seems that nobody wants to take credit for this.

The Financial Aid points the lack of people, in order words not enough people.

Admissions and Record has a new boss in charge, so they're getting their act together, and counseling is just not doing what they are here for.

"I don't mind saying this, about this but their attitudes towards students needs to change." "If you have a problem with the world don't take it out on the students," states Vice President

of the Associated Students, James Towns.

Of course all can't just be the school's fault, students have to take their own share of the blame.

With late enrollment and waiting towards the last minute dose not this situation.

"Maybe if students would take care of their business a little bit earlier than they're suppose to it could all run a little bit smoother," said Jennifer Ramirez a Students Service Peer at Admissions and Records.

"I have been here for three years and this is the first time it has been so full," said Angelina Lara, another Student Service Peer.

However with limited time being through around it's hard to get a heads up.

Example, the financial aid office is only open between 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Mondays and Tuesdays and the counseling office only has enough room for "first

come first serve" between certain hour as well.

Here's a thought for you, what about those students that only come in the evening and night, they might have to work in the morning and can't make it at the time.

What should they do?

"I tried to work with them, but they just give me the run around," says Sara Mayorga, President of the Associated Students.

It's time to take actions.

Let the school know what you think of this, and what you're going to do about.

"The students have more power then they think, if you have a problem get involve, come to the Associated Student meetings on Mondays," said James Towns VP.

I leave you with this final thought "If you had to choose between post office service or the service you're paying for, get you're money's worth."

Training starts for third time tri-Athlete

JIMMY MISTRY

STAFF WRITER

Swim, cycle, and run through the wicked jungle of Los Angeles. Wheel through Main St. from Staples Center to City Hall then stomp towards Dodger Stadium will test the will of an individual. A few of Cerritos College daredevils chose to take this challenge on Sept. 8.

One of the stunning daredevils is Julie Stewart, who is currently majoring in Dermatology, attends Cerritos College and chooses to join hundreds of other Tri-athletes in the L.A. Triathlon.

Stewart has been into sports since she was the innocent age of five. While in junior high, Stewart received a back injury after slipping off a parallel bar in her gym class. This did not stop her for long; she was back on her feet in some time and started running for various city runs raising money for outstanding causes like Leukemia patients.

This would be Julie's third time since she first started in November of 2001, earning 14th place in her age group division. "I had a lot of fun being competitive," commented Stewart on her tri-sport.

Among the Triathlon there are two different types: an Olympic course (for the professionals) and a normal one for the beginners. Both the courses will run on different



JULIE STEWART

parts of the city. The Olympic one will cover more miles throughout the swimming, cycling, and running. After swimming, the tri-athlete goes to the bicycle rack while still wet.

All the competitors have their own equipment. From bicycles to spiked shoes to swimming gear, it is not cheap. Numerous sponsors make it possible for the Triathlon to be held. Bottle companies, hotels, cities and shoe companies all want to help get their name out while helping the tri-athletes. For more information on the L.A. Triathlon checkout www.latriathlon.com.

NEW PRESIDENT

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President Jane M. Harmon, did he finally reach the permanent position of president himself.

His main goal and focus for Cerritos College is "Student success, that's what we're here for." He believes that in order to enhance the whole culture of student success, we must start by developing a more comprehensive and integrating skills program.

"Community colleges are taking more and more of a lead in higher education because of their ability to adapt to the needs of society. We play an important role because we offer very good and affordable education," observed Grindel.

All in all, Grindel gets a good opportunity himself, which, as he puts it, would be to "work with a broad range of people, to help people come together, to formulate their goals and lead them into a good direction."

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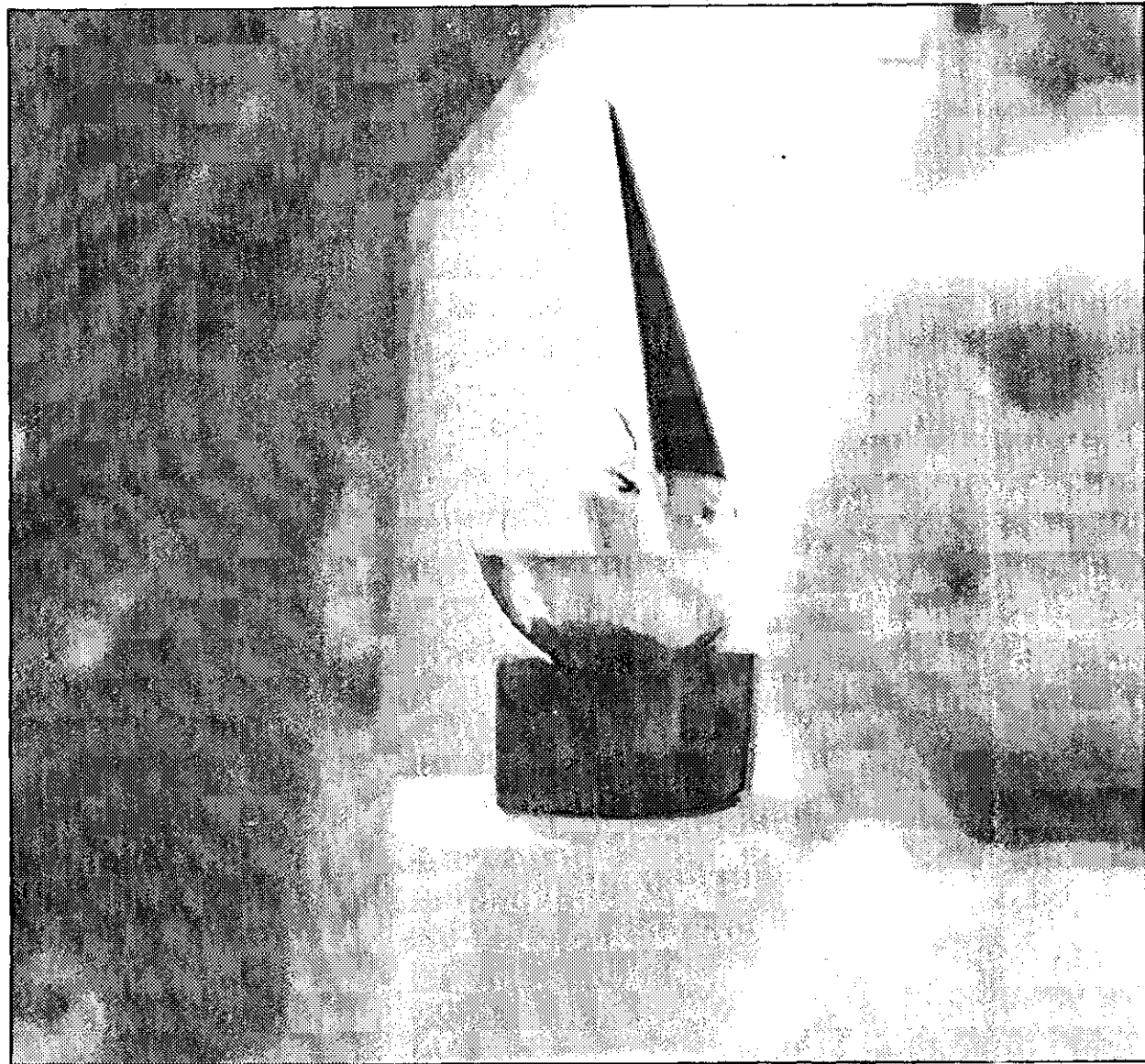
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Faculty member John Ahl's sculpture "Teapot" is one of the exhibits featured works in the Art Gallery.

Faculty Art Show opened Tuesday

MARIA RODRIGUEZ
STAFF WRITER

The Annual Faculty Art Exhibit opened Tuesday in the Cerritos College Art Gallery.

The exhibit showcases the talents of many faculty members of the Art and Design department.

Every faculty member from the department was invited to participate in this event. Marcus Adams, Gallery director, ensures that there will be a variety types of art presented. "Whatever the faculty bring in," he said, "paintings, sculptures, mix media." There is a little of everything.

The event, which has been going on for several years, attracts students and faculty members alike. The diversity of the exhibit can bring in an equally diverse crowd.

The exhibit gives the faculty members a chance to see the work of their colleagues and see their co-workers in a less professional environment. The show also gives students a chance to see the work of the professors. "Students can see what the faculty do and conceivably want

to take the class," Adams said. Students also get a chance to see their professors putting their lectures into practice.

For people who are just interested in expanding their cultural horizons, the exhibit is an excellent and convenient way to take in some culture. Community members are welcome to come and see the various examples of Contemporary art and design.

The art gallery also has several other events planned for the fall season. Among the upcoming events, there will be the Los Angeles Community Folk Art Show, which will run through October and the student art sale that will take place in December.

The faculty exhibit will be running through Sept. 19 in the Art Gallery. The gallery will be open to the public Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Tuesday through Thursday 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. There is no admission charge and parking is available in lot C-10.

Faculty Fine Art Exhibition

Aug. 27 - Sept. 19
Gallery hours: M-Th 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.,
Evenings T - Th, 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest

Oct. 4, 5, 10, 11, 12, 13
\$10.00 general admission
\$7.50 students/seniors
Life's not much fun at the State Mental Hospital under the iron rule of Nurse Ratched. But things are about to change, a new patient has arrived with an attitude that could blow the Institute of Psychology apart. This hilarious and moving play is both a joyous celebration of human potential, and a deeply affecting ode to the outsider. Tickets may be purchased at the box office during daytime business hours with cash, check Visa or Mastercard or at the door up to one hour before show time. For more information call (562) 467-5058.

'A School for Husbands' and 'The Imaginary Cuckold'

Dec. 6, 7, 13, 14, 15
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\$7.50 students/seniors
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Tickets may be purchased at the box office during daytime business hours with cash, check Visa or Mastercard or at the door up to one hour before show time.

Tsunami Bomb's release out Sept. 3

Tsunami Bomb's first full-length CD "The Ultimate Escape" will be released on Sept. 3 on Kung-Fu records. The CD, which is enhanced with surprise extras, will be also available at Tsunami Bomb's record release show at The Troubadour on Sept. 21. For more information visit www.tsunamibomb.com.

Fear Dot Com (rated R)

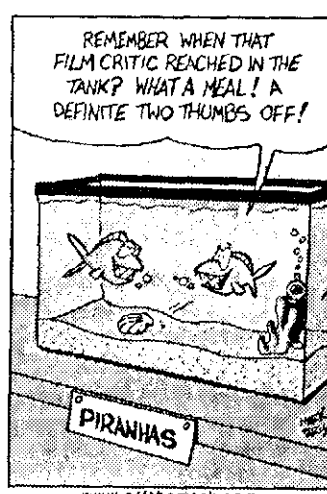
Aug. 30, 2002
Movie thriller, full of intense torture and murder.

Gang Tapes (rated R)

Aug. 30, 2002
First person view of a young boy behind the camera, struggling to become a man in his problematic world.

City By The Sea (rated R)

Sept. 6, 2002
Homicide detective investigating a new crime committed by his own son.



Theatrical make-up class applies smudge of creativity

MICHEAUX FORISON
STAFF WRITER

Our illustrious theatre department is on the verge of greatness! Once again our make-up class is aiming toward creative genius in its vision for the October, production of "One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest."



"We are planning to enhance the image of the characters by making them look more insane," said Susan Watanabe, instructor of the make-up class.

In the Cerritos College production of Mac Beth, the make-up class, headed by Watanabe, created gory costumes for the witches using foam latex body suits. "We made the witches look like they had decaying flesh with sores and bones protruding from their skin," she explained.

"Often when creating a character, shadowing can make a feature recede or protrude. This is part of corrective make up." One of the first assignments the students will undertake will be to make their faces long and narrow or short and wide! David Carreiro, a cast member who played a witch in Mac Beth, describe the costumes as being very inspirational when it came to helping cast members getting into character.

"I thought it was great! We did the play in a post apocalyptic setting."

"For my character, I got to wear the latex appliance piece which is a piece over my eye to make me look like I was deteriorating. We wore a body suit made

of foam latex and they made it so that bones looked exposed. It felt nice! It really helped actors get into their characters."

Jordan Alexander, another theater performer, described the best make-up job he had. "The best make up for me was when I performed in "Cabaret." I had to wear fake eyelashes and my face was completely white with big red lips that they had to paint on me to fit the structure of my mouth. Costume-wise I'd have to say my favorite was Starmites where we dressed up like superheroes."

The make up team is known for making magic. They can do just about anything they want in that class if they put their minds to it!" Alexander said.

Watanabe said that the best students are recommended for Knott's Scary Farm and some students have even found work there.

Students can make everything from old folks make-up to horror masks. Many of the make-up class students feel that the class is a good way to learn how to make Halloween costumes.

Halloween is right around the corner folks. Check it out!

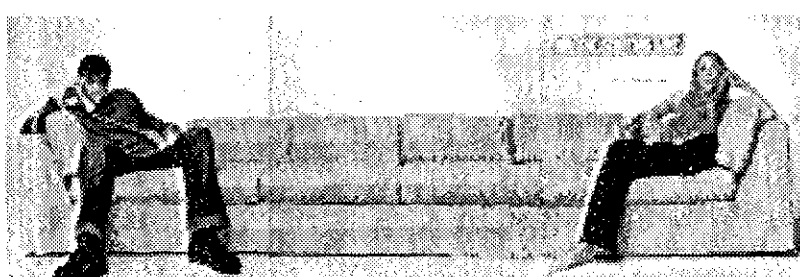


Make-up class created the latex suit for this costume.

Not even close to the end of the line

SONIA SAENZ
STAFF WRITER

Although new bands seem to pop up every five seconds, they hardly ever seem to leave a lasting impression. But Drive-Thru Records new band, The Starting Line, leaves an impression so deep; it might as well be tattooed in your mind. Their album, "Say It Like You Mean It," was released July 16, and this emotionally influenced foursome has proven themselves worthy to the music



things I think about, and hearing them coming back from the crowds mouth is perfect."

Along with energized chords and songs that can get anyone singing along, the young members of this band radiate a vibe that gets everyone's foot tapping along. The album "Say It Like You Mean It" is one that definitely belongs in everyone's CD collection and The Starting Line is a band that won't be reaching the finish line any time soon.

Cerritos Music Department offers piano certificate

The Cerritos College Music Department has developed a Piano Certificate Program. The program will look at the business of teaching

piano, as well as create a market of student pianists who can pursue careers as musicians.

Classes taught by Lopez this fall

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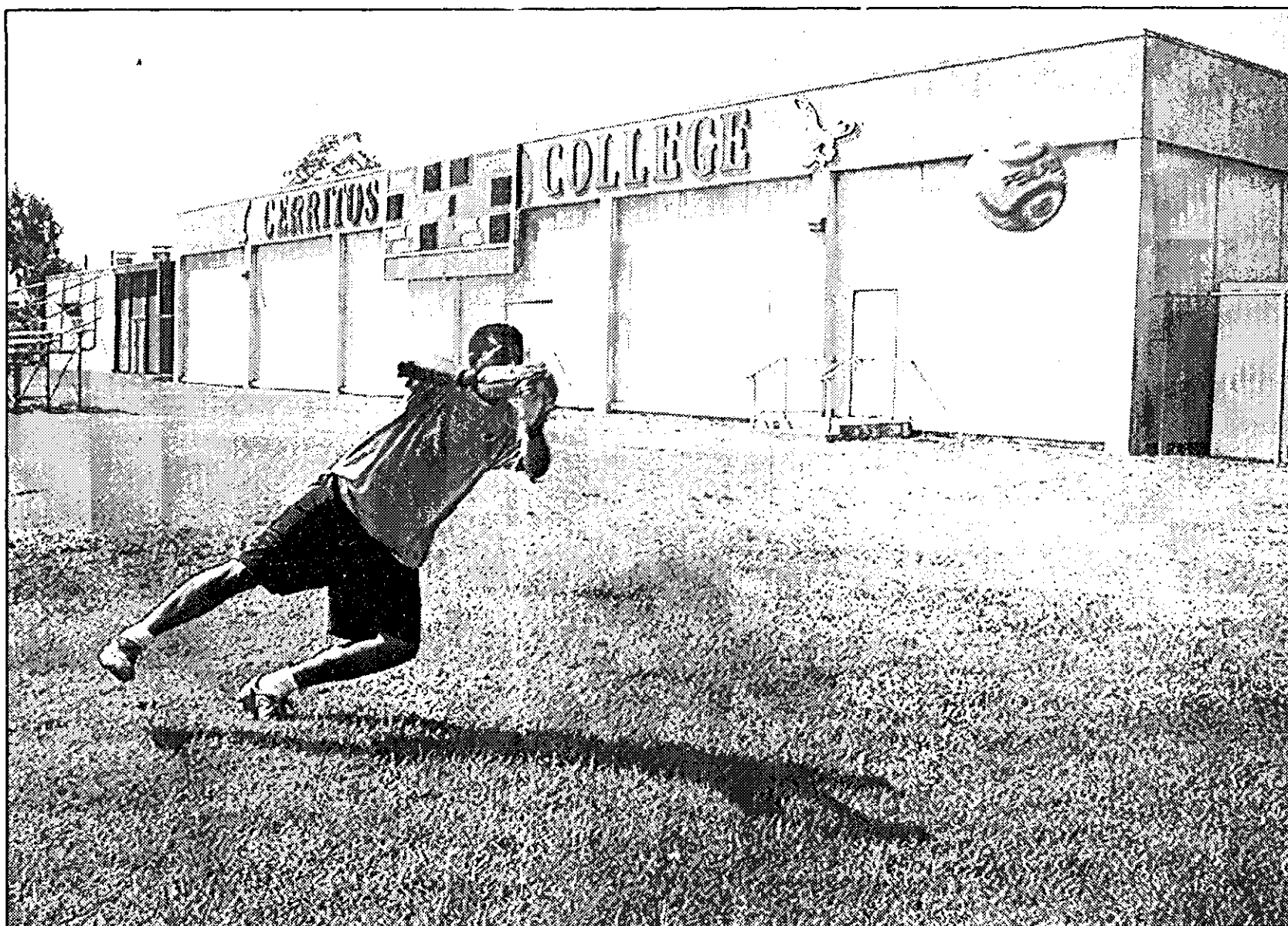
SPORTS

Football news

The Cerritos College football team will open the 2002 season at Bakersfield College on Sept. 14 at 7 p.m.

Not only are the Falcons playing one of the best teams in the state year in and year out, they will also be facing the pre-season No. 1 rated team in Southern California. Cerritos opens ranked No. 6.

You can follow the ratings at www.coalports.org.



Goalkeeper Eliseo Funes makes a save during men's soccer practice Tuesday at the Cerritos College soccer field.

LAUREN RODRIGUEZ
STAFF WRITER

They're coming back from a rough season, but after lots of practice and preparation, the Cerritos College men's soccer team may be ready to take the championship this year.

Under the direction of Head Coach Juan Torres, who is beginning his second coaching season at Cerritos, the team is looking to win games and hopefully have a shot at that coveted championship slot.

Twenty-two players make up the team, four of whom are returning. Those returning are: Jorge Arteaga, Jesus Gutierrez, Paolo Granados and Luis Hernandez.

While not even a fifth of the players bring to the team last seasons experience, Assistant Coach Benny Arteaga is confident that this will not hinder their ability to win games.

He explains that although the team is, "Short on experience, we have a last man defender named

Conrad Arteaga who we're looking at to solidify the defense."

The assistant coach is also willing to note a few more players that spectators may want to keep an eye out for this season.

He says that the coaches are "expecting a lot out of" both Luis Ramirez and Jonathan Morales and even referred to Salvador Ramos as the team's "hidden key."

The coaching staff is looking to Ramos, "To really break out of his shell this year." Assistant Coach Arteaga remarks, "If he plays the way he's capable, I really see him making First Team All Conference."

The athletes all appear to be equally as optimistic as their coaches.

After much practicing many are ready to begin the season and get in the game.

"We're definitely looking to improve upon last season," Arteaga says, "It was Juan's first year as coach and anytime you have a brand new coaching

staff, its hard but now we're settled into the system that were going to run. We're absolutely looking to make noise in the conference."

Captain Manuel Roque sums up the teams feeling with these words, "We're looking forward to this season. We have great players...we're expecting to take the championship this year. We're going to be the champions."

The season appears to be a challenge but it definitely looks like these dedicated athletes are ready to rise to the occasion.

They would, however, like to ensure support of their team by students on campus.

Many simply asked that people would "come out and watch."

Going the extra mile

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Mima Funes and Socorro Jimenez stand tired but excited after yet another grueling practice.

Funes says, "We're looking forward to this year. We have some nice friendships going on. We're looking pretty tight right now as a team."

After taking fourth in last year's season, it seems that all parties involved are looking forward to the next few months with positive anticipation.

Head coach Debbie Jensen asserts that both, "The coaching staff and the players are really excited about this season."

For these girls, however, excitement is not enough.

The athletes on this team were willing to go the extra mile the first week of school, literally, by arriving on campus at six a.m. to get in some extra conditioning time.

While most students were struggling to adjust to their 8 a.m. classes, the soccer team was up for a brisk three-mile jog in the cool morning air.

This was in addition to their regular afternoon practices.

"This team is willing to work hard," Jensen remarked about her players.

In comparison with last year's team, nearly all seem to feel that this year's players clearly measure up.

Not only did Jensen state that the current team is, "More ready to play than previous teams," but also went on to explain as a team, "We're ahead of where we were last year."

Jimenez, whom the team affectionately refers to as "Coco," is also quite pleased with her teammates performance.

"I'm happy for the players we have right now. We have some new freshmen; they're really good. They are strong, focused and energetic."

With seven returning players and "freshmen to watch," Coach Jensen declares that this team is ready to go.

All the players (and coaches) seem eager to take off their practice jerseys and put their game faces on.

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