

# Memorable Broadway

## Cerritos College Homecoming 2012

### 2012 Falcons Homecoming, from kick-off to crowning

ROBERT BEAVER  
Staff Writer  
robert.beaver@talonmarks.com

The Cerritos College Falcons football team earned its first home win in dominating fashion, taking out the Allan Hancock College Bulldogs 55-25 during the homecoming game on Saturday night.

The Falcons defense held the No. 2 ranked offensive team in the state to 25 points on the evening, 13 points below its season average.

The Bulldogs' offense was stopped on 9 of 12 possessions by the Falcons' defense.

"This win was huge. We needed this win to set us up for the next few games," Falcons head coach Frank Mazzotta said.

"It was a big challenge for us defensively. We definitely had our work cut out for us. We put our



Introductions

bigger (players) up front and we made sure to switch them out to keep them fresh."

Cerritos College held the Hancock College running back, Cameron Artis-Payne, who is a three-time conference player of the week, to 135 rushing yards, with 19 of those gained in the second half.

The Falcons stopped Artis-Payne at about 65 rushing yards below his per game average.

Artis-Payne currently leads the state in total rushing yards at about 200 yards per game.

"I have to give our defense praise," quarterback Morgan Fennell said. "(Our defense) kept Hancock out of the endzone so (our offense) could put some points up. We knew this was going to be a battle over whose defense would stop whose offense."

The Falcons offense was also effective against Hancock College, who allows 35.5 points on average per game. Cerritos College passed that mark by about 20 points.

On the opening drive, Cerritos College used a no-huddle offense that it has found success with in the past few games.

The Falcons mixed up their attack with quick passes and short runs to move the ball down the field.

Within the first two minutes of the game, the Falcons offense found itself in the red-zone.

"We decided to go no-huddle to attack (Hancock's) defense," Fennell said. "We wanted to get on top of (Hancock) quick and demoralize (its players)."

Fennell then handed the ball to running-back Dominique Small, who ran for three



MICHAEL ARES/TM

**Game time:** Cerritos College football players get ready for the kick. Falcons beat the Bulldogs 55-25 at the Homecoming game on Saturday.

yards into the endzone uncontested by Hancock's defense.

The Falcons then took advantage of Hancock's defense by getting the two-point conversion on a short pass to tight end Andrew Buenrostro.

Hancock was unsuccessful on its opening drive by missing a long pass and gaining short yards in multiple runs. Falcons stopped the Hancock offense on its 36 yard line.

Cerritos College found success two drives later by pushing the ball down the field with a series of effective passes and short runs.

Fennell then found tight end Tyler Carrillo wide open in the left side of the endzone.

After the first quarter, Cerritos College led 15-0.

Hancock College held possession into the second quarter and found success when quarterback Brandon Jefferies landed a pass into the arms of wide receiver Nicko Shellow under heavy Falcon coverage for the touchdown.

Three possessions later, Cerritos College moved the ball 25 yards before a Hancock player picked off Fennell at the 45 and ran for the

**See Homecoming Page 8**

## The Start

This year's float contest and homecoming schedule revolved around the theme "Broadway Musicals" which was discussed amongst the different clubs from Cerritos College at the Homecoming Kick-off Luncheon on, Aug. 29.

## Elections

Homecoming Court election week was a hectic journey not only for the Cerritos College club members that were supporting their representatives, but also for the homecoming queen candidates themselves. The candidates had posters, flyers, candy and campaigners supporting them competing for the homecoming court all over campus.

"I have to see all the nominees, I'm looking for someone with brains, a 4.0 (grade point average) and above," said Cerritos College student Grecia Martinez.

## Mock Rally

Receiving his veggie bouquet and plaque, Oscar De la Torre, representing No. 5 Geovana Saramiento, won the 2012 Cerritos College Homecoming Court Mock Rally competition on Thursday, Oct. 4 at the Student Center.

Talon Marks Club Press Club Treasurer Patrick Dolly received first runner-up and a plaque as the mocker for No.1 Lauren Gandara.

"It was a lot of fun, people say it's tough or embarrassing but I tell them not really, all you have to do is have fun with it and that's what I did, I went out there and I had fun," De la Torre said.

Homecoming Queen  
MarJona Smith-Holaway



Mock Rally

## The Winner

At halftime the homecoming queen was finally announced. MarJona Smith-Holaway, an independent runner, was named and crowned as Cerritos College's 2012 Homecoming Queen.

Contributors: Anita Velapatio, Dafine Bravo, Connie Garcia and Sarah Niemann



Floats: Several floats made their way around the Falcon Stadium track on Saturday. The clubs who participated began their float building on Oct. 8.

JONATHAN GARZA/TM

## Homecoming floats away

TANIA OLIVAS  
Audio/Podcast Editor  
audio@talonmarks.com

Prior to the homecoming game and the unavailing of the floats, some of the students' efforts and creativity were awarded after being judged by a large panel of people.

According to the Anime Club, the awards were as follows:

- Best Utilization of Paper- Phi Theta Kappa with "Phantom of the Opera"
- Best Craftsmanship- Triathlon with "Lion King"
- Most Educational- Model U.N. Club with "The Producers"
- Most Inspirational- Phi Beta Lambda Club with "How to Succeed in Business without Really Trying"
- Best Utilization of Animation- International Student Association Club with "Wicked"
- Most Humorous- Anime Club with "Little Shop of Horrors"
- Best Utilization of Color- Leo Club with "Seussical"
- Best Design- iFalcon Club with "Shrek"
- Most Unusual - Kabrakada Club with "Miss Saigon"
- Best Displays the Spirit of Cerritos College- Talon Marks Press Club with "Newsies"
- Most Creative and Original- Sci-fi Club with "Young Frankenstein"
- Best Utilization of Theme-Child Development Club with "Mary Poppins"
- Best Over All- Dental Hygiene with "Hairspray"



## 2012 Cerritos College Homecoming Floats

Created by the clubs of Cerritos College

PHOTOS BY: HANNAH BRADLEY AND JONATHAN GARZA/TM

### Environmental Club ‘Westside Story’



iFalcon Club ‘Shrek’ Best Design

## Board of Trustee’s candidates prepare for election

### District 1



COURTESY OF CERRITOS COLLEGE

#### Bob Arthur

- Current Board of Trustee’s President Robert Arthur is seeking re-election.
- Was elected to the board in 1995 and was re-elected in 2007.
- Previous mayor and council member in the city of Norwalk.
- Currently a committee member for the Measure CC campaign.

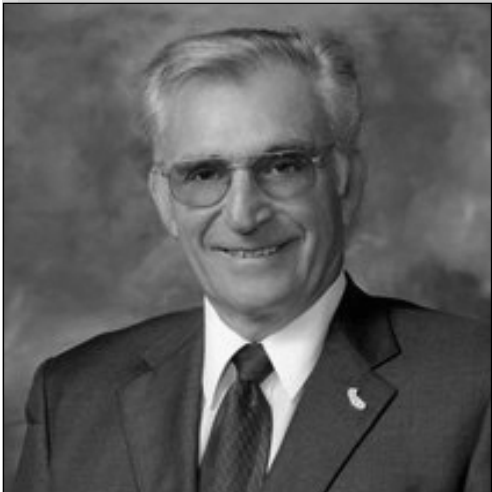


COURTESY OF FACEBOOK

#### Leonard Zuniga

- Helped bring the Cerritos College Board of Trustees into compliance with the Federal/State of California Voter Rights Act of 2002.
- Involved in the Downey American Legion and Coordinating Council.
- Committed to preparing students with the skills to meet future business needs of the United States of America and increasing graduation rates and students acceptance to universities.

### District 2



COURTESY OF CERRITOS COLLEGE

#### Tom Jackson

- Former faculty member at Cerritos College.
- Has served as the Governing Board Member at Cerritos College from 2003 to 2007.
- Has the interest of student success and the future of Cerritos College in his heart.
- Endorsed by Cerritos College Board of Trustees President Robert Arthur.



COURTESY OF THE DOWNEY PATRIOT

#### Carmen Avalos

- Served the Cerritos College Board of Trustees previously and hopes for a possible re-election this election year.
- Hopes to maintain and establish job training programs to keep communities opportunities so employment may be more attainable.
- Served on the California Community College Latino Caucus as a board member and is endorsed by Congresswoman Linda Sanchez and Assembly Member Hector De La Torre.

### District 3



COURTESY OF FACEBOOK

#### John Paul Drayer

- Graduated from Cerritos College in 1984.
- In favor of no stopping property tax hikes.
- Priorities if elected include career training for 21st century jobs, no on Measure G, and independent audits for better taxpayer value.
- Endorsed by Former Bellflower Mayor Art Olivier, Bellflower School Board President Dr. Paul Helzer, and Cerritos College Board Member Dr. Tina Cho.



COURTESY OF CERRITOS COLLEGE

#### Jean McHatton

- Forty-three years of field education as both a teacher and principal.
- Promises to keep the success for students, staff, faculty and the community as one of her top priorities if re-elected this year.
- Endorsed by LA County Supervisor Don Kanbe, the mayor from the City of Bellflower Dan Koops, and Mayor Jim Edwards from the City of Cerritos.

### District 4



COURTESY OF CERRITOS COLLEGE

#### Ted Edmiston

- Expanded the Teacher TRAC partnership with CSULB for training future educators.
- Named an honorary member of Phi Theta Kappa.
- Endorsed by LA County Supervisor Don Knabe, Former Cerritos College Trustee Bob Epple, Former Mayor of the City of Downey Keith McCarthy, and Former Artesia Mayor Larry Nelson.



COURTESY OF MARISA K. PEREZ

#### Marisa K. Perez

- Promises to strengthen the K-12 partnerships to better prepare and financially support students for higher education.
- Previously the policy adviser to Los Angeles Mayors Richard J. Riordan and Antonio R. Villaraigosa.
- Endorsed by Lakewood Mayor Diane Dubois and Lakewood council member Jeff Wood.

### District 6



COURTESY OF CERRITOS COLLEGE

#### Tina Cho

- Current Cerritos College Board of Trustee member.
- Educator and a psychiatrist practicing family mental health care.
- Reported the need to have the School of Americas shut down, because of the trained torture tactics and the 2,000 missing women in Juarez, Mexico.



COURTESY OF SANDRA SALAZAR

#### Sandra Salazar

- Practices family medicine in the City of Pico Rivera and understands the importance of access to higher education first hand.
- Envisions that all students have the same opportunities she herself was fortunate enough to receive.
- Endorsed by Cerritos College’s Board of Trustees President Bob Arthur.

## Calendar of Events

### Oct. 17

Faculty Senate meeting in BK 111/112 at 2 p.m.

Architect Scott Martin Presents: The Global Consortium for Sustainable Peace in LC-155(Teleconference Center) from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

DSP&S hosts Disability Mentoring Day in City Hall East: 200 N. Main Street, Room 351A in Los Angeles, CA 90012 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Oct. 18

The Great California Shake-Out in Falcon Square at 10:18 a.m.

### Oct. 22

Project HOPE hosts Universidad Autonoma De Guadalajara School Of Medicine Presentation in CB 104 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and S 101 from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Food Drive Competition begins

ASCC Cabinet meeting in BK 111/112 at 2 p.m.

### Oct. 24

Board of Trustees Meeting in the Cheryl A. Epple Board Room at 6 p.m.

### Oct. 26 - 30

PeopleSoft Maintenance will be interrupted from Oct. 26 at noon until Oct. 30 at 4 a.m.





# ASCC gets a green thumb

**JOHN MORFIN**  
Copy Editor  
copy@talonmarks.com

Associated Students of Cerritos College is going green in order to become more economically friendly and reduce the spending cost of unnecessary paperwork.

According to ASCC President Lance Makinano, a vast amount of paper is being printed for ASCC, ICC, Cabinet, Court and Senate meetings.

He estimates that a combined total of 70 or more individuals receive printed material ranging from five to 10 pages per person per week during the meetings.

"We find that it's a waste of money, it's a waste for the environment so as a result, we are trying to go green," ASCC Vice President Aldo Lopez said.

Besides reducing the negative

impact to the environment, the purpose of the ASCC's green initiative is to save money that is normally used to purchase paper as well as ink toner.

"We (ASCC members) pledged that we would try to save money," Makinano said.

Makinano as well as Lopez want to make a change by using ASCC funds in order to purchase a laptop computer for use during all of the meetings.

According to Lopez, legislature for the laptop has already been written and passed. Makinano and Lopez have already selected a laptop computer that they plan to purchase.

Makinano stated that there are some individuals that are questioning the benefit of spending school funds on a laptop and laptop projector in order to save money. With that in mind, Makinano has ap-

pointed a budget and finance commissioner to conduct a cost-benefit analysis.

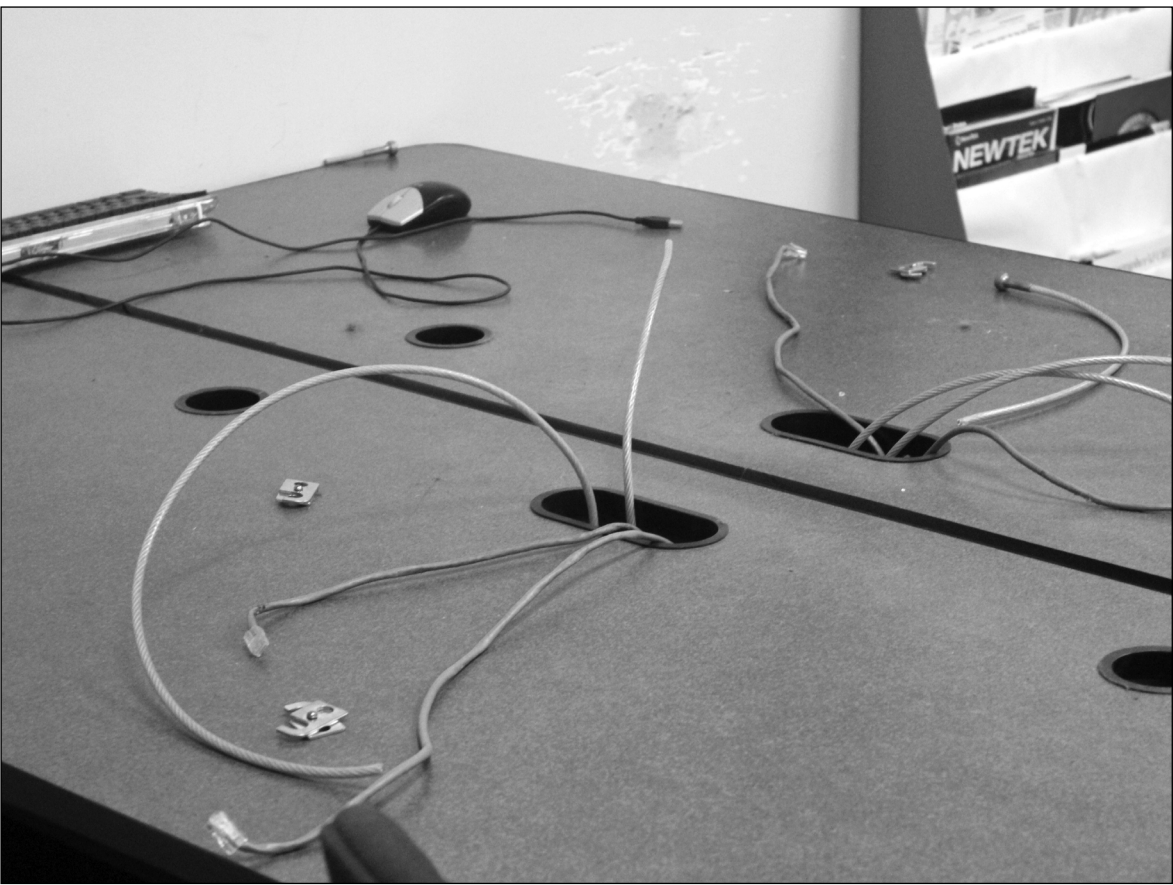
"I have nothing to hide. We're trying to do (a) better thing for the school," Makinano said.

Lopez is optimistic about going green not only because it will save money, but because it will be environmentally friendly.

Cerritos College art major Melissa Duran feels similar to what Lopez feels about the transition to a more environmentally friendly system.

"It makes me a bit happy since you know someone (is) actually willing to go green and save trees," Duran said

All material that would be printed for the meetings will now be available on TalonNet, a server on the Cerritos College website.



**Pulling the plug:** Empty desks located inside a Math Success Center computer lab where Mac desktop computers once were. The burglar(s) used a cutting tool in order to remove an anti-theft cable that secured the computers to the desks.

# Theft leaves classes out of luck

**ROBERT BEAVER**  
Staff Writer  
robert.beaver@talonmarks.com

Students and teachers are in a state of shock after thief/thieves broke into Room 173 of the Learning Resource Center a couple of weeks ago and stole thousands of dollars worth of computers that contained programs that students needed to access in order to complete their school work.

The theft resulted in eight Mac computers being taken. The incident has left students and teachers at an inconvenience.

"Nearly half of the computers are gone," art professor Kirk Miller said. "Without a computer for each student, it is difficult to maintain consistency in the classroom. It's really difficult to teach. It's nearly impossible.

"I have no idea what (the thief/thieves) motives were. I hope they really needed them. The school is facing dire economic times and we certainly didn't need this."

As a result, Miller had to shorten his lecture and extend his lab time to help make up for the loss.

He told his students to try to share computers, but that proved difficult since projects can take several hours to complete.

According to Miller, some students just walked out of class to either work at home or because they had no choice.

"There will be no reduction in the workload," Miller said. "We still need to cover all of the material that is required. It's going to take longer to get things done."

For students, some are uncertain about their grades.

"It sucks," film science major Donovan Taylor said.

"(The thief/thieves) are selfish and only thinking about their pockets. It wasn't called for. Students aren't going to get the 110 percent they should get from this class.

"Instead of getting the three hours to work on our projects, we have to rush through in an hour and a half so others can use the computers," Taylor said.

Taylor was the last person in his class to leave the lab on Oct. 3. He stayed after to finish the music video he was working on.

"Some students lost all of their work and now they have to start from scratch," animation major Robert Carrete said.

"We need this class for our majors. (The theft) is slowing our projects down and the quality drops because we don't have the time."

Other classes were moderately impacted by the theft.

Professor Bonnie Barrett had her design for a desktop publishing class on Monday morning following the theft.

She found out about the break in only 30 minutes before class.

"I was shocked and unable to concentrate. It cost me an hour to get something set up," she said.

The thief/thieves had taken the instructor's station. Barrett said she had to take one of the remaining student computers and hook it up to the class projector.

"This criminal activity undermines our feeling of a safe learning environment. I'm worried that this will happen again.

"We adjusted and got on with what we could. Everybody got back to work with what we had left," she said.

Fine Arts Dean Gary Pritchard said that new computers have already been ordered. He does not know when they will arrive on campus.

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY®

© 2012 National University 11700

**10 CONVENIENT**  
GREATER LOS ANGELES  
LOCATIONS

# TRANSFERRING?

**BEGIN YOUR BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN HEALTHCARE TODAY!**

National University makes obtaining a higher degree in healthcare possible with bachelor completion programs in the areas of: allied health, clinical laboratory science, healthcare administration, nursing, and public health.

**As a nonprofit university, we invest in our students' success, which means we offer:**

- Streamlined admissions
- Classes online and on campus
- Flexible scheduling
- An accelerated course format
- Scholarships and financial aid

Approved participant in the Cal Grant Program for current and transfer students

800.NAT.UNIV | NU.EDU/HEALTHCARE

# CLUB EVENTS

## Anthropology club

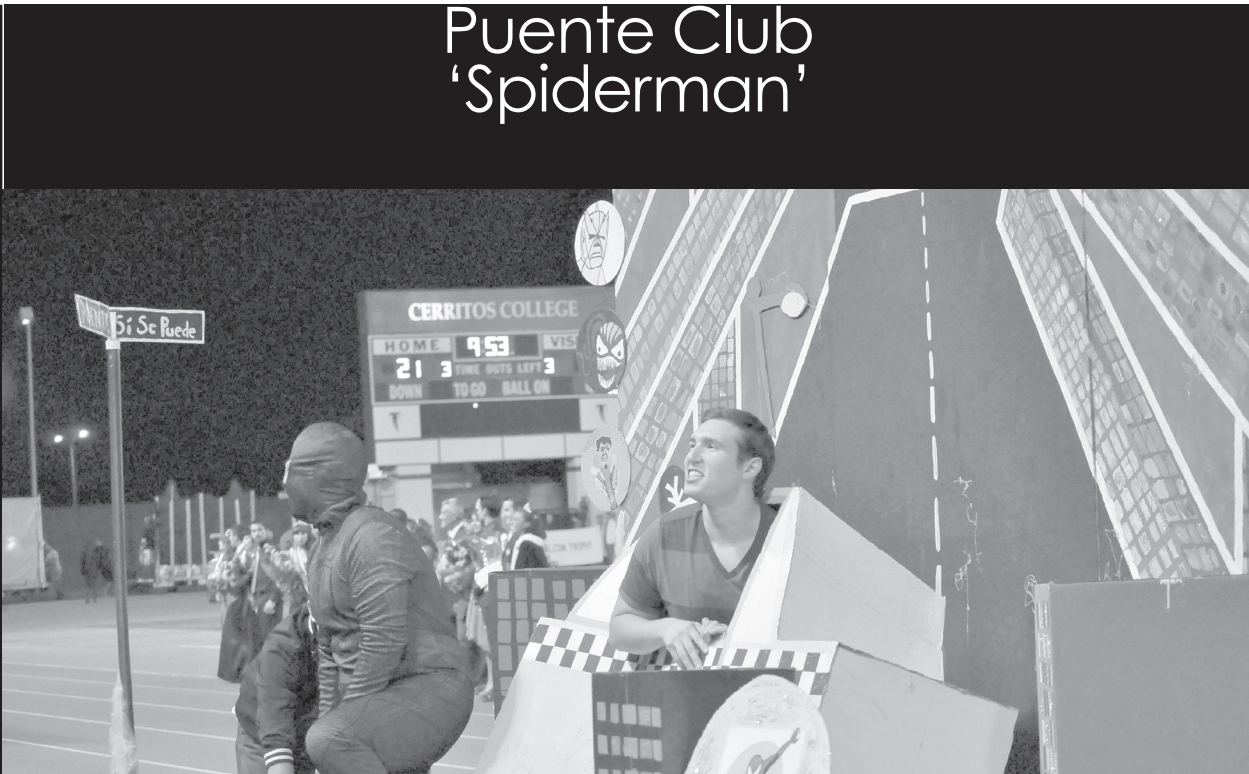
We will be hosting a lecture by Dr. Brady from Cal State LA on Thursday, Oct. 18 in S201 from 11 a.m. - Noon

Dr. Brady is one of the founders of Mesoamerican cave archaeology and will be discussing his work in the field and what knowledge we have gained from it.





Math Club  
'Little Mermaid'



Puente Club  
'Spiderman'



“What are your thoughts about homecoming?”

COMPILED BY:  
TANIA OLIVAS  
PHOTOGRAPHS BY: LUIS GUZMAN



CHRIS PENA  
Art/Business major

“I don't care about homecoming, I think it's kind of played out.”

ANTONIO GONZALEZ  
Chicano studies

“I believe homecoming is important, everybody needs to get involved.”



SAMANTHA CARDONA  
Communication major

“It's not that I don't care, it's just that I don't look into it.”

SILVIA RAMIREZ  
Zoology major

“I like homecoming. It reminds me a lot of high school.”



BIANCA SERRANO  
Nursing major

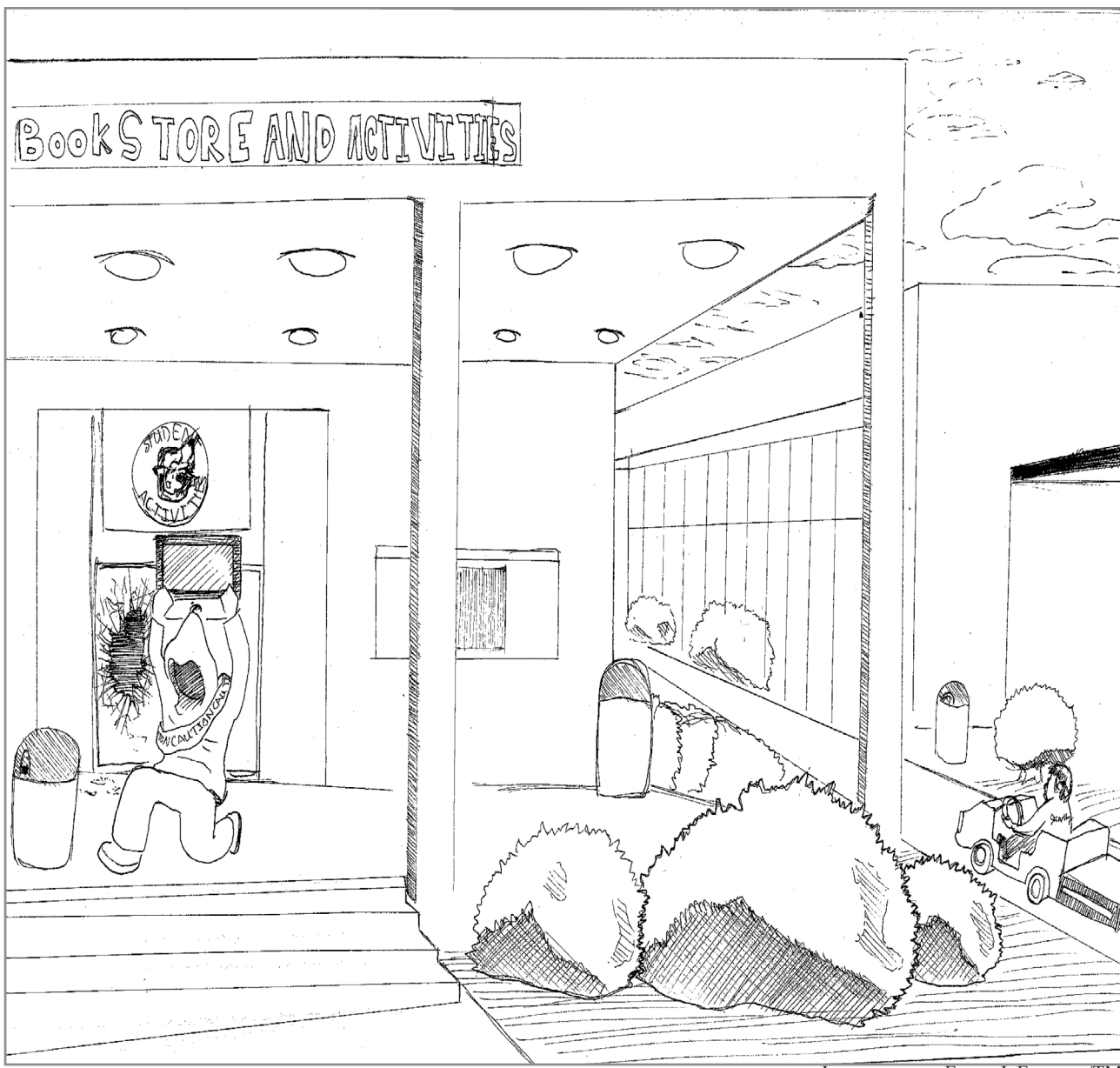
“It brings people together and make us do more school activities.”

VANESSA GARCIA  
Undecided

“I think more campaigning and advertising should be done for homecoming.”



•EDITORIAL•



Campus police can't be everywhere

With the recent burglary and vandalism here on campus, it has raised the question on how thieves and vandals were able to pull off such an elaborate event when our campus is patrolled twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week by Cerritos College Campus Police.

Even though the campus police are trained to handle the most violent of crimes, how can we expect for campus police to protect the entire school with such a small police force and no reliable video cameras and alarm systems to help alert them of such incidents taking place?

Now Cerritos College students and faculty are left dealing with two separate accounts of vandalism as well one account of burglary with multiple Macintosh computers now missing.

How were the culprit(s) behind the vandalism able to break through windows and doors from two buildings without actually being caught in the action?

Even worse, how were the burglar(s) able to get through a building and a classroom to take home eight Macintosh computers without being noticed by anyone on campus?

For someone to take eight or more computers from a building must take a little over half an hour to maybe an hour.

Although, campus police gathers information constantly everyday all day, we can't expect them to be at all places at the same time, which is why it is believed that the vandalism incident took between the hours of 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Sunday.

It is uncertain if campus police was patrolling the campus between those three hours, but if that's the case, campus police should have been able to detect suspicious activity at that time.

Although campus police has to go

through training to be able to notice and point out any suspicious activity and suspicious individuals, how can they be responsible for not apprehending those responsible at a moments notice if the campus doesn't have a reliable alarm system?

Cerritos College should focus on installing alarms that can detect when there is a break-in or other issue which threatens our campus or our safety.

With criminals seemingly constantly finding new ways to steal, we should all constantly be focused on safety.

Let us not have any events like this occur again on our campus. Campus Police should be able to attend to such events in moments notice or at least identify it within an hour so those culprits could be held accountable for their actions. But without a reliable alarm system and video cameras, this type of incident may happen again.

Suicide shouldn't be the leading cause of death

The suicide death rate recently became the number one cause of death in the United States surpassing deaths caused by car accidents.

It should not be the leading cause of death in the United States. This alarming because good people are dying.

According to National Center for Health Statistic, the death rate for suicide went up 15 percent while it decreased 25 percent for car wrecks, which was the leading cause of death before the new research was conducted.

Why has the suicide rate gone up? Can the economy and stress have that much of an impact on someone's



Carlos Mariscal  
Associate Opinion  
Editor  
carlos.mariscal@talonmarks.com

life?

As we all know, there have been some tough economical situations these past couple of years, causing many people to become stressed.

Many of us will find it stressing when prices go up for pretty much everything and we can't get that second job to support our financial needs since jobs are becoming increasingly difficult to obtain.

Everyone is also placed in prob-

lematic situations that just seem too much to handle at different points of their life, but it's on the person to handle it the right way.

Whatever the reason may be, the suicide rate may have gone up due to these situations that can lead to a huge load of stress.

Suicide shouldn't be the leading cause of the death in the United States, especially due to the fact that there's always help for issues that cause stress.

Suicide also shouldn't be a scapegoat for a person with a huge problem at hand; there are many things that can be done to prevent suicides, getting help is one of those things.

YouTube is dangerous



Israel Arzate  
Staff Writer  
israel.arzate@talonmarks.com

Imitating what you see on YouTube can be very dangerous and result in death.

There's no way to keep this from happening again because the video that caused this death could be viewed anywhere in the world on the Internet.

It seems like people are unaware of the danger.

YouTube viewers should be weary as to what kind of video's children watch on line of children as they can contain dangerous activity's that should not be reenacted because they can result in death.

The problem circling this issue is people don't have a regard for others safety, so when you're looking up a thriller or a new video game, depending on the rating and the graphic content on it then YouTube will keep the wrong people out by forcing the viewer to log in or create an account if they are underage.

If the viewer states that he/she is over 18 years of age, he/she will be allowed to view the content.

The fact is that one child died because he imitated what he saw. This is what can happen if people neglect to put the proper information online.

This incident affects everyone. If people continue to attempt to replicate what they see on television or online, they also can suffer fatal consequences.

The problem lies on the viewer and the video's that are uploaded to the website because without supervision they can be as dangerous as a loaded gun.

The danger of not regulating videos, such as the one that caused the death of a child, is what is causing damage to our society.

The problem society now faces is not being there for their kids. If the child's parents controlled the content their child viewed, the death would have been prevented.

There has been no change on YouTube's viewing policy since the death of this child. This death may be tragic, but not tragic enough for people to actually do something about it.

There's a big need for parents to be more alert and ready to be there for their children so they can make sure this type of incident never happens again.

The reason for this is because if parent's don't keep an eye on what their kids watch then there's no real evidence that this wont happen again.

The last thing any parent want's to worry about is their kid hanging or drowning themselves from what they watch so there should be more interaction with adults and children before watching some thing potentially dangerous.





Talon Marks Press Club  
‘Newsies’  
Best Displays the Spirit of Cerritos College



Phi Theta Kappa  
‘Phantom of the Opera’  
Best Utilization of Paper



## Take your cancer stick somewhere else



Hannah  
Bradley  
Staff Writer  
hannah.bradley@talonmarks.com

The smell of cigarette smoke automatically causes discomfort on any occasion, and the establishment of designated smoking areas for nonsmoking students to avoid this issue is a necessity moving forward on the Cerritos College campus.

The only real regulations regarding smoking are posted near some campus building entry ways. The sign states that it is prohibited to smoke within 20 feet from the entrance.

20 feet from the doorway can be right in the middle of a crowded sidewalk, where numerous non-

smoking students walk from class to class daily.

This 20-foot rule is also set up around all main entrances to the campus, leading to an even cloudier idea of where it is both safe to smoke and safe to avoid smoke.

With large amounts of research and awareness campaigns broadcasted through television such as those put on by thetruth.com, an anti-smoking campaign that is trying to raise the awareness through statistics.

Cerritos College needs to have designated smoking areas.

According to the American Cancer Society website, inhaling secondhand smoke is more harmful than inhaling smoke through the actual cigarette.

According to the website, “Non-smokers who breathe in sec-

ondhand smoke take in nicotine and other toxic chemicals just like smokers do, and the more you are exposed to, the higher the level of these harmful chemicals in your body.”

Larger particles of chemicals and nicotine are released from the ignited end of the cigarette rather than the side designated for the smoker to inhale from, causing the involuntary smoker to take in particles that can easily maneuver into the body’s cells more easily.

These facts may not automatically come to mind as you walk through a plume of smoke trying to walk across campus to your 10 a.m. lecture.

Clearing up the confusion as to where the appropriate locations to both avoid and take part in smoking before an issue erupts would be

the smartest approach to the situation.

The inconvenience of having to walk an extra two minutes to a designated smoking location in order to light up a cigarette is completely minuscule in comparison to the inconvenience of developing a serious illness due to inhaling secondhand smoke.

Secondhand smoke dangers should be announced and made aware to both smoking and non-smoking students on the campus, such that Cerritos College and the community can take bolder and safer steps to making this a healthy environment that everyone can enjoy.

This could all be achieved with the addition of well-posted designated smoking areas around the Cerritos College campus.

## People shouldn’t be judged on their sexuality



Abraham  
Venegas  
Associate online  
editor  
abraham.venegas@talonmarks.com

ciety views them as a freak and/or social outcasts, where they would be ridiculed, abandoned by their family, or even beaten or killed just because they are different?

Research like that of Evelyn Hooker, a psychologist, found there was no distinguishable difference between gay men and heterosexual men in terms of personality.

French philosopher Michael Foucault’s belief is that society constructs gender roles for men and women.

At a young age, boys are taught how to act like men. They are taught to be independent, assertive, and aggressive.

Girls at a young age are taught to be emotional, passive and supportive.

For a kid who is trying to understand his/her homosexuality and expresses traits from the opposite sex, he/she will be ridiculed by society.

Society will tell them to repress those thoughts and traits, even though those same traits can be found in every man and woman.

In the long run, these therapies only bring psychological torment to kids who are trying to cope with their sexuality and are being told that homosexuality is unnatural and immoral.

According to www.fiercgood-bye.com, 30 percent of suicides involve gay and lesbian youth.

Therapies that aim to change sexual orientation only reinforce stereotypes and prejudice.

Southern Poverty Law Center analysis of 14 years of hate crime found that gays and lesbians are the most targeted group which amount to 17.4 percent of the total of 88,463 reported violent hate crimes.

If society just accepts people for who they are, labeling people “gay” or “straight” wouldn’t exist. Ultimately, society needs to stop caring if a person is gay or straight and just accept people for who they are.

Did one of us write something that ground your gears? Do you want to congratulate us on the great job we’re doing? Whatever the case may be, we would love to hear from you, our readers. Send a **LETTER to the EDITOR**. We accept electronic mail at [editor@talonmarks.com](mailto:editor@talonmarks.com) and boring regular mail at our office in **FA-42**. If you want your letter or e-mail to be printed, you must proudly sign it with your real name. Letters in poor taste will not be printed. This means we don’t want any hate speech or conspiracy theories (unless they’re hilarious). We only edit your letters for length to print them, but they appear in full online. If the subject of your letter is campus-related, then it will be given priority.



TALON MARKS is a First Amendment publication. Editorials express the views of the Editorial Board. Other opinions express the view of the author and are not to be considered opinions of the publication’s staff, the Editorial Board, the advisers, the Cerritos College Associated Students, the college administration or the Board of Trustees. Production and printing of TALON MARKS is partially funded by the Associated Students of Cerritos College.

Facilities and academic supervision are provided by the Journalism Program. Newsroom offices are located in the Fine Arts Building, Room FA42.

Cerritos College is located at 11110 Alondra Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650  
Telephone numbers: (562) 860-2451, ext. 2617 FAX (562) 467-5044  
Vol. 57 © 2012 Talon Marks

Talon Marks Fall 2012 Staff	Editor in Chief Patrick Dolly						Associate Editors		Staff		JACC Pacesetter Award 2009-2010
	News Editor Lauren Gandara Managing Editor Sarah Niemann	Arts Editor Rosaura Montes Copy Editor John Morfin	Co-Sports Editor Martin Calderon Social Media Editor Alexandra Scoville	Co-Sports Editor Jonathan Garza Co-Audio/Podcast Editor Tania Olivas	Opinion Editor Luis Guzman Co-Audio/Podcast Editor Gildardo Aquino	Photo Editor Michael Ares Co-Audio/Podcast Editor Gildardo Aquino	News Editor Eduardo Alvarado	Arts Editor Julian Godoy	Angela Arellano, Israel Arzate, Sarah Bautista, Robert Beaver, Hannah Bradley, Dufne Bravo, Connie Garcia, David Ramirez, Raul Samaniego, Sangeon Shin and Anita Velapatio		Faculty Adviser Rich Cameron
							Online Editor Abraham Venegas	Opinion Editor Carlos Mariscal			Instructional Lab Tech. I Alicia Edquist





Triathlon Club  
'Lion King'  
Best Craftsmanship



Queer Straight Alliance  
'Cats'

## Interludes to take place in Cerritos Theater Department

JULIAN GODOY  
Associate Arts Editor  
julian.godoy@talonmarks.com

Coming this December to the Cerritos College Burnight Center Theater are Miguel Cervantes' Interludes, directed by theater instructor Forrest Hartl.

Interludes, also known as short comic plays, were written in Spain in the early 1600s by Cervantes, a Spanish poet and playwright.

These were originally meant to go in between longer drama acts in order to provide comic relief.

"(In the 1600s) instead of going at intermission to get a drink or use the bathroom, you would stay in your seat and watch a short 15 minute farce, which usually made fun of the drama you were watching," said Hartl.

Stage manager Priscilla Daza stresses authenticity stating, "I intend to familiarize myself with the music, style of clothing, and architecture which all takes place in the 1600s."

Hartl explains his direction for the play as fast paced, where the plot is immediately introduced.

"Pace is so important, timing is so important and clarity is very important," explains Hartl.

In addition to acting, live music will also be part of the interludes.

The music performers are said to come out between and during sets, as some characters will be playing instruments during the play.

Auditions for musicians and actors were held on Monday and Tuesday night.

Theatre arts major Oralia Neria, who has been in the theatre program for four semesters, is hoping to be cast in her first production.

"I'm just trying to get any experience," Neria said, "so anything I'll be happy with."

Interludes will debut on Dec. 7 in the Burnight Studio Theater.

### Applied Music Recitals (10/17)

11 a.m.  
Stephen Bernhardt

(Piano)

Steven McEvilly

(Saxophone)

6 p.m.

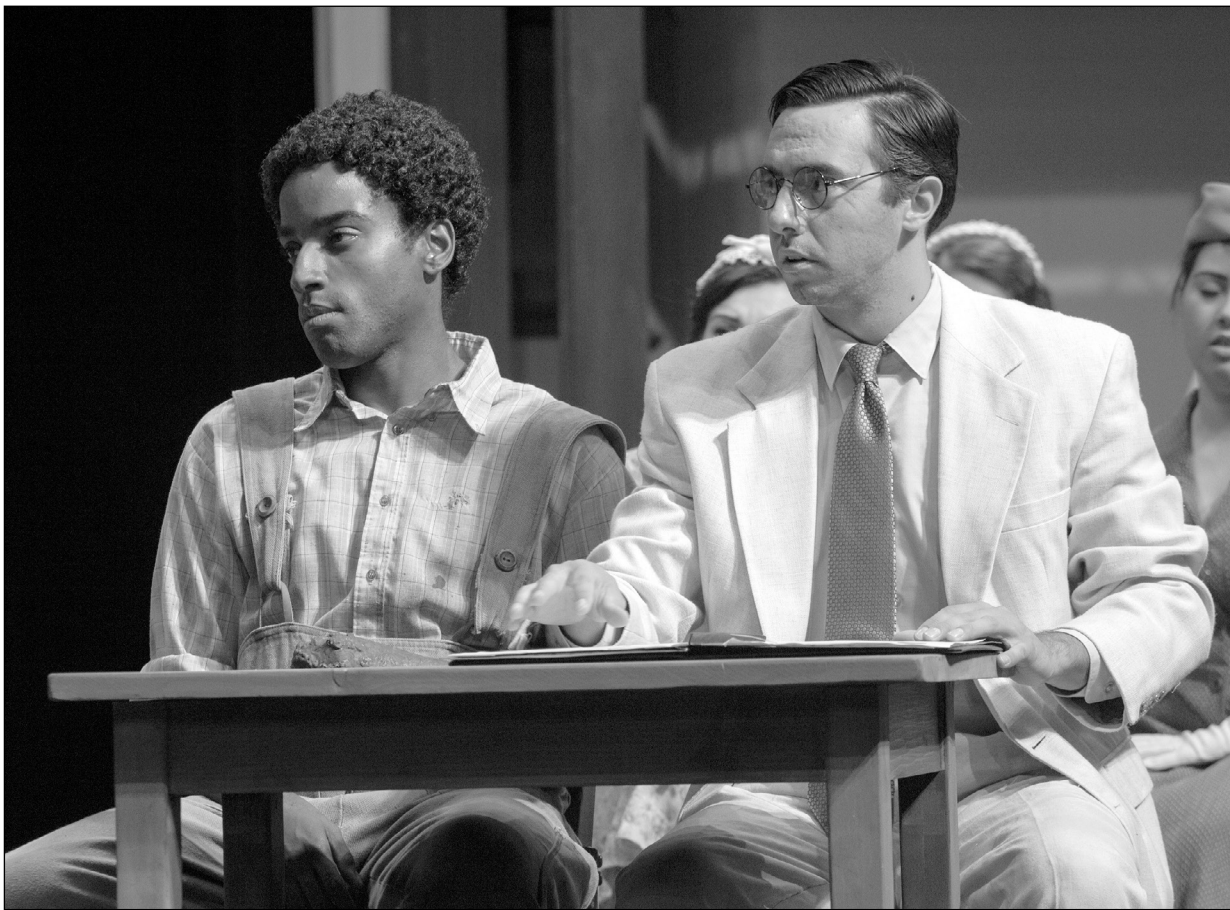
Janet Cisneros

(Clarinet)

Zineb Fikri

(Voice)

All recitals are held in BC51



Listening closely: Tom Robinson (Eric Boone, left) and Atticus Finch (Devon DeLamora, right) listen to prosecution testimony in part of "To Kill A Mockingbird."

## 'To Kill A Mockingbird' a great theater production

### Play Review

"To Kill A Mockingbird"

**Starring:** Devon DeLamora

**Director:** Kevin Slay

**Rating:** ★★★★★

EDUARDO ALVARADO  
Associate News Editor  
eduardo.alvarado@talonmarks.com

The Cerritos College Theatre Department did an excellent job in taking audience members back to 1935 in its debut production of "To Kill A Mockingbird."

The production is based on Harper Lee's 1960 Pulitzer Prize-winning novel and adapted by Christopher Sergel who takes audience members back to the Deep Southern town of Maycomb, Alabama where attorney Atticus Finch defends a wrongly accused African American from execution.

Audience members are right in the middle of it all.

From the black defendant to the white accuser, audience members will be on the edge of their seat even knowing how it all ends.

Director Kevin Slay truly picked the right talent for such a controversial novel, which has been subject to removal from public classrooms due to its racial epithets and has done a wonderful job in picking the protagonists, who take you back into the 1935 courtroom.

Slay, along with the rest of the cast, have done a wonderful job in bringing the novel to life at the Cerritos College stage, from the courthouse drama to the fighting scene between Jem and Bob Ewell. The whole cast has dedicated many hours of preparation and ultimately it has paid off.

The production's narrator, Kelsey England, who plays Jean Louise Finch, opened the night by setting the tone of what audience members were about to endure.

Light board operator Veronica Cabrera-Garcia and sound board operator Joshua Cardenas also helped set the mood on the stage

where it was mainly needed.

Atticus Finch portrayed by Devon DeLamora, brings the attorney to life on stage by projecting a mellow voice and observing his surroundings before speaking, just like in the novel.

The production's real stars are Amanda Fox who plays Scout, Carlos Holguin who portrays Jem and Breanna Hunter who plays Dill.

Fox is no stranger on the stage and it really shows. She is the perfect actress to portray Scout.

From the boyish blond hair to the tomboy look, Fox lures in the audience from scene to scene.

Holguin made his debut performance on the Cerritos College stage and was spot on right from his first scene. Playing Scout's older brother, Jem, Holguin plays the perfect older brother from being over protective to never backing down from a dare.

One of the scene stealers of the night has to be Breanna Hunter who perfectly portrays Dill, a ten year-old boy who has a colorful imagination and a great fashion sense. Hunter, being a girl, never seemed to try to make Dill be funny, but accomplished to do so regardless and made it work.

A big hats off to Ivan Oyarzabal for his portrayal of Bob Ewell from scene to scene having audience members jump off their seats every time he screamed.

One of the night's biggest scene stealer, and the favorite actress of the night, has to be Calpurnia, the housekeeper, who is played by Bunmi Famoyiwa.

She stole the limelight from every actor in every single scene she appeared in from beginning to end, doing a magnificent job right from the start.

The production will continue on Oct. 18, 19, 20 at 8 p.m. and Oct. 21 at 2 p.m. at Burnight Center Theater.



Panic for a loved one: Calpurnia (Bunmi Famoyiwa) comforts Helen Robinson (Nedra Kennedy) as Reverend Sykes (Prasad Adusumalli) and Atticus Finch (Devon DeLamora) restrain her after the court decision.

## Ian Ruskin performs one-man play based on Thomas Paine

SARAH NIEMANN  
Managing Editor  
managing@talonmarks.com

The English actor Ian Ruskin brought the life of Thomas Paine to a packed audience in the Teleconference Center at Cerritos College on Oct. 10.

Ruskin, 61, performed this one-man play "To Begin the World Over Again: The Life of Thomas Paine" eight or nine times previously to bringing his act to Cerritos College.

It took a year for him to complete the research the play with the help of five scholars and he continues to tweak the script.

"I had to have facts correct...On another level you have to write a piece that is human and people can connect to," he said.

Ruskin tries to perform at universities and community colleges to help spread the knowledge of Thomas Paine by telling his story and was invited to Cerritos College by Professor Julie Davis

"I really liked what he said. He was a man with highs and lows in his life and as a writer you have to

have those. And I really think he is one of the most misunderstood men in American history," Ruskin said about Paine.

"Everyone says he is a filthy atheist but he was never an atheist he was a deist (not a believer in organized religion)."

The one-man play lasts about an hour and starts after Paine's first wife dies and ends with his death.

It explains the trials and tribulations he came across as a journalist and a writer fighting for what he felt was for the good of the general population and all of the friends he lost along the way.

Austin Garrieo, psychology major said, "I thought it was awesome. I liked it a lot because he (Paine) talked about equality and that still applies to today's society."

As an actor Ruskin has appeared on shows like Murder, She Wrote and MacGyver and he continues to do voice over work.

If you didn't get to see the act in person you can watch Ruskin's YouTube videos at [www.youtube.com/thelifethomaspaine](http://www.youtube.com/thelifethomaspaine).



ROSaura MONTES/TM

From England: Trained actor from the London at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art, Ian Ruskin, performing his one-man play "To Begin the World Over Again: The Life of Thomas Paine." Ruskin performed at the Teleconference Center on Oct. 10.





**Phi Beta Lambda**  
**'How To Succeed in Business Without Really Trying'**  
**Most Inspirational**



**Anime Club**  
**'Little Shop Of Horrors'**  
**Most Humorous**

## Theater department students take part in improvisational theater

CONNIE GARCIA  
 Staff Writer  
 connie.garcia@talonmarks.com

Faculty member and director Forrest Hartl encourages students to attend the Generic Improvisational Peep Shows.

Improvisational theater has no script and takes part in interactive performances with audiences who determine what scenes improv actors should do.

There are never the same kind of GIPS performances because each audience is different, meaning new jokes and scenes will happen by the improv actors.

GIPS are improvisational comedy performances by Cerritos College students who will be touring local schools, community events and perform on campus.

"High school students are always enthusiastic about the shows and later become GIPS members because they loved the show(s) so much.

"Not only did they come to Cerritos (College) because of GIPS, but many have continued their theater career because of the training they learned from Hoggard," Hartl added.

GIPS was started by professor Kevin Hoggard with Cerritos College students about 20 years ago.

To brush up on improv, before auditioning, there will be a Improvisation Workshop on Wednesday from 12 to 2 p.m. at the Burnight Studio Theater, BC31.

Auditions will be held on Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at BC31.

All participating members need to be available every Friday from Oct. 26 to Dec. 21.

"Many people have seen improv for the first time because of GIPS," Hartl said.

Hartl added that he attended Cerritos College as an undecided major until he took an improvisation course with Hoggard and decided to work in theater.

"I think the benefits are that theater gives some students an outlet for their creativity and can even become a career path for certain students," Hartl said.

Business major Michelle Aguilar commented on GIPS by saying, "This improv stuff sounds interesting and I might just check it out."

For more information, go to [www.cerritos.edu/theater](http://www.cerritos.edu/theater).



COURTESY OF MCT

John Goodman (left) and Ben Affleck (right) in the thriller "Argo." Affleck is both the director and star of the movie.

## 'Argo' is a suspenseful success for audiences

### Movie Review

'Argo'

**Starring:** Ben Affleck  
**Director:** Ben Affleck  
**Rating:** ★★★★★

MICHAEL ARES  
 Photo Editor  
 photo@talonmarks.com

"Argo" is a thriller that's based on the true, but lesser known side story of the Iranian hostage crisis that began in 1979, when Islamic Iranians took over the American Embassy located in Iran and held 52 Americans hostage.

This movie will please young teens with all the suspense, but it may hit home to the older generation that lived through the actual time of the hostage crisis and had no knowledge of this being an American mission since it was kept under wraps by the government.

The actors chosen for this movie are all amazing.

You can feel the hostages' pain and the anxiety just grips you as you root for them to make it through all the checkpoints they face in the movie.

When you sit there and watch the movie, the premise seems so ludicrous that it seems it would only be in a movie, however when you realize that it's a true story, it brings into your mind a whole new perspective that blows your mind away that this actually happened.

The film is directed by Ben Affleck, and "Argo" seems to be undeniably his best work yet.

When the embassy is being taken over, six Americans escape through the back side of the building and are in hiding under the care of the Canadian ambassador, portrayed by actor Victor Garber.

Tony Mendez, portrayed by Affleck, is a C.I.A. technical operations officer who takes it upon himself to lead a seemingly suicidal mission to help the six Americans escape with the idea of producing a fake science fiction movie titled "Argo."

Mendez's idea has him acting as a Canadian director who is location scouting for his new movie, and the

six Americans are his "crew."

The mission is to pull off that they are a film crew, then eventually get to an airport to fly home.

There are some funny parts in the movie to give the audience small breaks from the suspense with comic relief given by John Chambers, portrayed by actor John Goodman, and Lester Siegel, portrayed by actor Alan Arkin.

Bryan Cranston gives a strong performance as Jack O' Donnell, Mendez's boss. You can see his side and what he is feeling when he has to go through the "higher-ups" on the job chain proposing the seemingly preposterous idea of making a fake movie to save six lives.

That alone is a reason to go and watch this movie.

There really aren't any main action scenes with gunfire and car chases, but when the movie makes you feel nervous without people dying and explosions going off, it has succeeded.

This movie will leave you feeling a bit more patriotic, yet wondering what other stories are out there that the government is keeping secret from us.



**Have your**  
**AA Degree?**  
**You Can Attend**  
**Law School.**

You can attend Trinity Law School upon completion of your Associates Degree. Go straight to law school. Save time, save money, and get a great education with unlimited opportunities. Apply today FREE!\*



\*Application fee waiver code: JCA213  
 For more information: [www.tls.edu](http://www.tls.edu)







Leo Club  
'Seussical'  
Best Utilization of Color

Intl. Student Assn. Club  
'Wicked'  
Best Utilization of Animation



Model U.N. Club  
'The Producers'  
Most Educational



JONATHAN GARZA/TM

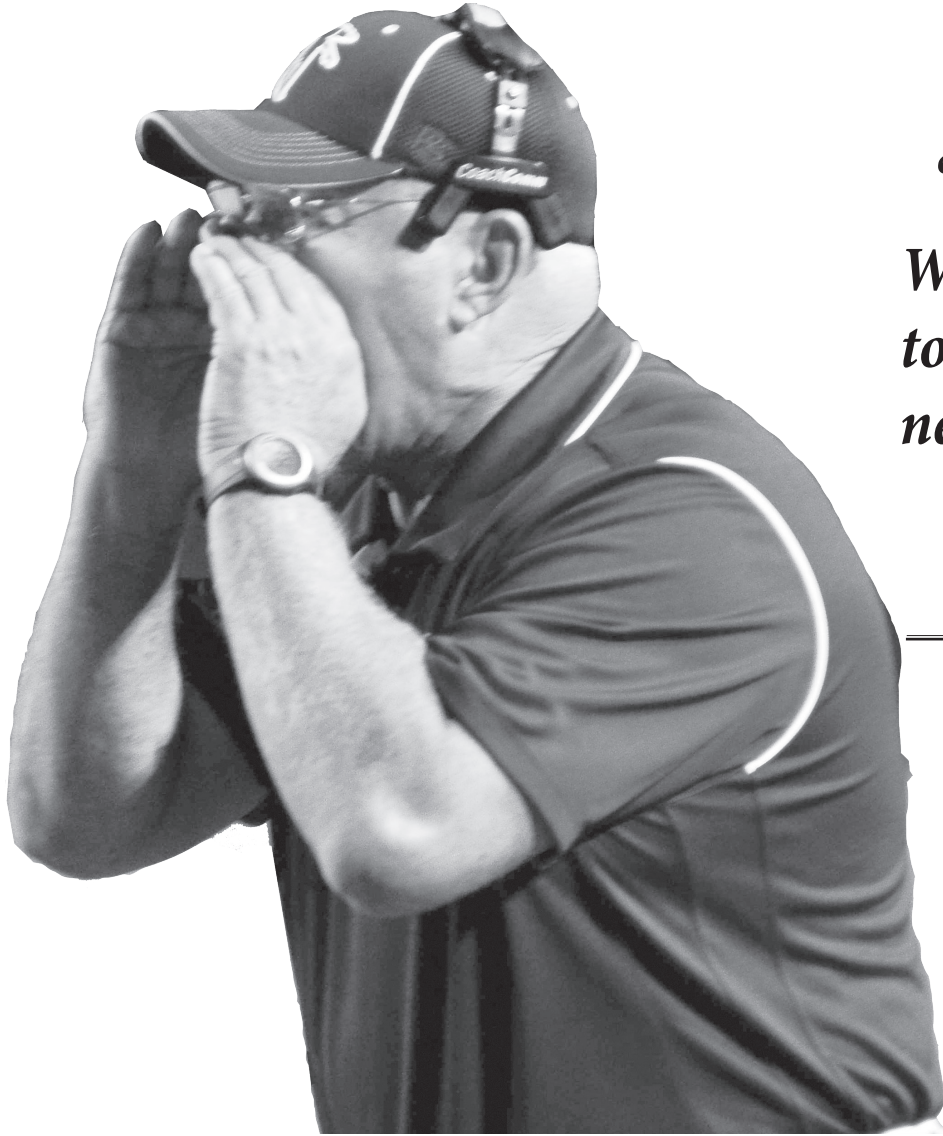
Homecoming continued from page 1

# Falcons run wild on Bulldogs

Cerritos College wins 55-25

touchdown. Hancock College missed the extra point but closed the gap to 15-13. Two drives later, the Falcons answered back. Fennell found wide receiver Robert Abeyta, who caught the ball for a 66-yard touchdown in spectacular fashion. Abeyta caught the ball, stiff-armed a Hancock player, juked another and dove into the end-zone to escape two pursuing defensive players. Cerritos College led 21-13 after the first half. Hancock College took the first possession going into the second half. On third-and-8, Jefferies threw what looked like an incomplete pass as the ball slipped through the arms of his receiver and bounced off the ground and directly back into his arms. One referee, who had a clear view on the play, called the pass incomplete, but the other referees overruled his call. The play resulted in a first down in Falcons territory. Ultimately, Hancock would run the ball into the endzone. Hancock College went for the extra point but a Cerritos College special teams player blocked the kick and another recovered the ball and returned it to mid-field. Off-setting penalties would kill the play. Cerritos College attacked again on its next drive. Fennell threw the ball through the arms of three Hancock defenders to Abeyta for the touchdown. On Hancock's next drive, the Cerritos defense would hold it to a three-and-out. "We had a lot of penetration," defensive tackle Kyle Peko said. "We played on (Hancock's) side of the scrimmage line. I feel like we were a tougher, more prepared team." Hancock went for the punt, and again, the kick was blocked. Free safety Jonathan Taylor would then recover the ball and

run it to the 4-yard line. Subsequently, Fennell would sneak in for the touchdown. "It wasn't planned, it was a reaction," Fennell said. "We had a guy open but I had a defender in my face. I had a safe route into the endzone so I went for it." On its remaining possessions, Cerritos College went into ball control by switching its offense to mostly executing running plays, aiming to run the clock out. Still, Cerritos's rushing game was too much for Hancock. Cerritos College moved the ball on its next possession by running the ball. Fennell then found wide receiver Darion Manning, who caught the ball for the touchdown. In the final seconds of the third, Hancock answered back with a pass, getting the ball over to Shellow, who was a step too quick for the Falcons defender, and completed the play, scoring a touchdown. Hancock then missed the two-point conversion. Cerritos led 42-25 at the end of the third quarter. Cerritos College would continue to run the ball to waste the clock in the fourth quarter and score two additional touchdowns. "It feels really good to get the win," Fennell said. "It gives our team confidence. It's not like we couldn't win at home. We just needed to do it. "We didn't make too many mistakes and we made some big plays. When we don't make mistakes, we're unstoppable." The Falcons have won three straight games, and hope to ride the momentum this weekend as they face the undefeated Ventura College team which currently holds a 7-0 record.



“  
*We needed this win to set us up for the next few games*  
”

FRANK MAZZOTTA

Cerritos College Falcons Head Football Coach



MICHAEL ARES/TM

**Touchdown:** Falcons wide receiver Robert Abeyta completes a catch from quarterback Morgan Fennell for 6 points. Cerritos College defeated Allan Hancock College in its Homecoming game, 55-25.





twitter

#talonmarks



The offensive line dominated the line of scrimmage!!  
#talonmarks

yolie

Sat, Oct 13 2012 21:42:39



click! click! click! #talonmarks

Melanie

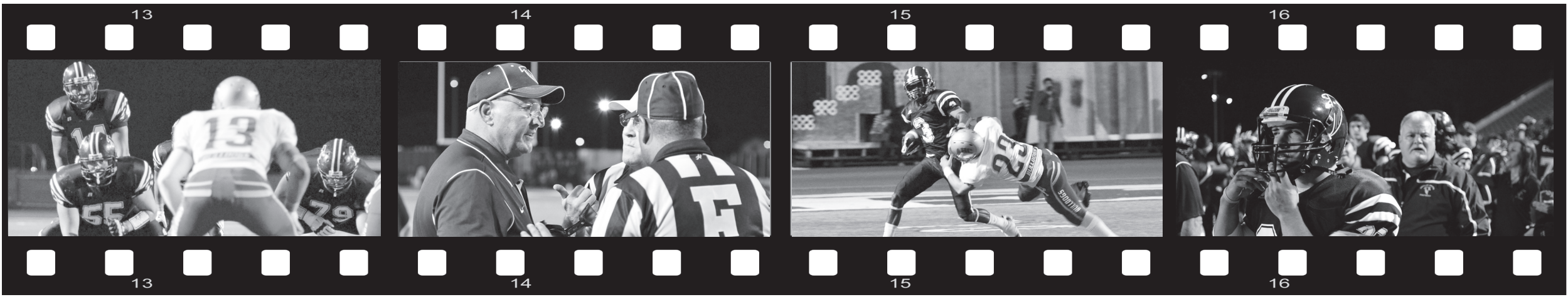
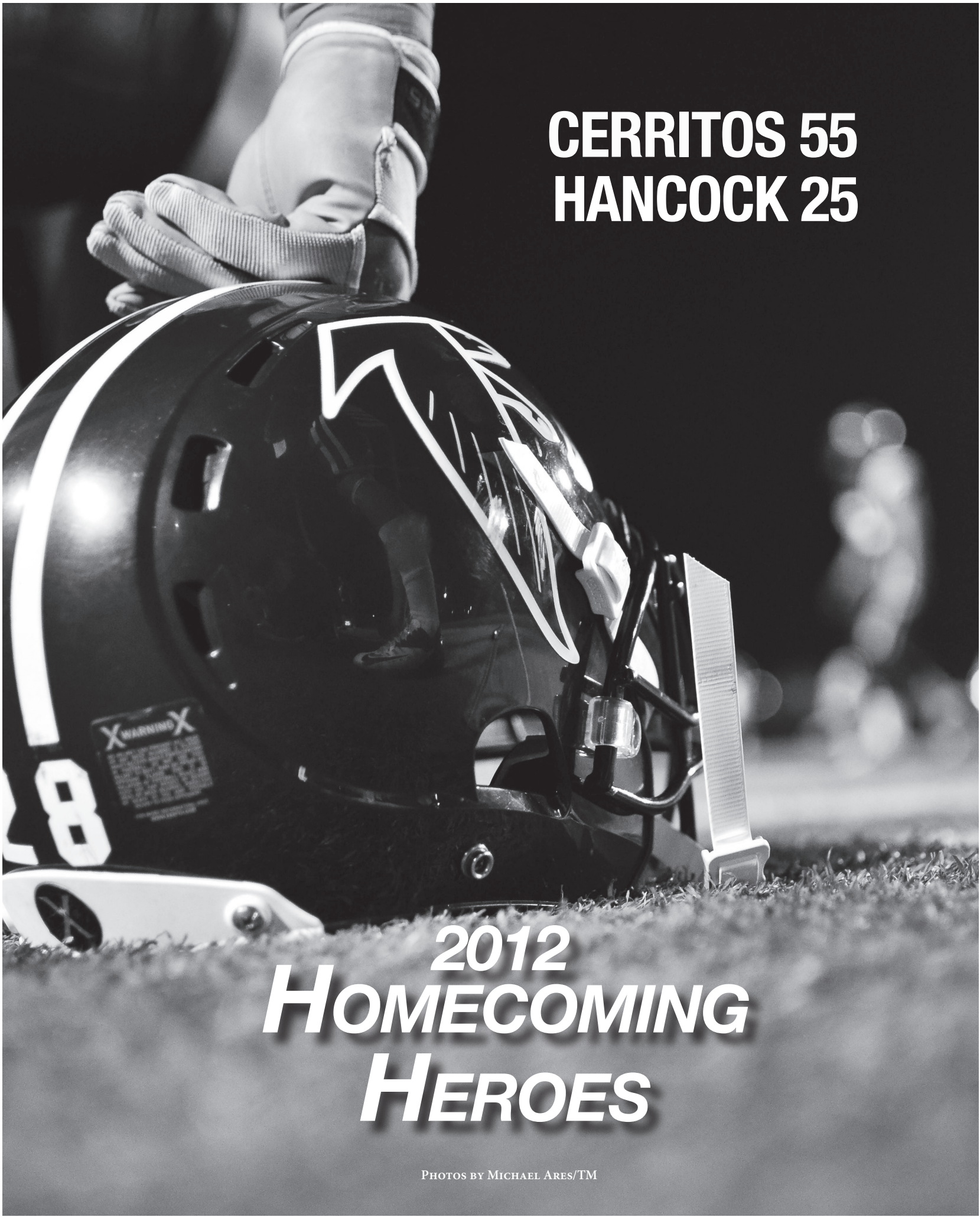
Sat, Oct 13 2012 21:21:21

## YARDAGE-LEADERS

Passing: Morgan Fennell - 237

Rushing: Michael Garrison - 80

Receiving: Robert Abeyta - 121





FALCONS  
SPORTS  
BRIEFS

MEN’S CROSS  
COUNTRY

1ST PLACE - MT. SAN  
ANTONIO INVITATIONAL  
(49 POINTS)

WOMEN’S CROSS  
COUNTRY

1ST PLACE - MT. SAN  
ANTONIO INVITATIONAL  
(52 POINTS)

FOOTBALL

CERRITOS 55  
HANCOCK 25

MEN’S  
SOCCER

CERRITOS 3  
LONG BEACH 1  
PASADENA 2  
CERRITOS 1

WOMEN’S  
SOCCER

LONG BEACH 2  
CERRITOS 1  
CERRITOS 4  
PASADENA 1

VOLLEYBALL

EL CAMINO 3  
CERRITOS 0  
25-12, 25-16,  
25-20

CERRITOS 3  
EAST LA 1  
25-23, 21-25,  
25-14, 25-14

MEN’S  
WATER POLO

CERRITOS 12  
EL CAMINO 4  
CERRITOS 10  
PALOMAR 8

WOMEN’S  
WATER POLO

CERRITOS 21  
EL CAMINO 3

WRESTLING

7TH PLACE - MODESTO  
TOURNAMENT (58.5  
TEAM POINTS)



Falcons tackled in Pasadena

HANNAH BRADLEY  
Staff Writer  
hannah.bradley@talonmarks.com

With two consecutive wins under its belt, the Ceritos College men’s soccer team traveled to Pasadena City College looking to continue with its constant improvements to establish itself at the top of the South Coast Conference.

Having made preparations during the week at practice acknowledging Pasadena’s small and short width field, the Falcons seemed prepared for short throw ins and constant threats off of throw ins directly on goal.

Once it was game time, however, these preparations had been proven worthless.

The Pasadena City College Lancers took advantage of their home field knowledge and style of play, and had already established a 2-0 lead within the first sixteen minutes of the half.

Sophomore defender Gabriel Rivera expressed his frustration after the game, stating that “In the first half we came out slow.

“We practiced on a small field at practice because all they would do is throw the ball in and then wait for the flick and that’s what they did.

“I guess we weren’t ready for it, and they scored both of their goals like that.”

A fierce halftime discussion from head coach Benny Artiaga which focused on the importance of coming out alert as soon as the whistle was blown in the second half helped produce a stronger late performance from the Falcons.

Having control of the ball on Pasadena’s defensive half of the field for a predominant portion of the first fifteen minutes, Cerritos College constructed multiple shot attempts to prove that the game was far from over.

A large portion of the Falcons’ total 15 shots originated from the second portion of the match, four more than the Lancers.

Their hard work finally produced a goal in the 68th minute, with sophomore Daniel Garcia beating the goalkeeper off of a pass from fellow sophomore Gerardo Soto.

Unfortunately the Falcons were unable to finish a

plethora of chances they constructed as the clock ran down.

The Pasadena City College team that only pieced together one win from its previous twelve matches handed Cerritos College its second loss of the season, as the Falcons fell 2-1.

Mario Guerrero, a sophomore midfielder, had already figured out multiple reasons why the Falcons fell behind as soon as the final whistle blew.

“We came out a little confident thinking that this game was going to be really easy,” he continued.

“We made simple mistakes, all the little things like receiving the ball, completing passes, playing simple, it was the little things that caught up to us.”

Guerrero sees one area for improvement heading

further into the season, adding that they “need to work on set pieces on crosses.”

Cerritos College now needs prepare for one of its toughest battles of the season, as the Falcons are set to travel to Los Angeles Harbor College to face the Seahawks this Friday at 4 p.m..



NBA 2K13 owns

JONATHAN GARZA  
Co-Sports Editor  
jonathan.garza@talonmarks.com

When the thought of another basketball game gets brought up each year, video game fans want more.

NBA 2K13 by 2K Sports delivers, boasting an impressive product that betters its predecessor in nearly every way.

First off, the graphics are phenomenal. While watching a game in play, spectators can immediately confuse the video for a real-life basketball game.

The faces are life-like, the courts are identical too, and it doesn’t stop there, as 2K Sports added in a neat feature where celebrities roam around courtside as they take in a game.

Faces like Jay-Z and Justin Bieber are just a couple of people that one might expect to see during an NBA 2K13 contest.

The celebrities seem like a bit much for the ball game, but to some, it will be a welcome addition. However, to the more sports-savvy gamers (and fans), it feels like clutter to the title.

However, focusing on the players and arenas can make one forget about the negative, because there really is too little of it.

Luckily, the game isn’t just something pretty to look at, it sounds great too.

Packed into the game are the sounds of the NBA, including arena sounds, fan chants, player communications, and the grunts and groans that result from the game’s physicality, much like a fans would hear while attending an NBA game at their nearby arena.

It will be hard for players to resist the temptation to not get excited while playing NBA 2K13, as familiar tunes surround their living rooms, prepping them for the next jaw-dropping highlight play.

It’s important for the sound aspect to be properly implemented

into a game because while it goes largely unnoticed, it really does captivate a player to keep wanting to come back and play another game.

For those curious about a games outcome, look no further, NBA 2K13 boasts a very realistic simulation engine, one that will be relied on by both fans and experts alike throughout the upcoming season.

A fair simulation by NBA 2K13 grasps the Miami Heat for a repeat performance as the champions of the NBA, this time taking down the San Antonio Spurs in five games.

While many fans in Los Angeles would disagree, it seems to be a fair attempt at crowning next season’s champion well in advance.

Without the proper simulation engine, this game would be taken as a joke, so fans everywhere will be happy to know that much detail was put into the game.

NBA 2K13 is available in stores everywhere for both the Playstation 3 and XBOX 360 video game consoles for a retail price of \$59.99.

Mobile  
News



Scan to view a video  
review of NBA 2K13



http://bit.ly/SYZFV3



California State University  
DOMINGUEZ HILLS

At CSUDH, I have my choice of  
in-demand degrees.

CSUDH  
connects

CSUDH offers a wide selection of quality  
degree programs.

CSUDH has what you’re looking for, including a wide  
selection of degree programs recognized for their  
academic excellence. Find the degree and the  
classes you need to reach your educational and  
career goals.

Learn more at [CSUDH.EDU/FutureStudents](http://CSUDH.EDU/FutureStudents).

(310) 243-3696 • 1000 E. Victoria Street • Carson, CA 90747

