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## 'Breaking' News

### Burglars steal two Mac computers from the Newsroom in the Fine Arts building

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Cerritos College is hit by a burglary incident once again in less than a month.

The Talon Marks Journalism Lab located in FA 42 of the Fine Arts Building becomes a crime scene after burglars broke in and stole two Mac computers.

According to Cerritos College Police Chief Richard Bukowiecki, a custodial staff member who was making his rounds unintentionally interrupted the burglary in progress.

The custodian saw a suspect hiding in bushes located outside the Fine Arts Building.

The suspect fled the scene after being spotted by the custodian. Two more suspects were spotted running out of the room at the same time.

Police responded to the Fine Arts Building after being alerted of the incident by the custodian at 4:40 a.m.

Responding officers patrolled the area surrounding the school in an effort try to locate and apprehend the perpetrators that fled the scene. The responding officers were unsuccessful in capturing the burglars.

Upon entering the room, they discovered that two computers were missing and others were in a mistreated state.

Officers began to take photographs and process evidence at the scene.

One of the two computers stolen was recovered in a brush area located near FA 42.

According to Chief Bukowiecki, campus police is currently holding the computer as evidence. Police will return the computer once the fingerprinting process is complete.

Bukowiecki also stated that the glass window was broken accidentally by dance students in the hallway outside Room 42 of the Fine Arts Building around 6 p.m.

Once the custodial staff was alerted, they responded to the scene and cleaned up the broken glass and boarded up the window with plywood.

Chief Bukowiecki said that the burglars gained entry to the Fine Arts Building by removing the plywood that was used to temporarily cover the window.

He also suspects that four individuals were involved in the burglary.

"One computer is still missing and since all three of the suspects that fled the scene weren't carrying a computer, it would appear that there was at least four suspects," Chief Bukowiecki said.

Vice President of Academic Affairs, JoAnna Schilling, is very concerned due to the recent burglaries.

"It is our intention of course to

replace the computers, but it's obviously is a larger concern that we make sure that if we replace the computers, they don't get stolen again," Schilling said.

According to Schilling, campus police along with information technology staff are working on a plan to help prevent these incidents from happening again.

Talon Marks Editor-in-Chief Patrick Dolly finds the incident upsetting as well as concerning.

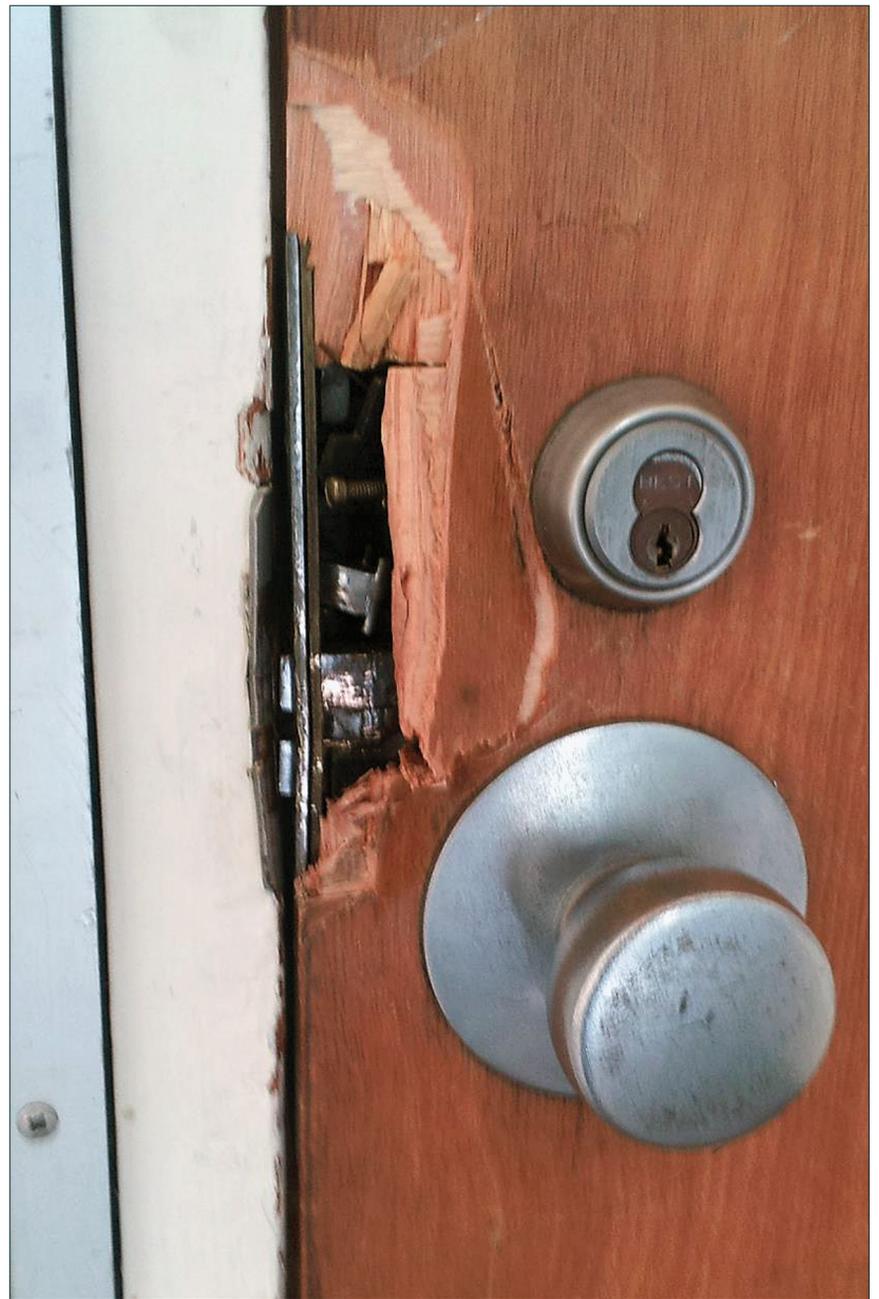
"It feels like someone broke into your home," Dolly said regarding room FA 42.

Dolly said that we need better security around campus.

"When you look at the previous vandalism and burglaries, newer Macs were particularly targeted. We just got brand new computers and for those to have also been targeted, it (is) certainly something that holds weight," Dolly said.

It is currently unknown if this burglary incident is related to the Math Success Center burglary incident that took place during the last weekend of September.

If you have any information involving the burglary, contact the Cerritos College Campus Police Department at (562) 860-2451 Ext. 2325.



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Breaking down the door: The burglars broke off part of the wood to room FA 42's door in order to gain entry. After gaining entry, two computers were stolen from the classroom. This is the second computer theft to take place on campus in less than a month.

## Ding! Ding! Ding! Students pick a president

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Students of Cerritos College who are registered and eager to vote in the 2012 presidential election have a lot of options to look over before they are finally handed a ballot.

President Barack Obama has his second term on the line on Nov. 6, when he is set to face off against a list of candidates who feel that they can do the job better than he has done in the last four years.

His main rival is Republican nominee and former Massachusetts Governor Mitt

Romney, who has campaigned with the idea that his business experience is exactly what the United States needs to get out of the hole of debt they've dug themselves into, among other things.

According to zimbio.com, despite the fact that voting isn't tallied on a voter to voter basis and is calculated in regard to the electoral college, the young adult vote has a large impact that both of the nominees have striven to grasp.

The electoral vote for the state of California is set at 55, and in recent years the state has favored toward the democratic candidate.

However, some students at Cerritos

College have voiced that this is a time for change in the country, directly correlating with the budget cuts and struggles the education system has been facing recently.

Kathleen Launder, a physical therapy assistant major, feels that Romney's experience in business is exactly what the country needs in order to get back on the right track.

She also strongly agrees with many of the policies addressed by Romney's running mate Paul Ryan.

"The fact that these two (Romney and Ryan) seem to have a plan. Who knows if it is actually going to work, but they seem to have a plan to change the economic situation that has been going on," Launder explained.

"I want to see change. I know when Obama came in, he talked about change and I don't like anything I've seen so far... I've struggled so much in these last four years."

Launder explained that she has been a small business owner for 21 years,

and having something in common with Romney solidified her vote.

"California is made up of small businesses. We are the backbone of this state, and I want to see a guy get in there who might be able to help small businesses," she concluded.

Nursing major Anthony Rios is less optimistic.

"I don't know if I even want to vote this time. I don't ever see a change from any president," Rios said.

He added, "Every year it's the same thing, this President will do better than this President."

"We've had a Republican President and it seems like when we have Republicans in there, we do worse."

"Then we get a Democrat President and we're still on the same level, if not worse."

Whether they feel negatively or positively on that legacy will be a key factor regarding what side the majority of young adults shall sway to.

The decision of who our next president shall be will especially affect students who will be looking to start careers within the next four years.

The election will take place on Nov. 6.

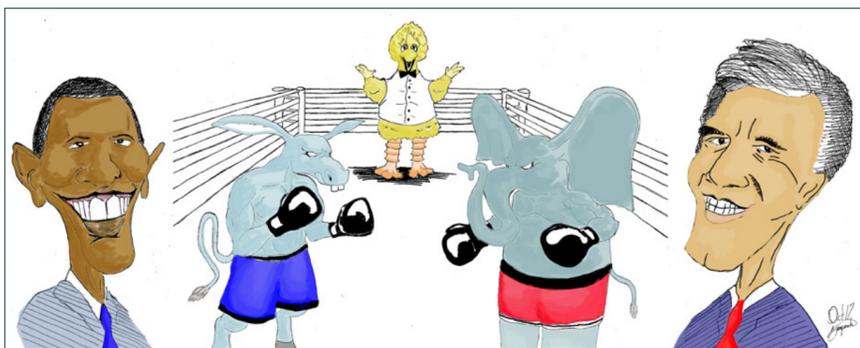
Which presidential candidate are you voting for?

Romney

Obama

Undecided

Not voting



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**OBAMA vs. ROMNEY**

**THE BASICS**

<p><b>Name:</b> Barack Hussein Obama II  <b>Age:</b> 51 years of age  <b>Running Mate:</b> Joe Biden  <b>Political Party:</b> Democratic</p>	<p><b>Name:</b> Willard Mitt Romney  <b>Age:</b> 65 years of age  <b>Running Mate:</b> Paul Ryan  <b>Political Party:</b> Republican</p>
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**POLICIES**

**IMMIGRATION**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uphold the DREAM Act</li> <li>Increase border security</li> <li>Plans to work with Congress to pass an immigration reform.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plans to eliminate chain reaction of families immigrating to join their family member who is a citizen</li> <li>Opposes resident college tuition and driver's license for illegal immigrants</li> </ul>
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**SAME-SEX MARRIAGE**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First president to openly support same-sex marriages</li> <li>Repealed Don't Ask Don't Tell</li> <li>Endorsed the Respect for Marriage Act</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Opposes same-sex marriage</li> <li>Formally accepted domestic partnerships and civil unions</li> <li>Defines marriage as between a man and a woman</li> </ul>
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**EDUCATION**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Investing in community colleges to provide education &amp; career-training programs.</li> <li>Race to the Top program incentivized states to reform K-12 education system</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allow low income and special needs students to choose which school to attend</li> <li>Strengthen and simplify the financial aid system</li> </ul>
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**ECONOMY**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Repeal Bush tax cuts for household earnings more than \$250k</li> <li>Tax the wealthy at a higher rate, which will fund government programs to help out the less fortunate.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expand the tax deduction to also include those who buy their own health insurance</li> <li>Open markets abroad, on fair terms, for American goods and services</li> </ul>
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## Cerritos gets a shake during the Shakeout simulation

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Getting students to understand the importance of earthquake preparedness, the Great California Shakeout drill took place at Cerritos College on Thursday, Oct. 18 at 10:18 a.m.

The Student Health Center held a mock triage where students pretended to be injured. There were also simulated gas leaks to emulate what it would be like if there was an actual earthquake.

ASCC President Lance Makinano said about the success of the event, "I think it went well, I saw a lot of students moving to their perspective evacuation point which is very good and also, they had a triage unit which we get to participate in."

Nancy Montgomery, Associate Dean of Health and Veterans, said, "This year went really smooth because last year we did it for the first time, where we set up a triage unit for medical and we had the fire department out here and they told us that we weren't really organized well enough so we made all those corrections and this year we were well organized."

Crystal Memdiola, undecided major, said, "It was a waste of time because I could have been doing something in the library or been doing something else other than sitting out here."

## Calendar of Events

**Oct. 24**

ASCC Senate Meeting in BK 111/112 at 3 p.m.

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

Vintage Cerritos hosts 10 Year Anniversary Open House at Vintage Cerritos Senior Living Center from 5-8 p.m.

**Oct. 25**

ICC Meeting in BK 111/112 at 11 a.m.

ASCC Judicial Meeting in BK 111/112 at 2 p.m.

**Oct. 27**

Project HOPE hosts Alzheimer's Association "Walk To End Alzheimer's" Volunteer Opportunity at Rainbow Lagoon Park in Long Beach at 6 a.m.

**Oct. 29**

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

**Oct. 30**

ASCC Court Meeting in BK 111/112 at 11 a.m.

**Oct. 31**

ASCC hosts Early Bird Special in Falcon Square at 7:30 a.m.

ASCC hosts Halloween Contest at "The Hill" at 11 a.m.

ASCC Senate Meeting in BK 111/112 at 2 p.m.

**Nov. 1**

ASCC host Student Life in BK 111/112 at 1 p.m.

ASCC Judicial Meeting in BK 111/112 at 2 p.m.

**Nov. 3**

Project HOPE Parent Group Meeting host Cerritos College Board of Trustees Candidate Forum at 9 a.m. in CB 101

**Nov. 5**

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

# General elections will affect students

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Voters across America will descend upon thousands of polling places to decide national, state and local issues ranging from selecting a president to approving funding for a variety of state and local issues.

All matters on the ballot are essential with three local items directly affecting Cerritos College and its students.

Those measures are propositions 30, 38 and local Bond G going before the Cerritos College district voters as well.

Dr. Daniel E. Smith, Cerritos College instructional dean for health, physical education, dance, and athletics, expressed that Cerritos College was in a situation where cuts would still have to be made if Prop 30 passes, but, more cuts would have to occur if it didn't.

Benjamin Hueso, California assembly member from San Diego said, "Right now we're trying to keep the (California) community colleges program the cheapest and highest quality in the country and if this initiative (Prop 30) fails, we're going to see a combination of increases in fees to students and layoffs for personnel."

If approved, Proposition 30 will amend the California Constitution to include its changes, raising the state sales tax by a quarter percent across the board and increasing the personal income tax on individuals in the highest state tax brackets.

Dan Walters of the Sacramento Bee said, "Prop 30's new taxes would automatically trigger an increase in the state's obligation under Prop 98. Prop 30 would not because its proceeds would virtually all go

to schools anyway, without going through state budget, but not to community colleges."

Proposition 98 was a voter sponsored initiative approved by voters in 1988 mandating that specific percentages of the California State budget be allocated and guaranteed to education.

It adds another part of the current initiative to the pile of reading necessary to fully understand props 30 and 38.

Proposition 30 has nearly 5,000 words in its written text.

According to Assembly Member Hueso, "Prop 30 still involves cuts that we (state legislature) voted on, but with the revenues we have, it would trigger other cuts that are going to impact elementary, community college and the (university) level. It's not the direction we want to go in."

Proposition 30 qualified for the November ballot by registered California voters, gathering a minimal of qualified registered voter signatures.

Hueso added, "The Governor (Brown) and the legislatures had to go out and collect signatures to put the initiative on the ballot."

According to Hueso, if Proposition 30 fails, "It means more cuts. If you look at our (California) budget over the last several years, it went from approximately \$120 billion to about \$85 billion. That's about \$35 billion in cuts. That affects everything from transportation to healthcare, to education, so we (legislators) had to make some substantial cuts because basically we couldn't reform our tax code, and the republicans were opposed to any reforms to the tax code that would increase revenues (raise taxes)."

First year Cerritos College stu-

dent Jessica Gonzales said, "I have read a few of them (the propositions). This is my first time voting so I am not sure how it goes, but I am looking forward to it."

"I do want to read up on all the propositions before I actually vote."

Gonzalez added, "I do not know the differences (between proposition 30, 38 and measure G)."

Proposition 38 is also a tax increase which mainly benefits K-12 before the community college system will see any benefits.

For the community college system to benefit immediately, prop 30 must not only succeed, but in the event that both 30 and 38 pass, Proposition 30 must pass with a higher vote count.

Sophomore Phillip Ramirez of the Kinesiology Club said that he was voting yes on Proposition 30.

Ramirez said, "(Cerritos College) should add more security and more math classes."

The prop is slated to cover additional classes but also may provide funding for public safety programs as well.

Cerritos College Measure G is an independent ballot option to those residents living within the boundaries of the Cerritos College district.

If passed, it will authorize the issuance of bonds totaling nearly \$350 million.

Unlike the state initiative which only needs a simple majority (50 percent + 1 Vote) to pass, Measure G requires a super majority to pass.

The 2012 General Election is set for Tuesday, Nov. 6.

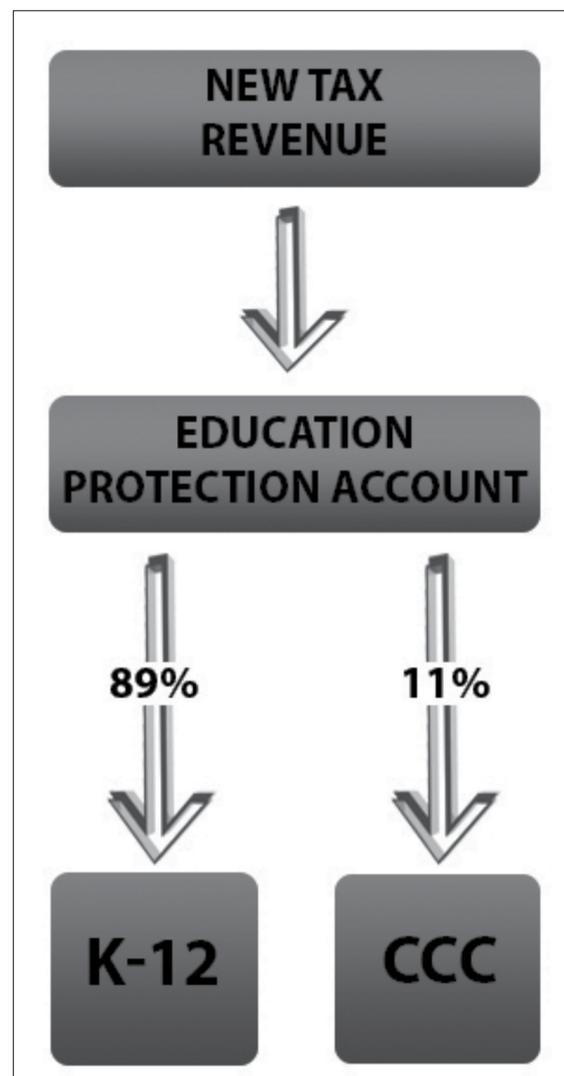
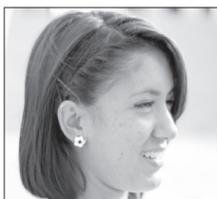


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**By the numbers:** The illustration above shows how revenue will be used if Proposition 30 passes after the Nov. 6, 2012 election.



“What part of Halloween scares you the most?”

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**MONICA MONROY**  
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“The fact that when I take out my brothers and sisters... that we don't get run over.”

**JINYOUNG JAUNG**  
Nursing major

“The part that scares me the most is horror movies because I get scared really easy.”



**KARLA COLOCHO**  
Nursing major

“Walking around trick or treating with my little nephew and someone just jumping out of nowhere.”

**MARIO GUTIERREZ**  
Music major

“The rapist around the neighborhood and the people who poison the candy for the kids.”



**CHRISTINA COBARRUBIAS**  
Animation major

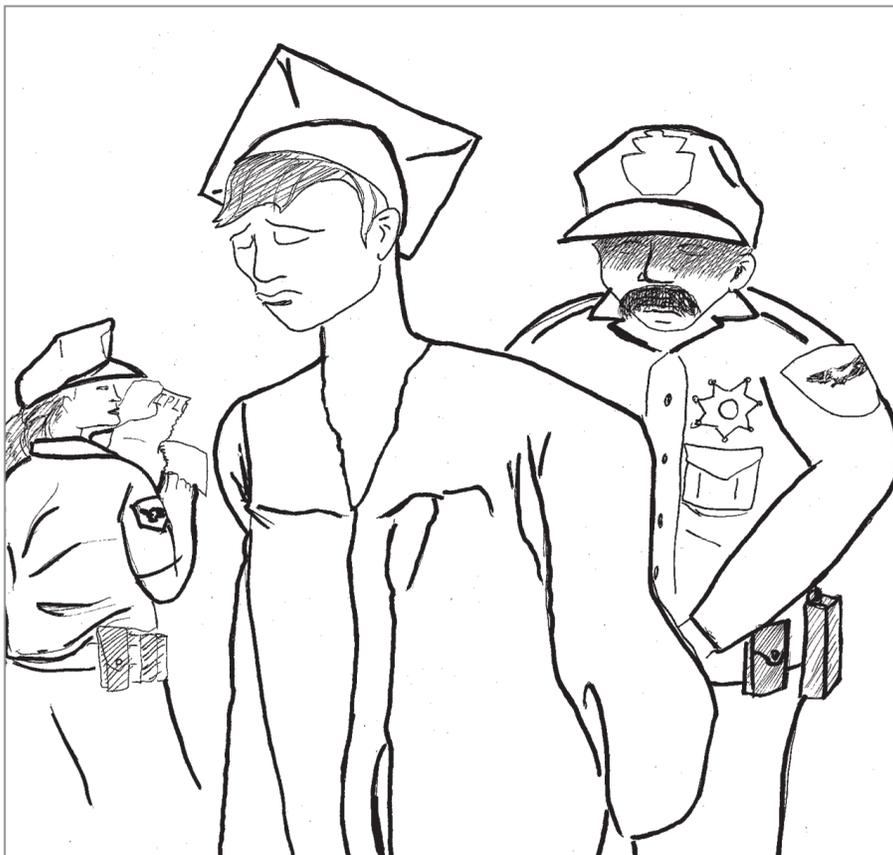
“When people purposely try to scare me, it's fun but not at the moment.”

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Accounting major

“Honestly the whole jump out and getting scared, the whole atmosphere in general.”



•EDITORIAL•



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The DREAM Act affects all students

Perhaps the DREAM Act doesn't affect you directly because you have the proper documentation to remain in the United States, but that's no reason to ignore it.

It will provide conditional permanent residency to certain undocumented residents who exhibited a good moral character, graduated from American high schools, arrived to the U.S. as teenagers and must live in the country consecutively for five years before the bill's enactment. Males looking to obtain a conditional permanent residency must also be enrolled in the Selective Service.

Consider your own peers at Cerritos College. If you dig deep enough, you will find that several of your classmates are undocumented.

Some of these students could even be your friends.

The DREAM act gives undocumented students and residents an opportunity to gain conditional permanent residency.

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If there are any slip-ups in this six-year period, their application will be refused and will be placed on a deportation list. In other words, their work is cut out for them.

Here's what you can do. Contact your congressional office, which is located in Washington D.C. Yes, you will need some sort of a long distance phone plan, but nearly every major cell phone carrier has a form of long-distance service.

You may also send a letter through the mail if you prefer a more traditional style.

But if that's still an excuse, guess what? There are other options.

Contact the Congressional Switchboard and ask for Barbara Boxer or Dianne Feinstein and your call will be connected right away.

Once you are in contact with ei-

ther Boxer or Feinstein, let either of them know of your intentions for the DREAM Act and to vote for or against it. Educate them as to why you feel strongly about your opinion. If you call outside of office hours, make sure to leave a very detailed message so they can know how you feel about it.

These are our California representatives and their job is to decide what's best in the interest for the state. We vote for them because we confide in their decision.

Your opinion on the matter can make or break this situation. Let your opinion be heard and watch the world change. If you want to give undocumented students a chance to pursue the American dream, make it known. If not, pursue against the DREAM Act.

Consider all the angles before you vote because this is a bill that will change the face of the United States.

Cerritos College should look into going green

With the Associated Students of Cerritos College recently going green to save money and become more economically friendly, more Cerritos College departments should look into going green as well.

ASCC is going green in order to decrease the amount of unnecessary paper used at meetings as well as to save money on paper and ink toner.

Going green can also help the school as a whole.

The money saved can be used to purchase more equipment for the school. Money that can be potentially saved could also help fund school programs.

Wouldn't it be nice to be able to go to class and only need your laptop or have a lot less paper in your backpack?

Many of us are full-time students and honestly, it gets annoying having



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to carry those heavy textbooks all day. The thought of only carrying a laptop is definitely nice and could potentially help out in different ways.

Being able to use a laptop in class can be a good idea because it can allow professors who would like to give exams online the opportunity to do so, which can save them time from having to grade tests by hand. It will also allow them to look over the students as they take the exam.

If Cerritos College also goes green, it can help the environment by cutting down on paper, which can lead to a little less trash on the school campus.

Many professors give students loads of handouts containing notes for the course. Wouldn't it help if they just emailed the handouts to the students?

Many students have become annoyed with the amount of paper in their backpack and roll unneeded paper in to a ball and shoot it and miss the trash can and just walk away.

We've all seen that, right? Seeing less trash around the school campus can help our campus look a lot cleaner, plus it will help make the janitor's job easier.

We could also help the environment by recycling finished bottles and cans in the proper trashcans, such as those found in theme parks.

Cerritos College being more environmentally friendly can help save money and reduce the negative impact to the environment.



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Women should be satisfied with their body image

The majority of women in today's society do not value their body as they should. The debate over who is to blame for women's warped body perceptions is old and tired but the truth still remains. The media has continued to promote and perpetuate a stereotypical notion of beauty.

It is apparent in movies, music videos, magazine covers and on billboard advertisements that the public is being fed an extremely one-sided perspective of which physical qualities should be deemed attractive.

There is not much that we as women can do to change the unfortunate reality that pop culture promotes a monotonous idea of beauty but there is something that you can do on your own, for yourself.

You can make a choice to reject the idea that you should look a certain way and start accepting your body today. We are all beautiful in our own right. Be proud of your natural body and don't apologize to others or yourself for that matter about the way you look.

Women are constantly comparing themselves to other women and this is very self-demeaning. Doing this causes women to question their appearance, which in turn lowers their self-esteem.

One of the most gratifying emotions a woman can experience is when she comes to terms with her own appearance and accepts herself. When you accept your body you are rewarded with the strength and confidence to love yourself.

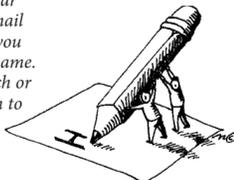
The sooner you are able to break free from society's chains, the sooner you will be able to live your life how you see fit.

Plus-size model, make-up artist, hair stylist and blogger, Tess Munster is a fervent advocate for body acceptance and has served as an inspiration to thousands of women worldwide. In the words of Munster, “Confidence will make you happier than any diet ever will -embrace your body the way it is now.”

If you want to work toward a better you... great, but why beat yourself up until you are at your 'ideal' weight or size? The media tries to make it just about our physical appearance, but being healthy is about having a healthy mind and a positive body image too! Celebrate your body starting today because life is too precious to waste one second.

Women should keep in mind that, according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the average American woman is around 5 feet 4 inches tall and weighs about 165 pounds, while the average American model stands at about 5 feet 11 inches and weighs a mere 117 pounds. So don't be so hard on yourself if you do not meet other people's ideals of beauty make the choice today to be happy and healthy for yourself.

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 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.



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### Correction: Suicide rate

In the Oct. 17 issue of the Talon Marks, we ran an opinion article where a member of our staff expressed his views on suicide rates in the United States.

This statistic is incorrect and the opinion article written should not have been written as the information contained within the article is factually incorrect.

Talon Marks accepts responsibility for printing the article and will work to increase our fact-checking processes in the future.

### Vote yes on Measure G



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Cerritos College students and employees should go out and vote yes on Measure G this November.

Invest in your future as students and employees of the place that we call home by helping out the school in its time of need.

Cerritos College has been renovating facilities for quite some time.

According to the Cerritos College website, in order for Cerritos College to continue meeting existing needs and growing demands for expanded educational opportunities for its community, the Cerritos Community College District needs help from its community by voting yes on Measure G.

If Measure G passes, Cerritos district residents will be required to pay a maximum of \$25 for every \$100,000 of their home's assessed value on top of their annual property tax bills.

This new income the school will receive as a result of the measure will help Cerritos College finish what it started.

Cerritos College shouldn't have taken on such a project, such as the gym, that required more funds than the school currently had.

It is understandable that the school wants to renovate outdated facilities as well as provide its students with a better educational experience, but if the funds were not there for such projects, the school should have not taken on such a feat.

Yes, the Board of Trustees had good intentions when the idea of renovating the school first came into play, but sometimes good intentions can have bad outcomes.

For many students, their college is their home away from home. At the moment, their home away from home is experiencing major renovations that can potentially be a positive thing once it is completed, but until then, it will be an eye sore as well as an inconvenience since the contractor's equipment is taking up much needed parking spaces.

If Measure G doesn't pass, current and future students will have to deal with what the school has caused.

Some believe that the school has "bit-off more than it can chew" and need Measure G to help bail them out while others see Measure G as a "stepping stone" for a better and more modern school for its residents.

The fact of the matter is if Measure G doesn't pass, current and future students will have to deal with outdated classroom buildings, and a number of unfinished projects.

Help Cerritos College provide a much improved, newly renovated, modern facilities to its students by voting yes on Measure G this November.

Yes Cerritos district residents will have to pay more money in addition to their property tax, but at least it is going to a great cause, which is providing future generations with better tools to build their career.

# Letter to the Editor

Dear TalonMarks,  
I was in the staff lounge in the PST building at Cerritos a few minutes ago when a professor said to me, "Can you believe that suicide is now the leading cause of death in the United States?"

"No, I can't," I said. "Where did you hear that?"

He pointed to an issue of Talon Marks, where reporter Carlos Mariscal quoted the National Center of Health Statistic [sic]. I generally dismiss Talon Marks as a totally inaccurate source of information, but this professor believed the story, saying that the author quoted an outside source.

I decided to check it out for myself.

I looked up the National Center for Health Statistics—which falls under the umbrella of the Center for Disease Control—on the Internet, and the latest statistics they have published on deaths in the

United States are from 2010. I have pasted them below:

#### CAUSES OF DEATH

The leading causes of death in 2010 remained the same as in 2009 for 14 of the 15 leading causes, although two causes exchanged ranks. Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis, the ninth leading cause in 2009, became the eighth leading cause in 2010, while Influenza and pneumonia, the eighth leading cause in 2009, became the ninth leading cause of death in 2010. Dropping from among the 15 leading causes of death in 2010 was Assault (homicide), replaced by Pneumonitis due to solids and liquids as the 15th leading cause of death in 2010. The 15 leading causes of death in 2010 (Table B) were:

1. Diseases of heart
2. Malignant neoplasms
3. Chronic lower respiratory diseases
4. Cerebrovascular diseases

5. Accidents (unintentional injuries)
6. Alzheimer's disease
7. Diabetes mellitus
8. Nephritis, nephrotic syndrome and nephrosis
9. Influenza and pneumonia
10. Intentional self-harm (suicide)
11. Septicemia
12. Chronic liver disease and cirrhosis
13. Essential hypertension and hypertensive renal disease
14. Parkinson's disease
15. Pneumonitis due to solids and liquids

As you can clearly see, suicide was the 10th leading cause of death in the United States according to the latest stats collected by the National Center for Health Statistics. This is a very far cry from #1.

Here is a link to the study:  
[http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr60/nvsr60\\_04.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/nvsr/nvsr60/nvsr60_04.pdf)

Here's an easy-to-read chart that shows the same results:

[http://www.cdc.gov/injury/wisqars/pdf/10LCID\\_All\\_Deaths\\_By\\_Age\\_Group\\_2010-a.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/injury/wisqars/pdf/10LCID_All_Deaths_By_Age_Group_2010-a.pdf)

Journalists have a responsibility to do what's called fact-checking. Many people believe what they read in print, especially if a source is quoted. One shouldn't just make up stories and print them in a paper to make a point, to be funny, or for any other reason. I have no idea what Mr. Mariscal's intent was when he so carelessly made up this story, but it is wrong, and a correction should be printed. The editor, however, also has a responsibility to make sure that what's printed is accurate; all content affects the integrity of the publication. It's a shame to get a bad reputation over something that's so easy to check and rectify.

Sincerely,  
Amanda MacLean

### Halloween isn't needed



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Could there be any more waste of a day than Halloween?

It sounds like more of a themed birthday party for a child. Yet, human beings everywhere embrace it for fun.

The worst part about it all is that the world transforms itself to accommodate this said celebration.

Schools allow for students to dress up in their Halloween costumes, workplaces oblige, with some companies passing out candy for the excited children.

Yes, kids are happy, and for that everybody else should be ecstatic.

But why are they elated? The answer is the candy. It's all about the candy.

A popular topic across America is obesity.

How could this be stopped? What if fruit and vegetables were passed out instead? Does that suddenly change things?

It does in the standpoint that there will be less tooth decay or children feeling sluggish across the week as they consume the mounds of candy they collect over the course of a few dark hours.

On Wednesday, Oct. 31 there will be classes at Cerritos College and many students are likely to be dressed up in their costume, anxiously awaiting their release from school so that they might attend a party, or even go trick-or-treating themselves.

Upon doing some research, it was discovered that in Korea, Halloween is celebrated quite differently. What is known as "Chuseok" is a celebration where families visit the tombs of their fallen ancestors and give them thanks for the fruits of their labor.

Their designated holiday, which takes place in August, is worthy of such attention.

So is that which is celebrated in Mexico, known as "El Dia de los Muertos," or "The Day of the Dead" is celebrated on Nov. 2. In America, it is referred to as "All Souls Day."

The purpose of this day is similar to Chuseok in the sense that fallen friends and family are remembered and celebrated. However, Mexicans also celebrate the children, giving them candy, which again goes against obesity, but at least there is a purpose.

Couldn't Americans honor the deceased for Halloween? Wouldn't that make the day more respectable?

For those who aren't aware of why people dress up for the holiday, it dates back to an old Celtic tradition that showed the relativity of the spirit world and the living.

But those roots seem to have been forgotten and that's what makes the day so ridiculous.

Sure there are days like Veteran's Day and Labor Day, but aren't those days frowned upon?

Unfortunately, the days that are set aside to honor the past are opportunities for Americans to thank them for a day off from work or school.

Where would you be today without your ancestors?

Take a moment and thank them for that breath of fresh air you are breathing this very moment.

Understand why you are dressing up and receiving candy. It isn't just an opportunity to go party and participate in whatever amount of costume contests that might be going on at the hottest party in town.

Embrace those roots, thank those who are responsible for everything that encompasses you today and then reassess the holiday.

Implementing this all will suddenly make the day a reputable one, with true reason to celebrate.

Until then, it's just a waste of time and should be done away with until it establishes that identity.

## Professors aren't paid to humiliate their students



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Teachers who call out their students in front of the entire class are pretty mean because they seem to find some sense of joy in humiliating other people.

No one likes being called out in general, so to call out students in front of their peers because maybe they failed a test or their cellphone

went off by accident sucks and they shouldn't be called out for that.

When watching the humiliation take place, it can be a good laugh until the teacher decides to draw his attention toward you.

Then you're left there with your head down and red like a tomato from the utter shame while your fellow students stare at you and giggle like it's the first grade and you just peed your pants.

Teachers might as well sit students in the corner of the class with dunce caps on their heads.

It is incomprehensible as to why teachers feel the need to embarrass their students.

Maybe it is just a cycle of teachers that pick on students and when those students become teachers, they feel the need to do the same.

If it was the other way around, teachers would not enjoy going to class. So does that mean students should just put up with it?

We are told to have respect for our elders and in turn, give respect and get respect.

If the teachers don't show the

students respect, why should they show their teachers any?

They are not paid to call students out, they get paid to teach. Period.

It makes a student not want to show up to class if the teacher is putting a spotlight on them.

What does calling them out do to benefit students?

All it does is make the students hate their teachers more and more as the semester progresses.

So teachers, unless you're practicing to be comedians, stick to teaching.

### Talon Talks Advice Column

#### Question

Dear Talon Talks,

I'm a gay male, but have very bad gaydar. I have a huge crush on a guy in my class but I'm not sure if he's gay. I don't want to freak him out or anything. Plus every time he talks to me, I freeze and have no idea how to act around him.

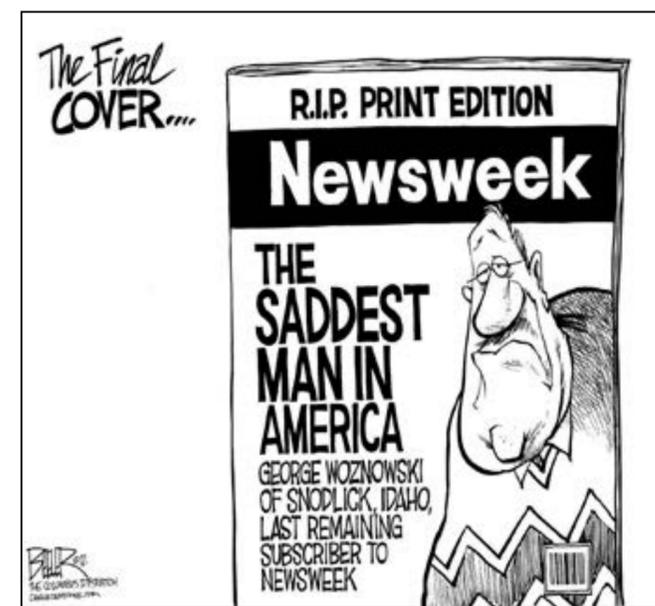
How do I know whether someone is gay or not without being blunt, and how do I act around my crush?

#### Answer

Well, first things first, you have to get up the nerve to talk to him. Even if it is just talking about the class, you need to open the lines of communication.

The more comfortable he feels around you, the better your odds are of finding out if he is interested.

Gay or straight, the cues of attraction are pretty universal. You don't have to ask him, you just need to talk to him and get to know him a little better.





**At the piano concert:** Pianist Faten Babawi teams up with pianist Stephen Bernhardt to play Saint-Saens Dance Macabre Op. 40 to conclude the Keyboard Studies Program fall Piano Ensemble Concert in the Music Department on Sunday.

RAUL SAMANIEGO/TM

## Keyboard Studies Program holds first fall Piano Ensemble Concert at the Music Department

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The Cerritos College Keyboard Studies Program held its fall Piano Ensemble Concert on Sunday.

About 100 family and friends of the performers gathered for the event as each group of pianists took the spotlight to present its pieces.

All pieces presented were composed specifically for more than one person to perform.

The duets were performed in

tandem with the artists seated either next to each other by a piano or by themselves to play the variety of pieces.

Thirty students participated with accompaniment from instructor Christine Lopez who is the Director of the Applied Music Piano Studies Program.

To prepare the students for any nervousness they may experience, Lopez said, "We talked about it (anxiety) in class but many of them have their own way of focusing and getting

themselves (ready)."

English major Mariana Covarrubias teamed up with Neysi Rodriguez to play Moonlight Evening, a piece written by Robert D. Vandall.

She said, "Everyone gets nervous, but once you get up on stage, you just have to hold on, calm down and just get over it."

Lopez explained, "In order to take a class, a student must have completed at least a semester of piano."

**See Keyboard Studies story on page 6**

## Art Gallery set for November

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The Arts Department will be having an art gallery from Nov. 5 through Dec. 13 called "After Image: The Photographic Process," and will be directed by the curator James MacDevitt.

"The emphasis is on what we may define as photographic, what does it take for something to be photographic, when does it become a different medium," MacDevitt explained.

Manipulation of photo is the theme of the gallery, with artists working on the originality of the photograph.

"We have artists who cut photographs, fold photographs, who pour concrete on them, hole punch photos, and an artist who soaks photos

in specialized water," MacDevitt said.

There will be two sets of artist's talks in relation with the gallery on Nov. 26 and Dec. 3, with such artists as Soo Kim, Matthew Brandt, William E. Jones, and Christopher Russell.

Students have an opportunity to see exclusive art work by Melissa Steckbauer and Lucas Simoes, neither of which will be exhibited anywhere else in Southern California except in the "After Image" show.

The art gallery will have an opening reception on Nov. 5 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Free food will be available and some of the artists will also be there.

Nursing major, Richard Silva said "I'm interested in seeing it because my cousin is a photographer and he takes weird photos and manipulates the physical aspects of it."



**On the look-out:** "Fun Size" with Victoria Justice as Wren will be released on Friday. The movie is set on Halloween and has Wren looking for her lost brother Albert after losing sight of him while trick-or-treating.

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## Victoria Justice on the rise

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Actress, singer-songwriter and dancer Victoria Justice's career is steadily on the rise with her movie debut "Fun Size."

"Fun Size" stars Justice with Chelsea Handler and Johnny Knoxville.

"It's obviously geared toward teenagers and adults.

"I think this movie is a perfect transition for me because it is slightly edgier and more mature," Justice said.

Undecided major Ronald Juarro is looking forward to the release of the movie saying, "It seems to be a funny Halloween movie compared to the usual flicks that are out there for this time of the year.

"It seems to be more for teenagers but looks like it has material that I would find amusing and it doesn't hurt that Johnny Knoxville and one of the main actors from Project X are in it."

Hailing from Hollywood Fla., Justice began her career appearing on television commercials.

Victoria's character, Wren, plays the daughter of Chelsea Handler.

Her plans of attending her high school crush's Halloween party are quickly shattered when her mother puts her in charge of babysitting her little brother Albert.

In the midst of Wren's social life meltdown, she loses sight of Albert while they are out trick-or-treating. Frantic to find her little brother, Wren searches high and low and soon finds herself living the wildest night of her life.

"I think this movie is a perfect transition for me because it is slightly edgier and more mature."

VICTORIA JUSTICE

Actress

After viewing the trailer, it is apparent that this film's target demographic is geared toward a slightly older audience than her usual work.

In the movie, Justice dresses up for the fun of Halloween as The Wizard of Oz's Dorothy.

"My character Wren ends up going as Dorothy. Life imitating art, I guess," Justice said.

Aside from her dancing and singing careers, Victoria has been focusing on her acting career. Starting off at the age of eight, the now 19 year old has come a long way since her commercial acting days.

She describes her first acting opportunity saying, "My first job ever was an Ovaltine com-

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Scan to view the trailer for "Fun Size"



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ROSAURA MONTES/TM

**Full of art:** The Cerritos College Art Gallery located at FA 50. The next art gallery will be "After Image: The Photographic Process" starting on Nov. 5.

## TOP SCARY MOVIES

TEXAS CHAINSAW  
MASSACRE

The original 1974 Texas Chainsaw Massacre is one of the scariest movies from the 1970s era. What else can you want from a horror movie? You got an iconic villain who is part of a demented family who kills its victims and eat them after. What makes this movie awesome is that Leather Face is an unstoppable killing machine. To make matters even creepier is the atmosphere of it being in rural area in the middle of the woods. This movie is certainly not for people who are squemish when it comes to gore.

HALLOWEEN

John Carpenter has directed arguably one of his best horror films. Halloween is scary for many reasons; the score is one most memorable scores in the horror medium, it's a suspenseful score that gives its audience goosebumps when watching the movie. Betting many people experience nightmares because of Michael Myers. What makes him scary is that he shows no emotion due to its pale white mask covering his face. He has basically popularized the sub-genre of slasher films.

THE EXORCIST

The Exorcist, now here is the grand daddy of all scary movies. The Exorcist is one of the most horrific movies you will ever see. Forget about ghosts, serial killers, witches, and monsters. Nothing is more traumatic than a person being possessed by a demon. What is disturbing about this film is how the demon takes the body of an innocent young girl named Reagan. Everything about this movie is great. From the bone chilling score music to the special effects along with the perfect ensemble of actors. The life lesson here is you shouldn't play with spirits nor the Ouija board, and if you do, good luck!

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# APPLIED MUSIC RECITAL SCHEDULE

<p><b>OCT. 24</b> <b>11 A.M.</b> DON KAWANO- SAXOPHONE BC 150 ALEJANDRO PINA- PIANO BC 150 YESENIA SEGURA- VIOLIN BC 150</p> <p><b>6 P.M.</b> ANGEL TORRES- ELECTRIC BASS BC 151 MICHAEL HERRERA- SAXOPHONE BC 151</p>	<p><b>OCT. 31</b> <b>11AM</b> PIANA MICHEL- VOICE BC 149 DANIEL HERNANDEZ- TROMBONE BC 149</p> <p><b>6PM</b> JOSE MALDONADO- VOICE BC 151 JOEL TERCERO- FLUTE BC 151 JASON ARIAS- ELECTRIC GUITAR BC 150</p>	<p><b>NOV. 7</b> <b>11AM</b> LUZMARIA VILLA- BC 149 DAVID SANCHEZ- PIANO BC 148 JAE WON KIM- VOICE 148</p> <p><b>6PM</b> GABRIEL GARCIA- TRUMPET BC 149 FREDDY VILLALOBOS- TRUMPET BC 149 ADAM VALENZUELA - C.I. GUITAR BC 149</p>
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At one point in the concert, the audience was treated to a four person presentation of Champagne Toccata by William Gillock.

Performing in the eight hand piece were Aaron Conception, Alejandro Pina, Faten Bebawi with accompaniment by Lopez.

Sixty-four year-old Stephen Bernhardt, who has his Bachelor's Degree from Fullerton State University has been playing the piano for 54 years.

Bernhardt and Bebawi closed out the afternoon's piano concert with their rendition of a Halloween season performance of Danse Macabre Op. 40, composed by Saint-Saense.

While they played, an overhead photo was projected above them depicting various Halloween characters.

"The next ensemble is scheduled for some time in December and will count as the class final," Lopez said.

## Piano Concert and Lecture Series continue

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The Cerritos College Music Department and the Associated Students of Cerritos College presented the Piano Concert and Lecture Series "Do You Hear What I Hear?" on Oct. 19 with guest pianist Althea Waites of California State University Long Beach.

The lecture preceding the performance was presented by Director of the Applied Music and Piano Studies Christine Lopez.

Waites has been acclaimed throughout the United States, Europe and Asia as a brilliant soloist.

She performed Johann Sebastian Bach's "Prelude and Fugue in E flat Major," Curt Cacioppo's "Mitleid" and Franz Liszt's "Weinen, Klagen, Sorgen, Zagen."

She is currently on the keyboard faculty at Cal State Long Beach and knows the importance of good learning about music for students.

"Students have to practice and really actively pay attention to everything."

Lopez also gave a brief of what's important about the pieces and the history of each composer's personal life and musical career.

"Students have to practice and really actively pay attention to everything. I said to my students, You cannot practice like driving down the road looking at scenery. You just see little things. You have to listen to everything," Waites said.

Piano major Rocheelle Boyce said, "This is my first time being here, and it was really good."

The next performance in the series will be at BC 51 on Nov. 9 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.



For the music: Band director David Betancourt directing members of the Cerritos College Pep Band. The Pep Band performs at all home football games.

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## Betancourt keeps music alive by directing five bands at Cerritos

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Back in 1999, Music Director David Betancourt was just starting out at Cerritos College directing Concert Band, but over the past 14 years he has acquired Pep Band, Jazz Ensemble, Pop Rock Ensemble and Orchestra.

These bands are all taught differently, according to Betancourt, and some of his students are in multiple bands to learn more about music.

"Each band has a totally different way to rehearse, totally different kinds of music, different make-up of the instruments that are there so you teach them all differently."

Music education and perfor-

mance major Janet Cisneros has been apart of the Cerritos College bands since fall of 2009 and plays currently in the Orchestra and has previously played in the Concert Band.

She speaks about what it is like to work with the bands.

"It definitely says something when you have a good director and you have the right mind set and the ensemble work ethic, everyone is working toward the same goal. When everybody works together, when everybody practices and everybody wants to play together and work as a team and work as musicians, you create that musicianship, that feeling you get when you create music."

She goes onto say more specifically what it's like to work under the direction of Betancourt.

"Betancourt is my mentor, and he is by far one of the best directors I have had and he expects nothing but the best from you but he also has a passion for teaching so he also looks to see that you are improving each time you come in"

According to Betancourt, he tries to have his bands outreach to others.

He has three types of outreach he uses and they are as follows:

- **Cultural outreach:** The bands put on concerts at Cerritos College for people to watch.

- **Civic outreach:** The bands branch out of Cerritos College to perform at memorial events or holiday events

- **Social outreach:** The bands branch out of Cerritos College to play at venues such as a woman's shelter or a children's hospital.

The Pep Band's outreach is when it plays at all home football game Betancourt feels that these types of outreach are important to the musicians and himself as a teacher.

According to Betancourt there is an upcoming Halloween Band and Orchestra concert at 7 p.m. in the Student Center.

There is also an upcoming event in which the Cerritos College band will join up with Vanguard University to perform.

During spring, the Pep Band is switched out with Pop Rock Ensemble.

## 'Paranormal Activity 4' is a wicked scare for audiences

### Movie Review

'Paranormal Activity 4'

**Starring:** Kathryn Newton

**Director:** Henry Joost/ Ariel Schulman

**Rating:** ★★★

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Since its first film, the "Paranormal Activity" franchise has kept movie watchers everywhere on the edge of their seats and with its newest sequel "Paranormal Activity 4," the franchise remains as strong.

As usual, the first act of the film seems to be a bit boring explaining the back story and foreshadowing what viewers can expect in the film.

Thankfully though, the film brings a lot more laughs in this installment that seemed to be lacking in the previous all thanks to Matt

Shively's character Ben.

The film includes an awesome feature that the Xbox Kinect contains, but soon after watching the film it may be having many Xbox Kinect owners completely turning off their game systems before heading to bed.

The film contains door slamming, a chandelier falling, knife throwing, people being tossed around the room, and a wicked ending scaring audience members and leaving them at awe hoping for yet another "Paranormal Activity" sequel, which is more than likely to follow.

The film itself overall did not deliver as much suspense and scares as the previous installments and lacked the build-up tension as seen in the films before.

For those who have a thirst of being scared during this Halloween season might want to check out "Paranormal Activity 4" while in theaters.



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About to scare: Alex played by Kathryn Newton video chats with her boyfriend Ben while her neighbor Robbie stands by her door. Paranormal Activity 4 lacked tension as in previous films.

## CLUB EVENTS

### Psychology Club Bake Sale

Halloween Bake Sale will be held in the in front of the Student Center on Tuesday, Oct. 30 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

The bake sale supports the Psychology Club.

Psychology Club meets every Tuesday in room SS-215 from 11 a.m. - Noon

### Suicide Prevention Workshop

The Psychology Club is hosting a workshop in which Lisa Richards talks about preventing suicide and also her own personal encounter.

Lisa Richards is a licensed clinical social worker.

**Date:** Friday, Nov. 2

**Time:** 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. (registration starts at 8:15 a.m.)

**Location:** LC-155 Teleconference Center

Cost for entry is \$5 and is based on a first come first serve basis, it does sell out every year.

The will be complimentary snacks such as coffee and donuts provided!



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Band director David Betancourt using a gong.

# Falcons fall to the undefeated Pirates

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An inability to convert in the red-zone and several injuries prevented the Cerritos College Falcons from continuing their winning ways as they lost to the undefeated Ventura College Pirates by a score of 18-13 on the road at Ventura College.

The Falcons (4-3, 2-1) came out fired up against the No. 2 team in Southern California, reaching the end zone in just two plays.

A strong first half defensive effort by the Falcons put the ball in the hands of the Falcon offense but sophomore quarterback, Morgan Fennell and the offensive unit were not able to capitalize on two separate offensive drives that both stalled in the red-zone.

The first stalled red-zone trip for the Falcons came on their second possession of the night.

The Falcons successfully pushed the ball down to the Pirates' 8-yard line before the Ventura College defense was able to force then recover a fumble giving the ball back to the Pirate offense and avoiding a second Falcons score in as many offensive possessions.

The second stalled red-zone trip for the Falcons came in the second quarter.

The Falcons got all the way down to the Pirates' 4-yard line before being held by their defense forcing the Falcons to attempt a field goal.

The kick was wide to the left giving the ball back to the Ventura College offense without surrendering any additional points in two red-zone attempts for the Falcons.

The Pirates (8-0, 4-0) struggled offensively early on before they began to find a bit of rhythm.

Realizing that they could be facing a

21-0 deficit, Pirates sophomore quarterback, Ebahn Feathers put the Ventura College offense on his shoulders, completing 7 of 9 passes before the Pirates' coaching staff put linebacker PJ Gremaud in the game at fullback.

Gremaud pushed the ball to the Falcons' 5-yard line where Pirates running back Cleavon Barnes found the end zone, tying the game at 7-7 with a little over five minutes remaining.

With the momentum changing, Falcons quarterback Paul Lopez entered the game for Fennell who suffered an injury earlier in the game and would not return to the contest.

Freshman defensive tackle David Moala thinks that Lopez had to step up following Fennell's injury.

"He (Lopez) was shaky at first. He was nervous; he didn't know how to handle it (the pressure) well, then when he finally got the rhythm of the game, he started to settle in. He had some big shoes to fill, trying to come in and play right away," Moala said.

Dealing with the Pirates' surging momentum was not the only concern for the Falcons as freshman wide receiver, Ricky Carrigan Jr. and sophomore cornerback Theodore Chambers also suffered injuries.

Sophomore Cerritos College running back, Michael Garrison feels that injuries affected the teams' performance.

"A few of our starters got hurt and usually when a starter gets hurt, it affects the chemistry of the team because we're used to playing with certain guys," he said.

The close contest continued into the third quarter when the Pirates scored a 32-yard field goal by sophomore kicker, Carlos Luna, putting the Pirates ahead 10-7 with a little under nine minutes to play in the third quarter.

With Lopez attempting to settle in at quarterback, the Falcons pushed the ball down the field where freshman Michael Garrison scored from about 5 yards out once again putting the Falcons up 13-10.

The Falcons' celebration was short-lived as the extra point attempt was blocked by the Ventura defensive special team unit ending up in the hands of Pirates' sophomore wide receiver/cornerback Jordan Howard who returned the ball virtually uncontested the length of the field for two points making the score 13-12 Falcons with about two minutes remaining in the third quarter.

The Falcon defense continued to struggle in the battle of field position as Ventura College again found success reaching the end zone on a combination of a 26-yard pass play from Feathers to sophomore running back, Kendall Worth and freshman running back, DeMarrye Williams making the score 18-13 with about 10 minutes remaining in the game. A nice defensive stop by the Falcons on a Pirates' two-point conversion kept the score 18-13 Ventura College.

Still fighting, the Falcons were primed to once again take the lead but sophomore standout receiver Robert Abeyta dropped a pass that seemed destined to land him in the end zone.

## Scoring by Quarter

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<b>Cerritos</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Ventura</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>18</b>

Two plays later, Abeyta dropped another pass that would have given the Falcons a much needed first down.

Garrison expressed how he felt about the dropped passes, "nine times out of 10, he (Abeyta) will catch those balls.

With no choice but to go for it on fourth-and-goal, Lopez searched for an open receiver before being stripped of the ball by a perusing Pirates' defense.

Ventura College took over on downs where it ran out the clock.

Freshman free safety, Daveyon Monette talked about the things that affected the outcome of the game.

"There were missed tackles, blown assignments, little things like that. No one is individually to blame, it was a team effort."

The next contest for the Falcons doesn't get any easier as they travel to Bakersfield College to take on the 5-2 Renegades.

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LUIS GUZMAN/TM

**Sweating it out:** Point guard Amir McCormick warms up during practice before the beginning of the season. The Cerritos College men's basketball season starts on Nov. 9 against Santa Monica College.

## Men's basketball suits up for upcoming season with talented new prospects

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The Cerritos College men's basketball team will officially start its season on Nov. 9 against Santa Monica College.

Falcons' head basketball coach Russ May talked about how he feels about his team going into the next season, "We're much more talented, very good players, very good student athletes."

"They learned really well so far, I think our talent level is much better than last year overall and I'm looking forward to watching them play."

May also went over this upcoming season and how it's different from last season, "We did a better job recruiting, getting some guys that have a little better understanding of basketball, we've just been more demanding this year, we've just really emphasized on the little things."

May then went over what he expected from his team in its first game, "We want to go out and ex-

ecute our fundamentals and if we focus on what we have been practicing we will be fine."

"Just focusing on what we have been practicing on we will be fine and not worrying about opponents or the score, just focus on executing."

Falcons' shooting guard Anthony Holliday talks about how he feels about his team, "I feel confident because we have so many people that are about playing basketball."

This group of guys are like family, we have more camaraderie this year than we did last year and I feel more comfortable with this team."

Holliday said, "We are here, we are going to get after you guys, we are going to give it our all, we've got people ready."

"People are hungry this year, we've got one goal and that is to get a ring, no personal goals or anything like that."

Falcons' point guard, Manny Garcia, talks about how his team is different from last year's, "Everyone just contributes, everyone passes, everyone wants to look at

the other person to shoot the shot, it's not whoever makes the shot, we celebrate whoever makes the pass, whoever makes the assist, that's what we look for."

The Falcons' first game of the season will be played at Biola University against Santa Monica College, on Nov. 9.

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# Wrestling drops two matches



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**Just pulling your leg:** 174-pounder Tyree Cox holds down his opponent from Palomar College at the Southern Regional Team Duals on Saturday at Palomar College. Cerritos lost to Palomar in the second period of the duals and then to Santa Ana College in the third.

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Cerritos College wrestling team lost its motivation, ending early with a 2-1 loss in the Southern Regional Team Duals on Saturday, Oct. 20 at Palomar College.

Wrestling in the 141-pound weight class, Michael Behnke said it was because of a call made in the second period of the meet.

In the first match, the team went in pumped, forcing several takedowns and pins, beating Cuesta College 27-6.

After beating Cuesta College in its first match-up, the team was pushing for the win against Palomar.

Cerritos College was up with an 18-17 win against Palomar as heavyweight Weston Hawkins won unanimously 8-0.

However, once 125-pounder Gabe Ball-

esteros was up against No.1 ranked Kyle Vexler, the time keeper didn't let the referee know that time was out for them in the period, as the referee gave the takedown points to Ballesteros' opponent, resulting in his match loss.

Behnke felt that after losing to Palomar, it didn't really matter how the team performed because the team knew that it wouldn't take first.

Also wrestling in the 141-weight class, Josh Ewing said that the poor calls shouldn't matter on how the team wrestles.

"I don't like to leave it up to the calls. It was a really bad call and it cost us a lot. We just (have to) wrestle all the way through."

Ewing felt that Ballesteros performed the best out of all of his teammates.

"That kid's a soldier. He went out there, got a fractured nose, (and) finished the match. That's heart," Ewing said.

As far as his individual performance, Ewing said it was "Not up to par. You have your ups and downs and today was a down."

He added, "During the second and third (period) everything just went kind of downhill."

Going against Santa Ana in its last match-up of the day, four weight classes participated with zero wins.

184-pounder Kyle Pivovarovoff started the matches ahead of Santa Ana, with a 22-10 lead.

Following Pivovarovoff, 184-pounder George Knight, 125-pounder Michael Perez, and 133-pounder George Mariscal were unable to defeat their opponents.

The Cerritos College wrestling team will return to Palomar College to face them again on Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Palomar College defeated Cerritos College this weekend with a final score of 21-17.

## Upcoming Events in Sports

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### Oct. 24

Women's water polo vs. Mt. San Antonio College at 3 p.m.- At home

Wrestling vs. Palomar at 7 p.m.- At Palomar College

Men's water polo vs. Mt. San Antonio College at 4:15 p.m.- At home

Women's volleyball vs. Mt. San Antonio College at 6:00 p.m.- At Gahr High School.

### Oct. 26

Men's cross country Southcoast Conference Championships at 9 a.m. - At Heartwell Park

Women's cross country Southcoast Conference Championships at 9 a.m. - At Heartwell Park

Women's soccer vs. El Camino at 2 p.m.- At home

Men's soccer vs. El Camino at 4 p.m. - At home.

### Oct. 27

Football vs. Bakersfield at 4 p.m. - At Bakersfield

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Cerritos College has completed campus-wide infrastructure upgrades and hired an effective project manager

Cerritos College has obtained re-accreditation and has implemented mandatory orientation

Cerritos College has preserved the Talon Marks newspaper and realized the passage of SB1440\* legislation

Cerritos College has completed the Science Building renovation

And this year, Tina set up scholarships and funds to help more than a dozen students with partial financial aid towards their future academic goals.

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