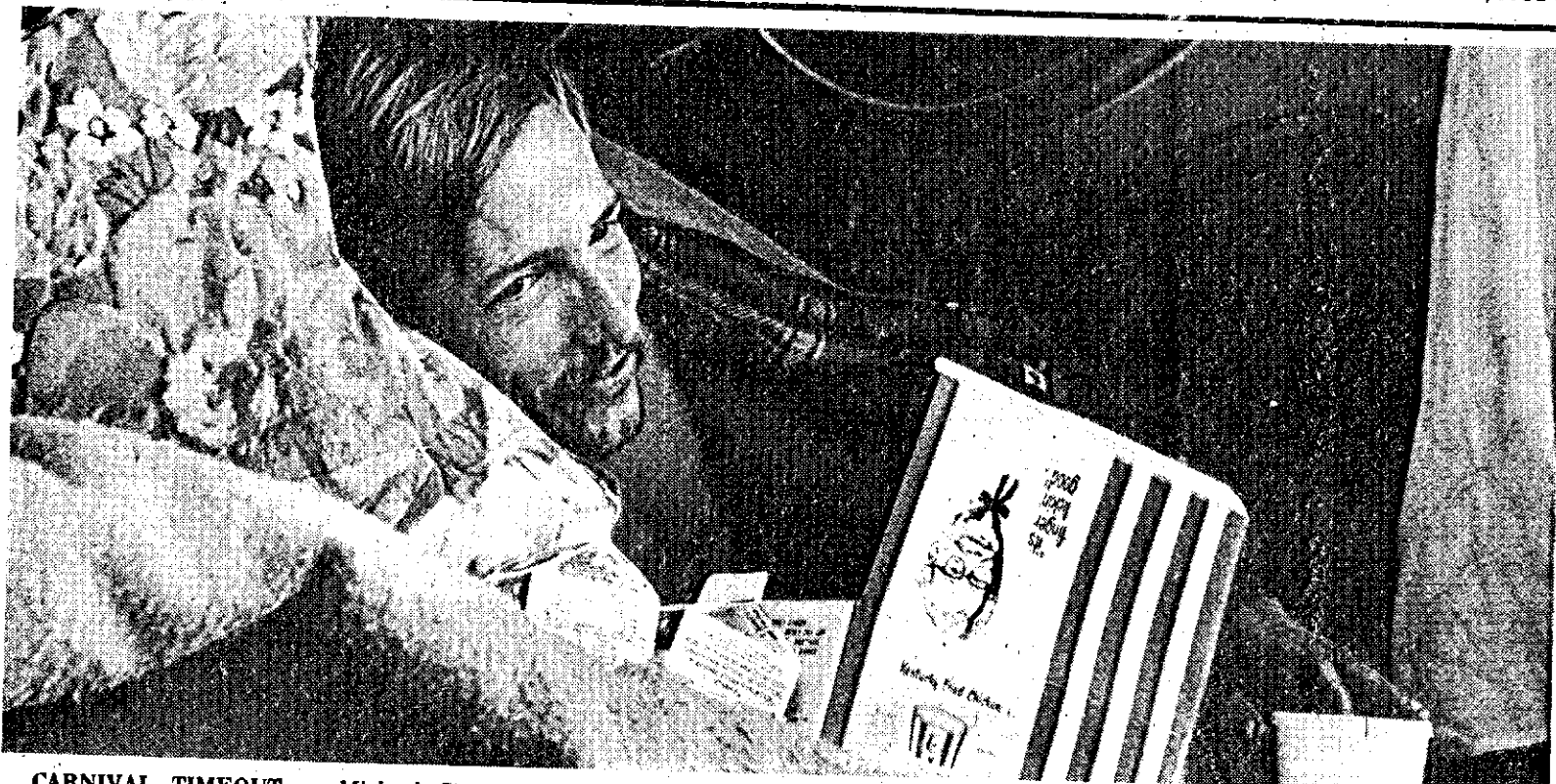


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CARNIVAL TIMEOUT — Michael Stover, foreman of the coming ASCC carnival's twister ride, enjoys a brief respite from the activities of setting up the carnival due to open this

Thursday in the parking lot in front of the gymnasium. The annual fun fete, to run through Sunday, May 9, boasts roaming clowns and musicians as well as the Long Beach Municipal

Band, which will play Sunday afternoon. Carnival and ASCC officials expect the biggest turnout ever for this years event.

—TM Photo by STEVE DAVIS

ASCC Carnival opens tomorrow

By MICKEY STOKELY
TM News Editor

Adverse publicity created last year when L.A. County Sheriff's deputies closed down two booths at the Cerritos College Carnival is expected to boost attendance at this week's event, according to Norm Price, director of student activities.

"That kind of thing has tended in the past to make more people come," said Price. "They hear about it and come around to see if it will happen again."

Last year deputies closed down two booths when it was determined that the electronic games were based on chance rather than skill. One, an electronic horse racing game, aroused

the interest of officials from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

According to Price, the owner of SJM Fiesta Productions, the company sponsoring the carnival last year — and again this year — leased a booth to the operator of the race game without knowing exactly what was being done. The case was brought to trial later and dismissed.

"It won't happen again this year," said Price. "The owner of the carnival is taking care to see to that. In fact, there will only be a few electronic games — almost all will be games of skill."

In addition to the games, which Price terms "minor" compared to rides, there will be several "spectacular" rides on the order of those found at Knott's Berry Farm.

"We're predicting our best pre-ride sales yet," Price said. "We have about 5,000 tickets out to various clubs. All of them aren't sold yet, but we think we'll better last year's figures."

Eighteen to twenty food booths will be managed by campus organizations and will feature everything from hamburgers to strawberry shortcake.

Although costs for security for the event prevented the hiring of two bands as originally scheduled, Price said they are searching for musicians to donate their services until Sunday, when entertainment will be provided by the Long Beach Municipal Band.

Clowns will also roam the grounds courtesy of the college's Performing Arts division.

The carnival will run Thursday through Sunday, noon to midnight.

\$75,000 tax goof exposed

By RICK MARTINEZ
TM Associate Editor

In computing Cerritos College's apportionment the Chancellor's Office made a \$75,000 miscalculation, according to Dr. Walter Magnuson, assistant superintendent-Business Services.

The Chancellor's Office under-apportioned the funds by "figuring we were getting full tax on a \$27 million assessed valuation from Cerritos city," he said.

"Before the Cerritos mall was built the property assessment was \$4 million, Magnuson said. "The state was figuring we were getting the full tax on the present \$27 million assessed valuation. State law says only that original \$4 million can be used in computing apportionment."

The reason for such a provision is to not tax a new redevelopment project at its inception, according to Magnuson.

"Calculations were always done by the State Department of Education until this year," said Magnuson. "This is the first time they're being

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Total funding said still uncertain for proposed Auto Tech Center

By PAT GRIFFITH
TM Staff Writer

Total funding of a proposed Auto Tech Center to be built on the Cerritos College campus still hangs in an uncertain balance.

The project is depending on inaccurate projections by the State Department of Finance, a reduced Governor's Budget, and the possibilities of augmented funds, according to Dr. Walter Magnuson, assistant superintendent of Business Services at Cerritos.

Dr. Magnuson, who returned from Sacramento last Monday where he met with Senator Walter Silen, chairman of subcommittee number one on finance, has prepared a seven-point letter including pictures of the existing auto body facilities which are "entirely

outside at the mercy of the elements," and charts and graphs illustrating the school's actual enrollment compared to the state's projected figures.

In the letter Dr. Magnuson said that although state figures show the school is over built and not fully utilizing available space auto courses are scheduled almost every hour Monday through Saturday from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. The program also utilizes off campus facilities at Jim Snow Ford.

The auto program accounted for 3.5 per cent of the total enrollment in 1971.

Since that time total enrollment has increased over 35 per cent, yet because of limited space the automotive program has not been able to expand and is now only 1.5 per cent of the total college program, according to Magnuson.

"Still, the finance subcommittee feels Cerritos doesn't meet the State Department of Finance's prerequisite of critical need," he said.

Magnuson's letter also notes that the schools ADA (average daily attendance) is up 15 per cent over the 1974-75 year. The department of Finance had projected a five per cent increase for the same period.

In addition, the department of finance projects a 1.8 per cent decline in enrollment for 1976-77 and a continuing decline of approximately 1.3 per cent annually for the next nine years.

Dr. Magnuson doesn't feel the auto programs will go from an 18 per cent growth to an 1.8 per cent decline in one year.

"The Department of Finance has been off by an average of nine per cent over the past five years on projecting the enrollment of Cerritos College," Magnuson said.

Instead of the 1.8 per cent decline, Magnuson predicts a conservative five per cent growth. With this projected use Dr. Magnuson says that we would qualify for additional lab space, even though at the present time the tables indicate we are overbuilt in classroom space."

The Department of Finance has recommended that the over-built classroom space be converted into lab space. Magnuson contends that converting the available classrooms to auto facilities would require raised ceilings due to hoists and other peripheral equipment and

could cost as much as building new facilities. Other problems concerning acquisition of funds involve the proposed expenditures for Community Colleges.

Originally the legislature approved a budget of \$85,320,400. This figure has been reduced in the governor's Budget to \$34,059,600.

"Moneys for this proposed budget are to be paid from the Community College Construction Program Fund which will be created if the Community College Bond Act of 1976 is approved by the people of California in June, 1976," Magnuson said.

Cerritos College, at present, is not included in the governor's budget. The district is requesting augmented funds.

Similar augmentation was considered last year and approved by the legislature but was blue-lined (defeated) at the Governor's desk, according to Magnuson.

Magnuson said he hopes his letter will influence the finance committee and bring about the needed funds, but he doesn't feel very optimistic concerning change this year.

"All we can do is try," he said.

Mexicans honor freedom in Cinco de Mayo fest

By CHERYLE BOLDEN
TM Campus Editor

Bang! Bang! Boom! Boom! Shots rang out, cannons roared and many fell dead.

Sometime ago, May 5, 1862 to be exact, Mexican revolutionaries and the French fought the Battle of Puebla. The battle was won by the revolutionaries and the Mexicans were free at last of the French ruling of Mexico.

Each year Cinco de Mayo is celebrated by Mexicans all over the world, including Cerritos College.

Cerritos College will celebrate this cultural holiday with many festivities. The main attraction will be from 10-12 noon in the Quad. Cerritos Ballet Folklorico Dancers will perform.

The troupe will also perform tonight at 7:30 in the Burnight Theatre. Los Nobles, a Mexican singing trio, will also perform.

Tony Salamanca is the scheduled guest speaker for tonight's festivities. Salamanca, who is consultant to the Commission of Teacher/Teacher Preparation and License, will speak on Bilingual Education. Everyone is invited to attend. Admission is free.

The clubs on campus that are participating in today's events are Mariachi, Raza Unida, and Los Adelitas.

Cinco de Mayo celebration is co-sponsored by community services and Chicano Studies under the supervision of Phil Rodriguez, coordinator, and Bob Miranda, assistant coordinator.



THE JOY OF COOKING — (From left to right) Rudy Raiser, Cerritos Baking instructor along with Tom Back, instructor, are all smiles after students Al Babloui received an

Honorable Mention for his Coca Painting, Douglas Good, 2nd place for his Salmon Lobster. Larry Reveles won 1st place with his version of the Turkey Breast and Martin Da

Ross also won 1st place for his Liver Mousse. The cooking contest was held recently in Pasadena.

— TM Photo by STEVE DAVIS

Music to fill BC Theatre next week

By BERNICE SEQUEIRA
TM Staff Writer

Music will filter from the Burnight Center Wednesday, May 12, at 8:00 p.m. when a variety of solos, duets, and ensembles will be featured in the Cerritos College First Annual Faculty Music Festival.

Twelve music teachers will appear in the free concert, featuring both full and part time instructors, and students as well. Music from the Baroque, Classical, Romantic and Contemporary periods will be displayed.

Of particular interest will be a guitar duet by student members Peter Kraus and Mark Bird.

Mozart's Quintet in E-flat for winds and pianos (K 452) will be performed by Music Director John Feeney, and faculty members Ann Kraus, Horace Greeley, Scott Henderson and Philip Weston.

Other pieces on the program include a trumpet solo by Don Erjavec; vocal solos by Stan Porter; a horn ensemble, and a brass ensemble which will play three pieces from the "Water Music" by George Frederic Handel.

Admission is free and all are cordially invited to attend, says Feeney.

Michael recuperating

Cerritos College President Wilford Michael will be at home recuperating from minor surgery for the next two weeks, according to John Randall, vice president of instruction.

Doctors removed a benign growth from Michael's thyroid last Thursday. There were no complications and he was released Saturday.

Softball champs play final game on campus today

A record of 10-0. The conference championship. Scoring 102 runs to the opposition's mere 2 runs.

Anyone who hasn't seen Cerritos College's sensational women's softball team play, this afternoon is the final game of the season.

Coach Nancy Kelly's phenoms host Long Beach City College at 3:30 p.m. on the softball diamond adjacent to the archery range on the southwest corner of the athletic field.

The team has powerful hitters, fast fielders, and pitcher Barbara Reinalda, one of the best in the country.

A big turnout is expected to see the community college super team wrap up its first full season. They've already clinched the title and are headed for the playoffs.

Last chance to see them is 3:30 p.m. today, on Falcon Way east of the archery range.

News Items

NO PAPER NEXT WEEK

Talon Marks will not publish next week. However, an "election special" will be out Tuesday, May 18, first day of the ASCC president and vice presidential elections. Deadline is Wednesday, May 12, at 1 p.m. for news material.

TOP OFFICER PETITIONS

ASCC President and Vice-President petitions will be available for students interested in running for the 1976-77 offices of Student Body president and vice-president. The petitions can be picked up from Mary Monnin in the Office of Student Activities.

Deadline for filing is Friday, May 7, at 4 p.m.

CARNIVAL COMING

The annual ASCC Carnival will be held May 6-9 in the parking lot in front of the gym.

The carnival will feature rides, game booths, food concessions, and the like. Pre-ride tickets are on sale now and may be purchased from participating clubs and organizations.

SECRETARY CAREER INFO

Tomorrow's Ear Bender will be on "Career Opportunities as an Administrative Secretary," at 11 a.m. in BK-111.

Faculty Hostess Mary Weidman will welcome Nancy Dusch, secretary of the vice-president of Arcate Graphics.

WIND ENSEMBLE CONCERT

Cerritos Wind Ensemble will be in concert on Sunday, May 9, at 3 p.m. in the Burnight Theatre. Admission will be 50¢.

LOOKING AT FINLAND

Tomorrow's film lecture will feature "Look to Finland" by Hjordia Parker. This event will take place at 8 p.m. in the Burnight Theatre. Admission is 50¢ for all students.

SPRING AWARDS FORMS

Students may pick up ASCC Award nomination forms for the Spring Awards Banquet in the Office of Student Affairs and Student Activities. Deadline for filing the nominations is set for May 11.

OOPS! NEW TM NUMBER

Talon Marks has a new phone number. Which may be why you may not have been able to get through to us lately.

Try Extension 376, 377, or 378.

That includes the editor, the staff, and adviser C. Thomas Nelson. It also includes the Department of Journalism and Photography. Call us if we can help.



CHORUS KICK — Cathy Elder gets into the act during her routine at the Yell and Song tryouts last Thursday. Elder was chosen as one of the 1976-77 Song leaders for Cerritos. —TM Photo by STEVE DAVIS

New ASC Justice appointed; Senate lot issue surfaced again

By AL BENTON
TM Associate Editor

Last week at a meeting which saw only four senators absent, the ASCC Senate passed a bill filling a vacancy on the ASCC Court.

The bill, SB 1360, called for the appointment of Kim Bushong to the position of justice.

Bushong graduated from Neff High School in 1975 and is an undecided major. Currently Bushong is carrying 17 units and has maintained a grade point average (GPA) of 3.8.

The appointment of Bushong was needed to maintain continuity for next year's court, according to Greg Holding, ASCC court justice. SB 1360 passed 31-0 with one abstention.

In other business the senate was told that the budget committee was now holding meetings every Tuesday and Friday at 2:30 p.m. in BK 112.

"If a student has a concern over how much money a certain area will receive, he can contact a member of the committee or come before the committee to express their concern," said Jess Reese, ASCC senator.

All areas have submitted budget requests and the senate should receive the budget at least one to two weeks prior to the May 19 consideration date, according to Reese.

There have been some \$370,000 in requests for money from an expected \$315,000 income.

"The final decision is the students', with input from the faculty and administration," said Reese.

John Hunter, chairman of the attendance committee, made a motion during the meeting to call Senator Manso before the senate to explain his absences, as per the policy on attendance outlined in the student government manual.

Manso said that a recently acquired job caused a conflict and that someone else could better serve the students' interests.

Following his statement Manso made a subsidiary motion, which takes precedent over the question at hand, that he resign. The motion was accepted with no vote taken.

"This is the way I like to see this," said Hunter, "he (Manso) had an honest conflict and he came right out and said that he couldn't do a good job and asked to resign. He at least felt that he had the responsibility to do that."

Only four senators were absent from the April 28 meeting. Those absent were Johnson, Patterson, Murvin and Lockwood.

The issue of student government parking privileges surfaced again with the announcement that the first two rows of lot C-10, in the south 40 area, be reserved exclusively for student government personnel.

No classified or certificated employees will be allowed to park there under the new regulation which will probably go into effect in September, according to Richard Robinson, dean of student activities.

"There are more spaces there than government officers, so there should be no problems," he said.

The senate was also told that the library could have been open during the Spring recess as the staff was available, according to Reese.

"I would like to get the senate's reaction, as the decision to close over vacation seemed to be arbitrary," Reese said.

"The personnel to staff the library were there, all the classified and some of the certificated were on duty," Robinson said.

Reese quoted from the minutes of the April 20 meeting of the faculty senate in which he said that "the co-ordinator/administrator of the library, Cecil Roberts, said that he felt that he was not hired to give reference aid to students."

"They are there to help the students and I feel that the senate should follow this up," said Tim Devine, ASCC senator.

In other business, Senator Marlo said that free bands to perform at the Spring carnival were still needed and asked the senate for help. Senator Gerdes asked that any student interested in helping to design new kiosks contact her or the campus beautification committee.

The next meeting of the ASCC senate will be held today at 2 p.m. in the Bookstore Building, Room 112.

The meetings of the ASCC senate are open and all students are welcome to come and observe the weekly proceedings.

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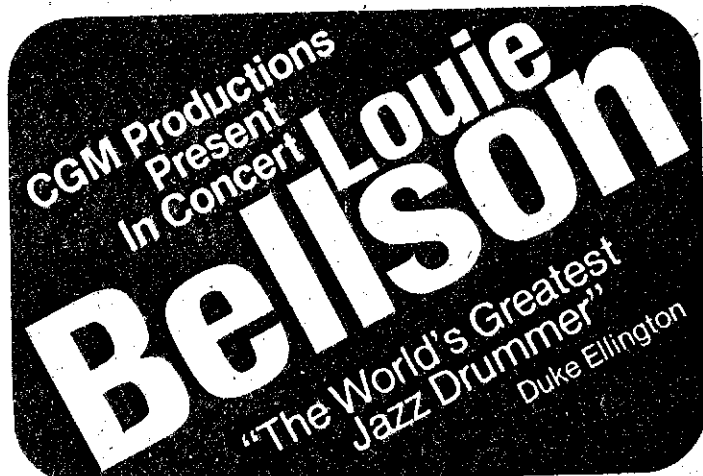
done by the Chancellor's office." The \$75,000 mistake represents a small percentage of the college general operating budget of \$17 million annually.

"Approximately 60 per cent of the Budget is derived from local property taxes, 33 per cent from the state and 2 per cent from the federal government," Magnuson said.

Funds that will be received from the Cerritos Redevelopment Agency (CRA) will be in lieu of property taxes, will not affect local computations of apportionment to the college, and will be used for whatever the Board of Trustees designates, said Magnuson.

The college should receive CRA funds by July 1, he said.

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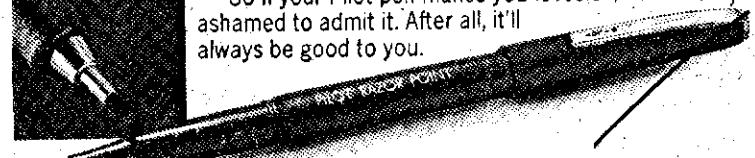
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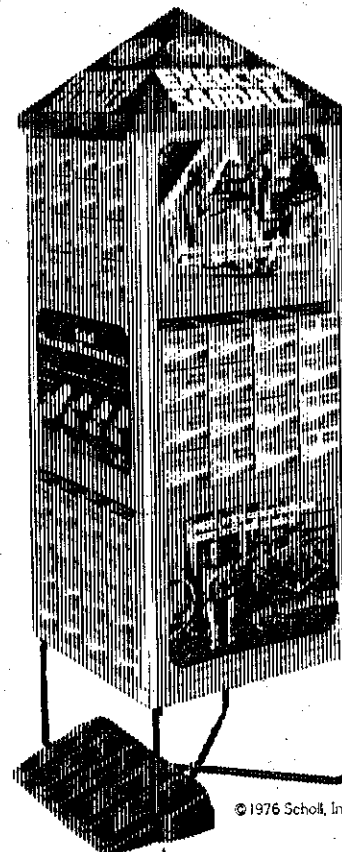
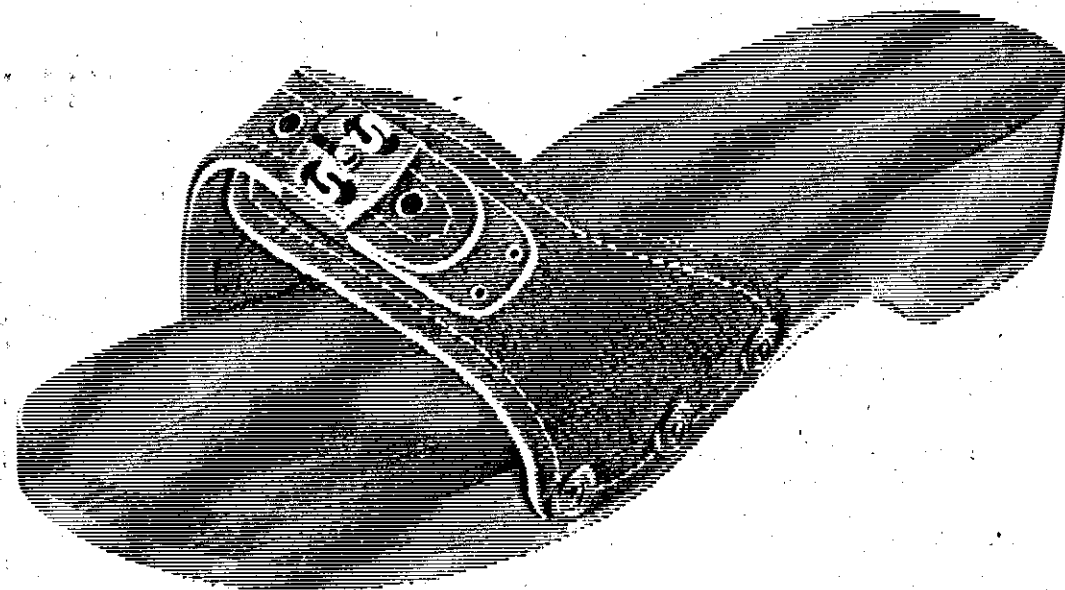


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Cerritos places first at home tournament

By SUSAN RINKLE
TM Staff Writer

Cerritos College placed first in the SCCCIAC badminton tournament held last Thursday, Friday, and Saturday at the Falcons gymnasium.

Rhea Gram's team took seven first places, three seconds, and two thirds following the three day event.

There were 36 hours of competition that involved 22 schools entering five main categories. Open, 1, 2, 3, and 4 were the divisions that included men's singles, women's singles, and mixed doubles.

There were 21 divisions in all in which each school could enter in 16 of them.

In the open division, Greg Cheng took a first

place in men's singles while Kathy Gaxiola and Cheng placed first in mixed doubles.

Barbara Moore scored a second place in women's singles and then teamed up with Greg Garrett and placed their behind Cheng - Gaxiola in mixed doubles.

Garrett also took first place in men's singles in the second division and first in men's doubles with partner Henry Tang.

Also in the second division, Ann Bowman and Tu-Anh Long took a second in women's doubles with Bowman placing third in women's singles.

In the third division, Tang took a first in men's singles and Tang and Bowman placed first in mixed doubles.

Dominic Cadena won first place in men's singles in the fourth flight and Oko Charboneau took second in women's singles.

Charboneau and Cadena placed first in mixed doubles in the fourth division.

El Camino came in second in the team competition with five first place wins, with Mt. SAC third, L.A. Harbor fourth, Chaffey fifth, and Pasadena sixth.

Teachers lose in mural play

By PATTI KENNEDY
TM Staff Writer

Intramurals were cancelled last Thursday due to a noon concert, but the mixed doubles tennis tournament continued with mild weather and willing players.

Tournament action was limited, however, to only a couple of courts because of the tennis team's conference tourney.

In last week's advanced rounds, the athletics staff team of Rhea Gram and Don Desfor were defeated by Armando Marquez and Melinda Williams in a tiebreaker to the last point. Larry Gray and Rita Silver advanced with a bye and the team of Mike Gamboa and Dee Gamboa also had a bye which moved them up in the advanced bracket.

The winners in the intermediate category were Mike Gutierrez and TM staff writer Bernice Sequeira defeating the faculty team of Carroll "Smokey" Cates and Mary Cavener with a 5-0 score.

In the beginning division, Joel Charbonnet and Darla Clardy defeated the team of Richard Takechi and Clare Tenny to move into the finals.

"Play is going slower than we expected," said tourney director Rhea Gram, but she hopes to have all final rounds completed this week.

Basketball, karate, social dance, and weight training continue twice a week, with activity designed to meet everyone's athletic needs.

For further information regarding the intramural program contact the PE office at 860-2451, Ext. 353.

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Sports

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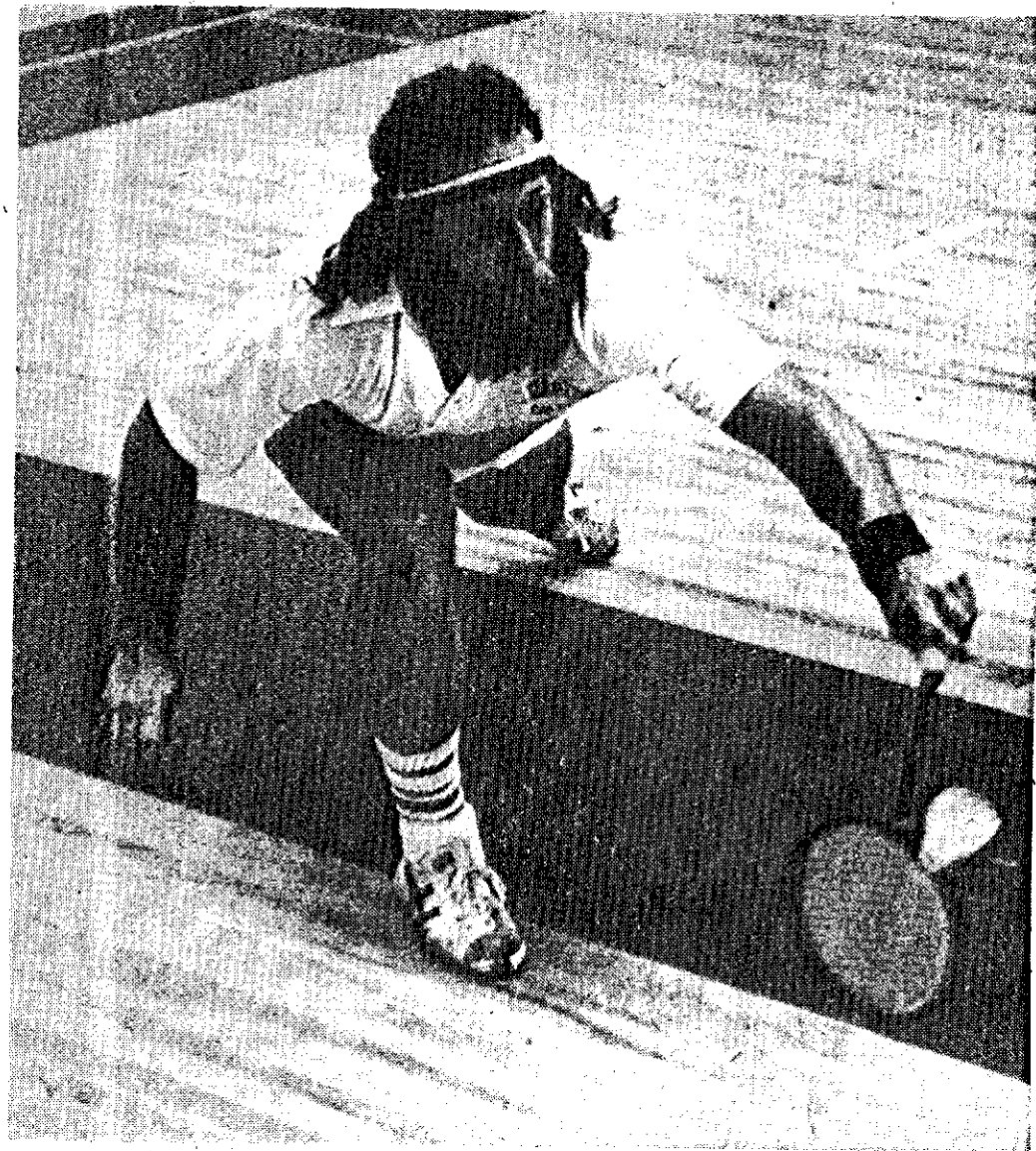
Juliano's netters continue fine play; Southern California tournament next

By PAT GRIFFITH
TM Staff Writer

Cerritos College women's tennis team is "doing well" this season, according to coach Dick Juliano as they prepare to meet Central League's Trade Tech Thursday at Trade Tech, and then on to the Southern California Tournament at Long Beach City College May 13, 14, 15 beginning at 8 a.m.

The Falcon record at present stands at an impressive ten wins and three losses. The three losses were suffered during non-league play. The only other undefeated Coast League team is Santa Barbara.

Kathy Evers, top racquet for Cerritos, will compete in division one. Kathy stands at a nine win, five loss record for the season. Divisions



EX-PITCHER TRIES NEW RACQUET—Former major league hurler Greg Garrett, presently a Cerritos College badminton player, displays the form that brought him two first and a third place finish in last weekend's SCCCIAC badminton competition hosted by Cerritos. Rhea Gram's team took an overall first place award as the 22 school tourney waded through 36 hours of grueling play.

—TM Photo by RICK TILTON

Steady player in hectic past stars at CC

By MIKE O'ROURKE
TM Staff Writer

When Sophomore pitcher Dave Patterson was asked what makes the Cerritos College baseball team such a consistent winner, he replied:

"It's the team unity that's so great. If one of us has problems, there's always someone else ready to back him up 100% . . . not to mention the fact that we have the best coach around, Wally Kincaid."

Perhaps some recognition should go to Number 33, Patterson, the righthanded Falcon whose outstanding pitching record has enhanced the team's chances immensely.

With a league earned run average of 1.64 and an overall 1.53 standing, Patterson carries the best statistics in the conference.

Having gone 99 innings for 96 strike-outs and walking only 13 batters in 60 league innings, Dave had never allowed a homerun until last Thursday when San Diego Mesa hit two back-to-back homers in the ninth.

"We need to win just one of our three remaining games in the league to take first place," he said.

A graduate of Mission Viejo High School, Patterson made All Orange County in his senior year. Due to some quite extensive past travels, he was All New York before that.

"I was born in Missouri and moved to New Jersey, Alabama, Maryland, Tennessee . . . do you want me to name them all?" Patterson asked.

The important thing is that he left U.C. Irvine last year to play out his sophomore ball at Cerritos College.

Becky Patterson, Dave's wife of 13 months, is the Falcon's official score-keeper, accompanying her husband to every game, and sharing the team bus.

"I guess my favorite pitch is the sinking fast-ball," Patterson said, "making them hit the ball to the ground, and then depend on our excellent fielding."

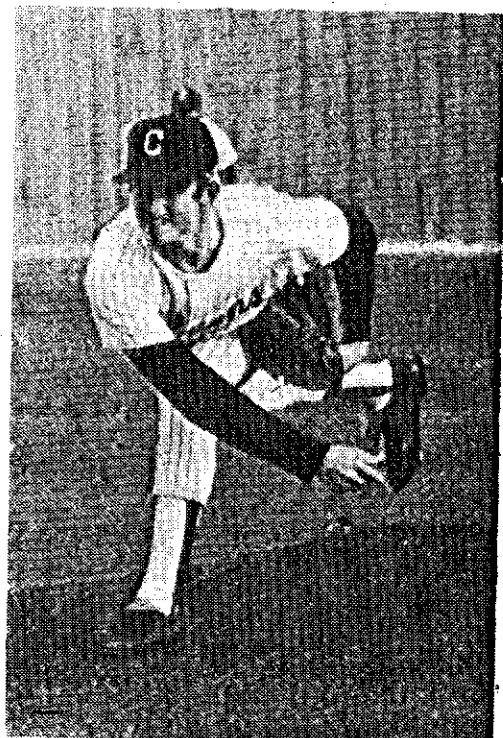
Nearing the end of the season, Dave has won eight league games and lost 1. He's 13-1 overall.

Gymnasium, courts opens for free play

The gymnasium and the indoor handball courts will be open for free play from 1-5 p.m. Monday through Friday, beginning Monday, May 3 and continuing through Friday, June 11.

Students using the gymnasium must provide their own equipment.

This program is offered through Community Services' recreation program.



DAVE PATTERSON

two, three, and four will be represented by Melinda Williams at ten wins, three losses, Rita Silver carrying six wins, seven losses into the tourney, and Paula Challis with nine wins, four losses.

Doubles competition will show Lisa Perez and Dee Gamboa for Cerritos with eleven wins, three losses in division one. Diana Osterhues and Sue Riege at ten wins and three in division two, and Nancy Agopian and Shellia Rogers at seven wins, six losses, respectively.

Coach Juliano feels Cerritos "should do pretty well" in the final tourney of the season, predicting the Falcons will earn a place in the top 10 of 30 teams. The team to beat this year, according to coach Juliano, is Pierce.

CAGER GOES EAST

Cerritos College sophomore guard Mike Wysong has signed a national letter of intent, with Texas Christian University (TCU) of the rugged Southwest Conference for the 1976-77 NCAA basketball season.

Miscues, mistakes result in Mt. SAC defeat; horsehiders tune-up for state tournament

By CRAIG MOZLEY
TM Sports Editor

Erupting for seven runs in the sixth inning, the Cerritos College number one ranked Falcons overpowered Orange Coast 13-4.

Entering the bottom of the sixth frame trailing 3-2, Kincaid's squad produced their largest one-inning total of the season and then added four tallies in the eighth to record their 31st victory.

A two-run single by leftfielder Mike Sammons, and a two-run double by Frank Vilorio highlighted the sixth that saw seven runs, five hits, three walks, four stolen bases, one error, and a wild pitch take place in the 35 minute, 12 batter onslaught.

In all the Falcons pounded out 14 hits. Mike Carpenter and Sammons had two singles a piece, second baseman Bill Springman pounded out three hits including three RBIs, two runs scored, and stole two bases. Shortstop Vilorio was the statistical leader for Cerritos on the day with four hits, two RBIs, scored

three runs, and crossed home plate three times.

The win gave the Falcons a two game lead over Mt. SAC and Santa Ana in the South Coast Conference that ends for Cerritos as they have their final game with Grossmont on Saturday, May 15.

With only two games remaining the Falcons need only one more victory or a single loss by either Mt. SAC or the Dons to chalk up their fifth straight SCC crown.

Following the conference end, Southern California Championships begin May 20, and if Cerritos advances to the finals, they will host the state championships at Falcon Field on Friday and Saturday, May 28 and 29.

In last Thursday's contest, Dave Patterson won his 13th game beating San Diego Mesa's ace Billy Harris, 5-2.

Patterson had a four hit shutout until the ninth inning when he allowed back-to-back homeruns. He struck out a total of eight and walked one.

Vilorio and Carpenter and two hits a piece and Springman had three hits including a triple, RBI, and the second-sacker scored two runs.

Cerritos was guilty of five errors in the fourth inning on Tuesday that led to a 11-3 downfall to the Mt. SAC Mounties.

The 11 runs the Falcons yielded was the highest run total given up by a Cerritos baseball team in nine years. Pierce College notched a 12-8 victory in 1967 which was the closest to Tuesday's humiliation in nearly a decade of Falcon baseball.

Added to the afternoon of horror was two Mt. SAC homeruns, a triple, and three doubles. Falcon pitchers combined for a total of five walks and two-hit batters. Cerritos' fielders committed five miscues and were out hit, 12-8.

The tragic fourth inning was highlighted by a bases-loaded double by the Mounties Larry Marsh for three runs after the Falcons should have gotten out of the inning easily. The Falcon third baseman, pitcher, rightfielder, second baseman and catcher each tallied errors in the frame to produce the seven unearned runs. Eleven Mountie batters came to the plate and collected only four hits as the errors took their toll.

Olivarez suffered his first loss of the year in the game making him 6-1 on the season. Cerritos has lost only three games in 32 starts and each one of the Falcon regular starters has one loss.

Mt. SAC hurler Bob Veselic set down a remarkable 15 Cerritos batters on strikeouts. According to Kincaid, the total is the highest he can remember in any game in the history of Cerritos baseball. Kincaid has coached all 19 teams since the college began in 1957-58.

Before closing out the regular season on Saturday, the Falcons traveled to Santa Ana yesterday as they hoped to secure the 1976 SCC league title.

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Curriculum 'de-composing'

A recent subcommittee on general education, headed by counseling chairman Dr. Robert Bos, has recommended that the Associate in Arts degree requirements be streamlined from the present 18 units minimum to 15 units.

The information request suggests this be done by eliminating the mandatory English composition class from the Learning Skills requirement. (Natural Sciences, Social Sciences, Humanities are the other required areas).

This suggestion originated from complaints by the Chancellor of California's Community Colleges who recognized that Cerritos was demanding students take three units more than many community colleges for an AA degree.

According to the Office of Academic Affairs, complaints from "several department heads" who felt their students should have the opportunity to spend the three units time working towards their vocation also influenced the subcommittee's suggestion.

Although we have no complaint with "streamlining" the current curriculum, we must agree with English Department Chairman Charles Tighman who wrote in a department bulletin:

"It is incredibly short-sighted and ill-advised to propose such a change in general education requirements at a time when the entire nation seems concerned about student's and graduates' inability to write, when four-year

colleges are instituting writing proficiency examinations . . ."

With television viewing taking the place of past reading time, it has become increasingly difficult for people in our society to communicate in written language.

There are few jobs in the real world where a person will not have to, at one time or another, communicate a request (job application) or complaint (retribution for a wrong doing) or various other procedures that require written English.

The composition courses not only teach persons how to get their ideas across in writing, but it also forces students to evaluate the continuity of thought and logic used in expressing themselves.

Thus, the composition course extends far past a paragraph on "How I spent my summer vacation." It develops skills a person may use the rest of his life in countless areas of endeavor.

If students feel that taking one English composition class will unduly hinder their academic pursuit of an occupation, they should not take such a class — nor should they receive a two-year college degree.

The curriculum could be better "streamlined" in other areas. For if we allow students to graduate from Cerritos without the ability to write even a simple sentence, the AA degree would be better called an occupational certificate — rather than an academic degree.

Cinco de Mayo

Today will mark the 114th anniversary of the Battle of Puebla, Mexico, better known as Cinco de Mayo.

Cinco de Mayo celebrates the re-establishment of Mexican independence from the rule of France in 1862.

The Mexican struggle to wrest themselves of foreign tyranny, both political and racial, was not unlike our own.

It must be remembered that once won, these

freedoms are not permanent; a constant vigil must be maintained to protect them.

This is the significance of the Cinco de Mayo celebration here at Cerritos. The day will be feted with bands, dancers, and speakers.

All of this adds up to awareness, both ethnic and political. The dangers to human freedom know no cultural or racial bounds. Through awareness, a second battle of the Puebla won't be necessary.

Public budget hearings

A senate committee is now holding hearings on next year's ASCC activities budget. This group is formulating the ways that some \$300,000 of student money is to be spent.

The full senate has the final say on the budget, but the basic groundwork is being done now through the efforts of the budget committee.

Despite what many students may think, the operations of this committee are far from the covert clandestine activities of the CIA.

To the contrary, the budget committee is urging students that have a vested interest in

a specific groups' budget or those students who want to see first hand how the gears of student government operate, to come and attend their meetings.

The budget committee is meeting twice weekly to trim and balance the budget proposal on Tuesday and Friday at 2:30 p.m. in BK-112.

If student government is to be truly representational and responsible, it must have student input and observation. After all, it's your money and your activities program that this group is dealing with. Students should voice their opinions.

Dropping free . . . now

Since the state has imposed a 5 percent financial assistance growth rate on community colleges, there have been many proposals to garner the funds necessary to continue high educational standards.

With final exams coming up it is interesting to consider one such proposal because along with the semesters end there is usually a stampede of students dropping courses, rather than failing them.

This one proposal calls for a student to put a "deposit" on the units signed up for (some have suggested 20 dollars per class). If the

student completes the course he receives his money back, but if he fails to finish the semester the money goes to the college.

Undoubtedly this would rake in much needed additional funds with, for the most part, only the uncommitted student suffering a financial setback.

However this penalty proposal is not in effect as yet.

So remember the last day to drop a class is the day before final exams begin. Right now it's free.

Letters

Throw in the towel!

Dear Editor:

COMPLAINT: No towels! Men's P.E. I have a weight training class at night from 5-6 p.m. Monday and Wednesday along with many other students.

For two consecutive semesters now, the towel cage has been open sometimes and closed quite often.

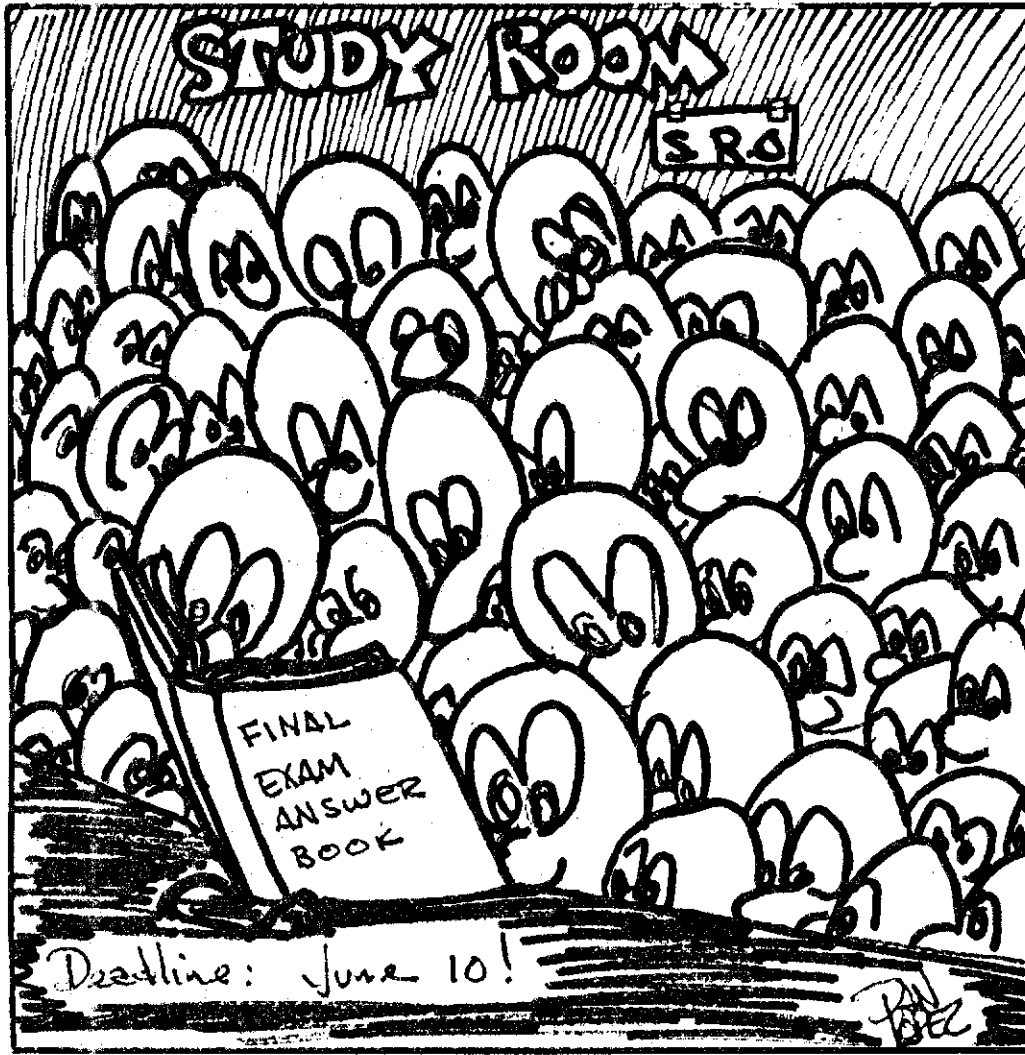
This gets kind of sticky when I have to use

the same towel four times or more, over a two-week period.

I try to get in class so I can exchange for a clean towel and even that doesn't work at times.

I paid seven dollars for a student body card and I think someone should get on the ball and GIVE ME A TOWEL!

Barry P. Dahlen
J2515



Segmented representation brings new policy statement

By AL BENTON
TM Associate Editor

Who speaks for the community college as a unit?

This question was put before area colleges in light of recent budgetary actions by the governor and Department of Finance moves directly affecting the community college.

Dr. Leslie Koltai, Chancellor of the Los Angeles Community College District, received much reaction to these proposals from teacher associations, employee groups and other boards, but all spoke for a specific interest group, not for the complete entity of the community colleges.

To combat this segmented representation and to put forth a statement on general policy of the community colleges, the Alliance of Los Angeles County Community Colleges (ALACCC) was formed, according to Wilford Michael, president-superintendent of Cerritos College.

Five areas of basic community college philosophy were queried through subcommittees. These areas were Finances and fees; Student personal services; Local and state program control; Adult and Vocational education programs.

The main committee is composed of community college chancellors and superintendents, while the sub-committee groups are made up of other college officials.

Cerritos is represented by Dr. Walter Magnuson on the Finances section; Don Siriani on student personal; Dr. John Randall on program control and Dean Paige on Adult and Vocational education.

In addition there is a public relations subcommittee on which Cerritos is represented by Jay Malinowski.

These committees have met and turned in broad, general conclusions on what should be the policy of the colleges of the alliance.

The committees have concluded that the

alliance should oppose increasing state control of programs and the reduction of local autonomy of governing boards, according to Michael.

The subcommittees have also recommended that the alliance oppose tuition or increases in fees as well as legislation to close the open door policy of the community colleges and restrict their enrollment. Opposition to legislation that would remove authority to provide non-credit classes was also voiced.

The committees have also suggested that the alliance support legislation for broad guidelines and policy, as well as local control; improving inflationary factor in financing and the concept of continuing education in the community college.

These recommendations are not final, as the entire alliance must meet and decide on each one. The decision of the alliance is in turn not binding on the individual colleges, but represents the consensus of the group.

"Group action is more meaningful than individual," said Michael, "the double standard of the state regarding finances and enrollment policy is a concern to the alliance."

Local interests should have the first chance at solving the problems of the community college. The problems and needs of the individual colleges are best recognized on a local basis, not a statewide basis," said Michael.

Petitions available for Spring awards

Nomination sheets for Spring awards, to be given at the June 4 banquet, are now available in the Student Activities Office or the Student Affairs Office, according to Karen Falcon, Commissioner of Inter Club Council (ICC).

"Nominations are open to all full and part-time students, but the forms must be completed and submitted to either of these offices by May 11," Falcon said.

This Spring's banquet will be held on the Queen Mary in Long Beach, and will feature a prime rib dinner and an after dinner dance. The cost for the June 4 festivities will be \$5, according to Falcon.

EARTHBLOOD

Octane count victimizes autos

By AL BENTON
TM Associate Editor

There is a new numbers game in town and the automobile owner is the victim.

The name of the game is guess the octane rating for your car, and if you own a 1971 through 1974 car, the chances are that you'll lose.

America's 100 million motorists are wasting up to \$3 million a day because they are over-buying on gasoline octane.

Most of the 1971-74 cars are made to run on regular gas which the owners manual states should be at least 91 octane, but the octane ratings on the pump are about four points lower than those in the manual.

The difference results from the ways that the octane figures are derived.

Top ASCC offices going up for grabs

By CHERYLE BOLDEN
TM Campus Editor

It's election time for Student Body President and Vice-President.

All students interested in running for one of these offices must file a petition by 4 p.m. on Friday, May 7.

Interested students may pick up a petition from Mary Monnin in the Office of Student Activities.

As of today, according to Dick Robinson, Dean of Student Activities, only four petitions have been picked up.

Robinson also said, "If a person is intent upon getting elected as ASCC President or ASCC Vice-President, he (she) will have to work very, very hard talking to many students on campus."

The student will also need as many persons as possible to help as campaign workers. The duties of the campaign worker would probably range from talking to students to helping with the publicity that the candidate will need in order to be elected.

Not just anyone can run for ASCC President or Vice-President. There are several requirements which must be met. One of these is that the candidate must have attained the academic standing of a sophomore by the first full semester of office. He/she must also have an overall 2.25 grade point average as indicated on his/her permanent record card at the time of the election.

The candidate must also file along with his/her petition a resume of not more than 100 words. This resume must contain the candidate's qualifications which will be submitted to TALON MARKS to be published prior to the election. This will enable the students on campus to get a first-hand view of the candidates and their qualifications.

Write-in candidates are also acceptable. The write-in candidates must also be qualified candidates for ASCC President and Vice-President. They will follow the same procedure as the other candidates.

The winner of the presidential election must receive 50 percent or more of the total number of legal votes cast. If no candidate receives this majority, then a run-off election will be held between the two top contending candidates.

In case of a declared tie in the general presidential election, a run-off election will be held. And if there is a tie in the run-off, then the Senate by a two-thirds vote shall determine the winner.

If there is a run-off election the two candidates will be provided funds in the amount of \$50 each by the ASCC to be used to cover increased campaign costs due to the run-off. Other than that, all costs of campaigning for ASCC President and Vice-President are the sole responsibility of the candidate.

The executive powers of the President will be to preside at all meetings where he/she will be the official representative of the Associated Students. The president along with the Executive Cabinet is responsible for formulating and directing programs as established in the current budget. The president also can conduct Associated Students business at anytime, but is answerable to the Senate for any action.

The responsibility involves sitting in on the Board of Trustees and representing the student body at a host of activities.

The last day to file a petition for office will be May 7, Friday at 4 p.m.

Elections for ASCC President and Vice-President will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 18 and 19, in the regular poll-aces.

One method, called the "research method" yields a higher number than the other means, called the "motor method."

Octane itself is a measurement of how much a fuel can be compressed without igniting. Low octane fuel may ignite too soon and cause knock or "ping" which can damage an engine.

The confusion arises from the fact that the number posted on the pumps, which is required by the Federal Energy Administration, in most cases is an average between the results of the two measuring methods.

This comes out four points lower than the figures listed in the manual.

The moral of this mathematical analogy is consult your owners' manual and add four points to the number on the pump and you won't get soaked when you buy gas.

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