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Two killed after frat rush party

By JANE BROCK
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Two former Cerritos College students and alumni of Sigma Phi fraternity were killed in a car crash following a Sigma Phi rush party early Saturday morning Feb. 14.

Jack Chaddick, 22, and Richard DeSisto, 27, were traveling home from Hof's Hut, north on the 606 freeway at 4:10 a.m. when driver DeSisto missed the Alondra offramp and crashed. The vehicle was traveling at approximately 85-90 m.p.h., according to the California Highway Patrol.

The car was a 1981 BMW purchased by DeSisto just two weeks prior, according to a spokesman from Sigma Phi. "After the crash, the car rolled, and then blew up."

DeSisto and Chaddick were reportedly thrown 80 feet from the car. Chaddick was killed instantly, DeSisto died 15 minutes later, officials said.

The rush party was originally billed as a "Tequila Shoot-out," but was changed to a "Mexican Fiesta" because of a conflict in the college code prohibiting publicity that "advocates the use of dangerous drugs or alcohol at a college-sponsored event."

The college code further prohibits the use of alcohol at official college gatherings.

According to the Sigma Phi spokesman, both funerals were arranged by the fraternity. DeSisto is survived by a sister in New York. "We the fraternity were like family to Jack. His parents died when he was 15."

The rush party that Sat. night was to have taken place at DeSisto's new house in Fullerton.

Sign-ups up for Spring

By MICHELE WALTON
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The Cerritos College spring enrollment stands at 22,406, a slight increase over the fall registration total, according to admissions officials.

The majority of Cerritos students, 10,321, are enrolled in extended day classes. Students attending satellite campuses in the district added 347 to this figure, most of which take night classes at 37 businesses, high schools, community centers and hospitals in the area.

By over a 3 to 1 margin, more students attend Cerritos on a part-time rather than a full-time basis. While 6,657 students are enrolled in day classes only, 5,428 split their time between both day and evening classes.

Female students nudged out their male counterparts in the Cerritos population by almost 1,400.

Over 13,000 students who attended Cerritos in the fall registered again for the spring semester. New and re-admit students added 3,877 and 3,206 respectively to the Cerritos ranks, while those transferring from other colleges and universities totaled 1,680.

THE REAGAN AXE

Student aid threatened

By LINDA BARHOUSE
and KURT PETERSON

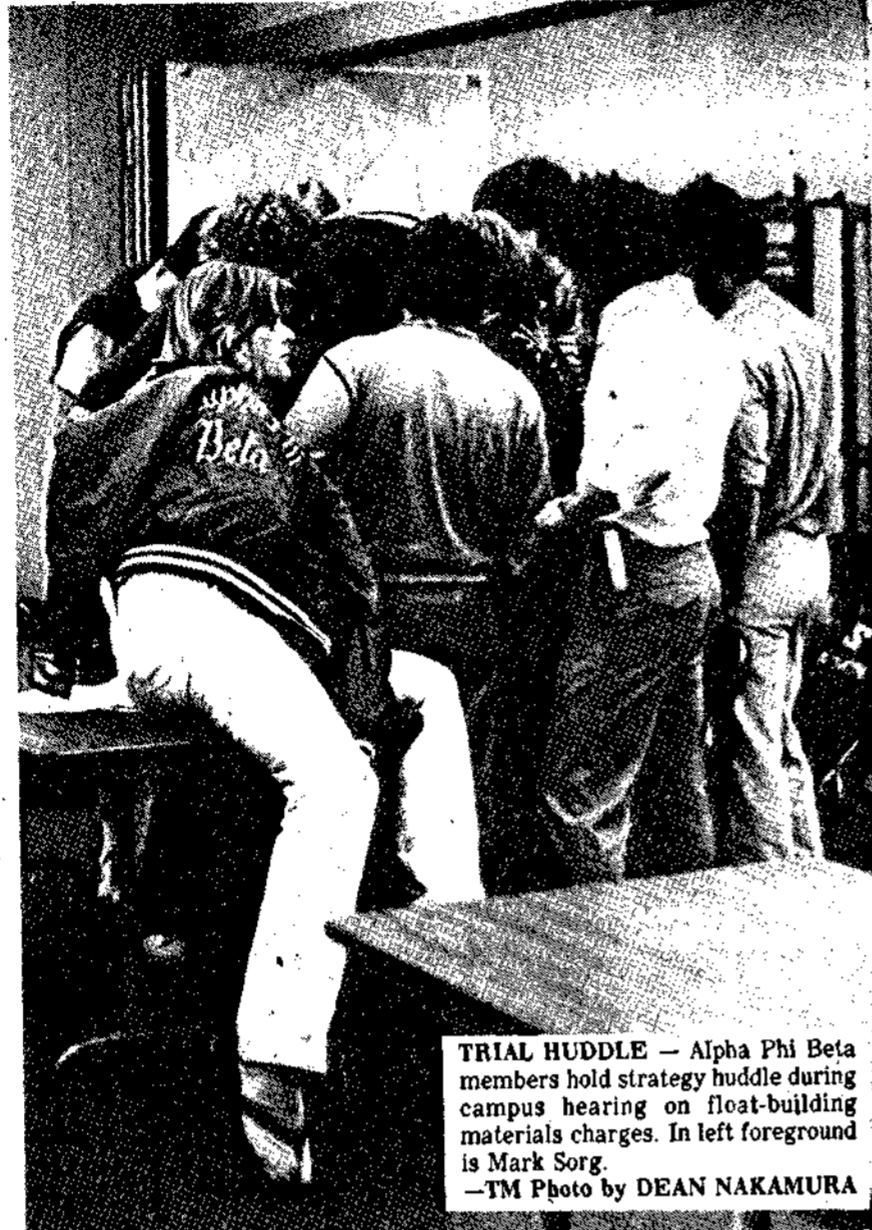
The effects of President Reagan's proposed budget package has already reached the Financial Aids Office at Cerritos College.

The President's five-year plan for revising the budget, which he announced to Congress one week ago today, calls for a significant increase in defense funds and a significant decrease in spending for several other government programs, including those affecting financial aid and Social Security benefits for college students.

The two student loans most directly affected by the proposed cuts are the Guaranteed Student Loan (GSL), and the National Direct Student Loan (NDSL).

"The biggest change will be in the NDSL," according to Financial Aid Coordinator Bob Miranda. "The loan will be faded out over a four-year period with a 25 percent annual reduction beginning in 1980."

The GSL up until now had no maximum income requirements for applicants. Under Reagan's plan, it will experience a new income ceiling and other tougher qualifications.



TRIAL HUDDLE — Alpha Phi Beta members hold strategy huddle during campus hearing on float-building materials charges. In left foreground is Mark Sorg. —TM Photo by DEAN NAKAMURA

Homecoming float building trial 'no circus'—resumes tomorrow

By WAYNE WURZER
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In front of a standing room only crowd, Dean of Student Activities Richard Robinson began the ASCC Supreme Court trial of Alpha Phi Beta by stressing it as, "a serious matter involving students and organizations — an associated student body matter."

The crowd and tension grew from there in Thursday's initial formal hearing of the court complaint filed by panhellenic members Kathy Gabel and Mike Warren against the currently inactive Alpha Phi Beta fraternity.

The court will continue to hear the case tomorrow at 11 a.m. in BK-112. The complaint charges A Phi B with "fraud and misrepresentation" concerning donated goods from Tree Island Steel Inc. and floatbuilding rule violations during last semester's Homecoming festivities.

Gabel began the proceedings with a 17-minute presentation of depositions, written statements and letters from various students and campus organizations to back her allegations.

Most of Gabel's time was concerned with what A Phi B did with the goods (7 rolls of poultry netting, 20 lbs. of staples and shaping wire) after they were obtained, rather than attempting to prove they were obtained in a fraudulent manner.

The way A Phi B obtained the donations appears to be the big question mark in the case while a letter from the office of Coordinator of Student Activities Norm Price surrounds the controversy.

Advisor to Delta Phi Omega, Pat

Reagan testified as Gabel's first witness to shed light on the letter that "read vaguely" as to who the materials would be used by.

Reagan said, "I asked Cal Lindsey about the donation, and he said it was for A Phi B only, and that he had written up a letter and signed it."

She then read a signed letter from her husband, who contends he was in the presence of Reagan, Price and ASCC President Stuart Hayden when his wife asked Norm if he signed the letter from the school requesting donations.

According to the statement read by Mrs. Reagan, Price said, "I signed it," when asked about such a letter.

When informed Lindsey had taken credit for writing the letter, Price, according to the statement said, "Same difference."

In the statement, Mr. Reagan wrote: Norm shrugged his shoulders and said, "What can I say," when asked if he was aware that A Phi B had sold donated items to other groups building floats.

State funds controversy puts Share out of business here

By PAUL SIMON
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Following a week of heavy recruiting, Operation Share — a private, non-profit statewide organization — has closed its doors at Cerritos College.

Share, which offered credits to students volunteering to tutor underprivileged children, ceased operating due to the cancellation of liability insurance to the tutors.

Nancy Schilling, director of Share for the Downey Unified School District which operates on campus and with the students of Cerritos College, officially resigned Feb. 5. Schilling's resignation brought on the withdrawal of the Downey School District from the Share Organization entirely.

Schilling's move followed the resignations of Operation Share Manager Gilbert Solano and Assistant Manager Ron Zolezzi from the Office of the Santa Clara County Superintendent of Schools.

This followed a request made by County Superintendent Glenn Hoffmann to see certain financial records of the Share Organization.

When Solano and Zolezzi refused to turn over any records, Hoffmann asked for and received their resignations. It was at that time that

liability insurance was cancelled to all Share tutors.

In an article appearing in the San Jose Mercury News on Jan. 31, Hoffmann said of Solano and Zolezzi, "They have on certain occasions refused to cooperate to provide information we requested regarding the transactions of the Share Foundation."

Schilling, when asked if she thought that Solano and Zolezzi were involved with anything illegal, declined to comment.

When questioned why they did not release Share's financial records, Solano told the Talon Marks, "It's a matter of principle; I believe nobody has the right to look into the books of a private, non-profit organization."

Solano started the Share Organization in 1966 in San Jose. In 1968, Share was adopted by the Santa

Clara Superintendents Office.

Since then Share has reached up to 25 different colleges across the state and has helped over 100,000 children, while providing many thousands of college students with experience and credits.

Solano continues to run the shrinking Share Organization, no longer with the help of Santa Clara County Office of Education.

Share has been on the Cerritos College campus for the past three and one half years and has been under the direction of Schilling only for the 1980 Fall Semester.

"I believe wholeheartedly in what Share has done for the underprivileged children and for the students of Cerritos College, she said.

Schilling continued, "I hope and expect Share or something like it to be back at Cerritos next Fall."

Top vote-getter bloc(ked) from top Senate post

By ROBIN NELSON
TM Features Editor

Top-vote getter Jimmy Ramirez, a member of the VICA bloc which took seven out of the first ten Senate seats, declined nomination for Sergeant-at-Arms after being rejected for the office of President Pro-Tem.

Ramirez saw the coveted Pro-Tem job go to the lowest man on the senate totem pole.

Tom Chavez, 36th vote getter in a 35 seat Senate, was elected to the post. He got in when Hector Salazar declined his position despite campaign efforts which got him the next to the last seat.

New senator Ramirez' first experience with the press showed him a reluctant interviewee. He hurried away after calling it "great" to be the top-vote getter.

Another Senate surprise saw perennial vote queen Stephanie Lopez tumble to 14th place after topping the balloting the last two Senate elections. Her No. 14 spot was one behind former ASCC President Russ Wood, who returned to the Falcon political arena while rounding out some required classes.

Wood, whose 1979-80 presidential reign saw considerable conflict with the Senate, is expected to join Lopez as one of the more active and vocal student reps.

Other highlights of the opening session saw VICA member Thom Brumback arouse considerable ire with his insistent challenging of each candidate for various Senate office

nominations with questions about which bloc they ran with or who they represented.

Senator Craig Georgianna received rousing applause after a crisp reminder to the new senator that "it doesn't matter which slate I ran with. What matters is what I do for the students."

The post of Sergeant-at-Arms went to Paul Westhoff. Rick Little was elected Senate sophomore majority leader with Harry Kane getting the nod for freshman minority leader.

Linda Klevin was voted in as Faculty-Student Liaison and Terry Wilson was elected as Senate rep to the Grievance Committee.

The new Senate, made up of 17 incumbents, got right down to business, passing two bills unanimously.

Legislation officially requesting funding in the amount of \$2256 for Lambda Alpha Epsilon to attend the National convention at Huntsville, Texas, March 22-27 was approved from an ASCC account which is set up for use by organizations for state and national conventions and competitions. The second involved a loan to the dance department for their upcoming concert. The "loan" will be paid back in full, plus the ASCC will also receive all proceeds from the event.

A total of 1,320 ballots were cast in this semester's election which topped last spring's tally of 816.

Senate meets again today at 2 p.m. in Room BK-12.

Counterfeit trial slated for trio

The counterfeiting trial of Calvin Lindsey, Mark Sorg and Donald McCone is set for March 10, in the U.S. District Court in Los Angeles.

Charges include passing \$1.25 million in counterfeit \$100 dollar bills to two Secret Service agents at the Norwalk Courthouse on Nov. 21 of last year.

Next issue Talon Marks will continue in the coverage of the case involving the three former Alpha Phi Beta fraternity members.

Frats, Publicity Code focused on by Board

By WANDA EDWARDS
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Two incidents related to student affairs here at Cerritos overshadowed "business as usual" at the Feb. 17 Board of Trustees meet.

The auto-accident deaths of students Jack Chaddick and Richard DeSisto following a campus-publicized Sigma Phi-Delta Phi Omega party on Feb. 13 added to the Board's sober deliberations on a

revised Student Publicity Code which Trustees finally rejected.

And a letter from the management of Tree Island Steel left no doubt that some student Homecoming activities had incited community disapproval.

"This whole affair, regardless of who is right and who is wrong, does little for the image and impressions that our management has of Cerritos College," wrote Gary R. Oshiro, per-

sonnel manager for the steel company.

Oshiro referred to the pre-Homecoming incident in which A Phi B representatives solicited material for their float with the aid of an official letter signed by Norm Price, student activities director.

Harold Tredway, long-time board member, stated in the Tuesday night meeting of the school's seven-member governing board that he deplored the "laxity in student affairs that permitted this to happen."

Tredway said he was concerned about people who are no longer students going out representing the school.

Stuart Hayden, student board member, explained it had always been the custom to invite alumni back to participate in Homecoming.

Student Body President Hayden also answered for students in the Publicity Code discussion which left several unanswered questions even as board members unanimously voted down the proposed revision.

Rich Goul, most vocal of the board's spokesmen on this subject, cautioned, "When we start setting up a review of material which smacks of censorship, we are in bad shape."

It was the terminology of item 6.39 that he questioned — one of the items which had initially prompted the call for a revision two months ago by board member Chuck Fuentes.

Information that is "libelous, detrimental, degrading or advocates the use of dangerous drugs or alcohol" can be rightfully withheld

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Wrege exhibit to begin today in college gallery

By KURT PETERSON
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The works of realist painter Ernest Wrege will be featured in an exhibit beginning today in the Cerritos College Art Gallery.

The invitational showing which runs through March 6, showcases 15 of Wrege's paintings, all of which were composed between 1970 and last year.

Wrege, 45, began painting while studying engineering at Bemidji State College in his native Minnesota. He

progressed through several styles before arriving at his realistic images in early 1970.

Wrege's creative process begins with a black and white photograph which he places on a grid that enables him to work with small sections of the photo at a time.

Although he uses black and white photos, Wrege's paintings are brilliantly colorful. "I prefer to work with black and white photographs to

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CODE CLASH—Board member Chuck Fuentes, foreground, and Rich Goul, rear, have outspoken views on

Publicity Code, censorship issue before Board. —TM Photo by DEAN NAKAMURA

