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## Spring ASCC polls end today

### Vice-president Ellig announces resignation as elections open



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### 67 candidates seek one of 37 vacancies

### Ellig claims consideration was personal

By B. MICHEL MILBANK  
TM Assoc. News Editor

Spring semester senatorial elections continue through today with 67 office-seekers vying for 37 seats in the Student (ASCC) Senate.

Polls are open from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and from 6 to 9 p.m. with voting booths located in the Health Sciences area, Athletics area, in front of the Student Center, and Elbow room.

Of the 67 candidates, 19 are incumbents seeking re-election. Craig Browning, former Senate President Pro Tem, and Angela Perryman are each trying for a third senatorial term.

Former senators Yvonne Ybarra, Kim Power, John Dominguez, Byron Willis, Darlene Sly, Richard Pinajira, Bob Bracy, Steve Clubb, LaVonda Dominguez, Carl Johnson, Barbara Grunert, Richard Smissen, Ed Jovellanos, and Priscilla Perez are attempting to repeat last semester's victories.

Nancy Gaines, Elaine Cubas, and Steve Frydman are making initial campaign bids after being appointed to senate seats last semester to fill vacancies left by the resignation of elected office-holders.

"About eight or nine incumbents usually get re-elected," stated Richard Robinson, Associate Dean of Student Activities and ASCC Senate advisor.

"Many former senators go on to fill other student government positions or seek leadership positions in other campus organizations," he added.

The senatorial candidates must be presently enrolled in ten units and have a 2.0 G.P.A. for the preceding semester.

Cosmetology, last semester's power bloc in the senate, will be hard pressed to maintain that position with only four candidates running. Latter Day Saints Student Association (LDSSA) once again dominates the ballot with 11 members trying for office, six of them incumbents.

The only other group pushing a slate is Phi Rho Pi — the Speech Club — running six candidates.

Some pre-election speculation in

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By MARGARET CANTELON  
TM News Editor

Stacey Ellig announced her resignation yesterday after serving as ASCC vice-president for a half term.

A week ago, President Lance Clawson said, "Things are going to be different in the the Senate this semester."



STACEY ELLIG

Apparently he knew what he was talking about.

Ellig indicated they wanted time to work things out "smoothly."

The action came without warning, and was a big surprise, especially in view of Ellig's energetic style and enthusiasm for the post.

No possible successor was identified by Ellig.

Ellig said, "I have had a great many personal things happen in my life. My mother died in October. I'm carrying a large class load. I'm working 30 hours a week. There comes a time in life when Daddy becomes important and you know he needs your help and I want to be there."

When asked if there were any problems with such familiar stumbling blocks as GPA or unit totals, she

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Parking problems, permits



Visitors parking dispenser is on wrong side, rubber bumpers need permit tags (Madeline Manriquez demonstrates), permits peel easily, and tickets were written during the registration period. Otherwise...

### Parking permit fees and regulations; students and residents pay the price

By MARGARET CANTELON  
TM News Editor

This Spring semester is the first term in the 27 year history of the college where parking fees are being charged to help offset costs for parking

and traffic operations. In addition, the City of Norwalk is also issuing permits for parking in areas surrounding the college in an effort to protect the residents.

The Cerritos College parking fee,

which is \$12 for full time students, and \$8 for those with six or less units, does not guarantee a parking space on campus.

Permits may be attached to the rear bumper, back window, or hung from the rear-view mirror, depending on the type of permit and the security of the vehicle. However, if the permit is lost or stolen, the student must purchase a new one. Only if the old permit is returned to security can a new permit be issued free of charge.

Those not purchasing permits may use coin-operated (50 cents) machines that provide students with a numbered ticket that is displayed on the dashboard of the vehicle. These are good for only one day.

All students, including senators, must buy a parking permit in order to park on campus, however the senators are still entitled to reserved parking. The advisory groups which meet on campus are given temporary passes, free of charge.

College security officials have

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### Campus Club Booth Days show 'n tell

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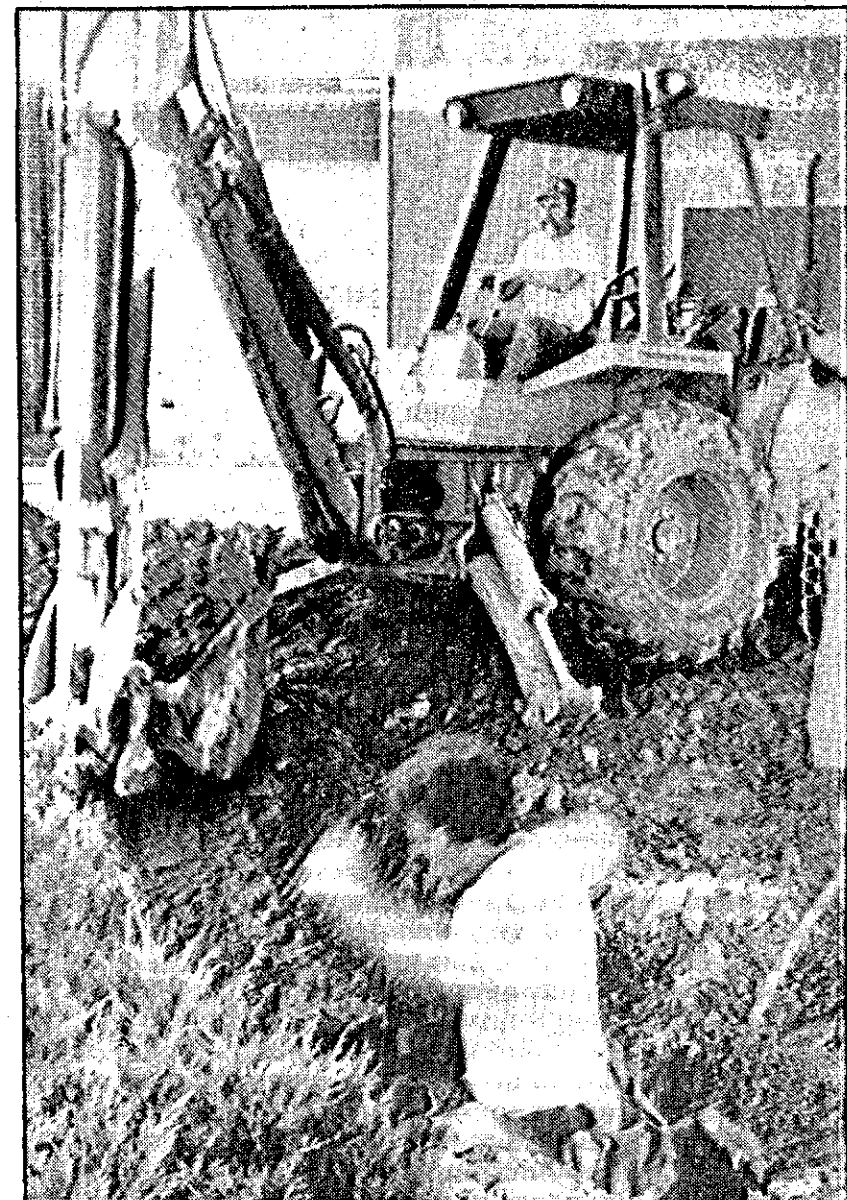
There is more to school life at Cerritos than attending classes. The opportunity for more is available during Club Booth Days, which will be held Feb. 16-17 in the quad area from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Sponsored by the ASCC, Club Booth Days take place each semester and is a showcase for campus organizations. Students are able to meet with different club members and see what each group has to offer. This is the chance for organizations to recruit new members and make their programs known.

This semester, 50 clubs will have booths, and according to Co-ordinator of Student Activities Phil Houseman, "There is something for everyone."

Club Booth Days are also open to those who want to start "something" new if able to fulfill the requirements of having 10 full-time participants with a 2.0 GPA and a full-time advisor. All

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Elbow Room?

Work is under way on the new Health Sciences student snack bar at the Community Services complex.

### The Campus Briefly

#### Jobs Information Day

The 14th Annual Cerritos College Job Information Day will take place on Wednesday, March 9, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Student Center.

The program will include approximately 40 major companies throughout southern California. Full-time, part-time, long range and temporary openings will be offered by companies including Mattel Toys, Security Pacific Bank, Coca Cola and Knott's Berry Farm. For more information contact the Job Placement Office at Ext. 298.

#### "A Touch of Class"

"A Touch of Class" will be on campus February 16-17, when the limousines for "Big Ed's" will be on display in the Quad. Over 1,500,000 worth of cars will help promote the March of Dimes benefit which will be held on March 18, and is sponsored by Circle K and the Associated Students.

Ticket sales for "Touch of Class" start on Wednesday, February 16, in the Student Activities Office.

# Ellig resigns Senate chair

(Continued from Page 1) indicated she would not care to comment.

"I gave my reasons and that's it," she stated.

"I am not happy about leaving, because this office is very important in my life. I am not used to leaving a job part way through and not completing it," Ellig emphasized.

A Business Administration major, Ellig wants to be a politician. She has served for five semesters in various Student Body offices during her three years at Cerritos.

Her position as vice-president took a minimum of five hours a week, and during Homecoming she spent as much as 20 hours in functions related to her office.

Asked what she would do with her new-found spare time, she responded,

"Since I was 16 I've been involved in clubs and extra activities, and at 21 I am tired. Although I feel like I'm letting a lot of people down, and I feel badly about not completing the term. I also feel like I've got to take time to relax, be around home, and get into me."

"My mother often said that I cheated myself a lot by doing things for others, and I sometimes feel that's true."

Ellig said she felt that a total resignation would be better than taking a leave of absence because "the responsibility of the job still stays with you on a leave."

"Saying she hopes to continue to work out problems at home, Ellig said she plans to spend time re-decorating and relaxing. "I have always had something going and I haven't really thought of how to relax."

"When you've always been on a tight schedule, you don't know how to relax," she said.

Although Ellig would not state who her successor would be, when asked what advice she would give him, she said, "We have talked about this position so much that he already knows how I feel and I couldn't tell him anything new, I do wish him luck, however."

As for any advice for someone running for the office, she exclaimed, "Go for it!"

"If you have any leadership abilities and you want to expand or explore, it's fun to do and a great experience. Try it!"

She said she will probably take a semester off and then go to Long Beach State. "There is nothing more in politics here for me," she said.

She explained that she and Lance

had worked hard to make the whole changeover go smoothly, and they were trying to get in contact with her successor at this time.

Ellig offered, "I would still like people to come and talk to me. I will need to know that people still like me, for who I am. I hope people like what I did while in office."

According to Ellig, the procedure for the appointment of the new vice-president will take place at the next Senate meeting after the elections.

At that time, the selected person will head the meeting, "acting" as vice-president and chairman of the Senate. A bill will be introduced on the agenda naming the person appointed. A two-thirds majority vote is needed for approval, and if that nominee is rejected, a new candidate will have to be chosen.

According to Richard Robinson, Associate Dean of Student Activities,

a vice-president nominee has not been selected. ASCC President Lance Clawson will convene Wednesday's Senate session.

The first order of business at that meeting, according to Robinson will be the election of Senate officers. When the President Pro Tem of the Senate has been selected, he will formally preside over the Senate as acting chairman until a vice-presidential nominee is approved by two-thirds vote of the Senate.

Robinson stressed that any candidate selected by Clawson would more than likely have previous government experience.

Ellig contacted Talon Marks just before press time to retract the statement regarding the "pre-selected" vice-presidential candidate.

Clawson did not contact Talon Marks and was not available for further comment by press time.

# Enrollment count down

By B. MICHEL MILBANK  
TM Assoc. News Editor

This semester's enrollment did not reach the expected 24,500 that had been predicted late last semester. Although the tally hasn't been completed, some 22,900 students have been accounted for.

However, the total may go as high as 23,500 when satellite and last minute, enrollment are added in, according to Lynn Hanks, Director of Admissions and Records. This figure is somewhat below last Spring's total of 24,211.

Two major differences distinguished this semester's registration from others.

First, was the levying of parking fees, the first time in Cerritos history that any sort of major fee, other than a student body or lab fee, has been instituted.

Another difference was the testing that new students — or those students who started last semester and who didn't meet the established qualifications, were required to take was also an historic precedent at Cerritos.

The parking issue sparked much debate last semester among faculty and student legislators alike. Although both senate bodies recognized the need for the fee, the acceptance of the reality of such a fee was not felt fully at the semester's end.

Student acceptance of the parking fee was pretty much taken in stride during registration. Most of the people registering were buying permits, and of those permits, most of them were for full-time parking.

"If you've got to pay, you've got to pay," shrugged one continuing student. "There's not too much you can do about it."

The tests, mandated by the Board of Trustees last November, are to be used as an evaluative tool by college

administration, according to Wally Frost, a counselor and supervisor of the testing program.

The Nelson-Denny reading test and the Study Skill test were administered to over 900 students between last November and the end of registration, according to Frost. Approximately 400 were tested during the registration period.

"A few people were irritated by the delay," Frost explained, "however, it was actually a quick process — a same day, same hour concept."

Ken Gaines, one of the several aides that manned the test information desk in the Administration building, also expressed a similar view. "It was mainly an inconvenience to the student, time-wise; other than that, the testing went pretty smoothly."

Although the testing has ended, Frost stated that it would take a while for them to be assessed; however, he did not expect the results to take more than a week or so.

Hanks said of the registration, "It went beautifully. It got a bit congested at the end (fee lines) of the process, but overall, things went extremely well."

Despite the mad rush for first day appointment cards, and the resulting confusion that prevailed, registration — throughout its two week period — went smoothly for those who didn't have to stop to be tested.



M.E.Ch.A. in its attempts to reach out to the community, honors the Senior Citizens of Norwalk on Valentine's Day. Among the presentations were a Valentine cake, a long awaited tape recorder, and a carnation to each senior citizen present. "This presentation fulfills one of the purposes of M.E.Ch.A. which is to reach out and service the community," said M.E.Ch.A. President Vallejo. Pictured left to right: S.C.N. President Frances Martinea, Raymond Vallejo, and S.C.N. Secretary Rose Verdugo.

# Parking presents problems

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announced that students parking in campus lots without a permit will be cited through the Downey Municipal Court. The ticket is \$18 and those parked illegally in a handicapped space will be cited with a \$38 penalty.

There were citations given out at the beginning of the first week of the semester but since registration had not yet closed, there were no further tickets issued towards the end of the week. The fees paid through the court are distributed 50% to the court and

50% to school district, according to college President Dr. Michael.

In future semesters, Nello Di Corpo, Dean of Community Services, stated that during the two weeks of registration and the first week of school, there will be a grace period when only warnings will be issued and not citations.

According to Di Corpo, the revenue received from the permits can only be used for traffic operations which includes the lighting of lots, maintenance, signs, security personnel, painting, and bumpers.

The budget for this operation is \$184,560 and as of February 4, approximately \$122,00 had been paid for permits.

The City of Norwalk, at the same time, in an effort to alleviate the problems with parking on residential streets surrounding the college, passed an ordinance stating that there would be no parking on Hayford Street from Studebaker to Leibacher from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Friday, without a Norwalk City permit.

"These permits will be issued to the residents of this area and the enforcement will be done by the city patrol cars," said Randy Economy, Norwalk Public Information Officer.

If residents are having visitors, they can obtain temporary permits at city hall. Furthermore, if there are residents who are unable to get to city hall to request their permit, the city will make every effort to assist them in getting their permit.

The street signs concerning the permit parking are to be put up during the last part of February and enforcement of permit street parking will begin early in March.

The citation fee for street parking is \$11.

When asked what would happen if all the lots were filled in the future and there was no available parking, Dr. Michaels said, "The revenue from the permits could go towards the construction of another parking lot on vacant college land."

Although the first two or three weeks of each semester typically have parking problems, the problem diminishes as students withdraw and schedules stabilize.

Dr. Michaels said, "Any suggestions to improve the situation would be helpful."

The senate will be considering all aspects of the parking situation in the coming semester, including faculty, staff, and motorcycle parking.

# Clubs...

(Continued from Page 1) groups on campus are eligible to be part of Club Days.

Houseman views that club days lead to involvement and involvement leads to leadership and development.

Inter Club Council Commissioner E. Etter (Summer) says all are welcome to join in a pudding eating contest and a root beer guzzling contest between the clubs and the pan-hellenic organizations.

Club Booth Days is also open to night students this evening, from 6:30 to 8 at the Elbow Room.

Another upcoming opportunity to get acquainted with the clubs will be on Club Information Night on Feb. 24, at 7 p.m. in the Student Center.

There will be an ice cream social with free sundaes and more information will be given through talks and slide presentations.

All students are invited and encouraged to attend.

# Senate elections

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governmental circles indicated that the Filipino Club would be sponsoring a slate, however that bloc, with only three candidates, never materialized.

While last semester's elections were termed "The year of the slate," this semester's ballot is dominated by the independent candidates. Of the 67 candidates, 34 are running as independents, 11 are members of the LDSSA bloc, 6 belong to the Phi Rho Pi bloc, and 16 belong to various other campus organizations. Athletics, although not a formal power, is running a substantial bloc of independents according to some ASCC government sources.

Stacey Ellig, ASCC Vice President and Senate Chairperson, whose firm stance against absenteeism last semester resulted in the expulsion of two senators, once again indicated that she will "still enforce attendance."

"Rules are rules," Ellig said, "It's still my goal to get all 37 senators to attend a single meeting."

Like Robinson, Ellig also predicted that "about eight or nine incumbents will get re-elected," and expressed her view that last semester's sweep by first-termers was unusual.

After the ballots have been tallied

by appointed ASCC Court Justices, the Student Activities Office must confirm the eligibility of the senators-elect, and also the eligibility of the petition signatories.

A nominee not fulfilling all the qualifications will not be allowed to serve, even though popular vote indicates the candidate was a winner.

The date for the announcement of the election results has not been released, although the winners should be made public after the upcoming holiday weekend.

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# News Briefs

## G.M. PRODUCTS COURSES

Cerritos College will offer three General Motors product courses this Spring taught by instructors with G.M. training using G.M. training materials.

The fee for each 16-hour seminar is \$75 per person (including textbooks).

Interested students can register at the Community Services Center or by telephone at Ext. 521 using a Visa or Mastercard.

Advanced registration is advised since each class is limited to 25 students.

## COMMUNITY ART SHOW

Six community art associations are currently displaying their exhibits in the Cerritos College Art Gallery. The gallery is open to the public 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday through Thursday, and from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday.

The exhibit features the art of the Bellflower Art Association, Cerritos Art Association, Downey Art League, Art Colony of La Mirada, Norwalk Art Association, and Lakewood Artist's Guild.

The exhibits will be on display until February 24, and will be followed by a technology exhibit in March, and a High School Art Exhibit in April. Cerritos College art students will have an exhibit from May 9 to June 3.

## SELF-ESTEEM WORKSHOP

A special workshop on "You and Self-Esteem" is being planned by the Center for Today's Women at Cerritos College on Saturday, Feb. 26, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Student Center.

The donation is \$2 per person.

The workshop will be conducted by Becky Thorn, a marriage and family counselor and former instructor at Cerritos College. The session will assess the students' level of self-esteem and help them develop positive behavioral techniques they can use to improve their self-confidence.

Advance registration is required as seating is limited. Reservations can be made by calling Ext. 530.

## COMPUTER SHORT COURSE

Community Services is sponsoring a short course on the operation of home and small business computers on Thursday evening from 7 to 10 beginning Feb. 17.

The non-credit, fee class costs \$45 per person.

Three 3-hour sessions will be held Feb. 17 through March 3, and again on March 10 through March 24 in Community Services Center Room E.

The class will be taught by Everett Baker, Cerritos College professor and training specialist for Beam Computer Services.

To register call Ext. 521, or sign up in person at the Community Services Center.

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## Falcon swimmers all wet

By MICHAEL J. BARNES  
TM Campus Editor

The Cerritos Men's Swim Team may have little chance to qualify for the South Coast Conference Championship because "we lack in depth and experience," said swimming coach Pat Tyne.

The team's major setback is the lack of swimmers. Only 18 signed up for this year's team.

With 13 events each meet, and three entries needed per event, there are not enough swimmers to fill the needed positions, said Tyne.

Tyne is trying to stimulate high school swim teams throughout the district so he may draw swimmers for the Falcon team. At this point only Warren and Downey high schools, in Downey, have teams strong enough to contribute to Cerritos.

Other schools are forming teams, but Tyne does not expect draftees for another three years.

Another setback is the lack of coaches. Tyne is the only one. "I am coaching as well as I can," said Tyne.

Though he is performing a solo, Tyne said he did not need other coaches to assist. He felt he could handle it on his own. But he did admit, in order to coach a good team, "We have to have experience to build on."

As far as experience goes, Tyne has only three returnees: Pat Murphy, Fred Garcia, and Ted Tayenaka. However, two freshmen, Mitch Alvis from Lakewood and Ed Evans from Santa Fe, are expected to be strong competitors.

South Coast Conference champs Fullerton and conference newcomer Goldenwest are expected to be the team's toughest obstacles.

"If they (the team) do as well as they can, I'm satisfied," stated Tyne and added, "We hope to not be in the basement."

Last year, the Women's Swim Team held a ten win and two loss record, capturing the third place berth in the South Coast Conference. But this year may prove disappointing, according to Women's swim coach Brian Harvey. The women will have a "slim to none" chance of taking championship, said Harvey.

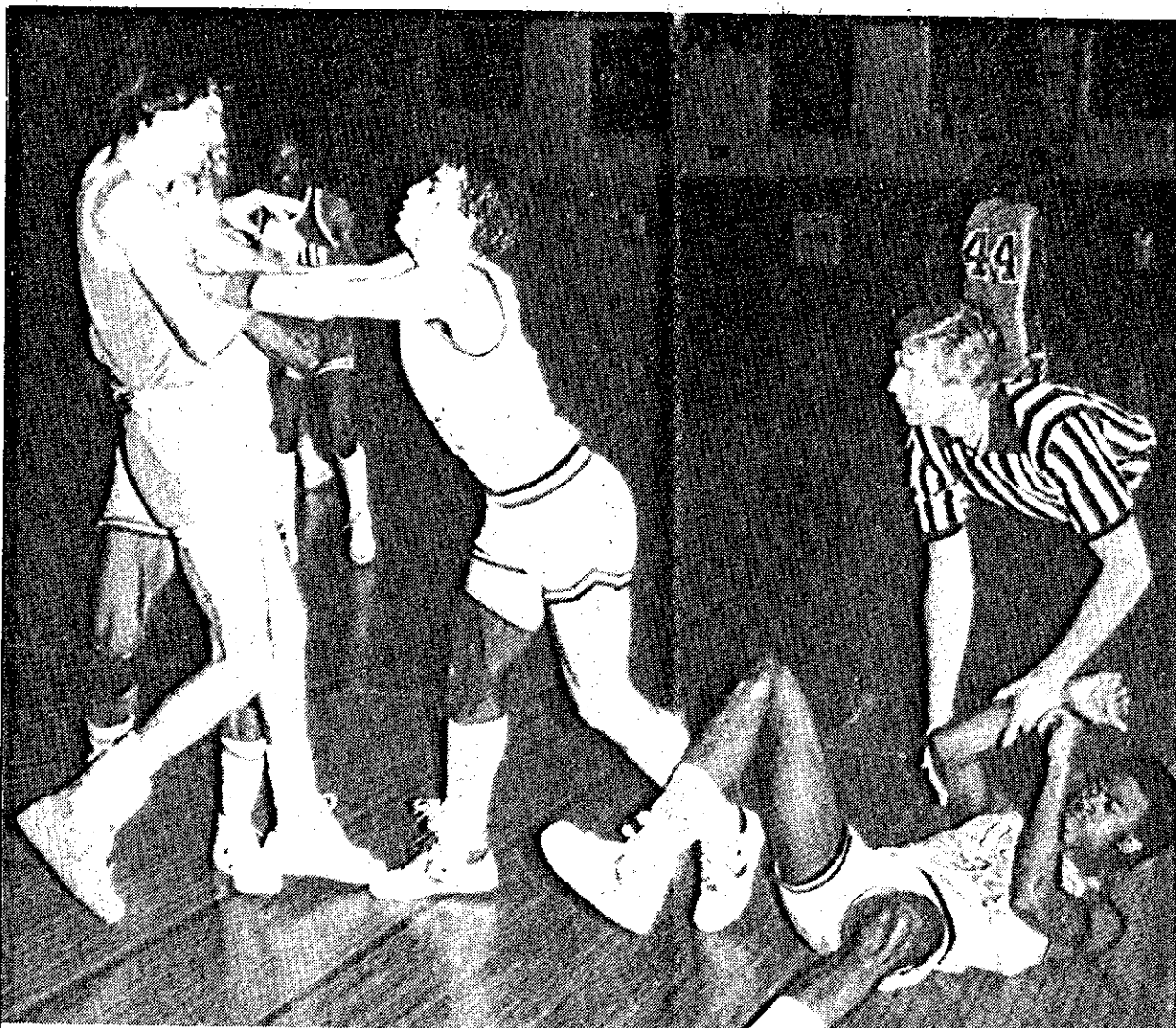
"A month ago, we had a good team," stated Harvey. But tragedy struck when several swimmers became ineligible because of their GPA or unit requirements. Also, one of Harvey's strong swimmers took ill and will be kept out the entire season. Only six swimmers remain.

Of the six, only three, Jean Robert, Sylvia Lopez and Theresa Funaro are returning. Freshman Audrey Campbell is expected to be a strong contender this season.

With the lack of swimmers this year, Cerritos will have difficulty with the entire league, Orange Coast is predicted to be the toughest.

"We had quite a few disappointments," said Harvey and added, "This is going to be a building year."

Both men and women swim teams are scheduled to begin their seasons tomorrow at the SCC Relays in Santa Ana. The swimmers will then travel to Bakersfield Thursday and Santa Monica on Friday.



Hot and bothered

Cerritos Matt Fitzgerald gets involved in a pushing match as tempers flared on Saturday night against Santa Ana. The Birds downed the Dons 71-63, in a highly emotional confrontation.

TM Photo by HART PONDER

## Top boxers will duke it out

Former Falcon Garrell Kirtley, one of the top four light welterweights in the country in collegiate boxing, will be featured in a benefit boxing show in the gym Friday night at 7:30.

Now a member of the UC Berkeley boxing team, Kirtley, who reached the semi-finals to earn a Bronze Medal in

the National Intercollegiate Boxing championships, will meet Art Mitchell of Cerritos.

Ten bouts are slated between Cerritos boxers and the four-year visitors. Admission to the highly rated card is \$3, with the proceeds to be divided between the Coach Bob Foerster Insurance Fund, various Cerritos athletic groups who sell tickets, and the equip-

ment fund for the college weight room.

Cerritos coach Lefty Pendleton said the match provides the public an excell-



GARRELL KIRTLEY

ent opportunity to see some exceptional amateur boxers in action.

Four Cerritos participants are still undefeated in Southern California Golden Gloves action and are on track for Olympic tryout finals March 10.

Other Falcon Boxing Club participants scheduled include Tim Parchman, John Duarte, Doug Praciado, Art Watson, Eddie Moreno, Steve Avila, John Sanchez, Frank Munson, and Juan Cavazos.

The event has been billed as a homecoming for Kirtley who is a former Talon Marks sports editor.

Pendleton said the Kirtley-Mitchell clash shapes up as a good even match. Kirtley has been called the best prospect on the Berkeley University team.

## Intramural sports open to all

Clubs encouraged to enter their teams

By ANTHONY M. YALLUM  
TM Sports Editor

Intramural basketball and volleyball for students, faculty, and staff is now being offered in the gym after 11 a.m. for the spring semester.

According to tennis and intramural coach Rhea Black everything's ready to go. The basketballs are in the gym, the baskets are down, and everything's set. All the people have to do is show up.

"The first week we had about 40 people shooting and playing in the gym," says Black. "If the turn out stays that large we're going to start a league of mens basketball."

Teams will compete against one another and the winners will receive intramural t-shirts.

"We'd like to encourage clubs to get a team in or any other group that wants to form a team," stresses Black.

"We'd also like to encourage people without a team to come on out anyway, and we'll try to find them a team to be on."

Those interested should ask for Monte Gardner in the gym for basketball sign-ups.

According to Black other activities planned for this semester will include a racketball tournament, which was pretty successful last semester, and later on in the spring intramurals will run a mixed doubles tennis tournament to qualify some for a buffums-Kodell tournament with the winners going to Wimbledon.

"We're the only community college that has an entry in this tournament," claims Black. "There are other four year colleges and tennis clubs with entries, but we're the only Junior College."

## For the Birds, just one more to be champs

By ANTHONY M. YALLUM  
TM Sports Editor

The high flying Birds continue their dominance in the South Coast Conference as they once again proved themselves the superior team by downing Santa Ana on the road Saturday night 71-63, bringing their conference record to 10-1, the best in league play.

Tonight Cerritos travels to Orange Coast where a win over the pirates will clinch the South Coast Conference Championship for the Birds.

"Defensively and offensively Orange Coast is one of the few teams in the league that will play us man to man from beginning to end," says head coach Jack Bogdanovich. "We've played pretty well against the zones lately, so they create a little bit of a problem. We feel that we're a better man to man team, but we just don't see any man to man defenses; so that's one place we're going to have to prepare."

Although Santa Ana never regained the lead, they constantly lingered within striking distance, waiting patiently for an opportunity to make a run.

"We played hard and we played with enthusiasm," claims Bogdanovich, "we came to win the game because we knew Santa Ana would play hard since it was their last ditch effort for a shot at the championship."

At the half Cerritos went into the locker room with a convincing 37-30 margin.

In the second half the Dons gradually narrowed their deficit, but at first could not seem to manage to close the gap by less than four points.

But with little more than six minutes remaining to play in the game, Santa Ana collected two consecutive steals for scores and suddenly with 5:25 left to play the Birds found themselves with only a one point edge. 57-56.

"All year long I've tried to build that confidence that whenever the pressure is there we attack it. I kind of think we go after the win rather than worry about how we could lose the game. We make things happen rather than us waiting around for something bad to happen. That's been one of the main characteristics of why we've won the close ones," explains Bogdanovich.

With 1:23 remaining, leading 65-63, the Birds scored six unanswered points to put the game and any remaining hopes the Dons might of had, out of reach.

Bird Center John Martin, pulled down five defensive rebounds on the night, and shared the Cerritos scoring lead of 15 with forward Andre Greer.

Greer, a freshman who has worked his way into the starting line-up, hit six of eight from the floor, three of four from the line for 15 points, and five assists.

Also giving a strong performance was forward Neil Anderson, who went five of seven from the field, and hit a perfect four of four from the line for 14 points.

Collectively, the Birds hit 31 of 54 from the field on the evening for a 57% shooting average. And went nine of 13 from the line for a 69% average.

This upcoming Saturday the Birds host Golden West, the only team in SCC to hand them a defeat.

Will the Bird players feel they have something to prove?

"Well they've talked about it," admits Bogdanovich, "but I don't like worrying about preparation for them at all. First we have to worry about the Orange Coast game to cinch the championship, that's all we're going to be talking about. Golden West doesn't give us any special problems. Actually we probably needed the Golden West loss just to make sure we kept a good edge. But probably way down deep our kids should be prepared to play them again."

## Ball bouncing hopeful for women hoopsters

By BRYAN MADRID  
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In her first season as headcoach, Karen Peterson hopes to lead this year's girls basketball team to a better season than last year when they finished 2-10 in conference.

"Our major problem with last years team was they we didn't have any height," says coach Peterson.

Peterson hopes that the problem will be rectified this season with the acquisition of two 6'0" freshmen (Linda Moore, out of Paramount High School and Deanna Long, out of Sonora High School).

"Our only drawback," adds Peterson, "may be our inexperience."

Out of a 12 girl roster, eight of them are freshmen and only three are returning sophomores from last years team.

In last Friday's scrimmage against Pasadena, the young Falcons had an

easy time and came out the victors in a 70-53 win.

"They're young but they have a lot of talent and edpth, there's no one outstanding player, the girls all rely on each other," boasts Peterson.

She goes on to add, "Pasadena was only pre-season, I believe our conference (South Coast) is the toughest in the state. We need these scrimages so we can be ready when league comes around."

The strongest competition for the Birds appears to be Fullerton and an always tough Orange Coast (last year's defending champions).

To cut down on costs, this year the South Coast Conference replaced two teams (San Diego Mesa and Grossmont Colleges) with Golden West and Cypress for "transportation reasons."

"My girls are really supportive of each other and are real hard workers. I enjoy working with them," she added.

One of her hardest workers may be Penny Miller, who last Friday scored eight points and pulled down 12 rebounds, then after the game she proceeded to run on the track team and come with in one second of a personal best.

"I'm happy to have Penny," says Peterson, "I'm just glad that Basketball is her main sport."

Peterson believes that the team's greatest assets are their height and quickness.

"One of the keys to our success this year may be the ability to grab the rebound and run the fastbreak," Peterson says with a gleam of hope in her eye.

She also continued to say, "I expect all of the girls to see a lot of playing time. I won't have just one starting lineup, it'll depend on what's needed that particular day, whether it be height or quickness. Everyone will always be in contention to be a starter."

I expect to have a winning season, because we have what we didn't have last year — height and quickness," says Peterson in closing.

## A former Falcon who turned Redskin

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A journey of less than thirty miles, begins with but a single step. That is the distance between Falcon Stadium and the Rose Bowl of Pasadena. For former Cerritos football coach Warren "Rennie" Simmons, that first step would take him nearly three thousand miles out of his way.

In 1981 coach Simmons was offered an opportunity that most other coaches merely dream about — an opportunity that catapulted him from the relatively obscure ranks of junior college coaching to the heights of coaching professional football.

Opportunity came knocking in the form of Joe Gibbs, an old team-mate and a long time friend, who offered Simmons an assisting coaching job with the Washington Redskins.

Both Simmons and Gibbs played on the 1959 and 1960 Championship squads for the Falcons. Gibbs played

at the tight end position while Simmons snapped the ball at center.

Later Simmons went on to coach for Pius X High School in Downey, Cal State Fullerton, and Cerritos College, before being hand picked by Gibbs as his assistant.

Recently Talon Marks phone-interviewed the former Falcon center and coach at his home in Vienna, Virginia.

**Question:** How did it feel to make the transition from coaching at a junior college level in comparison to coaching the professional ranks?

**Answer:** Well, basically the coaching part of it is pretty much the same, your just working with better skilled athletes. As far as the coaching aspect of it, I haven't changed my coaching and I really haven't changed anything else not that I've really noticed anyway as far as that's concerned. We do use a lot more film work on this level; we teach a lot from the

films and not quite as much on the field as say a junior college situation, but there's still a great deal of hitting going on there. As far as any difference is concerned I can't see any difference at all. The players still respond to the same things that athletes do on a junior college level.

**Q:** Does the quality of the players themselves make a difference?

**A:** Well, that's about the only difference — the skill in which they perform. Naturally the speed of the game is faster, because the players themselves are faster and bigger. As far as everything else, it's the same.

**Q:** If you had to single out one of the most memorable experiences as a player for the Falcons here at Cerritos, what would that be?

**A:** I think just being on two real successful teams there at Cerritos. Our first year we were picked to go to the Junior Rose Bowl until we lost to Pierce, which knocked us out of the

running. The second year we won the Western State Conference, and went on to play Bakersfield in the Potato



RENNIE SIMMONS

Bowl. The whole two football seasons there at Cerritos were rewarding. It was a great experience for me.

