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## Learning Materials Center budget cut affects students — faculty

By MARGARET CANTELON  
TM News Editor

Approximately \$55,000 in budget cuts which have eliminated seven part-time clerical and student positions in the Learning Materials Center will have a major effect on both the students and faculty at Cerritos.

In addition to the staff cuts, there will be reductions in supplies, books, maintenance, and equipment.

Terry Zinser, Associate Dean of the Learning Materials Center said, "We didn't know until Friday what areas would be cut. It will take a while to find out what all will be affected."

The budget reduction was about 25% of the total Center budget and the overall immediate survey shows there will be less instructional media available for the teachers and programs who use them. This in turn will effect

how the class is taught.

When asked how the students will be affected, Zinser said, "We are serving the entire faculty and student body, and although we are being cut back by 25%, the people aren't being cut back by the same amount. That can only create problems."

"As an example," he explained, "the Library alone will lose four part-time staff and instructional services

people. We can purchase fewer books which relate to the student's needs and curriculum. Our bookbinding and maintenance will take longer and there will be a time lag in getting the books back on the shelves."

"The students will have to wait in line for books and the idea of coming in here with ten minutes to spare between classes and picking up a book on your way will be a thing of the past."

"First the book may not be back on the shelf yet and second, the staff at the desk will be cut back which means you won't be served right away."

In the Audio Visual Center, used in all fields of study, the cuts include supplies for filming, student assistants, delivery, labeling, and repairs.

"It takes two technicians working full-time to keep over a million dollars worth of audio visual equipment in

repair, alone," Zinser said.

"That doesn't begin to include all the other equipment we have."

When reviewing the services given through the Center, Zinser said, "When an instructor goes on a field trip one day and would like the slides of that trip to show the class the following day, we've been able to develop the slides and have them available. We

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## Woolco towing ignites dispute

By MARGARET CANTELON  
TM News Editor

The towing away of as many as 25 cars from the former Woolco lot some evenings at impound charges of up to \$83 each has ignited the off-campus controversy again.

Remodeling of the Woolco facility and revamping of the parking lot is under way by new tenants The Price Club, a membership discount store.

Cerritos students have been parking there in the evenings on the apparent assumption that since the store is closed, the signs — which identify the lot as private property for customers only — no longer apply.

Not so, says Astro-towing.

The company is authorized by the Price Club to tow away any cars parked in the construction area, according to spokesman Jim Cahill.

Sheriff's officers told the Talon Marks that since it's a commercial site, owners have a right to post parking restriction signs.

"It's a real sticky situation," Cahill admitted. "We don't want to get off to a bad start in the area, but we have a serious problem of safety and liability."

People can get hurt or damage their cars in the area, Cahill said, noting pot holes and several construction site considerations. He said two lawsuits are pending.

## Parking issue sparks debate in AS Senate

By B. MICHEL MILBANK  
TM Assoc. News Editor

In an overtime session last Wednesday that was monopolized by parking issues, the ASCC Senate took a firm stance for consideration of the individual student in determining parking policies.

The hour-long controversy was sparked by opposition from the ASCC legislative and executive branches to tentative policy decisions by the College's Parking Committee that, from the view-point of the student government, did not have the student's best interests at heart.

Departing somewhat from normal procedure, Associate Dean of Student Activities Richard Robinson introduced Craig Browning, Joe Knapp, and Betty Bjerke — Student, Campus Security, and Admissions and Records representatives, respectively — to the Senate body, and Senator Robert Bracy moved that formal Ground Rules be waived so that the committee panel would be open to questioning by the student representatives.

The senators, led by Senators Richard Smissen (Senate President Pro Tem) and Hart Ponder, led a vigorous assault against stickers and separate fee lines.

"There are a lot of students who wouldn't want to put a \$10 sticker on their \$10,000 car," Smissen commented. "It devalues the worth of the car."

Ponder, who's oratory supporting mirror hangers drew a round of applause by the legislators, pointed out, "Window hangers would be the best bet, all cars — including convertibles — are required by California State law to have rear view mirrors. It seems to be the most logical place..."

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"We also have a precedent problem," Cahill said, "in that we open in just four weeks and will be open until 9 p.m. Of course, we need those spots for our customers."

Cahill said Price Club lawyers and insurance carriers insist that the parking restrictions be enforced.

Jerry Jimenez, owner of Astro-towing, said, "A typical reaction we get from those we tow away is 'saw the signs and barricades, but if I parked in the Cerritos lots, I would have been 15 to 20 minutes late to class.'"

"There are signs and barricades all around that lot," Jimenez said. "There is construction going on and if someone gets hurt, the company is liable."

"Besides, when the whole parking lot gets filled up, it looks like the whole place is full and that's not fair to the businesses."

Off-campus parking by students has been a local sore spot for some time, and the issue has been intensified by the mandatory parking fees the college initiated for on-campus parking this year.

Jimenez claimed, incidentally, that most of the cars being towed away have valid campus parking stickers.

College officials take no official position on off-campus parking rules and restrictions, over which they have no control, other than to remind students that ample parking is available on campus.

A new wrinkle in the traffic situation around campus could result if an additional parking signal were installed on Studebaker to accommodate the Price Club traffic flow.

Cerritos city planners are reviewing the possible need for an additional light if the big store opening does create traffic problems.

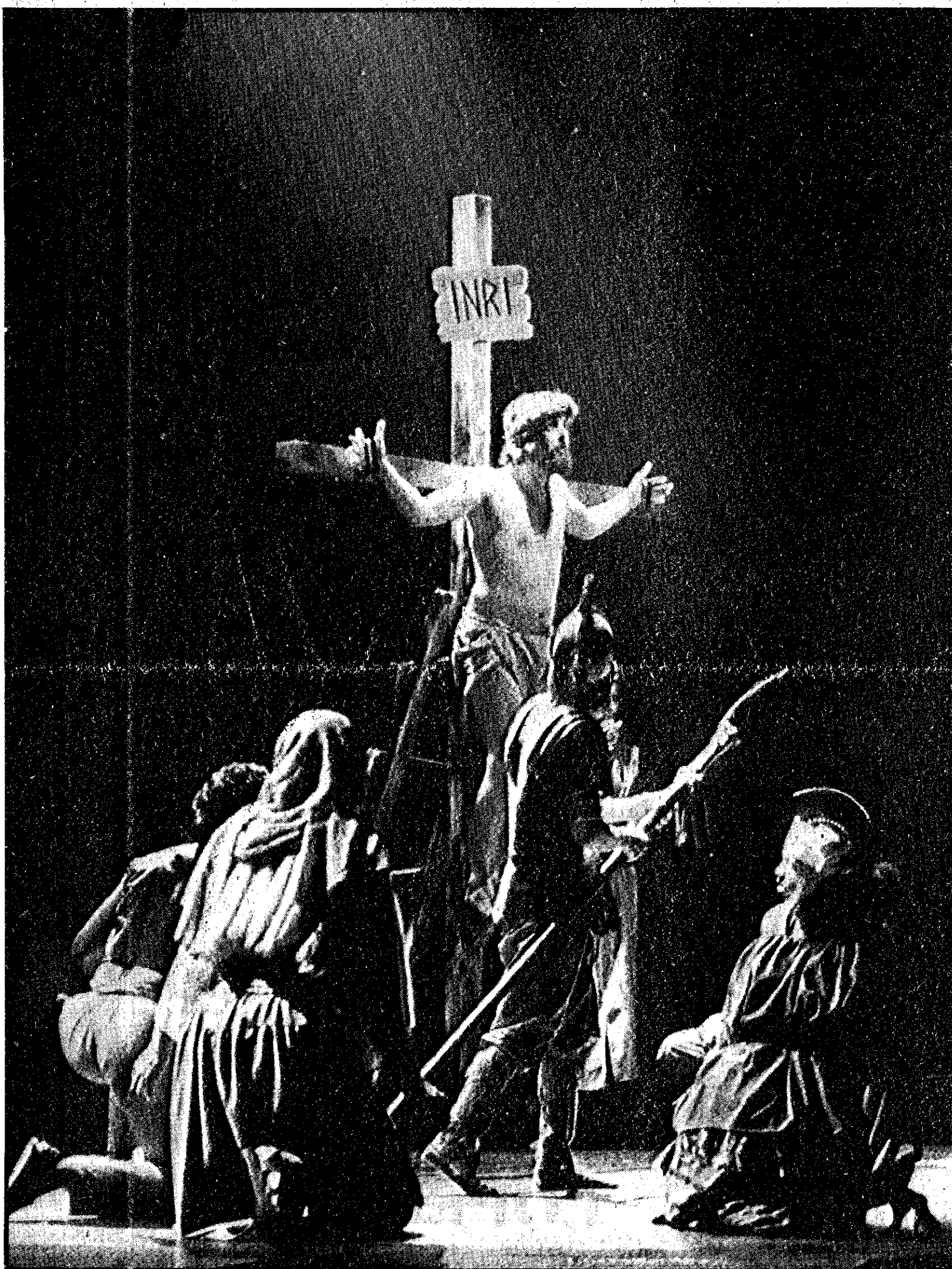
However, according to Gil Avellar, city planner working on the Price Club project, "The city has no plans until the store is open as far as any additional traffic signals. If the traffic is sufficient to warrant a signal, that signal will be installed at the Alondra exit from the store."

Evening class traffic is especially heavy on Alondra and Studebaker with students heading for night classes beginning around 6:45. Early morning flow is also heavy at times.

When asked if the college would be included in any of the traffic light discussions — since such would directly affect the already bottle-necked traffic to the college — Avellar said, "No."

The reconstruction of the Price Club parking lot was the decision of the store. The traffic concerns and

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The big scene

The rousing crucifixion scene finale highlights the lively "Jesus Christ Superstar" production on the Burnight Center stage tonight through Saturday March 26. Curtain rises at 8 p.m. on the extravaganza which stars Lee Vail as Christ. See Julie Gallego review Page 4.

TM Photo by KEVIN CARSON

## Intent to register necessary with new appointment card system

A major change in the handling of appointment cards for registration calls for students to file an intent to register for the following semester.

Filing intent is simple, according to the Office of Admissions. The student simply leaves his/her student number with a clerk at the information window at the Admissions Office.

The new policy goes into effect for summer school. Cards will not be awarded on a first come — first served basis as previously, but will be distributed on a point system, officials said.

Intent to register for the first Summer Session can be filed beginning Monday, April 4, the first day after Spring Vacation. Appointment cards will be mailed two weeks prior to the first day of registration.

The system has been approved by both the Student Senate and the Faculty Senate.

The official announcement outlines the awarding of points to continuing students as follows:

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## Faculty Senate proposes package; features salary security, retirement

By MICHAEL BARNES  
TM Campus Editor

In lieu of the recent budget cuts by the Cerritos College Board of Trustees, the Faculty Senate unanimously passed a resolution yesterday suggesting the faculty Salary Committee meet with Dr. Wilford Michael and discuss the prevention of possible erosion of faculty salaries prior to the next board meeting.

Senator Howard Taslitz introduced the bill before the Senate floor, which stated the committee should discuss the prevention of further cuts in faculty salaries in respect to base pay, and summer school compensa-

tion to full-time teachers with Dr. Michael.

"I would support Howard's (Taslitz) motion only in order to have a positive vote by this whole body," stated Senator Hy Finklestein. "I see people yelling and screaming that we should not wave a red flag in front of an irate board."

The resolution came about when the Senate discussed the Board's 20% cut to the summer session.

"It seems to me that the changes they are talking about, aside from the 20% cut to the summer session, changing the rate of pay. That's a salary item and the salary committee

should get involved," said Senator John Boyle.

The Board will meet again on Monday, March 28, and the senate needs the committee to meet with Michael before that date.

Senate Chair Sherrill Moses presented to the Board an Early Retirement Incentive Plan package for their approval in "concept only."

The plan was proposed to encourage employees to retire early, and save the Cerritos College district money.

The purpose of this package is to replace the older, higher paid teachers

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## Parking debates

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Knapp, in attempting to answer the verbal tirade, told the senators that he was only interested in uniformity.

"It takes too much of my people's time if they have to check everywhere on the vehicle for a sticker. I don't care where on the vehicle the sticker goes, as long as it's consistent...that way my officers can spend more time patrolling the lots, and less time hunting for sticker placement," he said.

A question by Senator Kim Power concerning separate fee lines kicked off the hottest debate of the session. Bjerke maintained that "in view of budget cutbacks," Admissions and Records would have less people working during the next registration, and therefore "to prevent another bottleneck at the fee booth, we want a separate place to handle parking fees and stickers."

She also claimed that the students would benefit by this by not being as prone to losing vehicle registration cards or stickers. The claim brought an immediate, highly emotional, attack by both Robinson, and ASCC President Lance Clawson.

"The Senate (in the March 2 session) has already determined that if a student loses the sticker between the fee booth and his car, it's his responsibility," Clawson maintained. "They are just as apt to lose it between the two lines, or on their way back to their car."

Robinson, usually a reticent observer at the Senate meetings, rose to the occasion and took chalk in hand to diagram a vehement attack against having students go to another line to pay for parking.

"The fee booth is paid for by the ASCC," he said. "We purchased an extra cash register and hired an extra cashier for Spring registration, and we plan to buy a few more and hire more cashiers for next semester's registration."

He went on to refute the claim by Bjerke that the "bottle-neck" was caused by the fee booth, but rather by Admissions and Records' inability to keep the students moving during the peak rush.

After over an hour of heated discussion, Senator Bracy gained the floor, summarized the points everyone had been trying to make in a two minute wrap-up that led to two unanimous decisions by the Senate.

The Senate went on record as opposing separate fee lines, and as supporting laminated mirror hanger parking stickers. Immediately after the vote Senate Chairman Ed Clair rushed the remainder of the agenda through the floor in a ten minute wind-down that saw the Senate unanimously approve Senator Dan Steenhoek as Party Whip, a minor change in the allocation of housing cost consideration for students during events other than "meetings or conference controlled prices, \$15 per night per student should be used in preparing the budget (1983-84)."

Also approved was the allocation of almost \$2900 for the campus chapter (Pi Kappa) of the American Criminal Justice Association to attend the National Conference on March 27 through April 1. Some 16 Cerritos students will attend the meeting.

### LMC RECESS HOURS

The LMC will be open during the Spring Recess, March 28 to April 4, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and will be closed on Friday.

### EDELWEISS SLIDE SHOW

The German Club, Edelweiss, will feature a slide presentation of Austria and Switzerland at its April 13 meeting in LA 28, according to club President Richard Tallo.

The presentation will feature special points of beauty in the Swiss Alps, along with commentary by speaker Inge Potter—German instructor, and club faculty advisor.

### CAMPUS CRUSADE DRAMA

The Campus Crusade for Christ will present a multi-media drama event in the Burnight Center Tuesday, April 12 at 11 a.m.

The presentation will feature dramatic skits and music by the Drama Team of Campus Crusade for Christ—a traveling group of professional actors/musicians, according to club President Joe Torralba.

### MS BIKE-ATHON

The 11th annual Multiple Sclerosis Bike-athon/Skate-athon will be held Saturday, April 30 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at El Dorado Park East in Long Beach.

ICC organizations wishing to participate may contact Noel Torres, President of Circle K, for more information.



**No Parking**

Twenty-five cars per night have been towed away from the former Woolco parking lot at a cost of \$83 to each of the car owners. Cerritos students have been parking in the lot under the assumption that the No Parking signs do not apply because of Woolco's closing.

## Faculty Senate -- insurance revisions

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with newer teachers with lesser salaries.

The plan allows the retiree to receive five years of paid medical insurance for himself and his spouse.

If the employee retires before the age of 65, he will receive paid medical insurance for himself only up to the age of 70.

The insurance premium is based on the least costly plan available to the employee group from which they retired.

To qualify, the teacher must be 55 years of age and served at least 15 full time years at Cerritos College.

According to Administration, this plan has the potential to save the district approximately \$155,644.

A quick letter writing campaign by the Cerritos College faculty prompted introduction of a bill into the California State Legislature Friday, providing for a professor to be appointed a seat on the Community College Board of Governors.

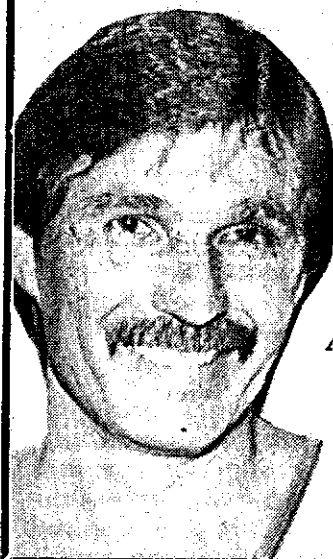
The bill, sponsored by 33rd District State Senator Paul Carpenter, gives community college faculty the opportunity to voice their opinions. Up to this point, only state college level faculty were permitted the privilege of doing this.

In order for Carpenter to propose the bill, he needed the assurances of the faculty within his district. He requested letters by faculty to be sent to his Cypress office.

Faculty Senate Chairperson Sherril Moses received word of this and began a campus-wide campaign.

"I received 100 letters in one day," said Moses.

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## Registering by points

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A. One point for each prior unit earned at Cerritos College to a maximum of 90 points.

To allow for a fair and just allocation of registration time slots, a student point total (in this category) will be reset to "0" when the units earned at Cerritos College exceeds 90.

B. In addition, points awarded for the following conditions:

(1) One point for each unit enrolled in after the last day to drop.

(2) Bonus points are awarded based on current load (after the last day to drop).

0 Points - 1-3 units

2 Points - 3.5-6 units

4 Points - 6.5-9 units

6 Points - 9.5-15 units

10 Points - 15.5 or more units

(3) A 10 point bonus is given to students with a 2.0 or higher grade point average. Grade points are awarded in this manner. NOTE: GPA is computed by adding grade points (as shown below) and dividing by units attempted.

A - 4 grade points

B - 3 grade points

C - 2 grade points

D - 1 grade point

F - 0 grade points

W - 0 grade points

(4) Student numbers are used to separate students with the same total points.

The student population shall be separated into a day and night priority system. One or more day classes or a combination of any day and evening classes constitute day programs.

The following are deadlines for filing for registration:

Intent to register for First Summer Session, 1983, will be accepted starting on April 4, 1983. The last day to file intent will be May 27.

Intent to register for Second Summer Session will be accepted starting June 20. The last day to file for intent will be July 14.

Intent to register for Fall Semester, 1983, will be accepted starting May 9. The last day to file intent will be Aug. 12.

Students who miss the last day to file intent may register during open registration.

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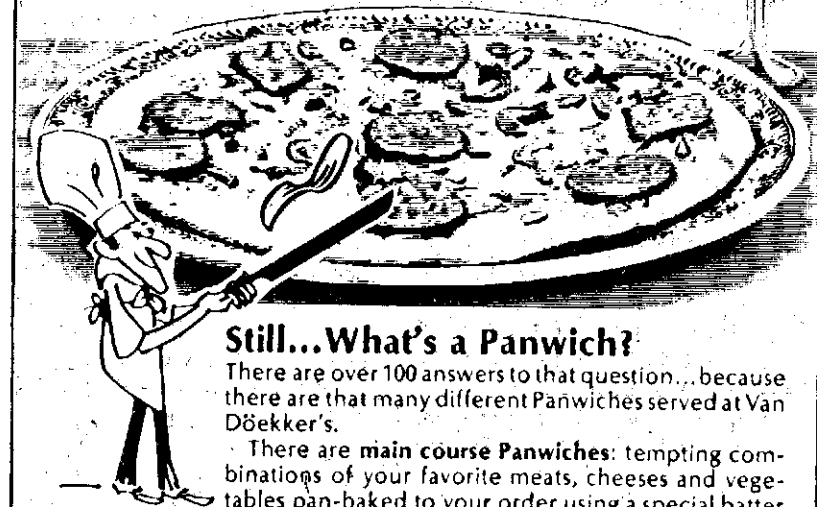
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# Big Ed's: a show of class



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By JULIE GALLEGO  
TM Managing Editor

Glamour came to Cerritos as Big Ed's re-opened its doors last Friday night March 18. The March of Dimes benefit netted a grand total of \$6254. "Touch of Class" sponsored by Circle K, featured the talents of drummer Louie Bellson, saxophonist Tommy Newsom, of the Tonight Show, and base player John Heard. The band also included music instructor Don Erjavec (trumpet) and former student Paul Russo on tenor sax.

According to Wendell Hanks, Circle K Adviser and originator of the annual event, all proceeds will be donated to the March of Dimes with the exception of approximately \$2400 to pay for expenses.

Although all accounting has not been completed, Hanks said, "A really safe figure (to go to the March of

Dimes) would be approximately \$3000, but that's just a preliminary guess."

Three new additions to this year's Touch of Class were Big Ed's Bucks, used to "gamble" and to purchase drinks and desserts; the Monte Carlo Room, where patrons used Big Ed's bucks to play the roulette wheel and black jack; and a raffle that gave away television sets, bicycles and gift certificates.

Part of the expenses mentioned by Hanks included two bikes and four TV's bought at cost to raffle off. According to Hanks the reason behind buying the items was that more money could be made off the raffle than would have been made had the contest not taken place.

All other prizes awarded in the raffle were donated by local businesses.



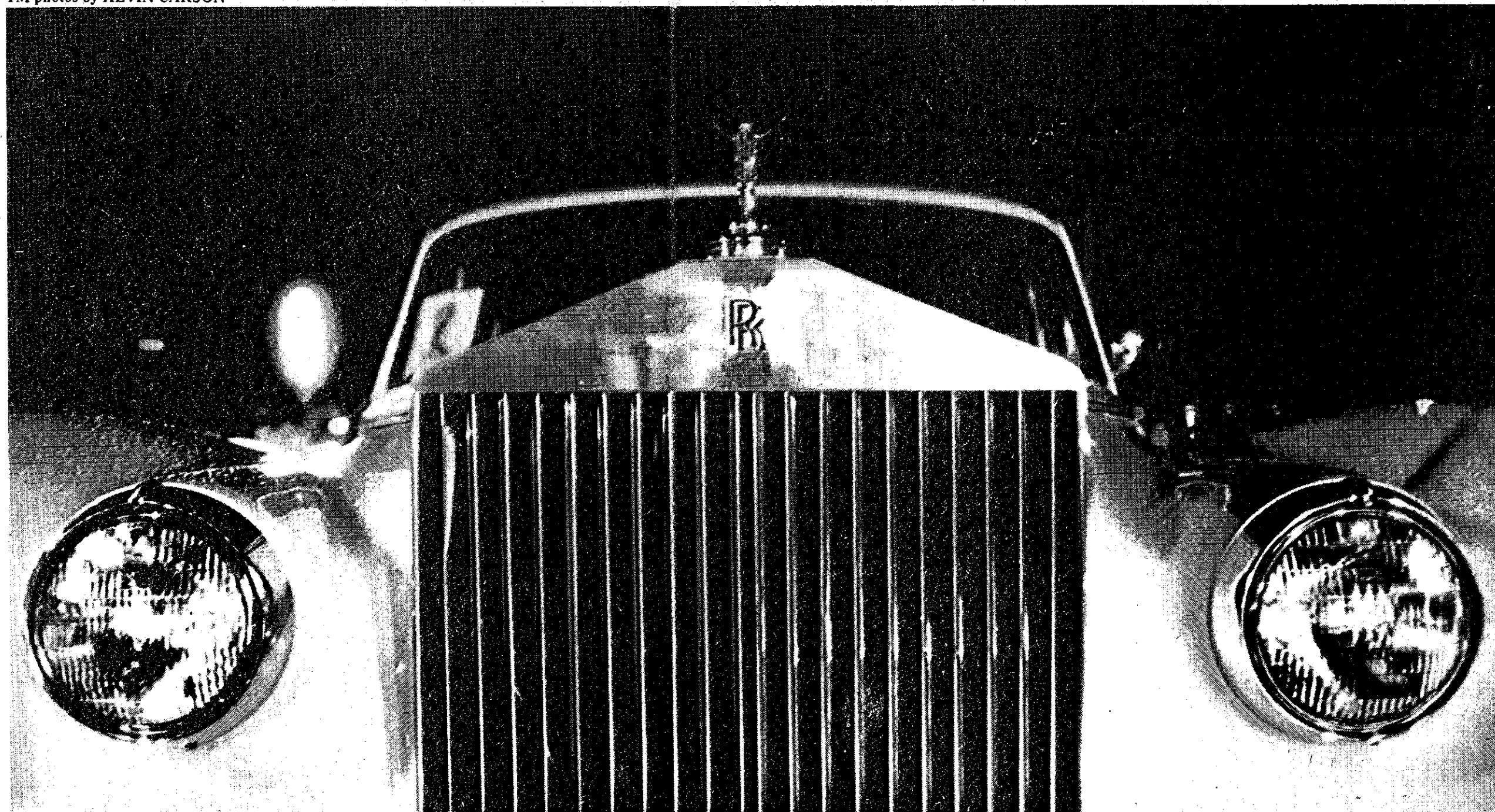
"BIG ED" BLOOMFIELD

The evening started for many with a limousine from the Lecture Hall to the Student Center. There were waiters attired in tuxedos, hostesses, dealers and "picture girls" in skimpy costumes.

Entertainment was provided by Bellson and the band and by another Cerritos instructor, Dr. Don Desfor. Desfor performed feats of prestidigitation and provided a few laughs. Mary Lewis, of the Speech Department, sang with the band.

Big Ed's was not the first time Bellson and Newsom appeared here. Both have played at noon-time and special concerts. Bellson, a close friend of Hanks, boasted of a "12 year relationship" with Cerritos.

One indication of the success of Big Ed's was the appearance of a segment featuring Touch of Class on Channel 7, 11:00 news.



A Touch of Class was a first class act by the performers, administration, faculty, and students in Friday's benefit.

Dr. "Big Ed" Bloomfield (top right) introduced all that jazz provided by Tommy Newsom, Paul Russo, Don Erjavec, John Heard (bottom left) and Louie Bellson.

A grand entrance (bottom right) after being delivered by Rolls and other limousines of the 40's era led to an extravagant evening of gambling and dancing (top center). At intermission, Don Desfor dazzled the crowd with sleight-of-hand magic (top left).

# Superstar super drama

By JULIE GALLEGO  
TM Managing Editor

"Jesus Christ, Superstar, who are you? What have you sacrificed?"

The pop/rock opéra, which premiered last Friday, may not answer that question, but "Jesus Christ Superstar," currently playing at Burnside Center through Saturday, March 26, does offer lively music, colorful costumes, exciting choreography, and most important, strong performances from the three main characters.

The Theater Art department's production of "Superstar" is a spirited, if not spiritual, telling of Christ's final days on earth and the events leading up to his crucifixion.

Lee Vail, as Christ, bearded and be-robed, has a good, interesting voice that at times is reminiscent of the 60's era the musical was born in. Vail is at his best when portraying the broken and betrayed Christ resigned to his Father's will, offering the taunting Pilate (played to a nasty hilt by Fred Crisafulli) no reason why he should not be crucified.

Vail is also properly anguished by the betraying Judas, Darren Brown,

who cannot forgive himself. Brown, who has appeared in other productions here, seemed to be the perfect choice for the role of the treasonous disciple. As Judas, Brown, conveyed the ambiguity and frustration Judas must have felt at turning against his Lord. First making excuses to the Pharisees in an effort to justify his actions, reluctantly accepting their "blood money," blaming Christ for his act of betrayal, and finally, taking his own life, Brown makes the audience feel his pain.

The only lead woman's role, that of Mary Magdalene, is played by Gretchen Almond. Almond has a beautiful voice filled with rich tones and she brings a convincing earthiness to the character. Almond also gives a touching dramatic performance, with every line she is convincing in her loyalty to Christ. There is some question, within the context of the play, as to whether Mary Magdalene loved Christ as a man or as a Saviour; Almond meshes both these emotions for a portrait of a loving and devoted woman.

Also notable is Craig Fleming who is not a student here, but a professional

actor brought in to play the sleazy Herod. He only has one scene...but it is a memorable one. Fleming performs "King Herod's Song" (a point of comic relief) with a sense of fun and a delightful crudeness that makes the number a stand out.

By far, the most effective scene is the finale, the Crucifixion. The crucifixion scene, with its inherent emotionalism, is aided greatly by the lighting of the stage which gives it the feel of a Carravaggio painting, with actors portraying all the realistic sorrow of followers who have lost a leader.

Overall, the play is well-crafted and professionally presented with the only weakness being that sometimes the music drowned out the performers' voices.

The costumes, designed by Mela Hoyt-Heydon, are colorful and appropriate. The set design is aesthetically pleasing as well as functional.

"Jesus Christ Superstar" lasts for approximately 1½ hours and begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are on sale at the box office for \$7.00, general admission, and \$3.50 for students.



TM photos by KEVIN CARSON





**Picked off** Falcon Brett Gordon is caught leaning too far off the bag as Fullerton catcher picks him off at first base in 6-5 Cerritos win Thursday. Gordon was picked off twice, after walking both times, in identical plays. TM photo by DEAN NAKAMURA

## Birds playing up and down

By ANTHONY M. YALLUM  
TM Sports Editor

In women's basketball, Cerritos split their last two outings with a 58-55 win over Santa Ana last Wednesday, and a 76-64 loss to Orange Coast on Friday, bringing their conference record to 2-3.

The women hoopsters will host Golden West tonight at 7:30 p.m.

According to head coach Karen Peterson, the birds handled the pressure well against Santa Ana last Wednesday for the win.

Two clutch shots by Mary Lary and Deanna Long, topped by a key steal by Debby Delrosario at the end of the game, sewed up the win for the Falcons.

For the night the Birds went to the foul line only twice, compared to Santa Ana's 13 of 25.

Five-foot five guard, Lary, led the scoring with 16 points, while Penny Miller connected for 12.

Merris Everett pulled down 11 rebounds, and Miller collected nine.

On Friday against the Orange Coast Pirates, the Birds went into the half trailing 40-34.

"We played hard, and started off well, but we had a few offensive, and defensive breakdowns that cost us the game," explained Coach Peterson.

Forward Penny Miller suffered an early injury in the game which undoubtedly affected the outcome.

Each game, according to Peterson, is a maturing process for the young Bird team.

"This was our highest offensive output against a pressure man to main defense," said Peterson. "I was pleased with our effort — we never gave up. I feel we learn, and get a little better each game we play."

It was Lary who again led the scoring for the Birds with 18 points, and Long connected for 16 points and nine rebounds.

Guard Sheri Martin had a game high of nine assists for the night.

Cerritos went to the foul line 38 times, sinking 24 of them for a respectable 63%.

## Falcons on a winning roll

### Will host Orange Coast on Thursday at 2:30

By ANTHONY M. YALLUM  
TM Sports Editor

Cerritos kept their winning streak alive at three on Thursday against high ranked Fullerton with a 6-5 ninth inning win, bringing their conference record to 5-3.

The Falcons carry a tough schedule this week as they host defending conference champs Orange Coast on Thursday, and play Mt. SAC and Santa Ana on the road Friday and Saturday.

Thursday's battle against Fullerton was what Falcon head coach Gordie Douglas labeled, "a real dog fight."

In the first inning, left fielder Page Odle, batting 379, received his eighth RBI in conference play, with a ground out sacrifice with a man on third.

But a determined Fullerton battled back in the second inning with three runs to move ahead 3-1.

In the third inning, the Falcons came to bat leading off with two walks, and a bunt single. With bases loaded, center fielder Alan Stankiewicz grounded into a double play, and was credited with two RBIs, making it a 3-3 ball game.

In the bottom of the fifth, Cerritos moved ahead when Falcon shortstop Tony Greer, led off with a double. With two out, and two men aboard,

Stankiewicz doubled home another run to give Cerritos a 4-3 edge.

In the top of the eighth, Cerritos starting pitcher Dion Beck gave up a lead off home run, that tied the game at 4-4, sending him to the bench.

Relief pitcher Dean Yamashita was called in from the bull pen to finish the game.

After a single by Odle, first baseman Lou Medina came to the plate in the bottom of the eighth, and cracked a triple to bring Odle home for a 5-4 edge and his ninth RBI of league play.

But in the top of the ninth, Fullerton's catcher smashed another Hornet homerun to once again tie the game at 5-5.

Cerritos came to the plate in the bottom of the ninth.

After two consecutive walks, lead off hitter Kevin Bootay fooled Fullerton's defense, who were crashing expecting the sacrifice bunt, and slashed a single through the infield that scored the winning run.

Yamashita received the win in relief for Cerritos.

"I was really happy with the way we played," said Coach Douglas. "We got some key hits in rally innings, that allowed us to battle back. It was a big win for the club."

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## Yallum's Column

### Will USFL stay afloat?

By ANTHONY M. YALLUM  
TM Sports Editor

United States Football League—to succeed or not to succeed, that is the question.

In recent weeks I have listened attentively to the pros and cons from a number of self-proclaimed professional football prophets regarding the success or failure, and the reasons for or against, the future of this new league.

I have heard it said that unlike the World Football League, that failed so miserably after only one season a few years back, the USFL is backed by the big bucks, alleging that there is little worry of the financial ship going under — something proclaimed by those so-called experts who constructed the Titanic.

Then there's the attraction of top college athletes being drafted for outrageous amounts of money — again a prominent display of strength from the financial ship — such as Herschel Walker, a running back who has been contracted for a staggering \$5,000,000 over a three year period.

But the final and most solemn note of concern for the USFL boils down to its ability or inability to attract enthusiastic crowds.

Surprisingly, the first couple of weeks of the season saw a moderate crowd in attendance, but this unexpected increase can easily be contributed to fan curiosity.

As a friend put it after returning from an LA Express game, "It was almost like watching a real professional football game."

Substantially, the most tangible item that the USFL holds is an ABC television contract.

Are football fans ready to accept a football season that runs through spring, and part of summer, or are there simply too many obstacles impeding its progress involving spectator participation.

Baseball, which is still considered the All-American sport, clashes directly in season with the USFL, and will almost undoubtedly draw a large portion of sport fans away from this young league.

The NFL peaks in the heart of winter where huddling in front of the tube on a Sunday afternoon is about the coziest place to be.

In comparison, the USFL peaks in late spring where millions of people flock to the beaches along the coasts, and thousands more flock to the rivers and lakes further inland, for weekend relaxation.

Still others save this time of year to spend their vacations away from home.

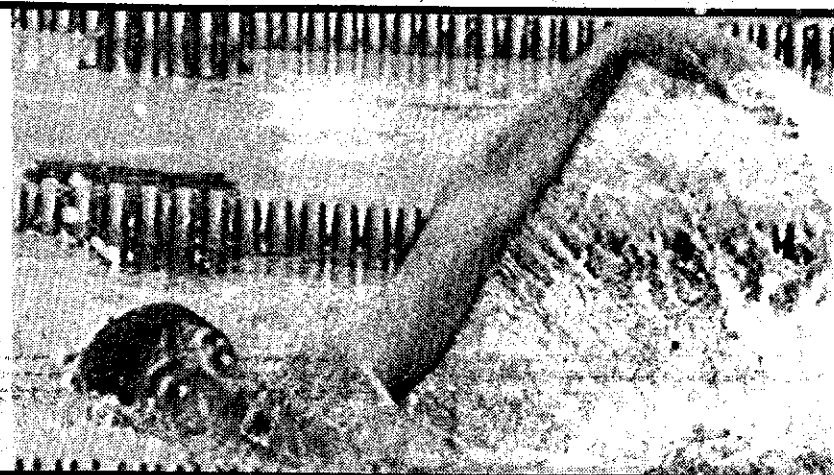
Football season is like anticipating a long awaited circus that comes to town carrying a heightened sense of electricity and excitement.

Perhaps the games greatest novelty has been that it's season is short and sweet and comes but once a year.

### Stroking toward victory

Cerritos' Rick Garcia displays the form that gave him the win in the men's 200 meter back stroke against Cypress Friday

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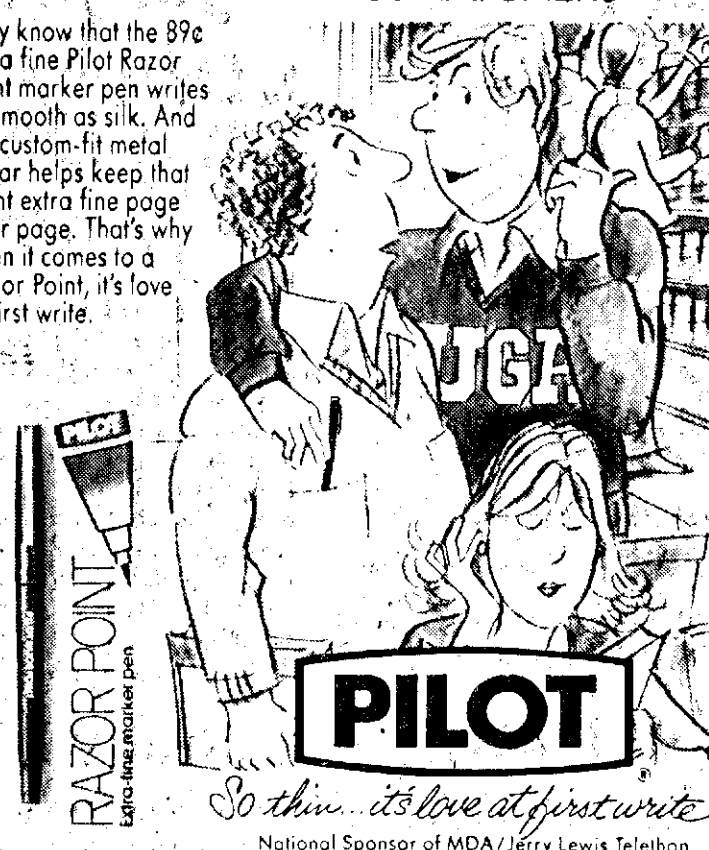
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## EDITORIAL

## Reigning cats 'n' dogs

Into each life some rain must fall.  
But not always from the heavens.  
It has, of late, been raining on some very personal parades in the form of budget cuts.

This is, is it not, an institution of higher learning?  
Is it not expected of those in this institution, whether student, faculty, staff or board member, to conduct themselves in a manner becoming an adult?  
Alas, it has been raining tears, with tempers and flared nostrils, at the meetings of our higher echelon.  
Petty bickering, sophomoric philosophizing and outright bad manners — not to mention name calling, accusations and pouting...

Is all this becoming adult, elected representatives?  
Is such behavior a prime/proper example to impressionable students as to how one conducts oneself in a mature, academic environment?

Budget cuts are now a fact of our life. An irreversible truth. Whether we want to face it or not.

These cuts necessitate rather drastic measures be taken in order to maintain some semblance of quality in the education of the Cerritos College students.

"Students."  
"Quality in education."  
How many times have these terms been thought of, let alone spoken aloud in these high-level, supposedly intellectual meetings?  
Or, how about the one glaring, yet unspoken, truth: if sufficient cuts are not made, Cerritos College could very well close its doors.

Have priorities become too one-sided?  
One's own hide, one's own personal cause, one's own empire — should these take precedence above the greater good?

The student is the one, the only reason an educational institution exists.

Not for the furthering of riches, fame and prestige of the faculty, staff and administration;

Yes... it has been raining cats and dogs at Cerritos.  
And you know how well they get along.

## A bunny break

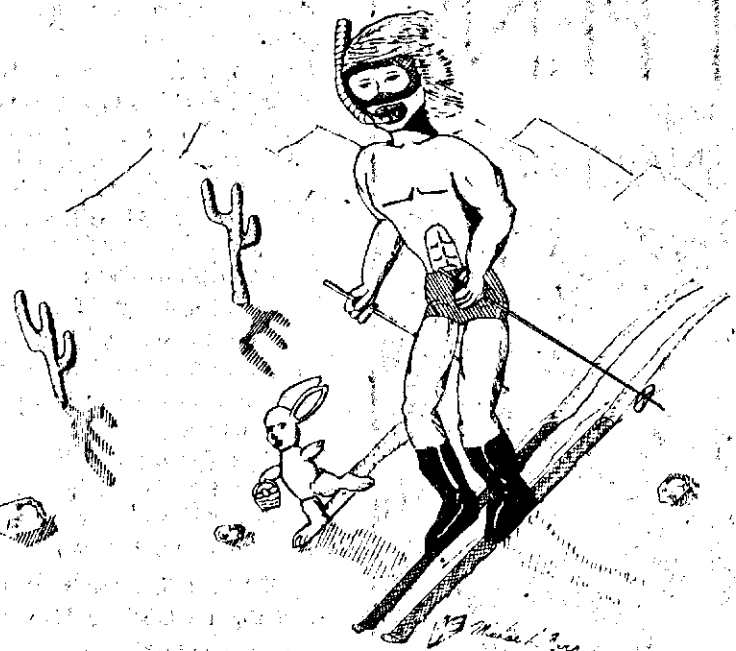
Spring is in the air.  
And Spring vacationers will soon be everywhere.  
The big break is next week: March 28 through April 4.  
You can bet the slopes will be crowded with Cerritos down-hillers who can't wait to get atop the powder.

For the oceanography majors and such, the beaches are waiting for your surfing and sunning pleasure... Weather permitting of course.  
Geology majors — and such — may find the rocky courses of Palm Springs the place to escape: This area has also been known to provide sufficient tanning rays.

And so on for each to his own.  
Spring break is just what it means. An opportunity for students to break away from classes.

But the reality is that by the end of that week, the swallow syndrome prevails.

May a good time be had by all.



Spring vacation, March 28 to April 4

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## DYSLEXIA SYNDROME

## Like being in a foreign country

By BARBARA KENT  
TM Staff Writer

Studying for college is not an easy thing for twenty-five year old Jim Bohac, a prosthetics/orthotics major at Cerritos College.

Bohac has dyslexia — which means anything he must do that involves reading becomes almost impossible.

Dyslexia is a syndrome, a cluster of characteristic symptoms which interfere with the ability to see words in their proper form.

The term dyslexia means difficulty with words, and the disease creates a disturbed function of the symbolic and perceptual abilities, manifested in poor reading, much below the expected grade level for a particular age of the child.

Researchers are still trying to discover the cause of this disease which affects boys more often at a ratio of four to one. Neurologists agree that dyslexia is a neurological problem centered in the brain.

According to Steven Mattis of New York's Montefiore Hospital and Medical Center, there are four main types of language problems in dyslexia: 1) A problem in naming objects; 2) "Motor speech" defects making it difficult to utter smoothly sequenced sounds; 3) A visual-perceptual disorder which causes trouble in distinguishing similar letters like "n," "h," and "r." 4) Problems with "phonemic sequencing," in which the person can hear the proper order of sounds but can't reproduce them.

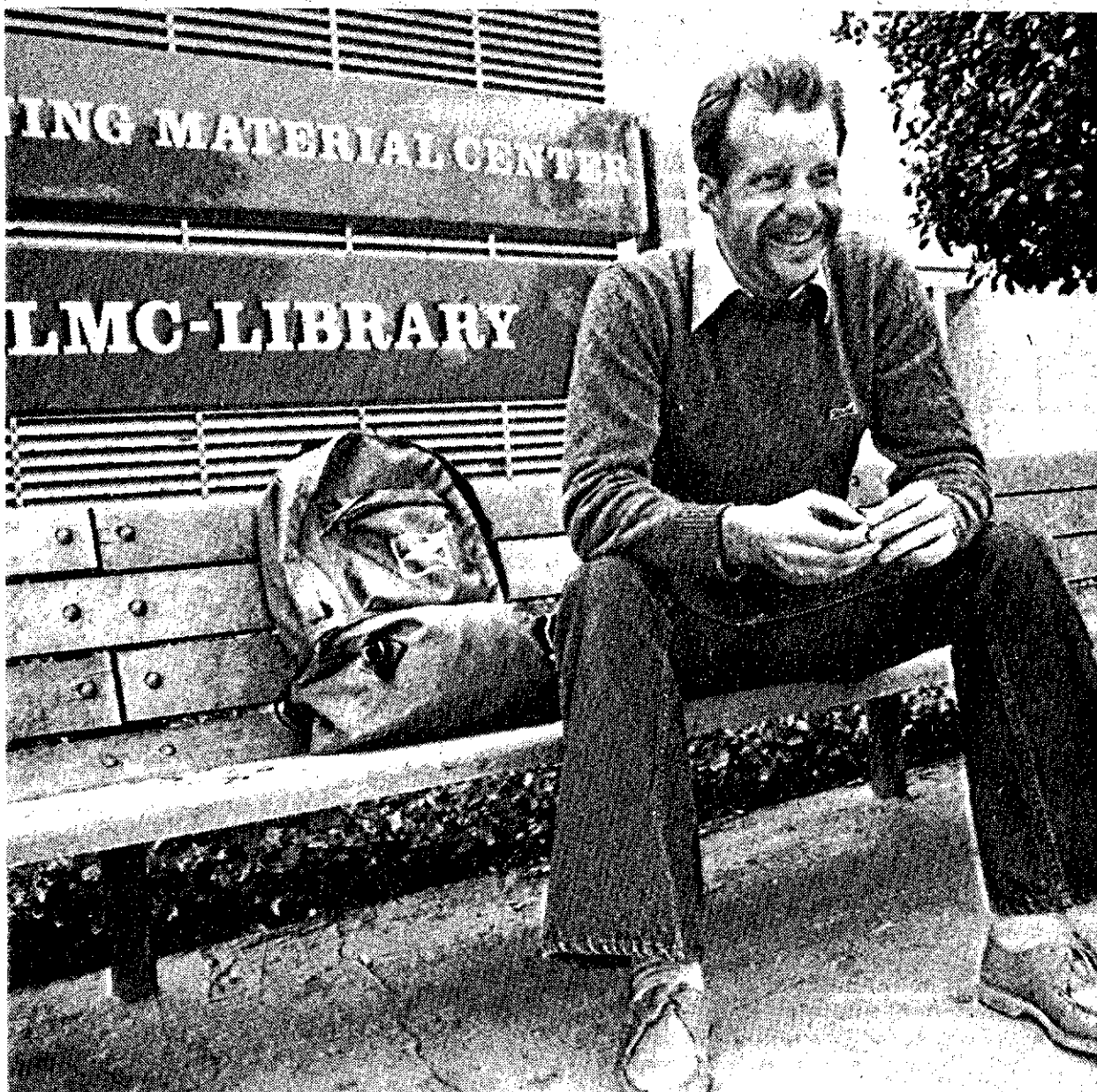
A dyslexic person sees letters in a scrambled form. Letters and numbers may be perceived as backward, or interposed. Words such as m-a-n are seen as n-a-m, and was may be confused with saw.

Many dyslexics are highly intelligent and are therefore disheartened and frustrated at being unable to read or write.

Bohac was diagnosed as having dyslexia while in the third grade and, after undergoing testing, he was sent to EH classes where he was told to work at his own pace.

"They were just babysitters there," Bohac explained. "I worked in the same book for four years."

It seems that the staff at his school were not completely qualified to deal with his problem. After attending special schools from fourth grade through junior high, and not really learning anything, Bohac entered a regular public high school where, again, teachers did not know how to



JIM BOHAC-dealing with dyslexia

—TM Photo by HART PONDER

deal with the problem. "They passed me on the basis of my attendance," he recalled. "If I showed up, they gave me a C."

Like many dyslexics, Bohac has difficulty with numbers and therefore has problems in math. "I cannot memorize multiplication so I also cannot do division. I know the methods to do the math, but without special aids, I can't do it."

Though Bohac gets his reading information by listening to tapes of recorded material, he still finds it frustrating. "Most people are so narrow-minded," Bohac commented. "They really take reading for granted. I can't even order off a menu in a restaurant. American English to me might as well be Greek. Having Dyslexia is like being in a foreign country. My vocabulary is college level and higher," Bohac said, hav-

ing undergone tests recently. "But I just can't read. Anything that I do read is on sight. The words I've memorized look the same to me. They are sight-memorized words. They are somewhat like symbols to him.

At the moment, the treatment of dyslexia is educational rather than medical. Federal law states that public schools must have programs for teaching students with learning disorders. Unfortunately, many of these programs are inadequate for dyslexics.

Field trips to museums, film strips and other "non-book" teaching techniques enable dyslexics to get an education. Most dyslexics can reach sixth-grade level and a good many finish college and go on to graduate school.

Bohac will graduate in June with his Certificate of Achievement in Prosthetics and Orthotics, and then go on to get his AA at another college.

Bohac enjoys his major and wants to help handicapped people. He is at present publicity manager of HSCC.

"I don't want any pity," he said of his problem. "I just want people to be made more aware. That's the one reason I want to be commissioner of HSCC. To make people realize that handicapped people are the same as everyone else."

Bohac's high intelligence combined with his lack of basics causes him much frustration. "I'm like a person who can run but can't walk."

He seems to be running in the right direction.

## Passover is a time for prayers, rituals

By SHIRLEY S. MARK  
TM Staff Writer

On Monday, March 28, Jews all over the world, except in Soviet Russia, will take part in the Passover seder, a ceremonial dinner commemorating the deliverance from Egypt.

Passover, or Pesach, was called by that name because God passed over Jewish homes when the first born of Egypt was slain.

It is a time of prayer and ritual and for some, sacrifice, since no bread or foods made with flour can be eaten during the eight day holiday. In remembrance of the hasty departure from Egypt, during which there was no time for bread to rise, only unleavened bread (matzo) is permitted.

The seder is a time when the entire

family comes together usually representing several generations. It is the youngest person's honor to ask the four questions, in Hebrew, beginning with, "Why is this night different from all others?" Responses are given by the host or father or grandfather.

When I was a little girl, my mother and I went to an aunt and uncle's home for the seder. Uncle had rediscovered his religion with a vengeance. Like most zealots, he carried it too far. The Passover ritual went on forever, it seemed. Not one word was left out. By the time we ate dinner, we were close to fainting.

In recent years we have shared the holiday with close friends and have been part of their extended family.

The host would sit in an arm chair at the head of a table set with magnificent china and crystal. The hostess' father read Hebrew fluently and would say the prayers so fast we could hardly keep up with him.

Then came dinner beginning with gefilte fish (stuffed fish) followed by luscious matzo balls in bubbling golden chicken soup, beef brisket with savory potato kugel (pudding) and vegetables.

After dinner, the children, bursting with excitement, would rush around the house to find the afikomen, a piece of matzo that had been hidden earlier. A shriek of triumph would announce the winner who would then claim the prize, to the envy of the others.

More prayers and ritual followed dessert which was just fine since most of us could hardly move from all of the food we had consumed.

The evening ended with songs and laughter and happy feelings... and a sink full of dishes.

## ...Study lab

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won't be able to give immediate service to those needs in the future."

In the Independent Study Lab, which makes and services about 5000 tapes, there will be a major effect on students in the purchasing, making, repairing, and filing of language, nursing, instructional, and musical tapes. There will be a noticeable lack of availability and lag time in both audio and video tapes.

The budget cut at the Learning Center will affect all the services from graphics, books, equipment, and staff. It will have an impact on supplies, repairs, maintenance, and teaching. It will stunt progress in the television, tape and dark room areas.

"Look at the hours we're available for services," Zinser said, "and look at the areas we cover."

"There have to be problems."

## ...Parking dispute

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costs would be discussed by Price Club and the city of Cerritos," Avellar said.

The general parking situation on campus has "smoothed out considerably," according to Nello DiCorpo, Dean of Community Services whose office handles campus parking and security. "It was just a matter of people becoming adjusted to the system," he said.

DiCorpo said, "For the Fall semester, the Parking and Traffic Committee and the Student Senate are asking for the Board's approval to charge the same parking fees for motorcycles as for all other vehicles.

"Also, we are investigating the idea of having all hanging permits. With the current system, the parking control officers have to search for

where the permit might be located on the vehicle.

"If there would be any security problem in locking a car, the permit would be attached to the front window."

DiCorpo said there were plans for more meters, and preparations for the new Public Information Building which would also house the Lost and Found Department.

"Our parking control people are now in uniform," he said, and if anyone is seen loitering around the cars who is not wearing the blue security jackets, the student should notify the campus police."

Randy Economy, Norwalk Public Information officer, said, "The parking on the residential streets around the college has not been much of a problem."

## DOGOPHOBIA

## Whose best friend?

By THERESA FUNARO  
Phobias!

They pounce on perfectly proper people all the time. There is a fear for everything: heights, darkness, crowds — even a fear of fear.

Unfortunately, I am plagued by the worst fear of them all — dogophobia.

I am afraid of those wretched, cruel, blood thirsty animals known by the unwary as "man's best friend."

I am paranoid of dogs: big dogs, little dogs, fat dogs, scrawny dogs, hot dogs.

Mention a breed...it breeds fear in me.

I have searched my memory for some basis to this dreaded disease. Was I bitten by some miserable mongrel as a child?

Perhaps I saw a poodle attack some elderly man or maybe I was chased by a German Shepherd on the way to kindergarten.

Perhaps, but alas, I am sure that none of these things ever happened to me. Why then do I go to such extreme measures to avoid those four legged beasts?

If I see a dog coming toward me while I am jogging, within seconds I am on top of the first car, fence, mailbox or person I see.

This is no exaggeration — I'm still paying damages to the last man who was unfortunate enough to get between me and certain death.

It's a "dog-eat-dog" world out there but with luck, keen eyesight, good hearing and quick reflexes, I am managing to cope.