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## Two terms adopted for '85 summer

By TERRY SPENCER  
TM Editor-in-Chief

Summer School will consist of two, five and a half week sessions with an over-lapping eight week term, according to a plan adopted by the Board of Trustees, Monday.

A special intra-session will also be held for high school students.

The plan was adopted over a second plan which would have called for two, six week sessions along with two, eight week sessions.

This plan was rejected because it would have required overlaps between the sessions.

"We're gambling that we will be losing fewer students with this plan," said Dr. Olive Scott, Vice-president of Instruction, referring to the adopted plan.

The first five and a half week session will begin along with the eight week term on June 3.

The first short term ends July 9, while those in eight week classes will finish July 26.

July 10 will mark the beginning of the second five and a half week semester, which will be ending August 15.

High school students are being given a special session because their graduations will not be until mid-June — after the June 3 starting date for the first session.

Their session, which will last for eight weeks, runs June 24 to Aug. 16.

## Poncho heads alumni jazz gig Thursday

By STACY SCOTT  
TM Staff Writer

It's a long way from the early 1970's when Poncho Sanchez first attended classes at Cerritos College.

Sanchez, one of the top Conga players in the country, and his band which also includes Cerritos alumni Tony and Ramon Banda are returning. They will play a sold out show along with the Cerritos College Super Band II tomorrow night at 8:00 p.m. in the Burnight Theatre.

Sanchez, 33, has been playing the congas since he was 18.

He and the Banda brothers have been playing together since 1965.

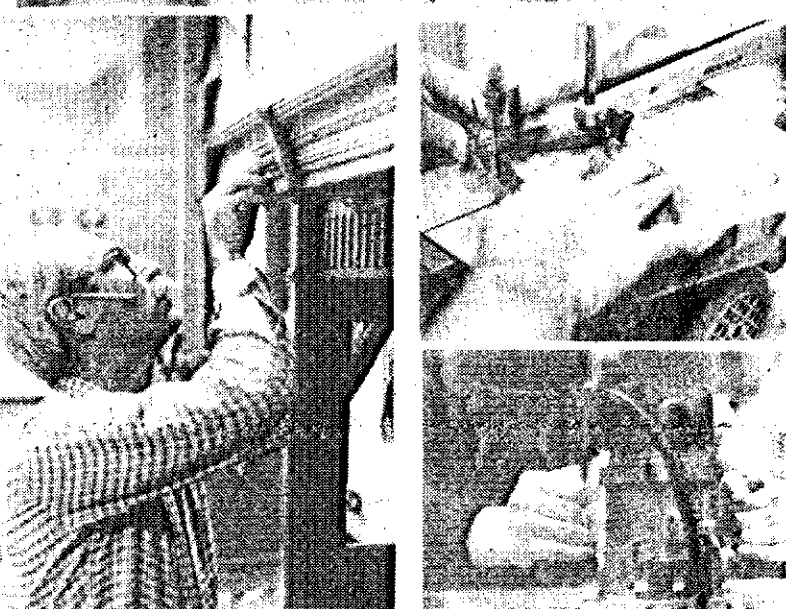
Sanchez never had formal training on the congas. "I was self-taught all the way," commented Sanchez.

Growing up in the Jimi Hendrix era, Sanchez took the off-beat road into jazz music. "Jazz is my life," says Sanchez. Playing mostly latin jazz, his interest in jazz music goes way beyond

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### Hands-on for furniture display

Students from the furniture manufacturing class will display their handiwork in the quad Tuesday, Dec. 18. Ready for the event are, above left, Tom Nguyen with hammer and chisel. Above right, Forrest and Virginia Lange varnish wall unit the designed and built for a friend. Below right, Robert Rizzio, left, looks over designs with instructors Bill Kettelle and Peter Shapiro.

## RECOGNITION FOR SERVICE

### Fall Awards Banquet at Marriot Friday

By GINA MONACO  
TM Staff Writer

The annual ASCC Awards Banquet will be held this Friday, Dec. 14 at the Anaheim Marriot Hotel.

Those chosen to receive awards were selected by the awards committee. The committee is composed of

students from different campus organizations.

Members of the awards committee include Theresa Battaglia, Kim Cates, Spencer Fitches, John Husek, Heidi Jakob, Kameron Johnson, Barbara Medina, Jeff Mitchellcraft, Ben Pendleton, Fred Regan, Elizabeth Rios,

Belinda Rouse, Allison Schaffer, Julia Smitten, and Chelly Squires.

The members of the awards committee will also serve as the hosts and hostesses of the program.

The Mistress of Ceremonies for 1984 will be Elizabeth Ann Rios. Rios is the Commissioner of Activities in addition to being president of Kappa Tau Omega.

The awards ceremonies will commence with an invocation by Kameron Johnson which will be followed by a sit down dinner consisting of chicken cordon bleu, rice pilaf, honey glazed carrots, green salad, roll and butter, and chocolate mousse.

Following greetings to the audience by Elizabeth Rios, Mel Brady will deliver an inspirational message.

Brady serves as Dean of the Business Division and is also adviser for one of the largest and most active clubs on campus. At past leadership conferences, he has presented various motivational workshops for students.

The presentation of awards will begin with the Homecoming Awards which will be given to honor 1984 Homecoming Queen Suzy Johnson and her court. Heidi Jakob and Jeff Mitchellcraft will present these awards.

In the area of Instructional Related Activities, both the Administration of Justice and the Journalism Departments will be recipients.

The Administration of Justice Awards will be presented by Dick McGrath, Chairman of the Justice Department, while Thomas Nelson,

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## 14% quit school completely; half drop at least one class

By YOUNG CHUN  
Staff Writer

Some 2,778 students, or 14% of the 19,937 here at the beginning of the fall semester have dropped completely out of school, according to enrollment statistics released by the Admission office, following Nov. 21 the drop deadline.

Only 53% or 10,485 of the original enrollment has continued without dropping at least one class.

Students with only one course number 5,214, with the 14,733 students taking two or more courses.

A fourth of the students with only one course dropped the class. Some 3638 students taking two-plus courses

## Free flow varied

Current students can finish; less than 6 for others

By TERRY SPENCER  
TM Editor-in-Chief

Continuing students who live within the Los Angeles Community College District will be allowed to finish their education at Cerritos College, this according to a revised free-flow agreement that has been negotiated between the two districts.

This follows a threatened action by the L.A. District which would have forced the 1,538 Cerritos students who live within that district to return to their neighborhood schools.

New students who wish to enroll at Cerritos but live within the boundaries of the L.A. district, will be required to obtain an interdistrict permit from their local school.

Cerritos district residents will also need a permit to register in a Los Angeles Community College.

Students requesting to enroll in less than six units or in a summer session will be exempted from the permit requirement.

A 25% drop in enrollment in the nine school Los Angeles district over the last two years prompted that district to issue its threat.

State funding of community colleges by the system of "average daily attendance" (ADA) is at the core of the L.A. district's demand for its students to return and Cerritos administration's attempt to keep them.

Each student attending a school is worth approximately \$2,000 in additional revenue for that district.

The Board has come out in favor of legislation that is being formulated in Sacramento which would allow students to attend any community college in the state.

Reservations were expressed by Board Member Katie Nordbak however, over a fear that the colleges would start competing for students and that would detrimental to the smaller districts.

## Finals Friday; it's time to register

Finals begin Friday. Continuing students who filed an intent to register before the Nov. 21 deadline should have received their appointment cards for the Dec. 17-20 registration period.

Those who have yet to file an intent, along with new and readmit students can now obtain permits which will allow them to register during the period of Jan. 7-11.

Open registration begins Jan. 14.



PRESIDENTIAL GAVEL PASSING — Newly elected Board of Trustees President Hazel Scotto accepts the gavel from outgoing prexy Bob Epple. Ada Steenhoek was named vice-president and the newest member, Dale Hardeman was named secretary. The officers serve one year terms. TM Photo by RAELENE REPPMANN

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### SPECIAL STUDIES OK'D

Students will be allowed to do individual and specialized studies under Fall '85 plan.

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### ALL STAR TEAMS

Women Volleyballers place six spikers on SCC All League team while 13 gridlers make All PAC-9 unit.

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### RIOS ON THE RUN

Elizabeth Rios, ASCC Activities Commissioner and Friday's awards night MC, just won't rest.

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### SANCHEZ SESSION SELL-OUT

Tomorrow night's big Super Band II session has been sold out for days. Headliner is former Cerritos student Poncho Sanchez (upper right), a foremost conga player. Other college alumni will perform in the big event. Below, music prof Don Erjavec rehearses performers.



COURTESY PHOTO



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## Special Studies Series cataloged for Fall '85

By CONNIE SAGER  
TM Assoc. Features Editor

A new course offering under the general heading Special Studies Series will go in the catalog for Fall 1985.

With a number 69 designation, the course will be available in all major departments and disciplines.

According to Dr. Johnson, Dean of Academic Affairs, who was instrumental in developing the idea, the Series will be offered as a means of enriching the existing curriculum.

The courses will be designed to enable students an opportunity to study selected topics in more detail than is presently possible, allowing a total of no more than six units to be credited toward graduation or Certifi-

cate of Achievement.

Courses designated under the Special Studies Series will be conducted on a trial basis for up to two semesters, allowing the instructor to experiment with new concepts in their discipline and to shape the content of the class before it goes to the Curriculum Committee for regular course approval.

"Instead of going through the curriculum process first, which can be lengthy and involved," expressed Dr. Johnson, "this procedure will stimulate new ideas and allow creative people and faculty to keep courses current and more vital to the needs and wants of the students." Dr. Johnson went on to add, "This new course series will also permit Cerritos to react faster to the needs of industry."

## Canned Food Drive ends today; volunteers needed

By STEVE GABALDON  
TM Staff Writer

Donations are still being accepted for the canned food drive, which will run until December 12.

The drive is sponsored by the Norwalk Social Services.

Deposits can be put in the specially marked brown barrels located at various spots throughout the campus.

Those locations include Student Activities, the Student Center, the Library, and the Elbow Room.

First, second and third place awards will be given to the people who donate in the top three.

Also, the City of Norwalk Coordinating Council is putting Christmas food baskets together for needy families.

Claire Rich of the Coordinating

Council is asking for volunteers to help assemble and distribute the baskets on Saturday and Sunday, December 22 and 23.

For further information concerning the food basket distribution, contact Claire Rich at (213) 868-3254.

## HSCC holds campus raffle

By SANDY PIPER  
TM Staff Writer

The handicapped students of Cerritos College (HSCC) held a raffle at the Resource Center on campus Friday, Nov. 30. The proceeds will go to the Ron Fournier Scholarship Fund.

Fournier was a journalism major at Cerritos College in 1971. He died in an unfortunate automobile accident.

Raffle tickets went on sale last month. More tickets were sold this year than any other.

Laurie Smith was the top ticket seller and Lorraine Surface came in second.

Area merchants supported the raffle by donating prizes and gift certificates.

## Financial aid now available

Financial Aid is available to students who qualify to help with the mandatory fees during registration.

Applications and more information on Fee Waiver, Fee Credit, and the Board of Governors Grant are available in the Financial Aid Office in the Student Center.

Cal Grant application deadline is Feb. 11, when applications for Bilingual Teachers Training Grants are also due.

Regular financial aid applications are due by March 1.

Financial Aid assistant Bonnie Baird encourages students to meet the deadlines, and drop by her office for further information.

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## Fall Awards Banquet previewed...

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Journalism Department Chairman, will present the Journalism Awards in the categories of Most Improved Journalist, Outstanding New Journalist, Most Inspirational Journalist, Best Photo Journalist, and Best All Around Journalist.

The annual awards for fall faculty and student newsmaker will be presented by the Editor-in-Chief of Talon Marks Terry Spencer and Features Editor Jennifer Knox.

Intramural Recreational Awards will be presented by Amy Skibel, Commissioner of Athletics. Awards will be given in the areas of basketball, racquetball, and volleyball.

The Inter-Club Council Awards will be presented by both Allison Schaffer and Amy Skibel. These awards will cover Homecoming 1984, the Christmas Canned Food Drive, ICC scholarships, and other special ICC awards.

Awards for Service and Leadership will be presented by various members of the awards committee. Six categories of awards will be presented for service and leadership.

Students recognized for service and participation in programs sponsored by the ASCC will receive either a part or full-time service certificate depending upon the number of units they are carrying.

Part-time Falcons will be awarded to those students who have been outstanding in leadership, service, and participation in ASCC sponsored programs.

Students who excel in service and participation in ASCC programs will be recipients of a Bronze Falcon.

Both Silver and Gold Falcons will be presented to students who have been outstanding in all areas of service, leadership, and participation in the ASCC.

In addition to the previously mentioned awards, the awards committee has also designated special awards for individual students and faculty members.

These awards, which will be presented by Fred Regan and Ben Pendleton, will be given to those who have had a major impact and have made a significant contribution to the Associated Students of Cerritos College.

Rios will end the Awards Banquet with her closing remarks.

## Sanchez...

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salsa music. "I love all types of jazz," states Sanchez.

He was influenced in salsa and jazz by such musicians as Willie Bobo and Cal Tjader.

"Given the opportunity to play under Tjader was a dream come to," mentioned Sanchez. "I'm following in their footsteps my own way," he said.

## ASCC Senate singles out AJ students, Publications

By CONNIE SAGER  
TM Assoc. Features Editor

The Student Senate passed two bills proposing that a Resolution be awarded to Lambda Alpha Epsilon and the Publications Department at the upcoming Fall Awards Banquet on Friday at the Anaheim Marriott Hotel.

The Publications Department is being recognized for its outstanding work and devoted service to the ASCC this semester.

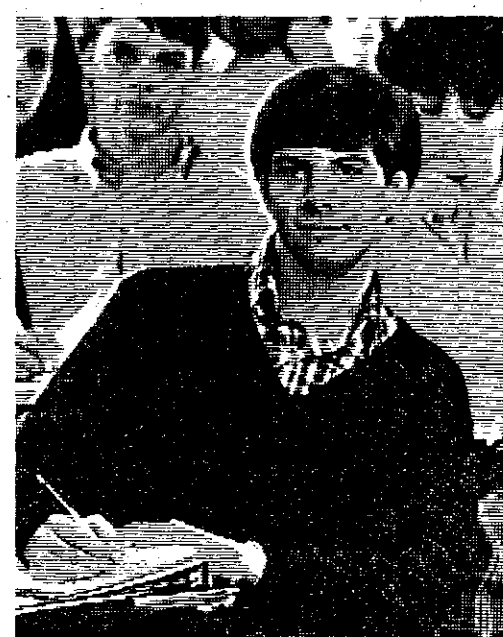
Lambda Alpha Epsilon, the Criminal Justice Club, will be honored for its accomplishments since

the club was formed at Cerritos in 1961.

Under the guidance of advisor Dick McGrath, L.A.E. has been supported by its members in every National and Regional American Criminal Justice Association competitions since the club's establishment. This semester it placed in every competition category at the Western Regional Convention in Spokane, Washington earning the coveted Sweepstakes award.

The Resolutions are on display in the Student Activities Office.

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## The All-Conference Look



Standing L to R — Kevin Kendell, First Team Center; Tony Bevaqua, First Team Tight End; Keith McCoy, First Team Running Back; Brian Espinosa, First Team Nose Guard; Aaron Fike, Second Team Guard; Andre Frazier, First Team Defensive Lineman and Sidney Johnson, First Team Defensive Back.

Sitting L to R — Stan Carraway, Honorable Mention Wide Receiver; Wendell Peoples, First Team Wide Receiver; Jon McMaster, Second Team Linebacker; Fred Payton, First Team Defensive Back. Not Shown, Kicker Robert Barone and Fullback Paul Backes.

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### Football places 8 on PAC-9 First Team

By JOHN VAN GASTON  
TM Sports Editor

Nose guard Brian Espinosa headed a list of 13 Falcons to be named to the All-PAC-9 football team.

Along with Espinosa, who was also named to the First Team All-State team, defensive backs, Fred Payton, Sidney Johnson, and defensive end Andre Frazier were named to the First Team defensive squad.

Payton was also named to the Second Team All-State team.

On offense, freshman running back Keith McCoy, who finished third in the PAC-9 with 769 yards, was named to the First Team offensive squad.

Joining McCoy were wide receiver Wendell Peoples, a third team All-State selection, tight end Tony Bevaqua, a second team All-

State selection and center Kevin Kendell.

Punter-plac-kicker Robert Barone and guard Aaron Fike were selected to the second team offensive squad, while linebacker Jon McMaster was named to the second team defensive team.

Receiving honorable mention selections were wide receiver Stan Carraway and fullback Paul Backes.

## Hoopsters capture third in Grossmont; Yezbak injured

By JOHN VAN GASTON  
TM Sports Editor

The Cerritos Falcon basketball team was unable to defend their Grossmont Tournament title, as they were defeated by Camp Pendleton 70-62, in the second round of action.

But the most upsetting thing to coach Jack Bogdanovich is that leading scorer Joe Yezbak injured his ankle and was unable to finish the Pendleton game. He did not play in the Grossmont game the next day.

"Joe is having his ankle x-rayed today (Monday)," said Bogdanovich. "I just hope it is 'only' a sprain."

Yezbak led the Falcons to a first round victory over a small San Diego Mesa team 70-60.

He scored 16 points (7-12 shooting), followed by Brian Coleman's 15 and Russell Heike's 14.

Shawn Hicks led the Olympians with 22 points.

In the Camp Pendleton game, the Falcons opened up to an early 14-

point lead, only to have it dwindle away due to the aggressive play of 6-6, 230 pound Roy Brown, who grabbed 13 rebounds to go along with his eight points.

Nathan Hamlin led Pendleton with 22 points, on 10 of 17 shooting. Yezbak, who scored 12 points before leaving the game, was injured late in the second half.

"When he got hurt, we knew he wasn't going to be able to finish the game," Bogdanovich said. "The major factor in the game was that they intimidated our guys and got away with it."

"We lost our composure and took quick, low percentage shots."

The Falcons then took on Grossmont (5-4) for third place.

Guard Marlon Wadlington and Coleman combined for 34 points as the Falcons defeated the Griffins 76-69.

Steve Lueke, playing for the injured Yezbak, collected six points

and four rebounds.

"Steve did a very good job filling in for Joey," said Bogdanovich. "He played a fundamentally sound game."

Coleman, who averaged 15.3 points and 6.3 rebounds over the three games, was named to the All-Tournament team.

In the championship game, Central Arizona, who Cerritos defeated last year in the finals, beat Camp Pendleton.

Yezbak still leads the team with a 22.8 points per game average, followed by Coleman (15.5), Heike at 12.2 and Wadlington with 10 points per outing.

George Guy is averaging 7.9 rebounds a game, followed closely by Coleman's 7.5 boards per game.

Wadlington is dishing out an average of five assists for the 5-1 Falcons, as they move on to play the State's No. 1 team, Taft, in the first round of the Modesto Tournament starting today.

### Matmen garner second in SoCal Regionals

By MONA MENDOZA  
TM Staff Writer

Cerritos wrestlers placed second at the Southern California Tournament last Friday at Palomar, which enabled them to qualify for the State Championship December 14.

The three teams representing Southern California region will be Palomar, Cerritos and Mt. SAC.

Wrestling coach Jeff Smith felt Friday's meet was by far their best performance.

"The team was really together. They cheered for each other, which showed that we had more unity than any other team there," said Smith. "I

thought it really paid off."

Individually, eight out of ten Cerritos matmen placed in the state finals.

George Williams (118 lbs.), Tom Howe (190 lbs.) and John Haupt (Hvwt) placed first.

Co-captain Mike Longshaw (134 lbs.), Edwin Van (158 lbs.) and Cedric Jackson (167 lbs.) placed second.

Co-captain Joe Rios (150 lbs.) placed third and Eric Sakurai (126 lbs.) placed fourth.

Smith felt Sakurai performed well this season.

"Eric didn't place in tournaments

(with the exception of SoCal), but he pulled off some good upsets," said Smith. "In dual meets, Eric was tough."

Wrestlers who have experienced a good season are: George Williams, 24-4, Mike Longshaw, 27-9, Joe Rios 22-13 and John Haupt, 24-8.

For the wrestlers, Smith and assistant coaches Chris Duran and Stacy Cody, their three and a half hour daily practices have paid off, as they are on their way to El Camino Saturday for the State Finals.

### Women's basketball ousted from Sequoia Tourney early

By JOHN VAN GASTON  
TM Sports Editor

The College of the Sequoias Tournament consists of 16 teams, eight from the North and eight from Southern California.

"It was a good experience to play and watch teams from the North," stated women's basketball coach Karen Peterson, after her team was eliminated after a 77-67 loss at the hands of Porterville.

The Falcons opened the tourney against defending Northern California champs San Mateo. They lost 47-45.

"It was a very disappointing loss because we let the game slip away at

the end," states Peterson.

Shelly Bowcutt led the Falcons with 15 points, while Jowana Yates dished out nine assists and Ellie Itkoff pulled down nine rebounds.

In what may have been their best game all season, the Falcons demolished Delta 69-44.

Bowcutt scored 24 points while chipping in nine rebounds. Itkoff hauled in 18 boards to go with her 16 points.

In all, the team had 54 rebounds.

"This was one of our better games," said Peterson. "We played

tough defense and shot 79% (19-24) from the free-throw line."

In the Porterville game, the Falcons fell behind at half 45-30. The team had been allowing 53.2 point per game.

Once again, Bowcutt scored 24 points and Itkoff had 17 to go with nine rebounds.

Renee Madrigal chipped in eight boards and contributed four points in the 10-point loss.

In the championship game, LA Trade Tech defeated Fullerton 81-67.

Bowcutt still leads the team with a 19.5 average and is third on the team averaging 6.5 rebounds per game.

Itkoff is averaging 10.7 rebounds and is also chipping in 10.9 points

per outing.

Eunice Walker is averaging 6.7 rebounds a game and Yates leads the Falcons with 5.4 assists a game.

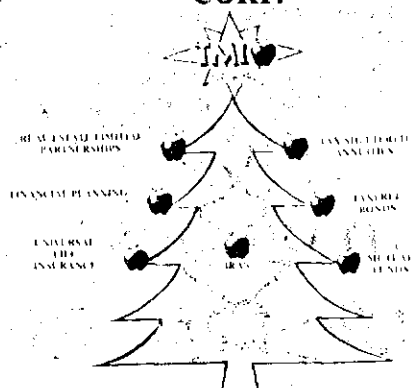
The 4-4 Falcons entertain San Diego Mesa Friday.

"We are playing as well as we can with the numbers that we have posted," stated assistant coach Bob Forrester. "The big factor is that our turnovers have improved and we are playing as a team."

The Falcons are scheduled to play Glendale Dec. 27, in the first round of the first annual Citrus Tournament.

There are eight teams involved, including two from Arizona.

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By TERRY SPENCER AND  
JOHN VAN GASTON

T.S. (10-4 last week, 90-50 overall). I'd like to thank all of the players who made it possible for John not being humiliated. Rich Karlis and Neil O'Donoghue in the kicking department, John McKay and Ron Meyers in the coaches, and Marc (Fair Catch) Wilson in the all thumbs.

J.V.G. (12-2, 98-42) I was in control all year long. Terry was out of my league to begin with. I admit, I was lucky a few times, but I'd rather be lucky than good.

Rams at San Francisco  
T.S. (SF) Although the 49'ers might not play all of their starters and the fact that the visitors usually win in this series, the Niners have too much talent for the Rams.

J.V.G. (Rams) If the Rams can win, they will clinch a wild-card spot. It is still too early to decide who will have the home field advantage.

New Orleans at N.Y. Giants  
T.S. (NY) Is it true that if you understand the NFL's tie-breaking procedure you receive an

automatic Doctorate in Applied Mathematics from M.I.T.?

J.V.G. (NY) Giants will probably handle the Saints easily, but who knows? I haven't had much luck with them all season.

Denver at Seattle  
T.S. (Den) Rich Karlis's field goal attempt with the clock running out hits the upright but bounces in for the win.

J.V.G. (Sea) This will be THE game of the year. Could probably be better than the first meeting. Hard to beat though.

Pittsburgh at Raiders  
T.S. (LA) How much do you want to bet that Pete Rozelle just loves the idea of an 8-8 playoff team. Probably wishes he had 11 more just like them.

J.V.G. (Oak) The only reason I'm picking them is because they are at home and have a history of winning the big games.

Buffalo at Cincinnati  
T.S. (Cin) You know what's really disgusting about this whole mess with the AFC Central? If the winner somehow sneaks by either Denver or Seattle, and the Raiders beat Miami, the locals will be playing for the AFC

Championship in Cincinnati or Pittsburgh in January. Leave the shorts at home.

J.V.G. (Cin) It is hard to believe that the

Bengals, after a 0-5 start, will be the division champs. What is the NFL coming to?

Cleveland at Houston  
T.S. (Hou) Tickets are still available.

J.V.G. (Hou) The Oilers are starting to give their opponents something to worry about. Browns are in over their head with the Oilers? Sounds strange.

Indianapolis at New England  
T.S. (Ind) Frank Kush might be leaving the Colts to go to the Arizona Wranglers of the USFL. The party of the year will be at Curtis Dickey's house.

J.V.G. (NE) Who knows what will happen in this game?

Kansas City at San Diego  
T.S. (KC) The Chiefs are a young team, so they might get up for a chance to finish at .500.

J.V.G. (KC) Will the Chiefs make it three division teams in a row? Probably.

Jets at Tampa Bay  
T.S. (NY) My favorite John McKay quote on the occasion of his last game as a coach. When asked about his team's execution he replied, "I'm in favor of it."

J.V.G. (TB) It is going to be wierd not seeing John McKay on the sidelines with his orange sweater and Gilligan hat.  
Chicago at Detroit

T.S. (Det) The Bears will be gone the first week of the playoffs.

J.V.G. (Chi) Who will direct the Bear offense?

Green Bay at Minnesota  
T.S. (GB) Do you really think the Vikes would be 3-12 if Bud Grant was still the coach?

J.V.G. (GB) If the Pack could have started playing well a couple of weeks earlier, they would have Mike Ditka sweating more than he already is.

Philadelphia at Atlanta  
T.S. (Atl) The last in our series on the origins of the names of American cities. Was Philadelphia named after Donahue or Nieko?

J.V.G. (Phil) This game has all the makings for a sleeping aid commercial.

St. Louis at Washington  
T.S. (StL) It's in the Cards.

J.V.G. (Wash) One game that could go either way. Redskins seem to be a bit more intense.

Dallas at Miami  
T.S. (Mia) Too bad that a game between Tom Landry and Don Shula has to involve players.  
J.V.G. (Mia) Marino will add three more TD passes to his total of 44 on the season.



## Editorials

### Changing of the times

Change is sometimes necessary...  
But not always welcomed.

This semester saw two changes as tuition and a new early schedule were introduced into the Fall schedule.

Tuition marked the end of "free education" and was viewed unfavorably by many — though it's really too early to tell what effect, if any, tuition may have in the future.

After a lot of deliberation, the early schedule was finally adopted.

Granted, it took a little adjustment, but we'll survive.

Many of us are happy that we won't have to worry about finals during our Christmas ski trip.

Others, who preferred the old schedule, welcomed the break for that extra study time before the "final" days.

But we'll take waxing skis over waxing nostalgia any day.

### Have a safe one

'Tis the season...  
Of Christmas trees and Hanukkah bushes, of little kids and Christmas Carols.

It is all the things that are positive in the human spirit, yet it is also a season of great tragedy.

Drunk driving and bad weather combine to produce the year's highest traffic fatality rates.

Close to 1,000 people will die on the nation's highways between now and the end of the year.

There is nothing we can do about that.

But please take a minute as you leave that Christmas party to think of what your family's holiday celebration would be like without you there.

We would like to wish you and your's a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Peace.



CommonTerry

### Nazi's liberties do not guarantee paper space

By TERRY SPENCER  
TM Editor-in-Chief

Do I have an obligation to print Nazi propaganda?

Do I have an obligation to publish something that I know not to be true because it is labeled as an "opinion"?

My counter-part at Harbor College thinks that I, and all other college newspaper editors, do.

Harbor's newspaper, the Hawk,

was recently censured by the Los Angeles Community College District for publishing articles by their opinion editor that claim the Holocaust to be a fraud.

They have also ran columns by the same author complaining about a "Jewish Conspiracy."

The author is entitled to those views and he does have a right to put them into print.

But what struck me is the editor's comment that "I may not agree with what Joe said, but I agree with his right to say it."

He seems to be giving a tacit implication that any editor who refused to publish those articles would be violating that person's civil rights.

But no editor is under any obligation to print an article that he knows to be "naive" at best and "hate literature" at its worst.

The "opinions" expressed in those articles weren't even that — they were the blatant lies of a small extremist political group.

The editor of a campus newspaper is entrusted with an obligation unique within journalism — protecting the credibility of a paper that within a short time he will no longer be associated.

He must be willing to defend it from within and without — those on the outside who would wish to interfere with its ability to report the news and those from within who would use it for their own political gain.

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## A Silent Night turns to Jingle Bells True meaning of Xmas

By MELISSA HERNANDEZ

We all have our views of Christmas, what it means to us and how we choose to celebrate it.

Yet in our fast-paced world, we can get too caught up in the materialistic, tangible aspects of the season.

This is not to say that traditions like gift giving and holiday parties are not good — for when any of these things are done in the true Christmas spirit, they can enhance our lives with love and richness.

But sometimes we might go too far, and the real meaning behind the celebration of Christmas is lost in a mire of meaningless merrymaking and "keeping up with the Joneses" shopping sprees.

Let's take a peek at a view of Christmas from a book in the shelf of the proverbial Jones family...

*It's Christmas Eve. Here I stand in an ornately carved pine bookshelf. Two worn leather covers are my only protection from the volumes on either side of me. On my left is Edgar's Theory of Evolution and on my right Rungs of the Financial Step Ladder proudly perches.*

*I can hear them now; the sound of loud laughter and clanking glasses with cries of "Cheers!" does not cheer me.*

*I overheard Mrs. Jones fretting over whether there would be enough "spirits" on hand for the party. I'm saddened to think of the guests sipping the Christmas spirit instead of feeling it in their hearts.*

*I remember when the family was just starting out, when the children were small and the home was humble. Each year around this time I would be lovingly taken off the shelf by Mr. Jones, read from by Mrs. Jones, and finally placed on some greenery amidst a nativity scene.*

*Those days are gone. I remain forgotten in this big bookshelf now. Mr. Jones often selects Edgar's Theory from my side and settles down in his favorite chair. The cleaning woman frequently stops her vacuuming to avidly read a romance novel which she takes from the top shelf.*

*My saddest moment happened earlier this evening when I was sworn upon by the grandchildren. I thought for a moment when I saw them approaching that they meant to read*

## 'Milk Wood' entertaining and well-performed offering

By STELLA AGUILAR  
TM Staff Writer

*Under Milk Wood*, a play by the late poet Dylan Thomas, takes place in a small Welsh fishing town by the sea. The story takes us from the middle of one night to the middle of the next, with the usage of voices and commentators. The events of a spring day are recounted through a kind of "dramatized" gossip. There is no main action. Rather, it is a character study.

I found *Under Milk Wood*, which opened Dec. 6 in the Burnight Studio Theatre, both entertaining and well-performed.

The 24 cast members amazed their audience by performing a total of 63 roles.

Noticeable characters are Mr. Pugh, Mrs. Pugh, Polly Garter, and Captain Cat.

Mr. Pugh, played by Greg Allen, is a man who despises his wife. Throughout the play he continually plans to poison her.

A humorous scene occurred when Mr. Pugh, who was sitting at a table, started reading a book called "The Lives of the Great Poisoners." Greg Allen played this role with expertise and humor.

Mrs. Pugh, a proper, conceited character, is performed by Debbie Ball. She represents a part of human behavior present in today's society. Ball gave a convincing performance that was enjoyed by the audience.

Polly Garter, played by Elaine Wieland is a mother whose life is dedicated to having babies. However, she never got married because her true love, Willie, had died.

Captain Cat (Dale Denton) loves the dead Rosie Probert, who was a lady of the evening when she was living. One specific scene that brought tears to my eyes was the one in which Captain Cat dreams of the dead Rosie, his true love.

The first voice, played by Pat Killian, gave a fine performance as the

the Christmas story.

*The guests are singing now. With a sigh I resign myself to another year of solitude.*

*I fall asleep to the tune of "Jingle Bells," hoping that tomorrow the Jones family will wake up.*



SANTA SESSION — Just about everybody loves Santa Claus, though it may take a little getting used to at first. Youngster at Child Development Center entertained serious reservations but a short time before he was won over by ASCC president Fred Regan, a veteran Santa.

## Dancers step out in student production

By MELISSA HERNANDEZ  
TM Campus Editor

The dance students of Cerritos College presented an entertaining, well-choreographed concert here on Dec. 7-8 in the Burnight Theatre.

Though the production slanted mostly toward modern, diverse threads of dance styles were woven into the show's tapestry.

I was impressed by the choreography of the production which was entirely done by the students. The intricacy of some of the numbers was fascinating.

The talent and originality of thought involved in choreographing all the numbers is praiseworthy.

The costumes were colorful and the music was enjoyable.

Some of the outstanding dance selections of the evening were "Tappin," choreographed by Sharon Davis and Cheryl Iiams. Iiams tapped danced in a sparkling performance.

"Harmony," choreographed by Lillian Lecroy was an elegantly ethereal number with beautiful music setting the perfect mood.

Sharon Davis choreographed "Rejoicefulness," a slow, rhythmic dance with delightful music.

"Love's Tragedy" was chore-

graphed by Kurt A. Weidmann, an excellent dancer.

Yvonne Martinez choreographed "In The Hiding," whose title song held haunting lyrics.

Other selections included "Ebo," choreographed by Francis Carter, "Street Play" by Marcia L. Bodon, "Visions" by Melanie Poindexter, "Sweet Thing" by the Cerritos College Song Leaders, "Mind, Body, And Soul — A Celebration" by Erin Michael, "Synergisms" by David A. Calderon, "Adagio" Choreographed and danced by Linda Rosales, "Flashback" by Art Manuel Sereno, and "The Mix Company" by Linda Rosales.

Each of the 14 dance numbers combined to make a fine performance.

Choreographer Lecroy made a special point of expressing appreciation "on the behalf of the students to Virginia Romero, Katherine Steadman, the teaching staff, theatre crew, the stage manager, and everyone who contributed their time and services to the production."

## ...DON'T BLAME IT ON RIOS

### Time doesn't stand still for Commissioner

By JENNIFER KNOX  
TM Features Editor

No one needs to tell Commissioner of Activities Elizabeth Rios to get with it.

The 19 year old President of Kappa Tau Omega has not stood still all semester.

Rios is currently on two committees, is taking ten units, and has two jobs here on campus besides her ASCC and sorority offices.

Although many sororities are known for a more social focus, Rios contends that her sorority, Kappa Tau Omega, is very service oriented.

"We always have so many things going and as President, I have to delegate the responsibilities. We are presently involved with the Special Olympics, the Jr. Blind and Grandparents program."

"Last Spring we won Club of the Year and we're hoping to win the title again this year," explained Rios.

Through her sorority involvement, Rios became interested in student government.

"When I first started school, I was just going part-time and I wasn't sure about what I wanted to do. I got involved with Kappa Tau Omega, and many of the girls were in Student

Government and it seemed interesting. During the summer I submitted a resume and it worked out."

Rios was appointed to her first ASCC office, Commissioner of Activities, in September. She feels the

position has definitely enhanced her college education.

"It's a real challenge trying to coordinate everything, there's always people to talk to and things to organize," she explains. "I was really scared at first but I've grown so much in this semester I can hardly believe

Rios works in two campus departments as an EOPS counselor/aid and a teacher's aid in the Admissions Office.

"I love my jobs on campus because they both fit my schedule. They'll work around my classes because they understand the situation," Rios explains.

Although Rios, a Whittier High School graduate, has many responsibilities through work and school positions, she contends that school is the most important thing in her life.

"I'm not working evenings right now because I have to study for finals. I'd like to get my AA degree and go on to Cal State Dominguez in 1986 to major in Education."

"Everything I have learned here about dealing with people has really been a benefit to me. I know it will all help me in the future."



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