

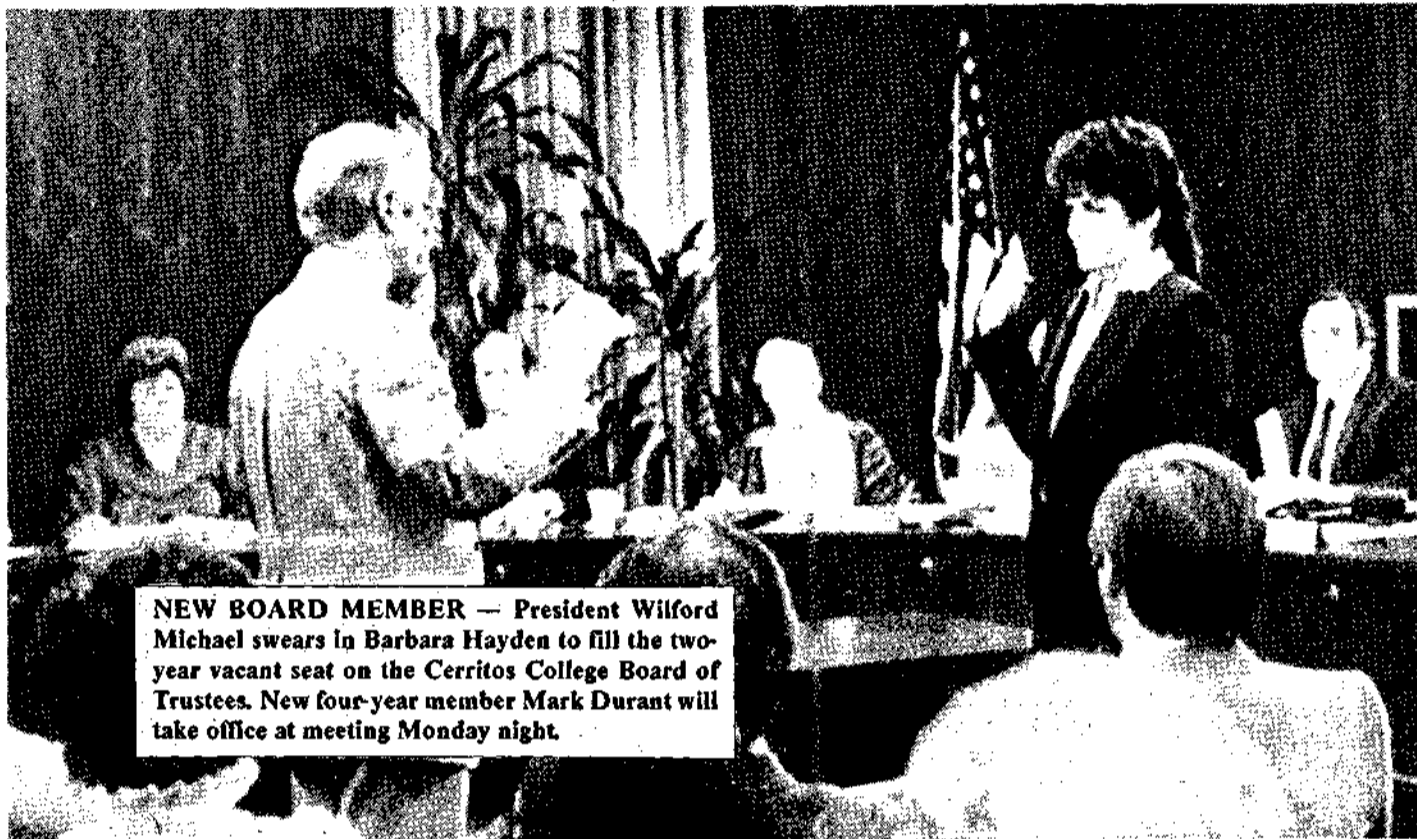
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## ASCC PRESIDENT ASSAILS FEE CHANGE



**NEW BOARD MEMBER** — President Wilford Michael swears in Barbara Hayden to fill the two-year vacant seat on the Cerritos College Board of Trustees. New four-year member Mark Durant will take office at meeting Monday night.

TM Photo by LIZ ARCALAS

### Mittleman calls for candidates to keep promises

By DWAYNE KING  
TM Editor-in-Chief

"I'm disgusted!" said ASCC President Dave Mittleman when reflecting on the events of the past two Board meetings, and scowling, he shook his head.

"They beat this thing every semester like it was a dead horse, ... and they'll do it again next semester!"

The thing that President Mittleman was referring to was the process of collecting the \$8 ASCC fee at registration.

The Board of Trustees recently revised the process by changing some wording in the Schedule of Classes and by adding a table to the Student Center for those who wish to waive the fee.

In past registrations, a student wishing not to purchase the ASCC membership had to leave the Center to go to another building and sign a waiver before returning back to the Center to complete registration.

However, some members of the Board charged the old process as being "coercive...reprehensible...and unethical."

But it wasn't the fact that the process was changed that irked Mittleman — it was the people who initiated the change.

"The thing I learned in Business Law 12 was that the duties of the administration are to make administrative decisions and administer, while the duties of the governing board are to make policies.

"But here at Cerritos College, it's completely different...the Board administers...and just what the administration does is anybody's guess. Maybe I should review my textbook."

President Mittleman went on to say that he was deeply concerned with the lack of clarity and direction coming from both the Board and the Administration.

"It's almost impossible to get anything done around here; nobody is capable of making an intelligent decision."

"It makes you wonder if they even care — are they really concerned, or is it just their nine to five?"

Mittleman was particularly pointed in his comments about Board Members Bob Epple and Ada Steenhoek.

Immediately before the November election, Epple and Steenhoek appeared before the Student Senate and had stated that they would support the old registration process.

"They gave allegiance to the current ASCC process," said Mittleman, "but then they turned around and reversed their votes

### Faculty charges Steenhoek with 'abuse of power'

By SUSAN PHILLIPS  
TM News Editor

Citing an "abuse of power," the Faculty Senate yesterday voiced strong objections to the actions of newly re-elected Board member Ada Steenhoek in persuading a retraction from Marcelino Saucedo for an article published in the Long Beach Press Telegram.

Steenhoek again denied writing the letter at Monday's Board of Trustees meeting. College President Dr. Wilford Michael, who was present at the meeting between Steenhoek and Saucedo, responded Monday night, "You wrote it with words from him (Saucedo), and then he copied it and typed it."

Later asked for further clarification by the Talon Marks, Dr. Michael said Steenhoek did the physical writing with a pen, marking through and rewriting to their mutual agreement on terminology. He said that when the letter was done, Saucedo asked to type it.

Saucedo charged that Steenhoek "used her influence as a Board member" in delaying his departure from campus by having Dr. Michael visit his office until she arrived.

"It is undue pressure when your boss asks you to stay," said Saucedo.

Senator Ed Bloomfield said he was con-

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### Tale of the tape — record of Board remarks speaks plainly for itself

The controversial Saucedo retraction, the "abuse of power" by a Board member, and getting misquoted in the *Talon Marks* were among the highlights of Monday night's Trustee meeting wrap-up following a nearly three-hour executive session.

The complete tape is available in the Learning Center, but presented here is a transcript of the some 15-minute session.

The reader is invited to draw his/her own conclusions and evaluate Trustee performance and perspective on the basis of the language of the text. However, be reminded that tones, nuances, and subtleties of speech are not reflected in the printed word. Transcription is as complete, clear, and objective as we could decipher it.

Trustees are Hazel Scotto, president; Harold Tredway, Katie Nordbak, Bob Epple, Ada Steenhoek, and Barbara Hayden.

**SCOTTO:** I did have an item of concern. I had to try to remember what it was. I went over the... I know that we have covered in the last part of our meeting the... audit report. Having gone back over the report on the bookstore, I had some concerns that I wanted to ask the newspaper. Ada, I know you made some comments on the amount of money that the bookstore had taken in. I didn't make any notes on that. For the paper, you had noted that the sales were \$4.8 million over that last four years.

**STEENHOEK:** I was misquoted as usual. It was over the last two years. That's what Robinson gave me.

**SCOTTO:** OK. Well the uh ... Alright. Let's see... because the last four years, it was \$8.7 million and the net profit was \$28,000.

**STEENHOEK:** Four years wasn't an issue, two years was.

**SCOTTO:** \$283,000. OK. Then your quote here was accurate...

**STEENHOEK:** My quote was not accurate.

**SCOTTO:** ...at the last Board meeting?

**STEENHOEK:** ...\$4,800,000 in two years.

**SCOTTO:** OK, so they misquoted you?

**STEENHOEK:** As usual.

**SCOTTO:** Alright. And your remarks at the last Board meeting that they were accurate...they were taken from this. OK, I just was going to say that I do think we have to be, especially as a Board member, we have to be really careful that that's —

**STEENHOEK:** Please don't take anything in the Talon Marks as what I said.

**SCOTTO:** I have a concern here. I don't know exactly how we solve this, but it does seem to me that the Talon Marks has a responsibility in a case like this, when they are quoting one person, to at least check those facts out.

**NORDBACK:** Is there a reporter from the Talon Marks out here?

**STEENHOEK:** Let's get him!...Just kidding!

**STEENHOEK:** They also said in that same issue Dale was my manager. That was not true. And nobody ever called me and asked me, ever.

**HARDEMAN:** Nobody ever called me, either.

**SCOTTO:** OK. It is very important that these things are checked out. To me that's part of good journalism. (Pointing her pencil at the TM reporter).

**NORDBACK:** ...the quotes in the article about Saucedo?

**STEENHOEK:** That was also not handled correctly. They said things like we harassed him for two

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LIP SYNC WINNERS — Gabriela Martinez and Jim Tablett tied for first place in KCEB's W.O.O. Phase II lip sync contest. TM Photos by LIZ ARCALAS

# 'Marathon 33' opens at Burnight

By STELLA AGUILAR  
TM Features Editor

Well-know dance marathon play "Marathon 33," which Director Kevin Hoggard describes as a "unique experience" opens tomorrow night at 7:30 at the Burnight Studio Theatre.

Ex-vaudevillian June Havoc, who danced in marathons wrote this autobiographical memoir, gives a fictionalized account of her life during the depression in "Marathon 33." She once held the world record for 5,000 hours of continuous dancing. The play later inspired the hit movie, "They Shoot Horses Don't They?"

The environment is designed by Scott Nielsen. Costume design is by Mela Heydon.

Hoggard described main character June, played by Michele Naumescu, as a "spirit undaunted by what is going on through the marathon. She is filled with energy and hope."

Among other cast members are Sal Velasquez as Breezer, Tim Bagley as Pete, Jim Mills as Rudy, Sandy Young as Eve, Sherrie Fleming as Sugar Hips and Stephen Kennedy as Lusty.

## Music students host Concert series finale

Today's 11 a.m. recital is the semester finale in the Applied Music Students concert series.

Liz Royce, Matt Galasso, both piano; Frank Navarrete, trumpet; and Karen Miller, clarinet, will perform in the Burnight Center Theatre.

Dec. 11 will bring dual performances with Judy Jeanette and Felipe de Castro, both on piano, and Loreto Martinez, trombone, which are scheduled for 11 a.m.

Jeanette, piano; Martinez, trombone; Robert Espinosa, guitar; Royce, piano; and Navarrete, trumpet, will accomplish their recitals at 6 p.m.

The stage is to be converted into a fight arena which will contain dancing couples, a live band, vocal groups and specialty acts.

"Marathon 33" runs Dec. 5-7 and 12-14. All performances begin at 8 p.m. Ticket prices are \$5 for general admission and \$4 for students and seniors. Seating is limited and the play is recommended for mature audiences.

## Thursday curtain call for student dancers

By CASEY CARNEY  
TM Staff Writer

An eight o'clock curtain opens this years' Student Dance Concert tomorrow night in the Burnight Center, with two 8 p.m. performances following on Friday, Dec. 6 and Saturday, Dec. 7.

Produced and performed by students, the concert contains a variety of dance numbers originated by student choreographers.

"The concert gives student choreographers an opportunity to experiment with what they've learned in class," stated Lilly Lecroy, a dance major and student choreographer. "It gives many students their first chance to perform for the public."

General admission is \$4 and students with ASCC stickers are \$3. Tickets are available at the door.

## Financial Aid Workshop

A Financial Aid Workshop for transferring students will be held tomorrow in room 204 of the Learning Center from 11 a.m. to 12 noon.

The main purpose of the workshop is to provide information and to help students with financial aid forms. The transfer center, which is sponsoring the event, encourages all transferring students to attend the workshop.

HELEN HERNANDEZ

## 'Abuse of influence' cited in delay

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cerned with Steenhoek's behavior and stated that he was "especially concerned with Dr. Michael's response" to Steenhoek's request that he delay Saucedo.

Bloomfield questioned whether Dr. Michael would have honored such a request from anyone other than a Board member, and termed the incident "an inappropriate use of Board power."

Michael said it was his sole purpose to get two people together to talk and get the issue between them resolved.

He said there was "anger" there, and he

would do the same for anyone where there was such disagreement.

He did express surprise that the Trustee position came into such sharp focus at the confrontation.

Senate President John Boyle remarked that by calling Dr. Michael and asking him to keep Saucedo on campus, Steenhoek "used her influence as a Board member" and, "although it didn't have the impact of happening in front of the Board," it was an "abuse of power."

The Senate postponed taking any formal action on the matter.

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## Wrestlers have aspirations of winning State title after remaining the only undefeated dual team in state

By JOHN VAN GASTON  
TM Production Coordinator

After being named the state's top dual meet champions this season, wrestling coach Jeff Smith and his squad have only one more thing to prove.

They want to be the State Champions.

The 10-0 Falcons will get their chance to advance to the State Finals, when they host the Southern California Regionals this Friday starting at 10 a.m. in the Falcon Gym.

The Falcons finished out the season by defeating Mt. SAC 39-9 last Wednesday.

Each school is allowed to bring one wrestler in each weight category to the meet, with the top three finishers in each division qualifying for the State Finals at Sierra.

The Regional Tournament will consist of seven schools, with Palomar (the state's #1 ranked tournament team), Golden West, San Diego City, Rancho Santiago, El Camino and LA Pierce also competing against Cerritos.

Due to the fact that there is an odd number of schools, one wrestler will be given a bye in the first round. This will be determined by a school name being drawn out of a hat for each weight class.

"We feel we have to qualify in all ten weight classes for the state tournament if we are going to win it all," said Smith.

Last year, the Falcons qualified seven members and finished 13th in the state.

Smith feels the teams to beat from the north will include West Valley, Chabot and Cuesta.

The state finals will be held on Dec. 13 and 14 at Sierra College.



PICK ME UP — Cerritos' Tom Howe continues sweeping opponents off feet.

TM Photo by ROBERT YOUNG

## Falcon hoopsters to be put to test

By JOHN VAN GASTON  
TM Production Coordinator

After losing their opening game of the season to Grossmont, Jack Bogdanovich's men's basketball team has won three straight games.

But more importantly, they have won them by an average of 35 points a game, including a 116-81 win over San Bernardino in the Consolation Championships at the Fullerton Tourney last week.

The most recent being a 116-89 trouncing of the East LA Huskies last Friday night at the Falcon Gym.

The two may meet again this week, as they are both entered in the Mel Eaton Tournament held at Orange Coast College starting tomorrow and running through Saturday.

The Falcons open against Mira Coasta, with the game time set for 8:30 p.m.

In the win over East LA, freshman swingman Willie Joseph (Lynwood) and sophomore center Tom Tolbert (Artesia) combined for 43 points, while Kelly Andrews (14), Russell Heicke (12) and Marlon Wadlington (10) each scored in double figures.

Even with such a decisive win, Bogdanovich was not pleased as one might think. "We didn't set any goals for our-

self," said Bogdanovich.

"I guess you could call it a coaching error. We didn't go out and try anything new after opening up a big lead at half (58-32). This tournament is going to be our test."

Tolbert was tops for the game with 12 rebounds followed by reserve Dave Brieg with five in a limited role.

Joseph, who shot 10 for 17 from the field, is averaging 16 points per game with Tolbert close behind averaging 13 per contest.

In the wins over San Bernardino and West LA (100-50), Joseph led the team with 33 points and added eight assists. Kelly Andrews added 26 points for the two games, while Tolbert contributed 25 points and added 10 boards. Wadlington and Jerome Hall each dished out 12 assists.

Tolbert is tops on the squad with 23 boards on the season, followed by Brieg with 15 and Joseph and Damon Andrews with 14 apiece.

In the four games, Tolbert is blazing the nets with a 60% shooting accuracy, with Wadlington close on his heels shooting at 59% clip.

"It doesn't really matter who I put in," said Bogdanovich, "because we can score from a lot of angles."

## Soccer defeated for Regional Title

On a muddy Saturday night in Torrance, the Cerritos Falcon soccer team ended a season which most felt was their best ever.

But the Falcons didn't just roll over and say, "Well, that's enough. Let's call it quits." They put El Camino to the test in the Southern California Community College soccer finals at Murdock Stadium, only to come up short 2-1.

Twice in the final three minutes the Falcons appeared to score the tying goal, only to have them disallowed due to a handball call by referee George Savic.

"They were very close calls," said Warrior coach Norm Jackson.

Cerritos coach Robert Flores stated, "The ref called them as he saw them."

Cerritos struck first when Claudio Balboa beat Warrior goalie Jim Bennett from 25 yards out on a direct free kick in

the fourth minute.

But had it not been for a low scoring forward named Billy Hansen, the Falcons would be hosting the state finals next Saturday instead of El Camino.

Hansen, who had only scored twice the entire season, duplicated that feat by recording both Warrior goals on almost identical plays.

In the 23rd minute Hansen scored on a corner kick from 25 yards out, and just 11 minutes later, he did just the same thing, beating goalie Steev Snyder for the game winner.

Asked if he was looking for the hat trick (three goals), he said, "Well, yea, I guess so. But I had to remember I was playing on a team."

The Falcons finished the season 19-3-3, while El Camino will take its undefeated record and state's top ranking against Foothill this Saturday for the state title.

## Anthony Drawhorn: PAC-9 Defensive Player of the Year

By JOHN VAN GASTON  
TM Production Coordinator

Sophomore defensive back Anthony Drawhorn was named as the PAC-9 Defensive Player of the Year this past week, while El Camino's Ron Barber was named the Offensive Player of the year.

Joining Drawhorn on the All-Conference 1st Team were defensive lineman John Pukini and James Rivera on defense.

Offensive tackle Steve Franciosi and place kicker Claudio Balboa were named to the offensive team.

Drawhorn finished second in the league in tackles for defensive backs with 75 and recovered four fumbles on the year.

The transfer from Mt. SAC also averaged 20.3 yards a punt return and 23.3 yards per kickoff return. He also caught three passes for 97 yards and one touchdown.

Rivera led the conference in total tackles with 108 and deflected six passes, while Pukini finished with 39 tackles, and led the team with five quarterback sacks and six quarterback hurries.

Balboa, who also doubled as a member of the soccer team, led the conference in kick scoring with 54 points. He converted 27 of 29 extra points and connected on nine of 15 field goals.

Franciosi, who is considered one of the top JC linemen in the country, continuously blocked and protected quarterback Tony Locy (a second team selection himself), while anchoring one of the best offensive lines in the conference.

Locy, offensive lineman Damon Hogan, punter Gary Overgaauw (who averaged 41 yards a punt) and defensive end Kevin Rasco (who finished with 60 tackles) were selected to the second team.

Fullerton and Golden West led all schools with 11 selections, while Taft and Bakersfield recorded seven and El Camino six.



# ...Continuing tape talk of Board dealing with touchy issues

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hours. The story on why Dr. Michael was even there, was because I called Marcelino Saucedo and said, I need to come in and talk to you about a retraction, because what you said was totally untrue. I was going to let it go, but when you put it in the Press-Telegram, it became a bigger issue. He said 'I'm sorry. I leave at 4 o'clock and don't work Friday or Monday, so I won't be back until Tuesday.' And I said, I need you to be there. It would take me at least 15 minutes to get through traffic and he said to me, 'I don't know if I'll be here.' So I called Dr. Michael's office and I said Dr. Michael, I need to talk to Mr. Saucedo, and I need him to be there. And he said 'I will see that he's there.' That was the reason Dr. Michael was even there, period, because I needed to have that experience happen. It was in the Press-Telegram properly, but Talon Marks decided to editorialize it, as you might have seen — it even got printed as a letter and didn't get his name on it at the end.

NORDBACK: You mean what you were quoted as saying in that article.

STEENHOEK: I didn't say either of those things...I didn't say any of the things that were quoted, and if David Mittleman were here tonight he would tell you so. He also wrote an article to the Talon Marks saying so, which has never been printed.

TREDWAY: Question I have is why did you feel that you had to have Dr. Michael make sure that Saucedo would be there. I don't think he had to be there at all if he didn't want to be. And yet, when the President of the college asked him to be there, I'm sure that he felt some pressure to be there. I feel that it was out of line to contact Dr. Michael to have him to have Saucedo to be present.

STEENHOEK: I appreciate your position, Harold, but I found it necessary to have a retraction in the Press-Telegram because of the upcoming election on Tuesday. I took the prerogative to talk to Saucedo to have that retraction. I'm sure if he had written the same thing about you, you would have taken action just as rapidly as I did.

EPPLE: I don't think the question was whether or not it was appropriate for you to approach Mar-

celino Saucedo. The question is whether or not it was appropriate for you as an individual Board member to use your position to basically force an employee to stay beyond the time he planned to stay...

STEENHOEK: Let me just say —

EPPLE: ... and that's basically what occurred. STEENHOEK: Let me just say that whatever has been written in the Talon Marks is not anymore humbling than what happened to me on the bowling lane last Thursday night. My husband and I are in a league and I bowled so bad I said to him, this makes me feel good, dear, because this is more humbling to me than the election experience I have just been through. So whatever your personal opinions are, it was not what I would call good journalism.

EPPLE: Forgetting the journalism, I think the question is whether it is appropriate for a Board member to use her position to force an employee to stay beyond the time that they had scheduled — outside of their role basically by, if not a direct threat, at least the appearance of a threat, against their employment. And I think that's the objection that Harold was stating. I don't think that he feels any less than you do, that you had the right to discuss it with Marcelino. The question is whether it was —

TREDWAY: If he wanted to discuss it with her —

EPPLE: If he wanted to...the question is the pressure brought about by your position as a Board member and having the President of the college intercede which is an indirect threat against his employment, whether it's a direct threat or not.

TREDWAY: It's kind of a threat to Dr. Michael, too...to ask him to have him...furthermore, I understand that you wrote the letter, that retraction that Saucedo signed.

STEENHOEK: Saucedo typed the letter on his own typewriter and if you would just if you were to see the copy over at Talon Marks it wasn't done very professionally, but he did type it and signed it. The three of us sat there and Dr. Michael was very courteous to be in the room. Saucedo wanted a one sentence statement, and I asked him to extend that statement and he said, 'What suggestions do you have?' And I did suggest I did, but Saucedo made the decisions on the words that were used. I would have had a lot longer letter because I wanted it to be read by my voters, right? and the more column inches I have the better off I was.

TREDWAY: You did write out a letter of retraction for him to sign?

STEENHOEK: I did not!

NORDBACK: But he typed it —

TREDWAY: Were you there, Dr. Michael, at the meeting?

MICHAEL: She wrote it...with words from him, and then he copied it and typed it.

STEENHOEK: That's correct.

HAYDEN: I'm not sure that that's all that important anyway...

EPPLE:...that a Board member does not have the right as an individual to confront any employee based upon their position. You certainly have the right to do that on the outside without using your position, but in this case, the Board member did use their position by —

STEENHOEK: Bob, I would have willingly met him at his home or anywhere else. He didn't give me the opportunity.

EPPLE: By bringing in Dr. Michael, you brought it into the employment situation. I think that's...although we don't have any specific rules and regulations that we've used in the past that it's certainly not consistent with our basic operating procedures that individual Board members would not interfere with employees on campus and that's basically what I feel occurred in this situation. That has something to do with what was said or what was done other than the fact that it was a person was made to stay beyond his time to be on campus.

SCOTTO: Dale, if you would like to comment...

HARDEMAN: In conclusion...(chuckle)...I think Mr. Saucedo probably wrote the letter in good conscious. He got that perception from having read the Talon Marks, whether it was correct or erroneous I suppose is irrelevant, I talked to him about it. I pointed out the fact I listened to the tape again. The comments that were alleged to have been made by Ada were in fact not made in the context of the Board meeting. That was my concern. Because that's what I read in the article. I shared that with Marcelino and he smiled and I don't know why it is even productive to go back and start digging up the soil all over again. It's been a very sensitive and a very difficult thing, I think, for Talon Marks, Mr. Saucedo and for the Board. Why don't we just let sleeping dogs lie and move forward. I don't understand what the productivity is suppose to be from this.

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## Mittleman challenges Trustees

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after the election was over and voted against the current process in favor of a revised one."

Epple had also urged that the Student Body change their request of The Board of Trustees for continued lottery ticket sales to a demand, and that they back him in his personal lawsuit against the Board for its procedures that brought the sales to a halt.

"He wished that the Student Body Senate would have passed the legislation that would allow for the expenditure of funds from the Student Body to retain legal counsel dealing with the lottery issue," Mittleman said.

However, now that the election is over, Epple has pulled his lawsuit off of the calendar and it is no longer up for discussion.

"They promise one thing, and then when you back them, they do the opposite," the ASCC head argued.

How many times are we going to be stepped on before we say no?"

In reference to the new ASCC fee procedure, Mittleman said that he planned to challenge the Board to attend the upcoming registration so they can witness the "havoc that they've created.

"They have no idea of how much financial damage they may have caused."

Mittleman also stated that he was considering sending letters to the account advisors to tell them not to send in their November requests.

"They can get their money from the District, because we may not have any," he offered.

"I warned them."

## EDITORIAL: The real issue is simply basic student responsibility

It's such a simple thing — at the end of the registration process you pay a voluntary \$8 fee which entitles you to membership in the ASCC.

This allows you to attend the many functions at Cerritos College such as the dances, football games, movies, and others without having to buy tickets.

Not to mention the numerous programs that are made available to the students through the fee which make Cerritos College a desirable institution of higher education.

It appears to be a modest, uncomplicated gesture when considering the benefits each student receives.

However, there are still those who, for their own personal reasons, choose not to pay the fee.

As it was in the past, these people had to get out of the registration line and walk to another building to sign a waiver.

They were then allowed to go back to the front of the line to complete registration.

However, this process, by which the ASCC fee was collected, came under sharp attack by crusading students and instructors with claims of ignorance and coercion.

Ignorance, in the idea that they did not know that it was a voluntary fee, and coercion stemming from the fact that they had to get out of line to sign the waiver.

Okay, so you made your point...countless times.

Endless hours have been spent in behalf of the Great ASCC Fee Revision Crusade.

The Board of Trustees, in a long, argumentative meeting, finally succumbed to pressure and moved to make changes that seemed to solve the so-called problem and quiet the crusaders — for now.

As of next semester, the wording in the college catalog and the course schedule will be changed to clarify the purpose of the ASCC fee and a table set up in the same building as registration so as not to

inconvenience the student wishing to waive the fee.

But does this really solve anything?

Granted the changes in the course schedule and the college catalog are necessary, for it is misleading.

But is it really necessary to provide a special table for the fee waiver?

With the proposed changes, we suggest that this is enough.

It is up to the student himself to know what he is paying for and why he is paying for it.

It's as simple as that.

Nobody should be expected to hold the student by the hand and explain each fee to him — not the college, nor the counselors, nor the instructors, nor the administrators, and especially not the Board.

If the student is interested enough in where his money goes, he will find out for himself and if not that is his problem — and no one else's.

It is ridiculous and perhaps even a bit ludicrous for so much time and effort to be expended by the leaders of this institution on such a simple concept.

We are in college now and it is up to us as individuals to take an active part in our education.

Ignorance is no excuse.

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