



## Spring semester winds up; finals kick off May 19

By NANCY BALLARD  
TM Editor-in-Chief

Finals, Summer School, Registration, Graduation?

With the end of the Spring semester quickly approaching and a multitude of priorities facing each student, here is a partial list of information that might help you.

Finals for the Spring semester begin on Tuesday, May 19 and continue until Wednesday, May 27.

The final exam schedule can be picked up at the Admissions Office, or if you still have the Spring schedule of classes, it can be found on page 85.

The last day of evening for classroom instruction is Monday, May 18, and remember that Monday, May 25, is a legal holiday (Memorial Day). Consequently, classes that normally meet on Mondays only will have final exams given on Wednesday, May 27. Check your exam schedule carefully.

Students who, because of personal illness, are unable to take examinations as scheduled must make individual arrangements with the instructors involved.

If you are planning to register for the Summer Session, you must file an intent by May 13.

If you are a continuing student, present your Cerritos College student ID card to a clerk in the Admissions Office. Continuing students are assigned the earliest appointments.

Three Summer Sessions are going to be offered.

The first sessions, both a six-week and an eight-week session begin June 1 and end either July 10 or July 24, respectively.

Registration for this session, by appointment card only, will start on Tuesday, May 26. Open registration will continue until June 2.

The eight-week intrasession will be held from June 22 through August 14, with registration beginning June 18, and continuing through June 23.

The last five-week session, July 13 through August 14, will have have registration starting on July 9 and continuing through July 14.

In order to avoid any inconvenience during registration, you should be alerted that

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## MACKSOUD WINS IN UPSET

### Underdogs sweep election, avoid run-off

By MONICA MERTZ  
TM News Editor

The ASCC presidential election ended with both a bang and a whimper.

The big bang came when supposed underdog Alex Macksoud and Kenny Fewer surprised the experts by capturing a majority of the 837 valid votes cast.

Macksoud waltzed into president's office without the usual runoff, marking the first time in several years a second round of voting was not required.

Another shocker was the fact that ASCC Vice President Raine Dooner and running mate Senator Hank Gray mustered only 111 votes.

David Carpenter and Allen Holland got 300 votes, missing a run-off shot by a mere four votes.

The whimpers came from the losers.

Carpenter and Dooner filed a complaint alleging "unfair campaign practices" by Macksoud. They went before the student Elections Board and sought to have Macksoud disqualified and removed from the ballot before the election was over.

They got mad when the Board only took away \$10 of the \$20 Ethics and Publicity bond required by all candidates.

The charge was that two of Macksoud's campaigners, speech team members Anna Beth Bennet and Madeline Rabin,

"alluded to dating habits of other hopefuls and made slanderous remarks while campaigning in a classroom."

"The grievance was brought about because Anna Beth said that Alex was the most trustworthy and honest candidate," according to Mike Negrete, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Macksoud's troops reportedly campaigned in 55 classrooms in their all-out effort which got them into office.

"I really don't think they (Rabin and Bennett) slanderized. If they had, it would have gone a lot farther than a fine," Macksoud said.

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## Lewis to head Faculty senate

By MONICA CURI  
TM Associate Editor

Speech professor Bill Lewis takes over the presidency of the Faculty Senate next year.

Lewis, Chair of the Speech Communications Dept., is currently Vice President. He replaces Biology Dept. Chair John Boyle who declined a nomination for a fourth term as president.

Administration of Justice Chair Richard McGrath, came out on top for Vice President in a runoff with Chemistry professor Jim Peter.

Connie Mantz, presently Senate secretary, was unanimously voted to continue her position.

Sally Morales-Havice who teaches Chicano Studies and English was voted Outstanding Senator.

In other Senate action, Mantz reported that the Tutorial Center budget is being cut 10% next year, and urged financial support for the center, especially from the faculty and student body.

Expressed Mantz, "I hope that whether this is ASB funded or institutionally, that we find a way to maintain and perhaps increase the Tutorial Center budget so as to meet the needs of our Students."

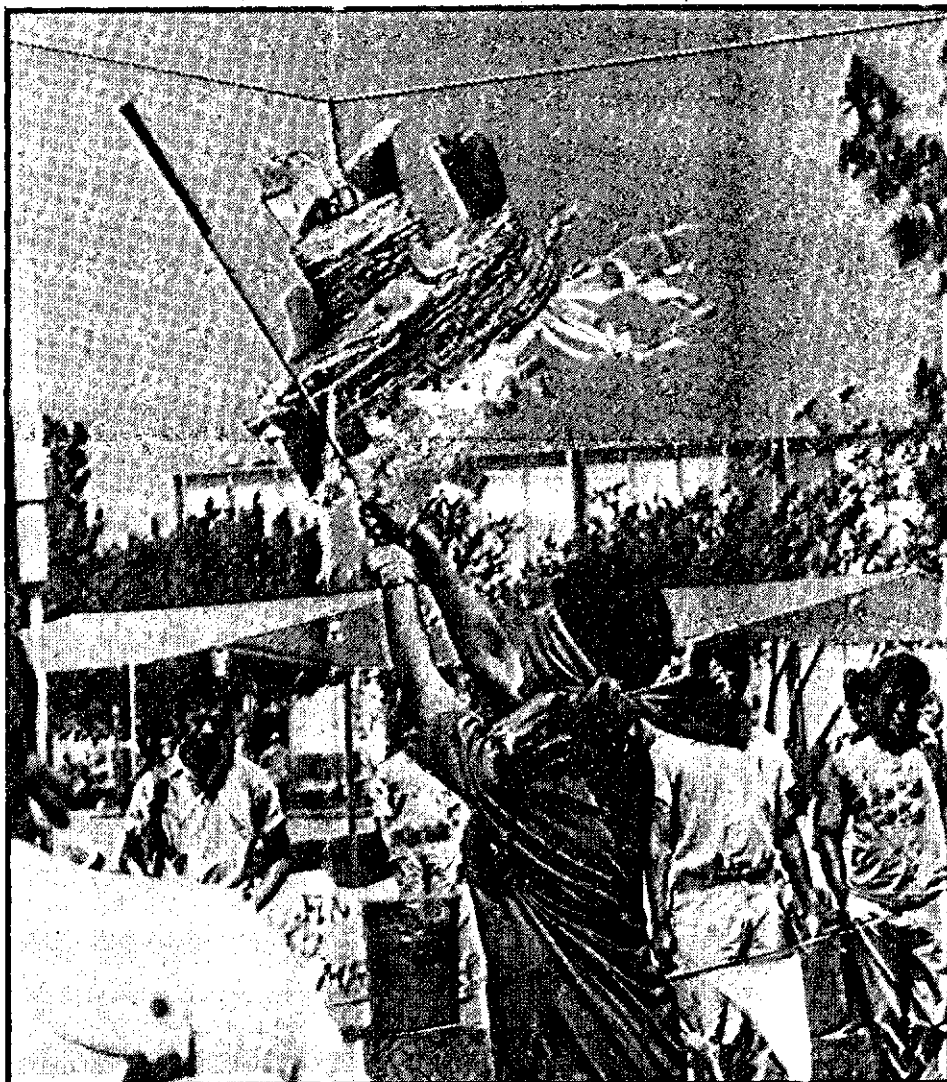
Boyle, who is part of the Budget Committee, said he would pursue it with the committee.

## Awards banquet set for May 15

The Cerritos College annual spring Student Awards Banquet will have Joshua L. Smith, state chancellor of the California Community Colleges as its keynote speaker.

The banquet is sponsored by the Associated Students of Cerritos College (ASCC) and will be held on Friday, May 15 at the Sycamore Plaza in Lakewood.

Tickets for the dinner are \$15 for guests and \$10 for ASCC members and may be purchased at Student Activities.



PINATA PLAY — A variety of activities highlighted Cinco de Mayo festivities yesterday, such as traditional pinata breaking. Program continues this week.

TM Photo by ABEL ESTRELLA

## Dancing, music highlight Cinco de Mayo festival

By DIANE MARIL  
TM Staff Writer

Cinco de Mayo celebrations at Cerritos College this week will reach their peak in a "gala evening of fun and entertainment" beginning at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 7, in the Student Center.

Today's calendar calls for a special program here for handicapped students from Alfonso P. Perez School. A barbecue lunch and pinatas are slated.

The celebration was launched yesterday with a variety of booths and activities in the quad area.

Thursday night will feature award and recognition presentations, followed by a program of traditional music and dance and other activities.

Welcoming speeches by College president Dr. Ernest Martinez and Board of Trustees president Dale Hardeman will open the Thursday night affair.

Special Athletic Awards will be presented by Richard Juliano, Associate Dean of Athletics. Trustee Hardeman will pass out the Leadership Awards. Academic Awards will be handed out by Dr. Stephen Helfgot, Vice-President of Student Services.

Entertainment highlights will include a Mariachi band, Folklorico dancers, and a group of Notreno dancers doing other types of dances.

A trio of guitar players will conclude the evening's festivities.

Cinco de Mayo week ends Saturday with a 5K run on the stadium back lot at 9 a.m. and a dance fiesta in the Student Center at 9 p.m.

A \$3 cover charge for the dance will go to the MEChA scholarship fund. Music will include new wave, funk, salsa and disco.

### ● OUTSTANDING FACULTY/2

Eight honorees chosen to receive plaques for being selected; one will be chosen the Most Outstanding Faculty Recipient.

### ● LADY FALCONS WINNERS/3

Women's softball team captures a South Coast Conference co-championship insuring them of post-season berth in the Regionals.

### ● FINALS FINALLY/4

Commencement is only weeks away and participation in the ceremony is highly recommended, there is no valid reason to miss it.



**'BIG WHEELS ON CAMPUS'** — Greek Week activities rolled on in one of last week's many events. Serv-ace-ah member demonstrates his skills in the banana eating, Sprite drinking competition.

## Eight finalists chosen for year's 'Outstanding' award

BY NANCY BALLARD  
TM Editor-in-Chief

Eight members of the faculty at Cerritos College have been named to receive the Outstanding Faculty Awards at the second annual awards.

The awards ceremony will be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, May 12, in the Courtyard of the Administration Building.

The eight faculty members selected for this honor were nominated by the college community at large and were selected by the Outstanding Faculty Awards Committee.

This year's nominations are: Patricia Cook, Counselor, Coordinator of the Assessment Center, John Feeney, Professor of Music, Wendell Hanks, Professor of Speech/Communications, Sherry Perkins,

Associate Professor of Court Reporting, Jerry Shopfner, Professor of Autobody, Harold Simonek, Professor Physical Education, Wanda Sterner, Professor of Chemistry, and Howard Taslitz, Professor of History.

After careful deliberation, the Most Outstanding Faculty Recipient will be named at the ceremony.

Of the honorees chosen one will receive a cash award as "Most Outstanding" and all will receive plaques donated by the Cerritos College Foundation. The cash award is being funded by faculty donations.

The college community and public are invited, and a reception with refreshments will follow.

## Robotics open house features 'state of the art' technology

BY NANCY BALLARD  
TM Editor-in-Chief

The Cerritos College Robotics/Automated Manufacturing Class will host an Open House on Monday, May 11 from 1 to 3 p.m.

Featured will be the Robotics Resource Center and the Advanced Automated Manufacturing Laboratory.

Demonstrations and tours of this new high technology lab will show the training being offered in the state of the art effort at Cerritos.

The Robotics Center has nine Rhino

Robot workcells with student training stations.

The program has evolved over the years from a basic Robotics program to a curriculum that allows our college to prepare students for jobs in the new emerging technologies.

Also featured will be the two large industrial arms donated by a local company.

With areas of Programmable Controllers, Lasers, Fiber Optics and Avionics being considered as future goals of the Technology Division it is hoped that this open house will give our college the exposure needed for additional industry support.

## BRIEFS/NEWS BRIEFS/NEWS BRIEFS/NEWS BRIEFS/NEWS BRIEFS/NEWS

### 'Partners for literacy'

In an effort to help deal with the problem of illiteracy, the Re-entry Resource Center of Cerritos College held a "Partners for Literacy" conference last week on the Cerritos College campus.

Chief state librarian Gary Strong was the featured speaker and presented a California perspective on the problem of illiteracy in our schools and bridging the gap between the individual in need and the person that can help.

Comics and cartoons, another approach to literacy, was presented by Phil Yeh, of Cartoonists Across America. Yeh spoke of the success of the humorous approach to adult literacy with the use of comic books and cartoon characters.

Representatives from various agencies, as well as educators, worked together to build an effective network among those working with the problem of adult literacy.

According to Maureen May, Chairperson of the 'Partners For Literacy' planning committee, "We now have a base for a literacy resource network that will link business, education and community efforts."

### 'Moonchildren' on tap to shine at Burnight

Everyone, at some time, has known someone who couldn't accept anything...cats, death, the war, the future, even uncles, as real.

The Department of Theatre at Cerritos College closes its 1986-87 season with the acclaimed "Moonchildren."

The "two casts" of "Moonchildren" will perform on alternate nights for six perform-

mances only, May 7, 8, 9 and 14, 15, 16 at 8 p.m. in the Burnight Studio Theatre.

Tickets are \$5 for General Admission, and \$4 for students and seniors.

"Moonchildren" contains adult language.

Seating in the Studio Theatre is limited. For reservations call (213) 924-2100.

### Piano recitals noted

The final Cerritos College Music Department student recitals of the semester will take place on Wednesday May 13.

Three classical pianists will be making their final Cerritos College appearances, before transferring to universities in the fall.

Felipe de Castro, Linda Streelman and Karen Miller will be performing works by Hadyn, Mendelssohn, Chopin and Satie.

Admission is free and the recital will take place at 11 a.m. in the Burnight Theatre.

### Peep show tops fair

The Generic Improvisational Peep Show will highlight the festivities slated for the English Department's second annual May Faire.

The program is designed to provide a sampling of what the department has to offer here at Cerritos.

The May 7 activities will begin at 11:00 p.m. in the Language Arts Building, rooms 20-28, and will last until 1:30.

Besides the comedy Peep Show, the schedule of events include: Fairy Tales for Adults, Live from the Middle Ages, reader theaters and sundry workshops.

### Transfer schedule

● May 6 — CSU, Dominguez Hills, 9-1; UC Riverside, 9-1.

● May 7 — Whittier College, 10-1.

● May 11 — UCI 9-5.

● May 12 — CSU, Fullerton (Eval.) 9-3; CSU Los Angeles, 10-2.

● May 13 — CSU, Fullerton, 3-7:30.

### Dance into spring

The students and faculty of the Cerritos College Dance Department will be presenting the 1987 Spring Dance Concert in the Burnight Center Theatre.

This year's concert features over fifty student dancers performing in works choreographed by Cerritos dance faculty and students.

Seating is unreserved and tickets are \$4 for General Admission and \$3 for ASCC sticker holders.

Performances are May 7, 8 and 9 at 8 p.m. at the Burnight Center Theatre.

### Semester winds up

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according to the Education Code, courses may not be repeated unless you have received a grade below "C" or the course is on an approved district repeatability list. Students who re-enroll in a course that does not meet the above exceptions will automatically be dropped from the class.

Cerritos College Commencement is being held on Sunday, May 17 at 5:30 p.m. in the Cerritos College Stadium, and all graduates are encouraged to attend.

Your participation is in keeping with the tradition of a public academic procession and ceremony at which graduates receive their honors.

For those students who are planning on attending the ceremonies detailed instructions will be explained on May 17 in the Gym. Please report to the Gym no later than 4:30 p.m.

The diploma or certificate will be presented in the Office of Admission and Records. Students will be notified when they will be available for pickup.

## Macksoud elected new ASCC president for fall

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Macksoud said he looked upon the complaint as "borrowed time for me to get out and campaign and get votes while my competition was in chambers."

Sliding by was a misprint on the Dooner/Gray posters. Dooner is on the Fall 1986 Dean's List but the posters read Fall of 1987.

Macksoud confronted Carpenter with an error on his posters, "Your posters read 'at it's best' which means at it is best, an it should be grammar at its worst."

President Keith Estabrook dubbed the election as, "the epitome of the American way. Go out and work hard for something you want and get it."

Estabrook feels that Macksoud won "fair and square" and hopes that Macksoud "takes the ball and runs with what I started in the Student Union."

As a campaign promise Macksoud plans to appoint a variety of students to cabinet. Parking lots are also due up for some changes.

Apparently Macksoud felt as if he could pull the election out from day one. While talking with Carpenter, Dr. Steven Helfgot, Gray and others, Macksoud stated jokingly to Helfgot, "I'll be the next President, and I'll tackle your job next." This preceeded Macksoud's asking Helfgot's position. Helfgot stated, "I'm Mr. Houseman's boss."

Gray, who questions the student body's intelligence due to the election outcome, stated, "Taking the bull by the horns is fine, but too much aggressiveness will turn the Board off first, then administration and then faculty."

Helping the Macksoud/Fewer team was Senate President Pro Tem and campaign

manager, Robert Hooper along with Negrete.

"Before I got married, I originally planned to run as Vice President with Hooper. But then I saw how the students weren't represented well, and I have the time to do something about it."

Negrete stated, "Alex and I have good ideas. Coke and Pepsi will sponsor some of our events and we have access to low priced stuffed animals (like for How-Down-Days). I am sorry to see Alex, as Sigma Phi president, go."

Macksoud said, "The clubs and organizations don't get along, because they don't mingle. This I want to change."

Macksoud will address the Senate today at 2 p.m. in BK 111-112.

He will be sworn in at the Spring Awards Banquet, Friday, May 15.



## Women 3rd, men 5th in SCC: Cerritos hosts field finals

By KENNY O'LEARY  
TM Staff Writer

Cerritos College played host to the South Coast Conference track and field finals last Friday in Falcon Stadium and saw its women's team take third with their 75 points while the men struggled a little with a fifth place standing and only 36 points.

Cerritos women's highlights included defending conference champion in the high jump competition Sharon Gilbert once again taking first place, jumping for a height of 5'4".

Ellie Itkoff, the conference leader in the javelin throw, proved her championship caliber by throwing the staff 136' 8".

Teammate Jani Prulhiere took fourth place with a throw of 108' 3".

Falcon Lea Mac Farlane placed second in the 800 meter run with a clocking of 2:16.67, while teammate Esther Cuellar came in fourth with a time of 4:55.59.

Amy Olague placed third with a distance of 113' 1" in the discus throw.

The women's 1600 meter relay saw the Falcon team, consisting of Mac Farlane, Cuellar, Rochelle Barron and Laura Vazquez, place third, finishing with a time of 4:05.68.

Cerritos men's highlights included Kenny Bush, who had been suffering a turned ankle in the previous week,

incredibly race for a 10.60 time in the 100 meter dash.

Bush's injury kept him out of the 200 meters and long jump competitions.

Ron Jensen finished fourth in the 5,000 meter run, clocking in at 15:04.6. Teammate Aurelio Trujillo went down in the third lap, suffering from severe muscle cramps.

The 3,000 meter steeplechase had Scott Gray coming in third with a time of 10:02.3, followed by Mike Valdez in fourth at 10:08.28 and Jose Bibian came in sixth with a time of 10:24.64.

Chris Marcotti came in fifth in the hammer throw with a hurl of 88' 2".

## Swimmers surprise; bring home so-so results from state finals

By KEVIN LINDSEY  
TM Staff Writer

The surprise of the South Coast Conference, the Cerritos College men's swimming team, closed out the campaign this past weekend with a trip to the State Championships up at Merced.

Practically no one felt that the Falcon swimmers would even place this year at the season's start, shortage of players being one major factor in the premature deduction.

## Baseball clinches title in 13-4 Rustler stomp

By JOHN WELSH  
TM Sports Editor

There was more to the state's top community college baseball team's 13-4 thrashing of Golden West Saturday than just another win in the standings. Cerritos College clinched their South Coast Conference title, 18 overall conference championship, and racked up the school's 901 lifetime victory.

Earlier last week, the Falcons, entering this week's action at 34-4 overall and 22-3 in SCC play, outscored Fullerton on Tuesday, then blanked Long Beach 5-0 at Falcon

Field on Thursday for win number 900.

The Falcons began the week with a 13-game winning streak going into yesterday's visit to Mt. San Antonio (score not available at press time). Tomorrow will see Cerritos in their final regular season home game as they take on Pasadena. The Birds will close out the year with a visit to Compton on Saturday.

### OFFENSIVE OUTTING

After three innings of play at Fullerton, Cerritos led 6-3. But Falcon Todd Guggiana hit a home run in what resulted in a three-run fourth inning, helping his team build a 9-3 advantage. Guggiana was 2-for-4 with four RBI on the day.

Cerritos added two more in the eighth inning to go up, 11-3, but then smooth sailing starter Tim Lockhart found himself on rough waters and was relieved by Matthew Patuano. In 7 1/2 innings of work, Lockhart, now 9-2 on the season, allowed five runs, two of which were unearned.

Fullerton finished with a five-run eighth — all unearned runs, but found themselves still trailing, 11-8. Cerritos added two insurance runs in the ninth to ice the contest.

The loss knocked the second-place Hornets three games out of first place.

Bret Barbarie and Craig Wilson both had 2-for-4 games. Barbarie hit a homerun and a double for two RBI. Wilson had three RBI.

### MAKEMSON LOOKS SWEET

Pat Sweet, who re-injured his already bad back in Cerritos' championship game in the Orange Coast Tournament back on April 18, was scheduled to start against Long Beach.

Sweet, who has been hanging in limbo for a decision as of late, still remains undefeated. He holds an 8-0 record with an impressive 1.50 ERA.

However, the freshman from Paramount High was still feeling discomfort when he throws, and was substituted by Jay Makemson.

But Makemson replaced his teammate quite well, keeping his own slate clean of his first loss.

"Makemson came in and really picked up the burden for us," said coach George Horton. "He did a good job."

Makemson blanked Long Beach in his 8 2/3 innings of well-pitched ball, enabling himself to win number six on the season against no losses. However, Patuano came in to record the final out and his team-leading ninth save after Makemson had loaded the bases.

The Falcon bats, which produced enough offense with four runs in the third and one in the fifth, were led by Rod Benjamin, 2-for-3 with a double and RBI. David Lozano and Barbarie were both 2-for-4.

### ROUNDING UP THE RUSTLERS

Cerritos completed the week with their 13-4 romp of Golden West Saturday at Falcon Field.

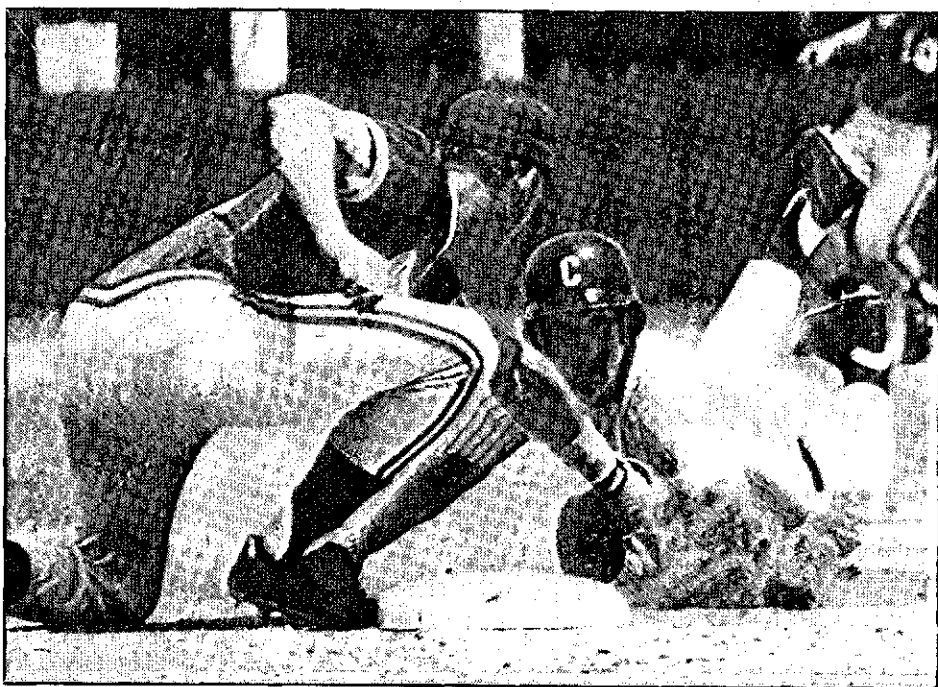
The Rustlers grabbed the early lead, though.

Starter David Villegas, who was banged up for three runs in the first inning and lasted only 2 1/2, was relieved by Steve Vernola (4 2/3) and then Patuano. Vernola got the win to improve his mark to 3-0 on the season.

Down by a 4-3 margin after four innings of play, the Falcons stroked their way for 10 runs in the next two innings.

Brian Hunter raked three doubles in four at-bats to knock in five RBI. Ron Hauzinger was 2-for-3 including a double and RBI.

Barbarie was 2-for-5 with three RBI. He hit a homerun in the Birds' sixth-run sixth. Darrell Sherman was 1-for-2 with three runs scored and three stolen bases.



**DUSTED!** — Cerritos baserunner Rod Benjamin is caught leaning wrong way Saturday as Golden West firstbaseman sticks glove down to nail the Falcon. Birds still romped, 13-4.

## WOMEN'S SOFTBALL CO-CHAMPIONS Play Fullerton for automatic berth after 4-0 finale

By LAURA MENDOZA  
TM Managing Editor

Closing out the season with an overall record of 35-12, the Cerritos College women's softball team captured a South Coast Conference co-championship with

Fullerton after they defeated Pasadena, 4-0, Friday.

Both Fullerton and the Falcons deadlocked for the conference lead at 10-2. Yesterday, in a play-off game to decide the SCC's automatic representative for the Southern California Regionals, Cerritos traveled to Fullerton (score not available at press time).

The loser of yesterday's confrontation is still very much alive for a post-season berth, however. Southern California has five conferences in which each respective champion clinches an automatic spot in the Regionals, slated for the weekend of March 15-17.

Only three at-large teams are then chosen to round out the field.

Although Cerritos finished second in the SCC last season, the Falcons were selected for post-season action and ended up closing out the campaign third — ahead of three other conference champs.

Notably, a South Coast Conference team has won the State Championship in seven of the last eight years.

Providing that the lady Falcons will get a berth either by a win or a loss, what is head coach Nancy Kelly's preference on getting a

the higher or lower seed in the Regionals?

"Seeding is funny," said Kelly. "Seeding is funny," she repeated, after a pause. "You just never know what is going to happen."

### BACK-TO-BACK-BLANKINGS

Cerritos finished the campaign last week with back-to-back shutouts, defeating Mt. San Antonio 2-0, Wednesday, then getting the 4-0 blanking over Pasadena on Friday.

Stela Gutierrez, held the Mt. SAC bats quite the entire way on Wednesday, allowing only two Mounties on the basepads for the game in her first no-hitter of the season.

Michelle Marselle was 2-for-3 with a double, while Binky Callahan went 2-for-4 with an RBI.

Cerritos scored a run in the second and a run in the fourth to provide Gutierrez with enough offense. Gutierrez struck out eight in the game.

Returning home for Friday's 4-0 victory over Pasadena, Gutierrez recorded her 25th win of the campaign against only nine losses. She held the Lancers to three hits in the game while striking out eight to record her 13th shutout of the season.

### HELP WANTED

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## EDITORIAL I

### Ignorance of trouble presents no solution

Reader, heal thyself.  
Before you try, though, answer this question. Name the current president of El Salvador.  
Chances are, unless you're currently involved in a Central American activist group, you cannot.  
It's a sad, but true fact that you, the informed, enlightened, aware consumer live in a vacuum.  
We are a nation of "geocentrics."  
We don't want to hear or read about anything that doesn't pertain to our own little "pretty in pink" world.  
Most of us didn't want to know about Vietnam until our sons were told to come fight in "someone else's civil war".  
No one wants to know who else is suffering, we see more than enough suffering right here in the U.S.A.  
Sound familiar?  
When you pick up the newspaper next week and read that our own National Guard has been called up to some Central American country, then maybe you'll read a little deeper.  
You should be *mad as hell and not take it anymore*.  
Write letters, listen to what our government is saying and really hear it.  
Read that article on Costa Rica — it just might be closer to home than you realize.  
The first Amendment of the Constitution guaranteed

us the freedom of the press, so why not read what the press is printing?

No one wants to hear bad news. We close our eyes, cover our ears and, presto, its gone.

But to those thousands of people starving in Guatemala, it is *not* going away.

You, as an informed consumer need to think, do and react.

## EDITORIAL II

### Dark horse victory leaves others at gate

The election for ASCC President is no place for cry babies.

Anyone who wants to be in charge of the largest and most successful student government in the state of California, and administer a budget of \$435,000, had better be able to handle disappointment.

President Harry Truman said it best, "If you can't handle the heat," he said, "stay out of the kitchen."

Judging from last week's election complaint, filed in the student Supreme Court, ASCC presidential hopefuls David Carpenter and Raine Dooner had better stick to take-out.

Carpenter and Dooner didn't lose the election because of unfair campaign practices by next year's ASCC president Alex Macksoud.

They lost simply because they didn't go all-out for the vote.

Macksoud was the decided underdog in the election. Dooner is the current A.S. Vice-President. The general consensus is that she was trying to ride on the coat tails of the current administration. Name recognition does not victory assure.

No pain, no gain. It was apparent that Dooner was not working as hard to win as she needed to.

Carpenter was expected by many to be the favored choice for the ASCC's top job. But he didn't appear to be blazing any campaign trails either. He seemed to be content to stand out near the Elbow Room and hand out his flyers, a simple job that should have been delegated to campaign workers.

When they smelled defeat, they went for the jugular vein.

A complaint was filed alleging slanderous remarks were made by someone who was working to put Macksoud into office. The penalty sought was the removal of Macksoud from the ballot. When the ASCC Supreme Court found that the forfeiture of one-half of their campaign bond was sufficient penalty for the transgression, the losers made statements accusing the court and Dean of Student Activities Phil Houseman of not doing their job.

The remarks made by the young woman backing Macksoud were in poor taste, but not as poor as the complaints lodged by a couple of sore losers.

Macksoud won fair and square. We wish him the best of luck next year.

It's too bad that the losing candidates haven't done the same.

## Graduation at Cerritos; for some a lonely business

By LAURA MENDOZA

TM Managing Editor

Did someone mention that finals are coming up, and that graduation is only two weeks away?

Can you believe that, only two weeks away?

For some the end of the year will be the completion of just another semester, and for others it will be the end of their Community College education.

Finally, after completing numerous courses you thought you'd never get through, you've reached that day.....

The day of graduation.

The only sad thing about "the day" is that nobody wants to attend graduation ceremonies.

Why not, you ask? There are a number of different reasons.

Maybe you don't like the gown colors.

A variety of gown colors would be nice, like purple or turquoise.

Some may think that high school graduation was enough and they figure they will just wait to get their B.A. to go through graduation ceremonies again.

Then there are those who think that graduation from a Community College is no big deal.

Can you believe someone even thinking that?

To be honest, one doesn't realize how much work they have put in and how many courses one has taken until you reach the end.

Graduation from anywhere can be classified as a big deal.

Usually those qualified to attend graduation are graduating with degrees.

Any degree is better than no degree, and

all degrees are earned by hard work. In other words, no matter what degree you receive, whether it be an A.A., B.A. or M.A., it is a degree.

Anyone who can earn a degree, has every right to be recognized.

And what better way to be recognized

than through graduation ceremonies.

The ceremony does not take three years, and I guarantee, there will be no strenuous action on your part.

All you have to do is just be there and enjoy your recognition, after all you earned it.

## letters/letters/letters/letters/letters/letters/ Voters turn-out Those offended in poor ratio can cast stones

Dear Editor:

This year's presidential election saw six candidates vie for the top two offices on campus, with Alex Macksoud and Kenny Fewer coming out on top for the offices of ASCC President and Vice-President, respectively. Congratulations guys!

On the other side of the coin, while this year's voter turn out was almost double last years, out of over 13,000 eligible ASCC members, only 837 voted. This is only a 6 1/2 ratio. A run-off election was avoided by four votes! (The top vote getters in the presidential election must attain 50% of the vote.) To the 830 people who voted (seven votes were disqualified), your vote made a difference. To all of the rest of you who did not vote...why not?

Edward R. McGinn  
Senate Faculty Liaison

Dear Editor:

The issue of "God" in invocation messages given at Cerritos College commencement exercises is what I want to speak about.

Anyone who attends the commencement exercise at Cerritos College, and feels the "least bit offended" by the mention of "God" in the invocation message should put their "complaint in writing" to Dr. Martinez and/or the Board of Trustees for further action.

Thank you,  
A former graduate and currently a re-entry adult student (Administration of Justice major).

P.S. What about any local schools/colleges that mention "God" in their invocation messages? Perhaps they *Ought NOT* to as to *NOT* offend anyone??

Name Withheld Upon Request

## Projected tutoring cuts draw fire

Dear Editor:

I've recently learned there are plans to make ten percent, across-the-board cuts. I, being a student, can appreciate the tight squeeze money makes on most of us. I know the staff and administration wants to give us the best education possible with the funds available.

The concern I feel is for the predicted cut in tutoring monies. Having started out early in the semester as a student needing help in Zoology, I can tell you that without Patricia's help, (student tutor) I'd have had to drop this difficult class. This is not because I'm unwilling to put in enough study time or marginally bright. I put in long days at school and then go home and study. At the risk of sounding immodest, I have a high G.P.A.

My interest has another side to it. I am now one of the tutors helping in several subjects. Most of us, if not all, care about the students we help. Recently when we were told tutoring was out of funds for the semester, many of us tutors were trying to figure ways to donate help to our tutees while we worry about starving next month. I am not exaggerating. We tutors count on our checks just as teachers and administrators do. One wonders, however, if we ran out of monies mid-

semester this time, how will we get through next semester with less money? Many tutees getting ten hours free now need more. If they need tutoring in two subjects, they only get five hours in each subject. Do we cut their hours by ten percent or help ten percent fewer students. I'd hate to be one of those turned away or told with final exams coming I'd used up my few hours.

In talking with Compton College's Learning Center, I found they provide unlimited hours of tutoring to students while Long Beach City College offers 1/2 credit for a minimum of fourteen hours and completion of a learning packet teaching note taking and other guides. I admit they've impressed me, not to change colleges, but rather to want our programs beefed up and our small, not-designed-for-tutoring room expanded.

In spite of the limitations, our tutorial services continue to be in demand. With standards in education being pushed ever higher, students need a helping hand. Can we, as a school, fail them?

Falcons, knowing the sacrifices we make time, money, and effort-wise, can we let them fail us?

Ramona Treman

## TM Staff welcomes new editor

Avid readers of the Talon Marks may have noticed some staff changes as of late.

Former Editor-in-Chief, Susan Phillips had to resign for personal reasons. However, the position was filled by former Executive Editor Nancy Ballard.

Ballard has been a member of the Talon Marks staff for 3 semesters and is currently in her second semester as an editorial board member.

Laura Mendoza, Managing Editor, is presently second in command, working on her third semester as a member of the editorial board.

Although these changes are major, the

overall style of the Talon Marks will remain the same.

According to Ballard, "I feel confident in that I will receive the continued support that has been shown to past editors and I'm looking forward to the rest of the semester... Talon Marks has an excellent staff and I know that together, we'll continue our excellent tradition of being the number one paper in the state."

John Welsh, Sports Editor, adds, "I feel comfortable working with Nancy, I always have. We started out together and at the same time have built up a friendly rapport."

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