

## FALL PRESIDENT RACE GOES TO VOTE APRIL 21

*100 signatures needed for petitions by next week; only one slate so far*

By MARK HEUSTIS  
TM Staff Writer

Presidential hopefuls must turn in a petition to Student Activities with 100 signatures from ASCC members by April 15 at 4 p.m. to be eligible to run.

Candidates should have a valid ASCC card and be registered at Cerritos. An overall GPA of 2.25 is also required with at least a 2.0 from last semester.

Pictures submitted by presidential and vice presidential candidates before then will be included on the ballot.

Orientation will be on Monday, April 18 at 1 p.m.

Elections run April 27 and 28 from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Student Center, Social Science building, and at Health Services.

Other qualifications include having at least 10 units at the May inauguration, and cannot, at the present time, have completed more than 84 units or served for over five semesters on the student government.

The position of president, which includes membership on the Board of Trustees, has a one year term.

The vote tally will take place on Thursday, April 28.

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## SPEAKING OUT Speech course called for in general ed core

By JOHN WELSH  
TM Managing Editor

"The English Communication subject area must include an oral communication course and the Social Sciences area appears to be weak in the implementation and fulfillment of certain goals."

Such were the words of Cerritos College President-Superintendent Dr. Ernest Martinez in a letter addressed to Dr. Ronin Farland, of the State Chancellors Office.

Martinez felt that the proposed General Education Transfer Core Curriculum, to be an idea "long overdue."

As written in the Core Curriculum, states Martinez, a student may take three semesters of written English and completely avoid an oral communication course.

Says Martinez: "The present CSU transfer requirements mandate an oral communication course, and throughout the state there is ample justification for the need to include both oral and written skills in the general education requirements.

Martinez also feels a separate critical thinking course should be required.

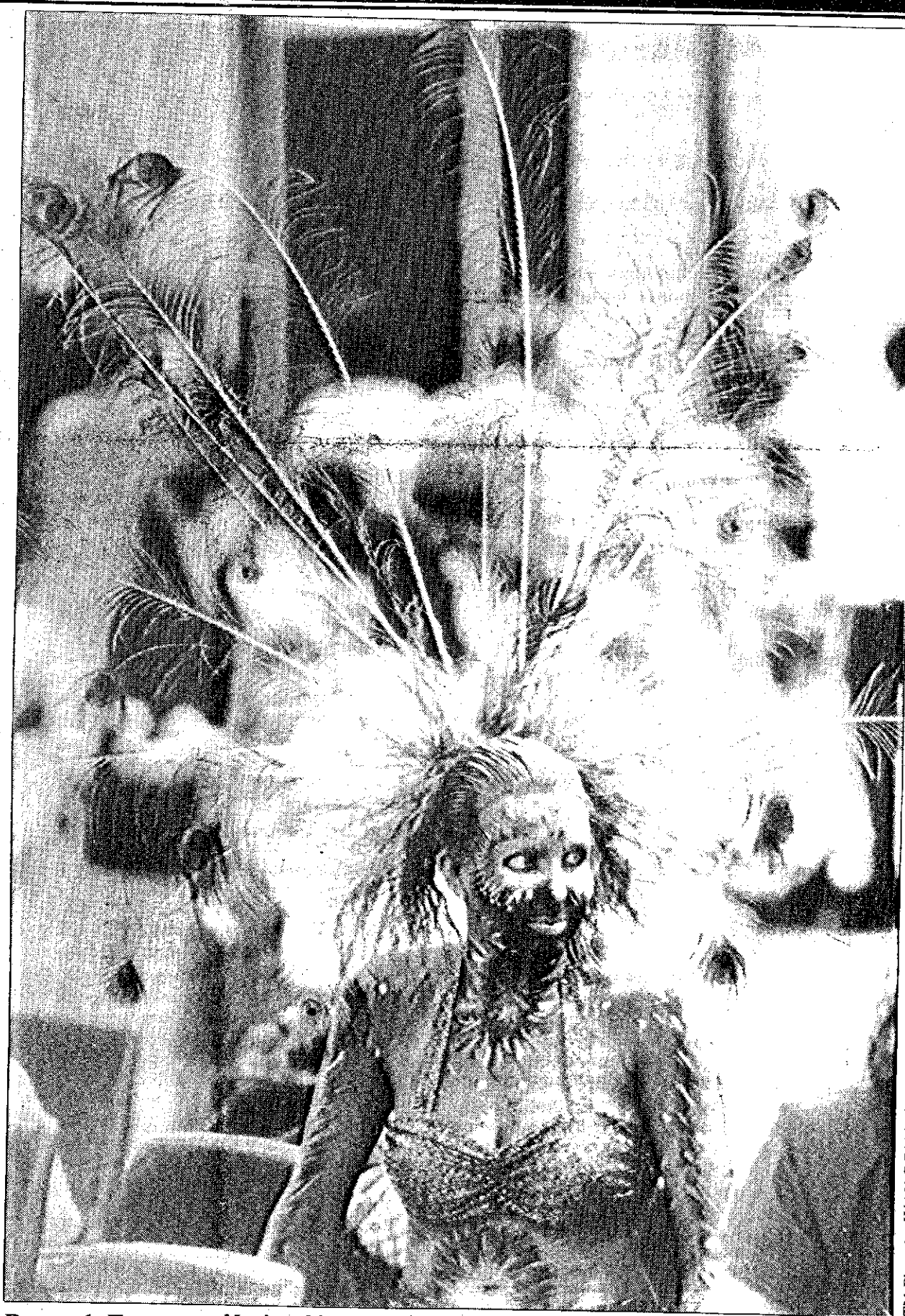
"Thinking critically can be defined as rationally deciding what to do or believe," Martinez said in the letter.

"It is a complex of many considerations and requires individuals to evaluate their own and others views, to seek alternatives, to make inferences, and to have the disposition to think critically and fair-mindedly."

Martinez felt that the Social Sciences area appears to be lacking in acting out goals of pushing for the participation of students in the intellectual and cultural life of American society and preparing students, quoting the quote in the letter, "...for the participation in the life of the state."

The president also felt the transfer curriculum should directly demand introductory, survey courses in both U.S. History and American Government.

Without the perspective of history and a fundamental grounding in American government, Martinez did not foresee a smooth time of it for students in understanding or appreciating society and/or intelligently participating in the "life of the state."



**Peacock Fantasy** Marriane Merrell models Tina Angelopoulos' Second Place Fantasy creation in annual Cosmetology event which featured 187 entries in seven categories.

TM Photo by JUAN OCAMPO

### ● MACKSOUND VETOES

ASCC President Alexander Macksoud vetoes two senate approved bills in hotly contested 84-unit and 5 semester debates.

### ● DROP DATE

The last day to drop classes is Friday, April 22. Forms may be obtained in the Admissions office.

### ● 'ROXANNE'

The ASCC will be presenting the movie Roxanne on Thursday, April 9 for two showings, 7 and 9 p.m.

## EDITORIALS

**Desire for units doesn't add up to desire to serve**

It is due time to commend certain members of the Cerritos College Student Body Government on their selfless dedication to duty.

A move to erase the 84-unit limit on student government service is in the works. This bill shows that some students have a nearly limitless desire to serve our school.

Were this measure to be approved, Cerritos would almost certainly be guaranteed the best educated, most mature community college government in the state.

Very educated indeed as the present cap is a third of the way towards their second Associate in Arts Degree.

Mike Negrete who co-authored the bill stated, "A person who has acquired a great deal of knowledge can benefit the system by teaching newcomers."

Experienced politicians might be of some value to our school. The question is, just how much experience do they need? Do we want our elected officials making Cerritos College politics a career?

Earlier this year, Student Body President Alex Macksoud attempted to ramrod a bill through the Senate, a bill to lower the minimum requirement for student government activity to six units.

This is the third time in as many years that we have seen this bill. This time, the bill was presented to the Senate by Ex-Party Whip Ed McGinn, along with Negrete.

The bill, at present, does not seek to lift the six semester cap on service, but if the limit is erased, can a measure addressing the semester limit be far behind?

**Draft age persons should take closer look at perils of Panama...**

Manuel Noriega, Panamanian strong man and reputed drug czar, has recently shown a growing disenchantment with the United States and the democratic process in general.

His displeasure has been most evident since he was indicted on drug smuggling charges by a U.S. court and his government was asked to extradite him.

His solution to his legal problems has been a model of simplicity and straightforwardness. He became the government and refused to extradite himself. He has since amused himself by arresting opposition leaders, having foreign journalists mugged for their video tape and chasing the U.S. Ambassador around Panama City.

He has also been shot at by his own officers in an aborted coup attempt.

The officially recognized Panamanian Ambassador to the U.S. suggested to network news crews

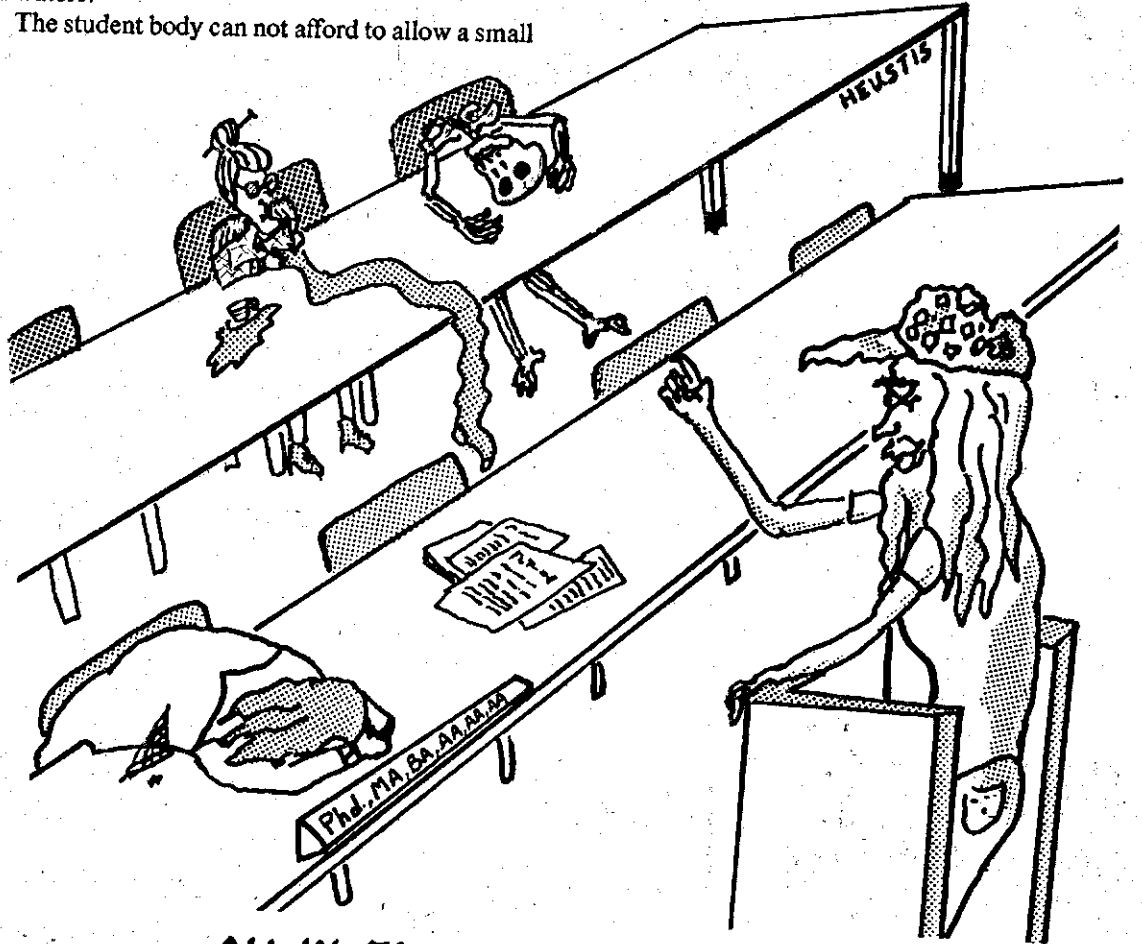
At six units a semester, with no unit cap, Alex could conceivably be President Dr. Macksoud before he is through.

Student government should give the broadest possible range of students a chance to test the political waters.

The student body can not afford to allow a small

number of people to use our government as a venue for petty empire building.

...The student body can be thankful that Macksoud vetoed the hard-to-kill bill he first pushed, regardless of his motives.



**ALL IN FAVOR OF LIFTING THE 1332 UNIT LIMIT FOR SENATORS...**

that our government should "send in the Marines" to kidnap General Noriega and bring him to justice.

People in the streets of Panama City, who were interviewed by T.V. news correspondents, stated that the U.S. should intervene on their behalf.

One woman looked into the camera and said, "You should come get him (Noriega) he's your monster."

How did this "monster" wind up in power and why did the woman say that he belongs to us?

How did this hooligan dope runner wind up sitting right on top of the most strategic body of water in this hemisphere?

Since Teddy Roosevelt dug his ditch from one side of Panama to the other, the U.S. government has been the dominant force in that nation's politics. Indeed, very little has happened in Panama since then, that has not met with Federal approval.

Our government did not relinquish control of the canal until they were positive that it would be protected from Communist takeover.

They became fairly certain of the canal's security when they found a real tough, anti-communist general to take command of the Panamanian Armed Forces. A general that the CIA knew and trusted, Manuel Noriega.

The particulars of General Noriega's rise to power could fill a book; we do not have the space here to trace them and, indeed all of them will not surface for years.

The reasons will have to wait. The "monster" will have to be dealt with first.

How we will eventually deal with this strongman is not yet certain, but for now, the **TALON MARKS** suggests that any readers who are of draft age owe it to themselves to deepen their understanding of Panamanian politics.

**MISC. MYERS**

By Karibeth Myers

**Hare-raising habit throws rabbits in chocolate stew**

Bunny abuse must buy the hutch!

For years, the chocolate bunny has been abused by countless Americans, who take pride in their multiple ways of eating them in cold cocoa.

Most, it seems, start with the ears. This may be fortunate, for it keeps the unfurry victim from hearing the smack of lips, and snap of appendages as they are bitten from his body.

Then, for some cruel or sardonic reason, these bunny biters cotton to the tail.

One particularly vicious Hershey hound was heard to have said, "I go straight for the ears, but I only munch down on half of them. That way the little guy can hear the rest of himself go."

While this information is alarming to those of us who abstain from this spring ritual, it is vital to the maintenance of the chocolate bunny species that these atrocities

are brought to the fore.

Why does the hapless rabbit not use its feet, which, when we left off, were still attached to its slowly disappearing body, to bunny hop the heck out of there?

Well, frankly, the shocking answer is shock.

The poor bunny can only wait in sculpted horror as the sadistic, drooling mouth moves in for another chunk... be it an arm, a leg, or, perhaps through grace, its head, thus putting it out of its misery.

This kind of senseless nibbling must be curtailed.

Now is the time for all caring persons to jump forward and get hopping mad.

To find out what you can do to end the torture of these chocolate innocents, call or write your local chapter of H.A.R.E. (Humans Against Rabbit Eating).

There's nothing to split bunny hairs about here.

**LETTERS:****EDITOR:**

Recently we've heard on the news about the Reagan Administration's offensive in Panama and against Nicaragua, and LAPD Chief Darryl Gates calling for a friendly invasion of our Latin American neighbors to, of all things, end corruption "down there."

Is this administration waging a "crusade," as they term it, or is it just a smoke screen to deflect our attention away from their impotence in dealing with the Soviet Union, terrorists, and trade issues?

Ironically this same administration, which seeks to end corruption "down there," has seen 101 of its own top officials indicted on fraud, conflict of interest, insider trading, and a whole assortment of "white collar" criminal activity.

Before this administration tries to place a puppet regime in Panama, or try a friendly invasion of Colombia, to end corruption, why not try ending some of their own corruption first?

**MARCO SANCHEZ**  
SECRETARY OF MECHIA

**Summer signups**

Priority registration for Summer School calls for filing of intents to register. Students should file now, officials advise. First session classes begin May 31.

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**McGinn resigns after 84-Unit veto**

**Student government faced with one less *Fewer* Vice-President**

By RICHARD DE LABY  
TM Associate Editor

Kenny Fewer has resigned from the student body Vice-Presidency.

Ed McGinn has resigned from the position of Party Whip.

Both resignations were formally presented by Student Body President Alex Macksoud at Monday's Executive Cabinet meeting.

While Fewer's resignation was friendly, McGinn's was brought about because of personal conflicts with Macksoud's administration.

Fewer recently received a position with the California Youth Authorities and felt it would be unfair to remain in his position when he could not devote the time necessary to be an effective administrator.

This, along with what he described as personal problems, led to his resignation.

"I think it is unfortunate that he has to resign this late in the game after having done such an outstanding job," stated Associate Dean of Student Activities, Phil Houseman, "but he is doing what is best for him.

"I'm sorry to see him go," concluded Houseman.

McGinn relinquished his duties in a letter that was addressed to Macksoud.

McGinn charged that Macksoud had broken campaign promises, including a "no-veto" administration, and that he has put an excessive number of people from his fraternity (Sigma Phi) into office.

Macksoud recently vetoed two bills that were authored by McGinn, and has, according to McGinn, broken the promise he had made.

Macksoud was also accused of pushing for a bill last semester that would lower the number of units required to hold a student body office from 10 to six for the purpose of allowing himself to take less units this semester.

"I carried 14 units last semester and 11 this semester," stated Macksoud. "Why would I take more than was required if I was looking for a way out of taking the 10?"

In concluding his letter, McGinn stated, "In closing, I would like to state that I harbour no feelings of ill will toward you. Hard feelings occur between friends, not between political rivals such as you and I.



VP FEWER RESIGNS — ASCC Vice-President (right) resigned due to work conflict. President Alex Macksoud (left) applauded Fewer's service.

TM Photo by ELIZABETH ARCAS

**Universities to be on campus; schedule slated throughout April**

The Transfer Center schedule for the month of April is as follows:

- April 6 — CSU Fullerton 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
- April 7 — UC Irvine 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Whittier College 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
- April 11 — UCLA 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- April 12 — CSU Fullerton 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- April 13 CSU Fullerton (Eval) 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
- April 15 — UCLA Tour bus leaves 9 a.m.
- April 18 — UC Irvine 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; CSU Dominguez Hills Tour bus leaves p.m.
- April 19 — SCHEC College Mini Fair 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; UC Riverside 1-3 p.m.; CSU Fullerton 3-8 p.m.
- April 20 — CSU Fullerton 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

- April 21 — USC 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- April 22 — CSU Long Beach Transfer Day bus leaves 8 a.m.; CSU Los Angeles Tour, bus leaves 8:15 a.m.
- April 25 — UCLA 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- April 26 — CSU Fullerton 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- April 27 — CSU Fullerton 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Cal Poly Pomona University information and tour, bus leaves 9 a.m.
- April 29 — UC Irvine Tour, bus leaves 9:15 a.m.

**Faculty settles for 5.2 pay hike**

A 5.2 percent boost in salaries, a \$20,000 increase in life insurance policies, and medical coverage for spouses of retired employees were approved for the Cerritos College faculty by the Board of Trustees in the settlement of 1988 salaries and benefits.

The Board also renewed contracts of President/Superintendent, Dr. Ernest A. Martinez, Dr. Walter C. Magnuson, Vice-President of Business Services, and Vice-President of Instruction, Dr. George Melican.

Included in the faculty salary hike are Child Development Center personnel and part-time and temporary instructors and part-time counselors and librarians.

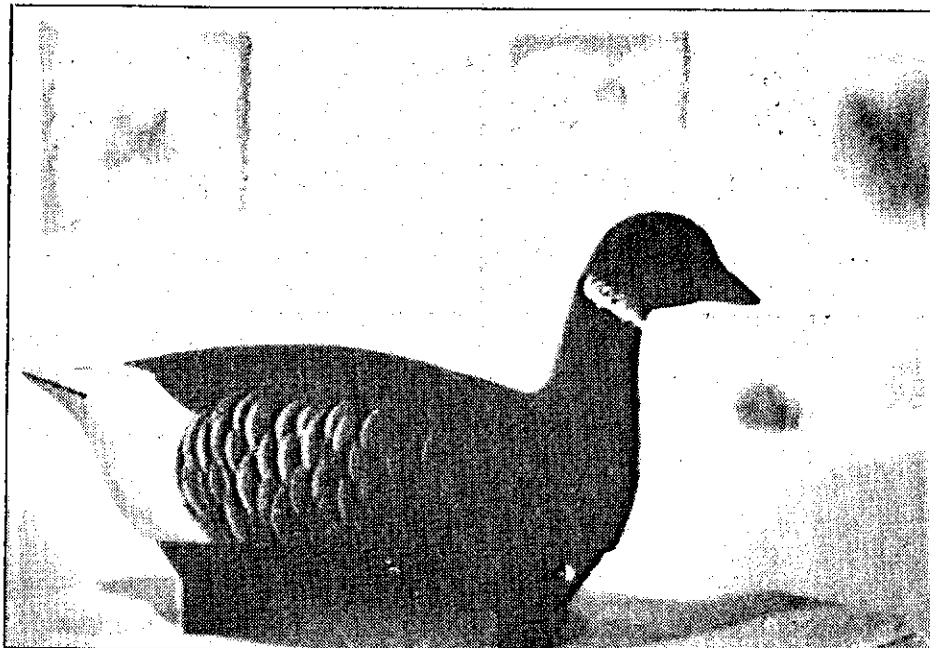
**Student dealers to be hit hard by Grisham**

By ROBERT CAMPUZANO  
TM Staff Writer

A new, tougher law is being proposed by Nowalk Assemblyman, Wayne Grisham to mandate intensive treatment of minors guilty of school related drug dealing.

As part of the bill's introduction, a public forum for anti-drug organizations, orchestrated by Assemblyman Grisham, was hosted at Cerritos College.

The new law, AB 3459, would force convicted dealers into drug rehabilitation and or detoxification programs, as well as forbidding them back into the public school system. These penalties would be imposed in addition to 40 hours of community service, as demanded by the existing law.



DUCKS AND WATERCOLORS — Carved duck decoys (above) by Joe Girtner and watercolors by Rudy Aguirre are featured in a special Exhibit in the Art Gallery through April 22. Public is invited. Aguirre retired last year.

TM Photo by NANCY BALLARD

**Calendar Calendar Calendar Calendar Calendar**

- The movie "Roxanne" starring Steve Martin and Daryl Hannah is playing at the Burnight Theater Thursday, April 7 with a 7 and 9 p.m. showing. This ASCC sponsored event is free to current members and staff.
- The current exhibit in the Fine Arts Gallery features the watercolors of Rudy Aguirre and the duck decoy carvings of Joe Girtner. The exhibit runs through April 22.
- Dinner theatre returns to Cerritos with the musical "Fantasticks" on April 14 in the Student Center.
- Evening childcare is available Monday through Thursday until 10 p.m. at the Child Development Center. A summer program will also be offered for the first six weeks of the summer session. For cost and space availability call Ext. 479.
- Music ranging from classical to jazz will

- be performed at the annual Faculty Music Gala to be held Sunday, April 10 at 2:30 p.m. in Burnight Center Theatre. The admission price is \$5 and the proceeds go to the Music Department Scholarship Fund.
- The Culinary Arts Department is cooking up international cuisine beginning on Thursday, April 7, with menu selections centering around French cuisine. All American Day will be on April 26, and Mexican food will coincide with the Cinco de Mayo celebration.
- A workshop trilogy sponsored by Psi Beta on Body, Mind and Spirit will be held on Saturday, April 16 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 102 of the Health Science Building. Tickets will be on sale at the Student Center and at the SS Elbow room Tuesday & Thursday from 11-noon. The advance ticket price is \$4.50 and includes all three workshops and a lunch.
- Alma Morales, Diane Hoffman, Tamara Mantlo and Yvette Garcia members of Iota Phi Omicron have been lauded for their volunteer work with the Southern California Head Injury Foundation.
- The mobile chest X-ray unit will be on

- campus Tuesday, April 12 from 1:30-4 p.m. and 6:30-7p.m. The unit is open to the public and the cost is \$10.
- Learning how to communicate more effectively will be the emphasis in the workshop "Steps to Better Communication" presented by the Re-entry Resource Center. The workshop will be on Thursday, April 28 from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Cerritos Board Room. Admission is free and reservations are recommended.
- The Cerritos College Foundation cookbook is now on sale at Community Services. The book includes recipes contributed by staff members and the \$10 cost is tax deductible.
- New health education videos are available for staff use in the classroom from Student Health Services. Subjects include AIDS, earthquake and disaster, and emergency care.
- Eddie Mesa, the "Elvis Presley of the Philippines" and his son Michael will appear at the Burnight Thursday, April 7 at 11 a.m. the Mesas are both stars of Phillipine movies and TV. Also appearing will be Fred Galang.

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