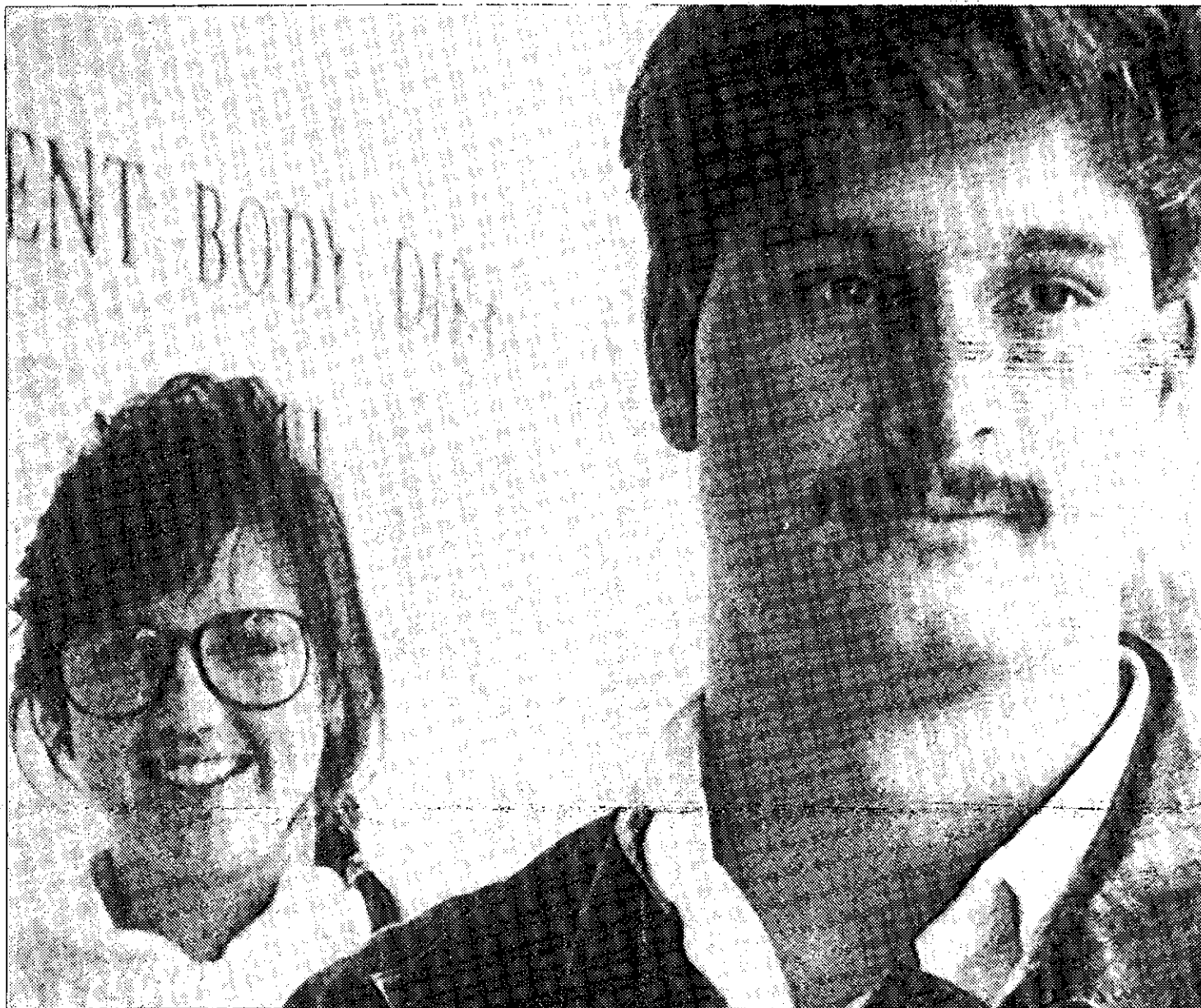




GOMEZ, KAFEL ONLY SLATE GOING FOR ASCC POSTS



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50% vote count needed to seat

By JOHN MCDUGAL
TM Editorial Editor

Barring the late emergence of a strong write-in candidate, the race for the presidency of the Cerritos College Associated Students has only one horse running.

Jesus Gomez and running-mate Kelly Kafel have the endorsement of outgoing president Alex Macksoud and appear to have the unilateral support of the traditionally block-voting sororities and fraternities.

Speculation in and around the offices of campus government is that the early showing of support for the Gomez-Kafel ticket may have intimidated any other political hopefuls.

Gomez and Kafel were the only team to file the papers allowing them to be on the ballot.

"I have been here seven years and this is the first time we have encountered a situation like this," said Associate Dean of Student Activities, Phil Houseman in reference to the single-slate election.

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SINGLE SLATE — Strong slate of Jesus Gomez and Kelly Kafel faced with no competition for ASCC president, vice president.

IMPEACHMENT MOVE

14-13 Senate vote sets hearing today for Chiasson, McGinn bill

By KARLA HUFENBACH
TM Associate Editor

The rumored impeachment move materialized near the end of last week's ASCC Senate meeting as the Senators called for a formal impeachment hearing at today's meeting.

Senate leaders hoping to override presidential vetoes failed to garner the necessary two-thirds vote to keep the two controversial bills alive.

Senator Kimberly Chaisson called for impeachment of TM staff member, and newly appointed senator, Richard De Laby on the charges of "conflict of interest."

Chaisson said "It's nothing personal, He lied to us (the Senate), he said that he would not be covering student government, and he did..."

DeLaby issued a "no comment" when asked by temporary Senate Chair Mike Negrete to take the podium and address the charges made by Chiasson.

In reaction to De Laby's response, otherwise non-committal senators voted in favor of the hearing.

Chaisson met the 12 noon deadline for filing charges in a bill co-authored by Ed McGinn, and the hearing is the only item on today's agenda.

With heavy discussion and strong opinion expected on the two override measures Mike Negrete, in a show of calm and effective leadership, cautioned the Senate "to keep to the issues...and vote the way you want to."

The 84-unit, five semester bill would have lifted the 84-unit cap but limit student government service to five semesters. With a 16-11-0 vote the bill was turned down upholding President Alex Macksoud's veto.

Ed McGinn speaking in favor of the other bill said "The requirements for student government should be consistent."

The bill would have placed a general election measure on the ballot to raise the GPA from the existing 2.0 to 2.25 for ASCC senators, making the requirements uniform for all student officials. It failed 10-17.

Jack Randall to speak at at May 15 commencement

By KENNY O'LEARY
TM Staff Writer

The commencement speaker this year is former Cerritos Vice President of Instruction Dr. Jack Randall.

The ceremonies will be held Sunday, May 15, at 5:30 p.m.

Randall, who left Cerritos to become president of Mt. San Antonio College, is currently serving as interim Chancellor of the California Community Colleges in Sacramento.

Several hundred graduates are expected to be on hand to receive AA degrees and certificates in a catalog of majors and vocational areas.

Graduation will take place in Falcon Stadium. Candidates will gather in the Gym no later than 4:30, march double file into the stadium from the north end, along the track to seats in front of the grandstand.

Faculty marshalls are professors Bedal Diaz, Counseling; Dr. Joan Huffman, Biology; Fred Hunter, Business; and Patricia Regan, Health Occupations.

Associated Students president Alex Macksoud III will lead the Pledge of Allegiance. The invocation will be directed by C. Thomas Nelson, chairman of the Journalism Department.

The Traditional welcome and message to the students will be by Dr. Ernest Martinez, college president.

Board president Barbara Hayden and vice president Mark Durant will present the diplomas.

Diploma recipients will be announced by Dr. Adolph Johnson, Dean of Academic Affairs, and Richard Whiteman, Dean of Vocational Education/Special Projects.

Vice president for Business Dr. Walter Magnusson will introduce the speaker.

Officials noted that tassels should be draped over the left front quarter of the cap which should be worn straight, and pulled down over the forehead.

Caps should be worn at all times except during the Invocation and the Playing of the National Anthem, according to officials.

● INTENT TO REGISTER

Continuing students must file in the Admissions office by May 11 for summer classes. Priority cards will not be mailed.

● GREEK WEEK/3

Greek Week activities continue through Friday. Campus events include a pie eating contest and water sports.

● RECREATION NIGHT/4

The last Recreation night of the semester is April 24. Top winners will be acknowledged at the Spring banquet.

EDITORIAL

Where have all the candidates gone? To the sidelines, everyone?

As we enter an election week, with only one slate registered for the race, we question once again, the process by which we elect our officials.

In the past, the *TALON MARKS* has asked for reform in the way campaigns are run, so that the voter would have more access to the candidates, and be better able to make an informed decision. As it stands now, we rarely even know the faces that go with the names on the posters plastered all over the campus, much less where a candidate might stand on an issue. We have no way of learning what a particular candidate might view as an issue.

In short, we are not being represented. We are being led by people we don't know, through issues we are rarely apprised of.

Nothing was done to address the complaints raised on this page and continued low voter turn-outs has been the result.

Now the student body is offered a choice of one, in the single most important political decision we can make related to our campus.

In the past, the national presidential election has been heavily influenced by early returns and projections from the eastern states. Voters in the western states who were watching their favorites take a beating on TV were less inclined to go to the polls, as they thought that their vote would be wasted on a lost cause.

The situation here is quite similar in some ways. Heavy support, shown early, for the registered slate

of Gomez and Kafel, coupled with the short amount of time to campaign, intimidated any opposition and no challengers have surfaced. Who wants to lead a charge into a stacked deck?

Now the government calls a press conference to introduce the new candidate and for more than an hour nobody from the government shows. No candidates, no governors, nobody.

It didn't show much respect to the student body. It seems that contact with the student body is a low priority for our officials.

As the subject of mandatory ASCC membership looms before the senate, it would be wise of our officials to find ways to more fully involve the students that they claim to represent.



Don't take grants for granted — try at Financial Aid

By BOB CAMPUZANO
TM Staff Writer

"If you think education is expensive, try ignorance."

Most students are unaware of the scholarships and grants available to them through the financial aid department.

Awards from \$200, to \$6,000 may help smooth out the financial ups and downs of qualified applicants.

These represent a small portion of the many grants and scholarships offered by local and national organizations to assist those pursuing bachelor degrees in college. GPA requirements range from 2.5 to 4.0 and may require as little effort as the time to fill out the application.

Women re-entering college who maintain a 3.0 GPA may apply for a \$200-\$500 scholarship from the American Association of University Women.

The California Lutheran University Transfer program has made available 30 transfer scholarships, ranging from \$1,500-\$6,000 for students who plan to attend California Lutheran University. This grant is renewable to the students as they complete their B.A with a 3.0 average.

Students with a slightly higher GPA of 3.5 may be awarded one of three \$4,500 presidential merit scholarships for the same academic years.

The Financial Aid Office is also making available applications for the Board of Governors Grant (BOGG) for the 1988 fall semester enrollment fee.

There are deadlines for each application and some require appointments for interviews or testing dates.

New ASCC budget calls for \$5,000 spending hike

By MARK HEUSTIS
TM Staff Writer

The ASCC Committee of Finance and Budget is expected to ask for an overall increase of \$5,000 over last year's total expenditures.

Senate ratification should take place on May 11 if the upcoming meeting between the committee and various departmental accounting advisers is successful.

The committee, headed by chairperson Tina Adele, has been working since February to bring the budget to the Senate, and finally to President Ernest Martinez for approval.

Largely accounting for the increase is a projected \$7,000 rise in spending for orientation programs.

Though the proposal is coming in near

the end of the semester, according to Associate Dean of Student Activities Phillip Houseman, "When you're dealing with nearly half a million dollar budget, you cannot bring it on over night."

ASCC membership fees make up one half of the total funding, with one quarter coming from the student book store. Income from sports, concessions, vending commissions, newspaper advertising and the like are responsible for the balance of the ASCC income.

As for areas of spending, "A whole number of academic and student programs go unnoticed," said Houseman.

These include \$40,000 for convocations and programs, \$17,000 goes for insurance and medical, \$21,000 is earmarked for conferences and \$16,000 is expected to go

towards student handbooks.

Other committee members are ASCC President Alex Macksoud, Senator Vickie Williams, and student representative Holly Bogdanovich.

The expected total for the administrative spending is \$165,200, making up over one quarter of the proposed budget.

Athletics is the next largest area with an expected \$125,085 total expenditure. This includes such things as memberships, supplies, game management, and awards.

Programs such as "Talon Marks," KCEB, Forensics and Theatre Arts make up another \$68,050 of next year's budget proposal.

Legal fees that cost \$1,500 last year are being eliminated with the utilization of a free counseling service.

MISC. MYERS

By Karibeth Myers

It's all those other guys who really tick me off...



I have this gift for sitting next to society's fun people.

You know the ones...

Slightly deviant persons whose "home" of the mind is lit only by a flickering candle.

Like the lady behind me Friday night. There I was, intently snuggled into the balcony scene of "Romeo and Juliet," when behind me I heard...

"What's the name of this play again?" springing from unknown female lips.

Talk about losing the moment.

It took everyone in earshot a few minutes to suppress their giggles and get back into the mood.

Not the most perceptive person in the world, perhaps?

Then there was the woman next to me at

"Fatal Attraction."

She must have had springs on her backside.

She hopped higher than most rabbits...at least, the ones who failed their "F.A." screen test.

Maybe I'm exaggerating a little.

After all, it was only one weekend out of my life.

It just seemed as though everywhere I went I was seated next to one of the unNorms.

Not that I mind bizarre people and actions.

On occasion I've been known to behave abnormally.

But that tic of mine isn't half so bad anymore, and it only seems to be acting up when I'm around people I don't know.

LETTERS

AGS takes issue

EDITOR:

This is in response to a recent letter by Robert J. Grocholski, President of A.G.S., decrying the lack of understanding by students of the recent Panamanian crisis.

While he is certainly entitled to his opinion, and that other A.G.S. members may agree with him, it must be stated that Alpha Gamma Sigma (California Community College Honor Society) or its local chapter at Cerritos College, Gamma Omicron does not espouse any specific political ideology.

The purpose of Alpha Gamma Sigma is to foster, promote and recognize scholastic achievement.

It also encourages social and civic participation to both the college and the community. A.G.S. members come from diverse socio-cultural and political backgrounds.

It is the recognition of this diversity that makes Alpha Gamma Sigma special.

Allen B. Ongchango

Talon Marks

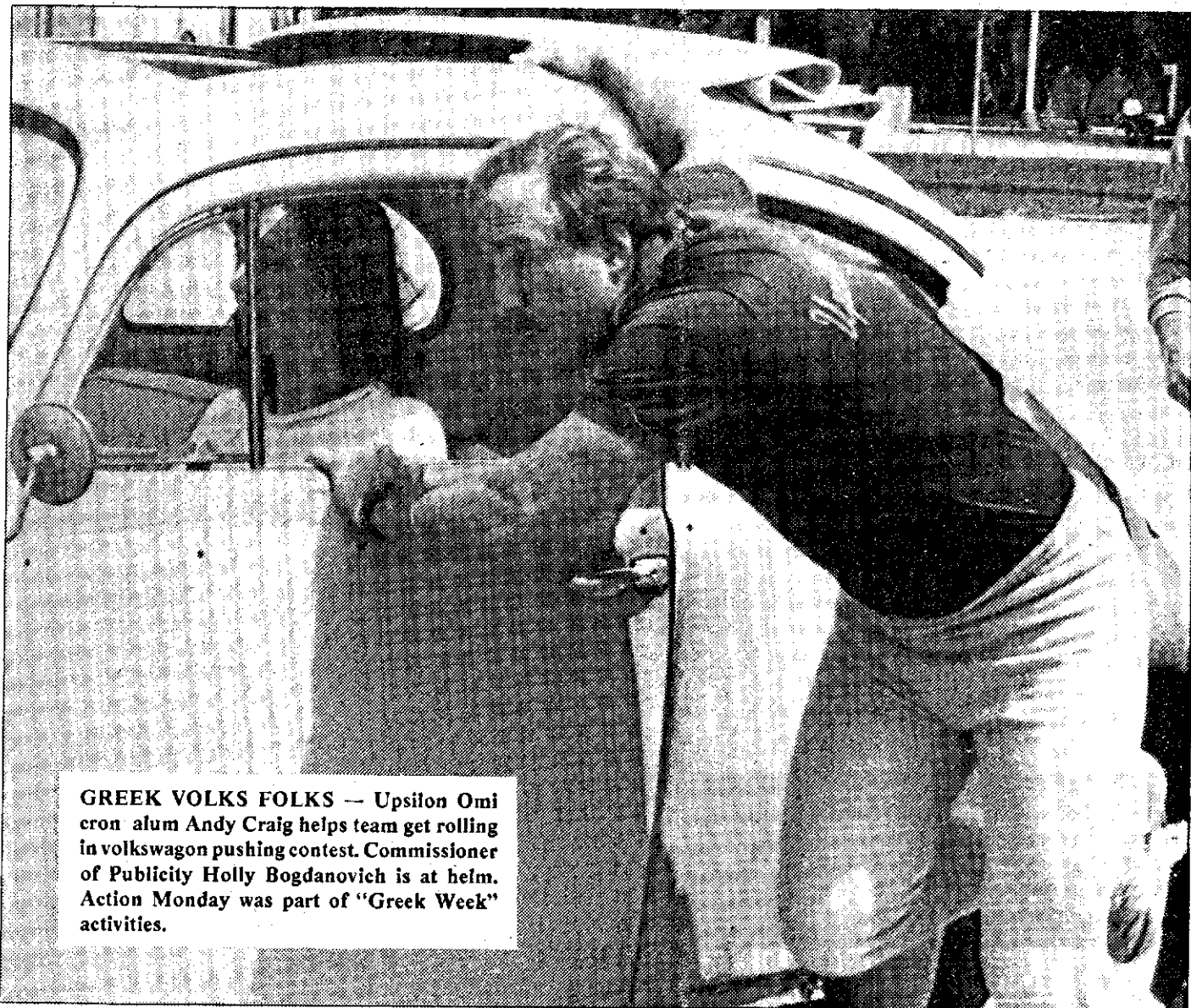
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GREEK VOLKS FOLKS — Upsilon Omicron alum Andy Craig helps team get rolling in volkswagon pushing contest. Commissioner of Publicity Holly Bogdanovich is at helm. Action Monday was part of "Greek Week" activities.

Gomez, Kafel get 'jump' in big race

By JOHN WELSH
TM Managing Editor

Like the hare that got a jump on the turtle, Jesus Gomez and Kelly Kafel say that their preparedness put them in the position as the only ticket vying for the student body's top two spots.

Where's the turtle? Why is it that the hare finds himself alone in the usually illustrious Cerritos College race of races?

"There's no other slates because we were the best prepared, best qualified and we got a head start on everyone else," said Gomez, the sole ASCC presidential hopeful at yesterday's press conference.

Gomez said he announced running as early as the San Diego Leadership Conference in January.

Allen Holland, whom Gomez said was considering running for president, disagreed with the prexy runner.

"I don't think that's the reason," said Holland, a vice-presidential hopeful last year against two other parties.

"There's a lack of qualified people. No one has been around long enough to know how to run things."

Despite being the sole ticket for ASCC president, and vice-president, Gomez and Kafel, supporters of the Student Union completion, said they still plan to campaign for the election on April 27-28.

Gomez and Kafel still need to get 50 percent plus one vote according to ASCC by-laws to sit in the office Alex Macksoud now holds.

"The only reason it may be a disappointment (having no opponents) is that we're both qualified," suggested Kafel.

"In the eyes of other people, however, because we don't have anyone else running against us, it's obvious we're going to win. That's disappointing."

Making the student body fee mandatory and keeping the minimum grade point average for student senate representatives at 2.0 are two issues the Gomez-Kafel slate list as major.

"Although we are the only slate, I don't think there should be any doubt in our ability."

"I would have loved running against no one," Holland said.

"One thing is for sure, (Gomez and Kafel) will win — even if anyone else had run against them."

"They have so much backing behind them."

With only one team gunning for student government's top positions, the turtles seem to have realistically been a little too slow this semester.

TM Photo by JOHN WELSH

New registration system makes sign-ups easy as...

By RICHARD DE LABY
TM Associate Editor

"Making registration as easy as walking into a market and buying a candy bar" is the goal of the new registration system being implemented by Vice-President of Instruction, Dr. Steven Helfgot.

The new procedure will be put into action for the Fall semester, starting with early registration of 5,000 students in May, and in June and July, an orientation for new students along with sign-ups of both new and returning students.

Students with between 23 and 65 units will be targeted for the special registration in May.

"Catering to students with a large chunk of experience under their belts should lead to a large turnout in May," said Helfgot.

A limited orientation for new students was used for Spring registration, but the new plan will be geared towards making the new

student feel comfortable with the entire college atmosphere.

Incoming students will receive all necessary information for registering at the special orientation, a guided tour of the campus, complimentary lunch, and the opportunity to register on the spot if they wish.

Continuing students who wish to plan their schedule early can also sign-up in June and July.

"The earlier students can register the better," said Helfgot. "Especially those who need to plan their work schedule around their education."

An additional advantage to the innovative design is that the entire process of registering will be handled in the admissions office.

Registration in August, as offered in the past, will also be offered to those who do not take advantage of the new method.

ELECTION

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"Indeed, decisions were still being made on Monday morning as to the proper way to handle the election."

There will be two spaces on the ballot for write-ins and the election may be held to one day, Wednesday, April 27.

Prospective candidates need 50 percent plus one of the votes cast to win the race. If a write-in candidate dilutes the balloting so no slate gets the necessary percentage to win a run-off would be held.

Should Gomez win, as expected, he will be taking the helm of a ship that has been severely battered in the raging political storms of the past semester and a half.

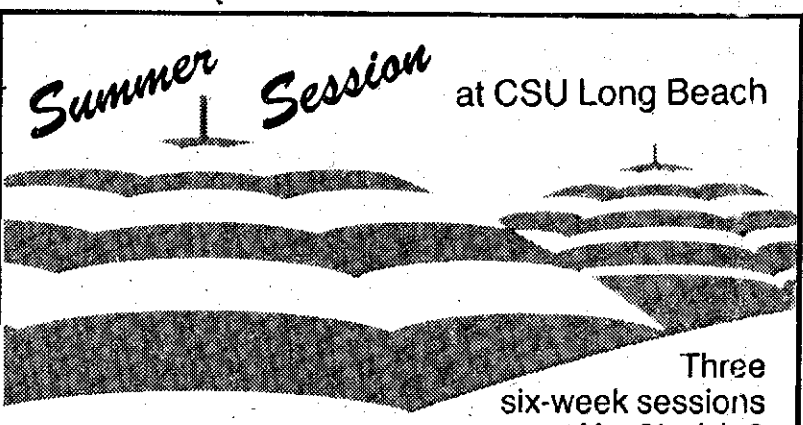
Student art on exhibit

An exhibit, May 3-19, in the school's fine Arts Gallery will feature student art.

A reception from, 6-9 p.m. is scheduled for the exhibit's first day.

Admission is free for the exhibition that includes student work in various areas, including painting, printmaking, ceramics, three dimensional design, drawing, graphic design and jewelry.

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